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a message from

Scott Sklar

Dear Meadia Heights Members,

Summer is in full swing, and there's never been a more exciting time to be part of Meadia Heights Golf Club!

Our 3-Day Member-Guest Invitational and the Ladies' Member-Guest tournaments were each a huge success, and I invite you to read more about them in this issue. We're proud to say the 3-Day Invitational raised over \$1,800 for Hospice of Lancaster County! Also in this issue, you'll see our young Meadia golfers who've been competing this summer in the Junior Interclub League with our neighboring clubs. Be sure to congratulate and encourage all who participated in our tournaments and the Junior League!

The golf course itself is in outstanding shape, healthier and more pristine than ever, and it's been a joy to see so many of you taking advantage of it. If you see Bobby, Kole, or any member of the maintenance staff while you're out there, please give them a thumbs-up.

Event participation is at an all-time high, and we sincerely thank all members who've been joining in on the fun and helping to create such a vibrant club atmosphere.

Looking ahead, we've got a competitive lineup you won't want to miss. The Charter Cup, Club Championship, Ultimate Better Ball, MGA and WGA Shootouts, the Mixed Club Championship, and much more are all still to come. Whether you're looking to compete or just enjoy the game, there's something for everyone this season.

Thank you for being part of what makes Meadia Heights so special. We can't wait to see you out on the course and at our upcoming events!

Golfingly Yours,

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SCOTT SKLAR Head Golf Professional

LOOK WHO'S HERE!

Patrick Holmes

Our newest members have arrived just in time for summer fun. Welcome to all!

Noah Barger
Russell Clark
Heather Colosi
Charles Connelly
George Coudon
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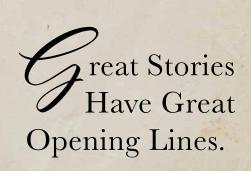
SOCIAL EVENTS



Be sure to follow Meadia Heights on Facebook and Instagram!

AUG	03	Sunday Brunch	09	Fête en Blanc*	21	Wine S	ociety*	23	Pasta Night*
	24	Sunday Mixed Sweeps	26	Cigar Club Book Club	28	(Crazy 7s	31	Labor Day Family Fun Day
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Ladies' Member-Guest Tournament Winners

Ann Schein, Cindy Small, Christine Smith, Dee Bortner



Derby Race Team Winners

Cathy Figart, Carolyn Salisbury, Constance Murphy, Julie Wenger



Inbridled Fun

The 2025 Ladies' Member-Guest Tournament, held on June 26, was a day of Kentucky Derby-themed fun, with fancy hats, festooned golf carts, a delicious luncheon, a cart-and-putt relay "Derby Race" on 9 fairway, and hard-charging competition. All participants were gifted a Kanga cooler to keep their beverages icy cold on this hot day.



How long have you played golf?

16 years.

How often do you play?

3-4 times per week.

How long have you been a **Meadia Heights member?**

My husband and I joined in March 2023, so we've been members for 2 full years.

Which tournaments have you won at Meadia?

The Club Championship, Charter Cup, Gross Ultimate Better Ball with Cindy Moore, and Gross Mixed Club Championship with my husband, all in 2024; Glow Golf in 2023 and 2024; and a few Sunday Mixed Sweeps with my husband.

130 yards.

IT'S IN THE BAG WITH

Danielle Howey



What's the oldest club in your bag, and why is it still there?

My driver, a 2019 TaylorMade M4. It's still in my bag because I hit it so straight.

Which iron do you chip with?

I have a few options, but I mostly use my approach wedge.

Which is your favorite club?

My driver because I'm not afraid to use it on long par 3s.

Which is your least favorite?

My 4-hybrid because it's a new addition to my bag, and I'm still getting used to it.

What snacks do you like to have on hand while playing?

Granola bars — but I will have the occasional Scooby-Doo fruit snack if I make a birdie.

What's the story behind your favorite ball marker?

My favorite ball marker is a pink poker chip with the Hershey Country Club logo on it. My husband bought it for me, and we used to use it only when we played in scramble events. We called it "The Team Ball Marker."

If you could play any course in the world, which would it be?

