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Barefoot Hosts “Big Break” Myrtle Beach



Just in case you haven't heard by now or weren't around to catch a glimpse of film crews scurrying around and cast members being carted from one location to another, Golf Channel's Realty Competition Series, “Big Break”, filmed in Myrtle Beach on three Barefoot Courses and at Pawleys Plantation for two weeks this past June.

The show usually pits aspiring professional golfers against each other in an unusual array of skills challenges and playing competitions that test their physical golf prowess and their mental toughness.

The Big Break Myrtle Beach series will air for eleven consecutive weeks on the Golf Channel, October 7 through December 16 at 9:00 PM, with one contestant being eliminated on each episode.

Big Break Myrtle Beach features six men and six women, all hoping to be the winner of over \$100,000 in cash and prizes including an exemption to compete in one PGA Tour event or one LPGA Tour event. The overall winner will be determined on the last episode in an eighteen-hole match play challenge on Barefoot's Fazio Course. The twelve cast members were announced in an August 26 Sun News article and further introduced on a special September 17 airing on the Golf Channel. According to Dave Genevro, Barefoot General Manager, “the exposure this event brings to the Resort will not only help

educate golfers about Barefoot Resort & Golf's Four Championship Courses but will also show highlights of the entire Grand Strand area as both a golfing and vacation destination.”

Vouchers Distributed in December 2014

Remember to use the “Unaccompanied Guest Vouchers” (given to golf members) and “Social Member Vouchers” (given to social members) on or before December 31, 2014 as they expire on January 1, 2015. Please take care of your vouchers as we do not replace misplaced or lost vouchers since we can't track them. Please do not call us to ask that they be replaced. Give your vouchers to friends before they make their trip to our golf courses. Be on the lookout for 2015 vouchers in December 2014 and place them somewhere that will ensure their use during 2015.



Nolan and Keller Take Member-Guest Trophy

A small field didn't deter the usual intense competition and camaraderie felt during our annual Member-Guest Tournament.

The 2014 version, held August 29-31, featured five nine-hole matches for each team with an alternate shot shoot-out on the final afternoon to determine the overall champs. George Nolan and George Keller took three holes to secure the trophy. 2012 winners, Bill and Ryan Ferrell came in second while defending champs Jamie Anderson and Rick Boyd finished third. We believe that Rhonda McDowell and Tracie Weeks made a little history by being the first female team to compete in a Member-Guest Tourney. Flight winners included Jeff Cannon and Jason Goodrum – Nicklaus; Jamie Anderson and Rick Boyd – Hagen; Tom McDowell and Steve Weeks – Hogan; George Nolan and George Keller – Player; Bill and Ryan Ferrell – Palmer. We thank all participants for making our 2014 Member-Guest Tournament a very successful one and the Barefoot Staff for hosting a great weekend.



GEORGE NOLAN AND GEORGE KELLER POSE WITH TROPHY

Hard to Beat Bald Head in the Fall

Several Barefoot Golf Members took advantage of a trip offered in May 2012 to a completely transformed Bald Head Island Golf Club.

What they discovered was an aesthetic improvement which boggles the mind and an upgrade in challenge which makes strategic decisions much more interesting.

Originally designed by George Cobb in 1974, modern architect Tim Cate (Leopard's Chase, Tiger's Eye, The Thistle) has taken a mundane "muni-like" layout and turned it into one of the most visually stunning golf courses around. Along with new Miniverde greens, Cate added many beautifully designed bunkers, expanded and restyled water hazards, replaced ugly rough areas with

sparkling sand, natural grasses and palm trees and, in many cases, reshaped the earth to enhance contours and visuals.

Bald Head officials have invited Barefoot Members back to experience this striking layout on October 13, 2014. The first tee time is 10:50 AM with double tee format and only eight tee times available. Of course, the real challenge with Bald Head is getting there. For those who have made the trip before, you know that you'll have to catch a ferry unless you take a private boat. The ferry to Bald Head leaves the port from Southport, NC at 9:00 AM. To make the trip, unload golf clubs and park the car, one should allow a minimum of 1 hr. and 45 minutes to comfortably make the 9:00 AM ferry.

Cost has gone up somewhat to \$85.00 per person which includes golf and the round



BALD HEAD HOLE #8 – PAR THREE

trip ferry ride (\$24.75). This is still quite a deal considering the drastically upgraded caliber of the golf course and the overall aesthetic pleasure of the trip. Obviously, the excursion will take up almost a whole day. We encourage you to go to the Bald Head website, www.bhclub.net, to view pictures and video of the club to justify the time and cost. To reserve your spot for this October 13 trip, call the Resort Pro Shop at 843-390-3200 by October 6, 12:00 Noon at the latest. Because of the uniqueness of this trip, we cannot allow cancellation after October 6 except in case of dire emergency.

