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## 23rd Annual MAM Scheduled for April 10th

### Once again,

the highly anticipated Monday After the Masters Golf Tournament, affectionately known as MAM, will return to The Dye Club for the 15th consecutive year on April 10th. For those unfamiliar with the tournament, notable athletes, celebrities and professional golfers are invited to partner with local amateur golfers for an entertaining 18-hole competition.

The mission is to raise funds for the Hootie and the Blowfish Foundation with gifts going to deserving organizations especially in the education area and distributed through the South Carolina Community Foundation. The Foundation also supports the South Carolina Junior Golf Association. Thanks to MAM, the SC Junior Golf Association is one of the top-rated programs in the country. The Foundation also puts on various events throughout the year, the most reputable being Hootie's Homegrown Roundup. The Roundup is an event in August benefitting the underprivileged children of Charleston County School District. Every year, students receive haircuts, dental exams and a book bag full of school supplies to better prepare them for success in the year ahead.

Over the last decade and a half, MAM has become one of the Grand Strands' most popular and beloved events, as well as a hot

ticket. Those lucky enough to have grabbed a ticket will experience not only excellent golf, but also The Dye Club's beautiful and relaxing atmosphere.

New for 2017, MAM has announced the addition of the "Hootie Ball Drop" which consists of a helicopter flying in and dropping thousands of numbered golf balls onto a target. When you 'buy' a ball, you will receive a number for each ball purchased. If your number is closest to the target, you win! Golf balls for this event can be purchased at [www.hootiedrop.com](http://www.hootiedrop.com).

Early professional and celebrity commitments include country music star Cole Swindell, ESPN Radio host Mike Golic, Golf Hall of Fame Inductee Nancy Lopez, two time Major Champion John Daly, NFL Hall of Famers Bruce Smith and Andre Reed and NHL legend Grant Fuhr. On Tournament day, gates will open at 8:00 AM. Entry to The Dye Club is available through shuttle service to and from the parking area of Barefoot Landing near the House of Blues and Alabama Theatre. For a complete event schedule, please go to the Tournament website, [www.hootiegolf.com](http://www.hootiegolf.com). Please remember that no bags or backpacks larger than 8x8x8 are allowed on site and spectators are limited to bringing no more than two (2) pieces of memorabilia.

## A Message from the Superintendent

As our mild winter comes to an end, Barefoot Resort & Golf is looking forward to a smooth transition into spring. As a result of the pleasant weather, all of the golf courses here at Barefoot are looking ahead of schedule. Most notably, we can already begin to see the early stages of the courses' transition from cool to warm season grasses. Over the next few months, players on the course should anticipate the Rye grass overseed to fade as the temperatures continue to climb, as well as the Champion Bermuda to once again dominate our courses' landscape.

Barefoot Resort & Golf is very excited to announce the completion of many renovation projects that took place this past winter. In addition to the continued improvement of the cart paths, we have also added paving stones to the entrance/exit areas on numerous holes. The maintenance department has also completely rebuilt major bunker complexes on several holes, most notably number 18 of Fazio, as well as making improvements to many others. We have also recently removed several trees in



COMPLETED BUNKER RENOVATION OF FAZIO # 18

specific areas on the Norman course in order to reduce shade and promote added sunlight to aid in grass growth and also help the course dry out after heavy precipitation. Lastly, our summer aerification will take place in June and July with the Fazio course scheduled from 6/12-6/15 followed by The Dye Club from 6/19-6/22. In July, the Norman course will be aerified from 7/10- 7/13 and the

Love course is scheduled to be completed from 7/24-7/27. We appreciate your patience throughout this necessary maintenance period as it typically takes at least two weeks for each course to return to normal green speeds and conditioning. We hope you enjoy the courses and the improvements we've made during the winter season. Thank you for your continued patronage.