I would love to play TPC Sawgrass right after The Players tournament.

What's your favorite golf memory?

When my college team and I won the PSAC Championship by 1 stroke. It was our program's first PSAC Championship win.

Which is your favorite hole at Meadia?

#13 because that's where I had my first hole-in-one.

And what's your go-to strategy to play it?

I play the yardage to the back of the green and let the ball spin back.

If your clubs could talk, what would they say?

"Clean me!"



How far do you hit your 7 iron?

THE RC UGH STUFF

What a difference half an inch makes! This season, as you've likely noticed, the rough is a little higher and thicker, making shots out of the deep a little more challenging. But it's all part of the plan: Course Superintendent Bobby Dohner has intentionally had his crew raise their cutting decks from 2.5" to 3" to help improve the health of the rough. Longer grass blades promote deeper roots that will withstand various environmental stresses as well as cart traffic.

Another benefit is aesthetic. By letting the rough go a little longer, the groundskeepers were able to establish a distinctive step cut, which in turn showcases more well-defined fairways. This dramatic contrast dresses up the course visually, and with the amount of rain we've had so far this summer, the health of the grasses has become very apparent in the beautiful contrasting green hues of the various turf lengths.

Additionally, because Meadia is a shorter course, and with fewer trees since last year, the longer rough helps us keep things a bit challenging out there. We realize this may be an adjustment for some golfers, but it has certainly encouraged us all to keep our shots on the fairway.

How to Play the Rough With Scott Sklar, Head Golf Pro

With our course's longer rough, what's the best way to get your ball back on the short stuff? Scott Sklar has some tips and tricks for you.

Tip for Playing Out of the Rough

For long-distance shots out of the rough, consider playing a higher lofted club (like a PW, 9 iron, or 8 iron) and leave your third shot attackable. You may have 80-120 yards, but that will leave you with a chance to hit the green and make a par putt. This style of situational management minimizes the risk of making a high number on any given hole.

Tip for Finding Your Golf Ball

If you happen to hit a not-so-good shot off the tee box, it is more important to keep a close eye on that shot than when you hit one down the middle. Losing track of your tee shot can hurt your score even more when you can't find it after looking for 3 minutes. It can be difficult when you hit a bad shot to focus on the end result, but please take it as a helpful hint: track your bad shots more closely, and find a landmark near to where your ball was headed, like a tree, a shady spot, or a dark patch of grass.

A MENTAL DISCIPLINE EXERCISE FROM TOM WATSON:

Hall of Fame golfer Tom Watson recommends forcing yourself to watch the ball until it comes to rest, even when it's painful to watch, to reinforce accountability and avoid losing balls and strokes.







The Wine Society is open to all club members, but space is limited. We highly recommend making dinner reservations to complete your evening. Check the events calendar and join us at the next meeting.

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Q: HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MEADIA HEIGHTS MEMBER, AND WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO JOIN?

A: Three years. I played on the L-S golf team in high school, so I've always loved the course.

Q: HOW DID YOU GET INTO GOLF? WHO TAUGHT YOU THE GAME?

A: My dad loved the game, and I caught the bug from him. Growing up watching Tiger Woods played a big role, too!

Q: WHICH HOLE AT MEADIA IS YOUR FAVORITE?

A: I'd say 6 or 11. Really, all the par 5s, except for 17...that one eats my lunch.

Q: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE POST-ROUND DRINK AND/OR SNACK AT THE 19TH HOLE?

A: A Surfside Iced Tea and some spicy honey boneless wings.

O: WHERE DID YOU GROW UP?

A: I was born and raised in Lancaster County.

O: WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST JOB?

A: I worked for the Lancaster Barnstormers in their Kids' Park.

Q: WHAT'S YOUR OCCUPATION?

A: I sell hardware and fittings to local tractor-trailer repair shops.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN?

A: No kids, but I do have a yellow lab named Brady.

Q: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE BOOK, TV SHOW, OR SONG?

A: I've been reading *Fire & Blood*, that book that the *House of the Dragon* TV series is based on. I hate waiting for the new seasons! As for music, I'll listen to anything.

O: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE FOOD?

A: I love a good pasta dish or a nice steak dinner.