Snowbird Golf Program Growing

Do you know someone who will be spending an extended time on the Grand Strand during the months of December, January, February and March? In 2010, Barefoot initiated a special golf program which allows for a family staying for one to four months to take advantage of some discount golf. For 2013-14, the program grew to 134 participants, mostly couples. Based on elements from the current Resort Family Membership, Snowbird enrollment requires dues of \$250 per month. Family Members as defined in our guidelines will be able to play for cart fee on Norman, Love and Fazio and receive golfing discounts on the Dye Course as well as other privileges. If you know of someone who fits the snowbird description, please have them call the Membership Dept. at 843-390-3203 for more information.

Do You Use the Barefoot Handicap Scoring System?

Those that have signed up to use the Barefoot Resort & Golf Handicap Scoring System should remember that we assume you will be using our system from one year to the next unless you tell us differently. The \$24 annual charge for using the system is made to your account after January 1 each year. We do not refund any portion of the \$24 for those who decide not to use the system in the middle of the calendar year. So, if you decide you are not going to use the system, please make the Pro Shop aware by calling 843-390-3200 by December 31 at the latest.

Message from the Director of Maintenance

Ownership and management are excited to announce a significant change in our fall maintenance. We have decided to join the growing number of top courses in and around our area using turf colorants instead of overseeding fairways for the upcoming fall/winter season. Not comfortable being leaders in this new technique promoted over 3 years ago by the USGA, we decided to sit back, evaluate and see what happens at other courses using turf colorants. The results have been very good and, after discussing the benefits and challenges this change would bring with other course owners, superintendents,



TURF COLORANT APPLICATION

product rep's and with guidance and information made available by the USGA, we have decided to move forward with turf colorants on all Barefoot Courses.

This change will give us great playing conditions throughout the fall and the term promoted by the

USGA of "Firm and Fast" for the winter months will be a welcome change by all of us. We should not see a decrease in the playability on the golf courses with this change and we'll see a significant increase in the playing condition of the Bermuda grass in the spring and summer of next year. Transition from rye grass back to Bermuda grass in the spring can range from smooth to disruptive due to factors such as water, shade, traffic, drainage and the health of the Bermuda grass base. Without the competition of the rye grass, the Bermuda should green up much earlier in the spring and offer a great playing surface to our guests.

Regards,
John Hughes

Director of Golf Maintenance



Member-Member Plans Announced

The Norman Course will serve as the venue for the 2014 Member-Member event scheduled for November 22, 2014. Tournament organizers have chosen the challenging alternate shot format with one player teeing off on odd holes and the other on even holes. Handicaps will be established based on fifty percent of the teams combined handicap. The tournament is open to all golf level members since there will be three different divisions, Men, Ladies and Couples. Price is yet to be determined but should be posted soon, if not already, on Barefoot's website along with the enrollment form.

For further information, call Tournament Director James Gillespie at 843-390-3200 or write to tournaments@barefootgolf.com.



NORMAN #10 - PAR THREE

Upcoming Social Events

For information and to make reservations, please call 843-390-3205 for Resort activities and 843-390-8446 for Dye activities. All dates and times are subject to change.

NFL SUNDAY SPECIALS

**Every Sunday October through December for
NFL Football Games – 12:00-6:00 PM**

- Resort Clubhouse

OKTOBERFEST

October 4 – 5:00-8:00 PM

- Resort Clubhouse
- Plenty of German Food, Drinks and DJ provided
- \$15.95 per person plus tax and gratuity
- Reservations required

PRIME RIB DINNER

October 29 – 6:00-8:00 PM

- Resort Clubhouse
- \$21.95 plus tax and gratuity
- Reservations required

CARIBBEAN NIGHT

November 15 – 5:00-8:00 PM

- Resort Clubhouse
- DJ will play favorite islands music
- \$18 per person plus tax and gratuity
- Reservations required

THANKSGIVING BRUNCH

November 27 – 11:00 AM-3:00 PM

- Resort Clubhouse
- \$21.95 per person plus tax and gratuity
- \$9.95 ages 5-13; Free ages 0-4
- Reservations required

ITALIAN NIGHT

December 11 – 5:00-7:00 PM

- Resort Clubhouse
- \$15.95 per person plus tax and gratuity
- Reservations required

HOLIDAY BREAKFAST BUFFET

December 22 – 8:00-11:00 AM

- Resort Clubhouse
- \$5.00 per person plus tax and gratuity
- Reservations required

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