

The Reporter

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Course Updates

- ◆ The course *historically* opens between the 1st and 3rd Thursdays in April, depending on Mother Nature.
- ◆ The driving range is restricted to the artificial turf at least until mid-April or the first of May.
- ◆ Once the course opens, the use of golf carts will be determined on a day-to-day basis.
- ◆ All other practice areas will be available in conjunction with the opening of the course.
- ◆ Tee times will be accepted once the course opens.
- ◆ The first lottery drawing will take place for the weekend of April 11th & 12th. Requests must be submitted by Sunday, April 5th.
- ◆ Twilight will be at 6 p.m.

Advisory Committee

Advisory Committee meetings will be held on May 12th and September 15th at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse. The purpose of these meetings is multifaceted; educating our golfing community on various policies and projects, obtaining feedback, addressing golfer's issues and needs.

Anyone with an interest in the well being of Radrick Farms may attend these meetings. If you are a season-pass holder and are interested in becoming an

Advisory Committee Representative, please contact Paul Scott at 998-7108 or plscott@umich.edu for more information.

Radrick management is open to your suggestions and feedback throughout the season via phone or e-mail. Feel free to contact us at any time.

REMEMBER, YOU HAVE BEEN ISSUED A "PERMANENT" SEASON-PASS CARD. BRING IT WITH YOU TO CHECK IN THIS SEASON!

Please bring your season-pass card with you every time . . . it will make check in much quicker for you!

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Demo Day is May 13th from 4:30 to 6:30!
- Lots of new spring merchandise in the golf shop! Be sure to take a look.
- Visit the web for all the latest updates:
www.umich.edu/~radrick

Radrick Management

Tracey Jones, General Manager
 Corbin Todd, Superintendent
 Chantel Jackson, Operations Manager
 Paul Scott, Clubhouse Manager
 Sanhita Shanbhag, Accounting Clerk

The management staff can be reached through the main phone number, (734) 998-7040.

Our Mission:

To provide eligible golfers of the University of Michigan with a superior playing experience on an exceptionally maintained course at an exceptional value.

Demo Days

May 13th

Want to try the latest and greatest in golf equipment as well as have the opportunity to talk directly to a manufacturer's representative? Be sure to come by the driving range from 4:30 to 6:30 on May 13th.

Callaway
 Nike, Ping
 & TaylorMade

And best of all it is **FREE!!**

Plus Radrick will be offering special equipment pricing for those placing orders that day.

Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program

Throughout the off season, the grounds staff began to take part in the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program certification process. This certification takes a few seasons to complete. During this process, you may see signs that say "Environmentally Sensitive Area" or "Low Water Use Plants". We respectfully request that everyone stay out of these areas. These areas are the homes and the food sources for many of the wildlife at Radrick Farms. There are no projects that will affect the golf course or its playability. This project will be concentrated in out-of-bound areas.

If you are interested in helping our staff with environmental and educational projects please contact Dan Mausolf through the Radrick Golf Shop. Everyone is welcome to provide feedback, especially those that have a background with environmental groups, gardening clubs, and any and all wildlife groups.

Radrick Recycles. Would you please help?

Have you ever noticed when you return your golf cart that there are three "trash" cans? And the same at the food cart? The cans are labeled for returnable, recyclable (any plastic, can, or bottle that is not returnable), and trash. Please take a moment to make sure you use the appropriate one. Radrick has been able to significantly reduce our waste by using this system.

ORGANIZED PLAY

Women's Faculty/Staff 9-Hole League Monday Evenings

All women employed by the University of Michigan are eligible to play nine holes of friendly golf on Monday evenings. The league is on a "pay-as-you-go" basis with tee times available from 5-6 p.m. League play will begin April 27th and continue through August 31st. The tee sheet for April 27th will be available beginning April 13th. Employees of the University are welcome to bring one guest to play with them. Potluck refreshments follow each league evening. Greens fees are \$20 for employees and \$25 for guests.

Ladies 18-Hole League Wednesday Mornings

The Ladies' 18-hole League begins April 22nd. The spring meeting will be May 6th at 8 a.m. with golf following. Any eligible golfer of Radrick Farms may join the league; however, ladies are encouraged to have a handicap index of 37.5 or lower. No play will be allowed until dues of \$20 is paid. This should be done via mail to Gerry Barnes by April 15th. During the month of May, tee times will be from 8:30 - 9:50 a.m. The league tees off from 8:00 - 9:50 a.m. the rest of the season. If you have any questions regarding the league or an interest in joining, contact Anne Jardon at (248) 924-3198 or Stephanie Buttrey at (734) 973-8079

Men's Senior League, Tuesday Mornings

The Men's Senior League plays Tuesday mornings from 8 - 9 a.m. and is open to season-pass holders, faculty/staff, President Club and Matthaai Club members at least 55 years of age. The first day of the league is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28th. Applications will be sent out to previous league members, but registration forms can also be picked up in the golf shop. Dues for the season are \$25 per person. New members are always welcome!

**Never walk up the
bunker faces.
Always exit out
the low side &
walk around.**

Couples' Drop -In Golf

Beginning April 26th, Couples' Drop-In Golf returns Sunday afternoons, providing an opportunity to meet other Radrick golfers. Any season-pass holder, faculty/staff, President Club or Matthaai Club member and their partner are welcome to drop-in from 4 - 5 p.m. for this informal "league". Couples are paired on a first-come, first-serve basis. If applicable, greens fees per person are only \$20 for nine holes or \$30 for eighteen.