O: WHAT'S YOUR DRINK OF CHOICE?

A: Jack & Coke or Surfside.

Q: WHAT'S THE MOST UNUSUAL FOOD YOU'VE EVER EATEN?

A: Frog legs. Not bad, really. They really do taste like chicken!

Q: WHAT ARE THREE ITEMS YOU'D TAKE WITH YOU TO A DESERTED ISLAND?

A: A fishing rod, my dog, and boxes of SPF 100 sunscreen.

Q: WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO A NEW MEMBER JOINING THE CLUB?

A: Join in on the tourneys to play with new people. Also, hang out at the 19th Hole and pool after your round.

Q: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE MEADIA HEIGHTS MEMORY?

A: My favorite memory is from last year when I drove 5 green and made an eagle. I then eagled 6 after that. I'd never had back-to-back eagles!

Q: WHO IS YOUR DREAM GOLF PARTNER?

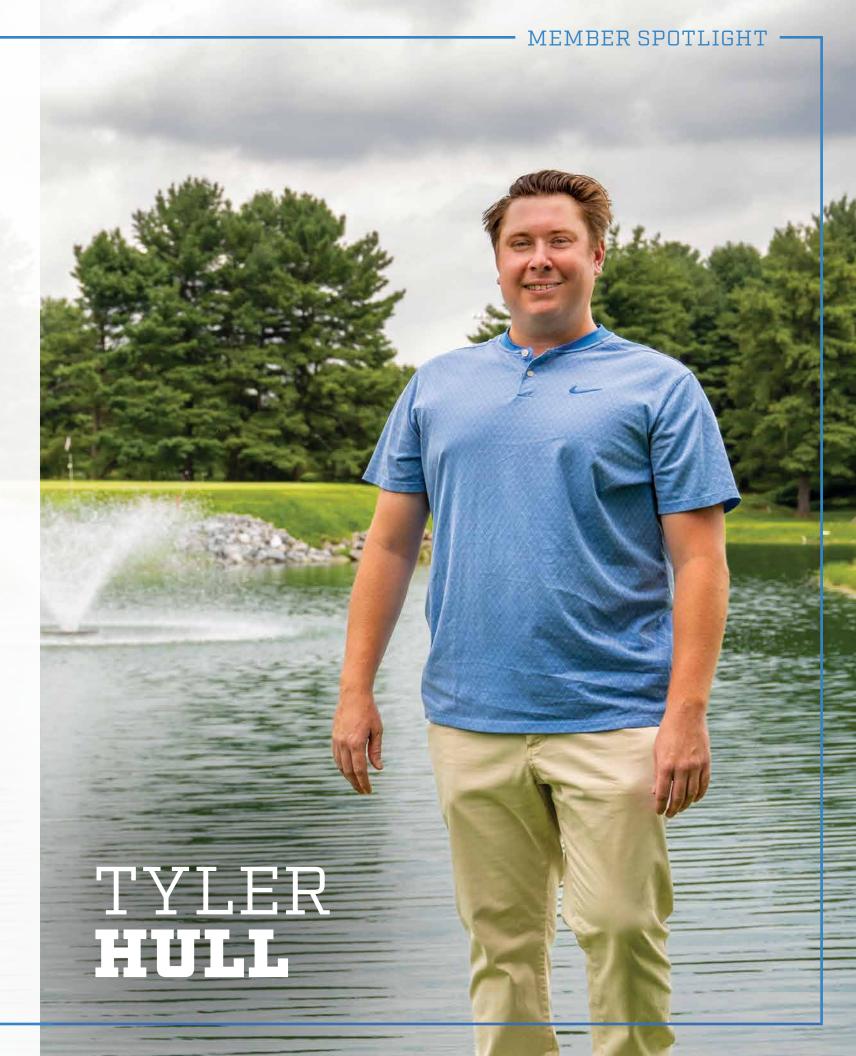
A: The G.O.A.T...Tiger Woods.

Q: WHAT ARE YOU GRATEFUL FOR?

A: Friends, family, and being able to play golf at Meadia!

Q: WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOUR YOUNGER SELF?

A: Live life to the fullest.