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## Par 3 Challenge

**Back by popular demand is the Par 3 Challenge Golf Tournament.**

The tournament is scheduled for Sunday, July 23rd, 2017 with a 2:00 pm shotgun start. Teams of two will play a better ball format over a 9 hole course set up on the front 9 of the Love course. Each hole will be converted into a par 3 with two sets of tee boxes, white for the men and gold for the women. Tournament organizers emphasize that the set up for each hole will not necessarily follow the traditional style of a par 3 as most are accustomed. This tournament will be a true testament of skill in the area of short game for those of who participate. 25% of handicap indexes will be used and strokes will be given based on the low team within each flight. The number of flights depends on the number of entries with a maximum of 72 players. Five teams of women will be needed for a ladies flight. Members pay \$30 with guests paying \$40. Price includes golf, Taco Bar, Pasta Station and Salad following the round. Gift certificate awards will be handed out for Men's and Women's closest to the pin. Participants will also receive complimentary Non-Alcoholic beverages on the course. Mulligans may be purchased for an additional \$3 for one or \$5 for two with a maximum number of 2 per player. Money collected will go into a cash raffle for all of those who purchased them.

# Member-Guest

The 2017 Member-Guest tournament is slated for September 1-3. The format enjoyed over the past few years will be used with two-person teams competing in five 9-hole matches (one in the morning and one in the afternoon). To determine the flight winners, there will be a playoff in the afternoon on the final day. A social gathering is planned for the first evening of the event, September 1. At the conclusion of the event a cocktail hour, dinner and awards banquet will be held following golf on the final day September 3. Breakfast and lunch will be provided for each day of the tourney. Flight assignments will be made based on 80% of the combined team handicaps. Tee selection for participants is based on individual handicap index. Anyone sixty years or older will be given the option to move up one tee box. Adjustments will be made for teams competing from different tees. Price is \$500 per team and includes all golf, food and beverage and prizes. All teams who sign up by June 1, 2017 will be entered into a drawing for five (5) complimentary member rounds of golf, a \$150 value (members only).



GEORGE NOLAN AND GEORGE KELLER POSE WITH COVETED TROPHY

## Barefoot's New Membership Blog

**Barefoot's Membership Department is excited to announce the addition of the Membership Blog to the Barefoot Resort & Golf website.** The goal of this new blog is to showcase pictures and results of any event held on Barefoot's golf courses or in the Resort Clubhouse. The Membership Blog can be viewed by logging on to [www.barefootgolf.com](http://www.barefootgolf.com) and clicking on the membership tab followed by selecting "Member Blog" from the drop down menu. If a particular post sparks your interest, members are able to share the information on their Facebook or Twitter accounts by clicking on "Read More" then selecting the desired social media platform button at the bottom of each post. If you have any relative news, photos, or other appropriate material and would like to have it added to the Membership Blog, please send all information to [jjester@barefootgolf.com](mailto:jjester@barefootgolf.com). The Barefoot Resort & Golf Management Team reserves the right to approve or deny inclusions and also alter any publications provided.

## Members Make the Most of Mardi Gras Themed Thirsty Thursday

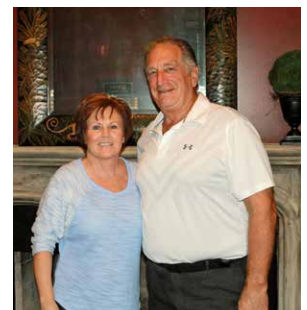
On Thursday, February 23rd Barefoot Resort & Golf members took the opportunity to celebrate Mardi Gras a little early at the Resort Clubhouse's Fat Thirsty Thursday Celebration! Back by popular demand, DJ Butch had everyone out on the dance floor. In addition to great dance moves, the New Orleans style night included complimentary beads, Jambalaya Bar and Hurricane Cocktails. Needless to say, Barefoot Resort & Golf members let the good times roll!



TOP: VARIOUS MEMBERS POSE AT THE MARDI GRAS HAPPY HOUR  
BOTTOM: MEMBERS SHOW OFF DANCE MOVES FOR DJ BUTCH

## Super Successful Happy Hour Benefiting North Myrtle Beach Humane Society

At Happy Hour on Saturday, January 14th many of our members showed their passion for philanthropy by participating in a 50/50 raffle drawing benefiting the North Myrtle Beach Humane Society. Barefoot Resort & Golf and the Humane Society would like to thank all of those who participated, especially the lucky winners, Mr. & Mrs. Farmer who generously donated their winnings back to the Humane Society. Thanks to the support of our membership, a grand total of \$435 was donated to the Humane Society of North Myrtle Beach!



RAFFLE WINNERS MR. & MRS. FARMER

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