Sunday Afternoons

Ladies 9-Hole League Thursday Mornings

The Nine-Hole League is for all lady golfers at Radrick. Tee times are scheduled starting at 8 a.m. playing the front nine except for the last Thursday of every month players will tee off the back. The league is divided into three flights and one lady in each flight will receive a prize based on the event scheduled for that day. **This is a fun league and we hope ladies of all handicaps will join.** The dues are \$25 and should be paid the first week of golf. There will be an organizational meeting May 1st followed by golf. Questions? Please call Ryung-Wha Kim at 734-769-2883 or Dorine Kroll at 734-761-8671.

Instructional Opportunities

Radrick Farms is delighted to have Judith Sachs, Class A LPGA Teaching Professional providing many instructional opportunities throughout the season. All reservations are made through the golf shop (734) 998-7040. Judith can be contacted at (734) 998-7986 or sachsja@umich.edu

INDIVIDUAL LESSONS

For those who prefer to work one-on-one.

Individual Lessons

½-hour lesson at the driving range, short game area or putting green.
COST: \$35

Individual Lesson Series

Personalized for each golfer. Includes (4) half-hour range lessons and a 9-hole playing lesson.
COST: \$130

GROUP LESSONS

Make up your own group of 2-4 players, compare your calendars and book 1-hour lesson times. Each person in the group works on his/her own interests and needs.

Group Lessons (2 to 4 players)

One hour lesson. Each group decides if their lesson will be at the driving range, short game area or putting green.
COST: \$30 per person

Group Lesson Series (2 to 4 players)

A great opportunity for new or experienced golfers to practice how the whole game fits together rather than one "fix" at a time. Series includes (4) one hour range lessons and a 9-hole playing lesson.
COST: \$110 per person

Range Maintenance Schedule

The driving range will be closed for maintenance every Wednesday at twilight and reopen at noon on Thursday.

Due to weather and other maintenance constraints, these times may need to be adjusted throughout the season. It is best to always call ahead before making a trip to practice.

Weather Sirens

Stop playing **IMMEDIATELY** and seek shelter:

Intermediate Hi-Low tones



Okay to resume playing:
One, continuous solid tone



Please always use good judgment. If you feel conditions are unsafe, do not wait for the sirens. Stop playing and seek shelter immediately. ***Please inform your guests of Radrick's rain check policy on potential storm days.***

Food Service

The food cart will open on weekends beginning in April and will open seven days a week starting in May (**weather permitting**).

As with just about every thing at the golf course, Mother Nature will dictate any necessary changes to our scheduled plans. Beverages and snack items are always available in the golf shop when the food cart is closed.

Welcome Mark Rudy

Greetings!

My Name is Mark Rudy, PGA Certified Professional. I will be joining the Instruction staff with Judith this year. Some may recognize my name from the University of Michigan Practice Facility, where I was the Director of Golf Instruction for 8 years. I have been busy over the last few years completing additional certifications in coaching / instruction: one is a PGA Certification, and the other is with Science and Motion Sport using the SAM Puttlab, a putting evaluation system.

I look forward to bringing a spectrum of programs to inspire and develop your golf game.

- ◆ Technology events that use video programs, like V1 sports and Science and Motion Puttlab, for the players looking for the next level of development
- ◆ Programs that introduces the game of golf to new players, like Get Golf Ready 101
- ◆ Short Game Programs that evaluate your skills and establish your short game handicap
- ◆ Full Swing Programs to develop solid contact, increase your distance, and fix that slice
- ◆ Private coaching sessions will be available as well

My teaching philosophy is, "Keep it simple". What this means to me is to communicate using simple language that matches the players learning style. Also, demonstrating the movements and using drills to develop skills that will help achieve the player's goals. Having tools to measure improvement is also part of the process for the player that wants to know their strengths and weaknesses. I use many tools in my lessons, including training aides and video. My approach is to listen to the needs and wants of each player. Players have many different goals that will be the focus of their coaching sessions. The player will decide what will be the focus of the lesson, because in many cases the player knows his/her game and what is needed. Learning is a partnership between the player and coach; a two way street of communication. This is a key ingredient in helping guide the player to their goals and developing a plan to get there.

A meet and greet event will take place at the practice range on April 16, 2009 from 2pm – 4pm. I am looking forward to the get-together, hitting some balls, and uncovering some of golf's secrets.

Good Golfing
Mark Rudy, PGA Certified Professional



2009 Radrick Tournament Schedule

Spring Scramble, May 23rd
Man/Woman Alternate Shot, June 20th
Ladies' Guest Day, June 24th
Men's Member-Guest, July 11th & 12th
Men's Club Championship - Qualifier, July 25th & 26th
Men's Club Championship - Finals, August 8th & 9th
Ladies' Club Championship, August 8th & 9th
Senior Club Championship, August 17th & 18th

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 Katherine E. White, Ann Arbor
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April 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
				Tentative Opening Day		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			Faculty/Staff League 4 - 5 p.m.	Range: Meet Mark Rudy, 2-4		
19	Course Closed for maintenance until 5 p.m.	21	22&29	23	24	25
			18-Hole League 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.			
26	27	28	Faculty/Staff League 4 - 6 p.m.	30		
Couples' Drop-In 4 - 5 p.m.	Women's Faculty/Staff 5 - 6 p.m.	Senior League 8 - 9 a.m.		9-Hole League 8 a.m. Meeting 9 a.m. Golf		



(For complete calendars visit www.umich.edu/~radrick)