2025 **JUNIOR INTERCLUB** LEAGUE RECAP

The next generation of Meadia Heights golfers has been honing their skills in the Junior Interclub League, competing against teams from Lancaster CC, Bent Creek CC, and Conestoga CC.

Earlier this summer, six matches in a 9-hole, 2-man scramble format were played, plus four practice sessions. Representing Meadia were:

- Ben Adams
- Hadley Dillman
- Jack Bergstrom
- **Grant Hoover**
- Travis Jones

Jacob Wozniak

Grayson Harlan

Fun on the fairways comes in all sizes! These youngsters are learning the game and creating friendships along the way.







BEHIND THE GREENS





Hello and happy summer! This golf season started off hot, literally, with a record-breaking heat wave. Thankfully, we had 11.5" of rain in May and June, resulting in some seriously happy turf! Our crew is working hard to keep it that way, and the pre-season changes we made are paying off.

Easing Divot & Cart Path Damage

The new divot sand/seed combo is working great. Not only does the green sand give a cleaner appearance, it also contains more organic matter, which helps establish the regenerating perennial ryegrass we switched to. I don't see too many unfilled divots out there, so thank you greatly for that! Of all the golf courses I've worked at, this membership far exceeds the others in taking care

I also thank you for following all cart signage each time you play. We've been consistently monitoring cart traffic and changing its patterns this year, which is helping with pinch points around the course.

Battling Bugs

In addition to fighting annual bluegrass weevils (see the next-to-last page of this issue), we've also been working to suppress white grubs, the larvae of various flying beetles we have on the course (e.g., Japanese, northern masked chamfer, and others). We should see a breakthrough in the fall, but in the meantime, you may see dig marks from raccoons and skunks, who eat grubs. We're prepared with post-emergent products to help those areas as they pop up.

Ongoing Bunker Maintenance

Our crew spent a lot of time pumping out bunkers this spring, so they needed a good reset to put the sand back where it should be. Summer's pop-up storms make washouts inevitable, though, so we've been checking sand depths monthly to help maintain consistent playability on a hole-to-hole basis.

Small Changes, Big Impact

We recently completed a few smaller projects too, like replacing decaying wooden walls with stone in a few spots on #4 and the two beds at the Golf Road entrance. We also added some pavers around tight turns to fix compacted, washed-out areas and make driving around the course smoother.

Looking Ahead

As a kid, I never liked fall. Now I love it and count down the days till its arrival. But for now, the days are long, the weather is nice, and there's still plenty of golf to be played. As always, I look forward to seeing all of you out there enjoying the course!

Head Superintendent

WHEN DID YOU START AT MEADIA? WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO **WORK HERE?**

July 2023. I was working for the tree service company that Meadia contracts and loved working on the course, so I expressed interest in joining Meadia's team full-time.

WHAT DOES YOUR TYPICAL DAY **LOOK LIKE?**

I run a crew of five people, and we're always working on various course improvement projects.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT **YOUR ROLE?**

I take a lot of pride in making the course look better. I specifically thrive doing small construction projects that make the course more aesthetically pleasing (e.g., the new cart path and brick accent around the 4th tee box).

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW?

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP?

Prison Break.

Mexico.

WHAT'S THE MOST INTERESTING **JOB YOU'VE EVER HAD?**

This one at Meadia.

DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN?

I have two children, a boy and a girl, aged 14 and 4.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DO IN YOUR **FREE TIME?**

Walking, fishing, going to the park with my family.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE FOOD?

Rice.

IF YOU COULD GO ANYWHERE IN THE **WORLD, WHERE WOULD IT BE?**

Peru, because I've always wanted to go there. They have nice weather, and they speak Spanish, so my family and I would feel very comfortable.

WHAT SKILL WOULD YOU MOST LIKE **TO LEARN?**

Carpentry.

WHAT'S SOMETHING PEOPLE MIGHT **BE SURPRISED TO LEARN ABOUT YOU?**

I used to raise horses, and my brother is a professional jockey.

WHO'S SOMEONE YOU LOOK UP TO?

My father. We just have such a great relationship, he feels like my brother.

