Course News February 2019

Mother Nature is not being kind for course maintenance. As all are aware an abundance of rain has been an issue particularly affecting the low-lying areas of the course as well as treatment of bunkers among other things. Frequent temperature swings and frost compound Gary and his crew's daily routines. Less of precaution but more of necessity tarpaulins have been put to use to preserve and protect the greens and to preclude another bout with the dreaded "winter kill" as occurred last year. It goes without saying daily work has been hampered, and play consequently has been affected. It has to get better soon!



Feel good – play the Creek!

At this time last year renovation of the Grille was ongoing. And what a great result it was! Now, a year later and as mentioned last month, Jim's next major course and clubhouse improvement – a pavilion, enlarged patio and new putting green – is starting to take shape. It's rather hard to miss if anyone has peeked out of the back door of the clubhouse or passed by the area en route to the 1st or 10th tees. Jim and Gary along with Greg Oates, who will take over the project once earth moving is completed, have pretty well determined the layout and positioning of the pavilion and patio. Actual construction should get underway in the near future weather permitting. Installation of the new putting green will be delayed until warmer weather arrives.



Greg, Gary and Jim



Pavilion Area

A Future Putting Green!



If you haven't renewed your handicap service for 2019 now is the time to do so. The pro shop staff will be happy to assist.

The first quarterly Community Golf Scramble of 2019 is scheduled for Saturday, March 16th. Watch for the registration form to appear at the pro shop.

Looking ahead, the ever popular Hook A Kid golf clinic sponsored by the Aiken Junior Sports Association will be held at Cedar Creek the week of 24-28 June. Openings are limited and fill up quickly. Details and the application form are now available on the AJSA web page. Go to: http://www.aikenjuniorsports.org/Aiken_Hook_A_Kid_On_Golf.html.

Looking to the future, Masters Week occurs the first full week of April. Promoting guest play at the Creek as well as The Aiken Golf Club benefits us all. If you know out-of-town golfers coming to the CSRA to enjoy the Masters invite them to play both the Creek and TAGC.