WHAT'S SOMETHING YOU'RE **GRATEFUL FOR?**

My family.

NAME SOMETHING THAT'S ON YOUR **BUCKET LIST.**

Parasailing.









2025 3-DAY MEMBER-GUEST INVITATIONAL

With hard-nosed competition, new challenges, and incredible prizes, the 2025 MHGC Member-Guest Invitational was a whirlwind of excitement.

Thursday featured practice rounds, a steak dinner, whiskey tasting, and a custom cigar roller for participants, while Friday saw brilliant action on the greens and a delicious "Dinner with the Wives." Saturday brought more intense play, culminating with the crowning of this year's champion team of Richard Toriello and Phill Serls.





PHILL SERLS & RICHARD TORIELLO







Among several popular new games, the newly added Pappy Van Winkle Putting Fundraiser netted over \$1,800 FOR HOSPICE OF LANCASTER COUNTY!













2025 KIDS' CAMP!



It's just not summer without an awesome Kids' Camp, and this year was definitely one to remember! A few rain showers weren't enough to dampen anyone's mood, and the campers enjoyed plenty of sunshine and warm temperatures. The pool was definitely the place to be when the sun was blazing!

Swim lessons, mini-golf sessions, games, arts and crafts, and tons of themed activities filled our days. The kids also learned about nature, space, cooking, the oceans, and so much more. We're sad this year's camp is over, and we're looking forward to next year already!



JULY 4TH FAMILY RACES/FUN DAY

Our Independence Day party was a real firecracker!

Legends were born during the cannonball contest.

David Walker shocked everyone with his immaculate form and a splash we're still talking about.

In the kids' division, Halle Specht took the honors, soaking spectators and earning the top prize.

Other exciting events included:

- "Pool pal" noodle races
- Adult/child innertube paddle races
- Surfing kickboard races for ages 5-10

Now a tradition on July 4th, we ended our evening with the annual Adult Beverage Race.

Congratulations to our winners, whose names will be forever posted on the Shenk's Hole Wall of Fame.

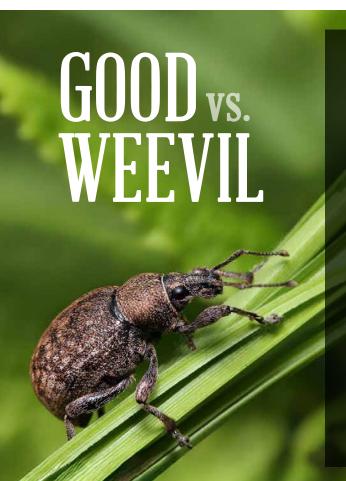












Right after Memorial Day, it was clear we'd been struck by a pest that's been plaguing North American golf courses — the annual bluegrass weevil. ABWs resemble small beetles and are mottled tan to black with yellow-brown and grayish scales. They love to snack on the short-cut annual bluegrass and creeping bentgrass turf on greens, tees, fairways, and collars, and their reign of terror has ravaged courses from Georgia up to Prince Edward Island and as far west as Nebraska. Their snacking causes yellow and brown patches that look like wilt, which tend to spread and worsen as ABWs produce several generations during the growing season and grass is further weakened by summer heat.

ABWs have been active on all our fairways, but especially 5, 6, 7, and 17. The day we first saw damage, we applied a product to knock back their populations in the larvae stage. Thanks to that and some fertilizer, the damaged areas bounced back, and we've since been monitoring the ABWs and developing a program to combat them. It might be a 3–5 year battle given their large numbers, but Bobby and his team are up to the challenge!

CHANGES FORE THE BETTER

At Meadia Heights, we're committed to continuously improving your golf course experience. Here are just a few of the updates we have teed up for this fall:

- 1 Continuing our tree work, taking down dead ones and thinning out some overcrowded areas
- 2 Softening the back sides of the green surrounds on 10 and 16
- 3 Replacing wooden bunker walls with stacked sod
- 4 Cleaning out the woods left of 13 tee and right of 4 tee to better see old 13
- 5 Cleaning out the dump on 1
- 6 Enlarging the tee on 13
- 7 Repositioning the tee on 9
- 8 Creating target greens on the driving range



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