



## Bartram Trail Golf Club

### “Ryder Cup Matches” Ring In New Year

The Second Annual Bartram Trail Golf Club “Ryder Cup Matches” highlighted the first weekend of golf in 2009 at BTGC. The Bartram Trail Mens Golf Association once again hosted the 27-hole event which featured Robby Watson’s Red Team, Patrick Gantt’s White Team, and Lee Henry’s Blue Team. Each team was made up of 14 golfers. The 14 golfers on each team were paired up against the other two teams, based on similar handicaps. Teams competed in three nine-hole matches. The first nine-hole match was a two-man Best Ball format. The second nine match would be a two-man modified alternate shot format. The final nine-hole match would be individual head-to-head matches against the other two teams.

There was an abundance of “Trash Talking” via internet e-mails led by the White Team’s own Bart Shafer. Bart is one of our most colorful and fun members at Bartram Trail Golf Club. Seldom seen without a smile on his face and a challenge for anyone within earshot or eyesight, Bart did not disappoint or surprise anyone by leading the “trash talking” a full week before the tournament even started! That’s what makes being a member at Bartram Trail Golf Club so much fun. If you are easily offended...stay on the back porch at the Clubhouse, because you better have a great sense of humor and thick skin with these guys...and they can play some golf as well!

Robby’s Red Warriors dominated the Best Ball format, winning 12 of 14 possible points. Lee’s Blue Devils won 5 1/2 points with Patrick’s White PANTHERS coming in with 3 1/2 points.

Modified Alternate shot was next. In this format, each golfer hit off the tee and the team then selected the tee shot they wanted to use. From there, they went alternate shot until the ball was holed out. The Red team won 8 1/2 points, as did the White team, while the Blue squad came in with four points.

Heading into the Singles Matches, the Red Team held a commanding 8 1/2 point lead over the White Team, and 11 point advantage over the Blue Man Crew. Well, the single matches were more of the same, as the Red Team won 15 points, the Blue Team rallied to over take the White team for second place by also winning 15 points while the White team earned 11 singles points. Robby’s Red Warriors won it all with 35 1/2 points, with the Blue’s second with 24 1/2 and the White team coming in third with 23 points. Full Scoreboard on page \_\_\_\_.

## *Meet The Staff...H.B. Chavous*

Bartram Trail Golf Club Superintendent Jeff Lloyd heaps praises on his crew for their outstanding effort and one of his top part-time staff members, H.B. Chavous is no exception.

“H.B. does a tremendous job for us,” Lloyd said. “During the spring and summer H.B. is in charge of our greens, making sure they are well looked after and stay in top shape. He’s a great kid and does a great job for us. He’s smart, and he makes good decisions on his feet which is what we need in the heat of the summer.” Chavous works on the course maintenance staff, specializing in work on the greens and bunkers.

Chavous, 21 and single, is in his third year at Augusta State University and plans to transfer to Georgia Southern in the fall to study Mechanical Engineering, and possibly follow in his fathers’ (Hank) footsteps at Savannah River Site, where he is an engineer. H.B. may break out the clubs once again when he lands on the Statesboro campus.

“I may tryout for the Georgia Southern team once I get down there, but honestly it depends on how much time. The Engineering program is pretty tough and that will come first of course,” said Chavous.

It would not be a longshot for Chavous to make the Georgia Southern golf team. H.B. was the No. 1 or No. 2 golfer on the Evans High School golf team all four years (2003-2006). He was captain of the Knights squad his senior year, the same year he won the “Bobby Jones Award” at Evans. Chavous also holds the career scoring average at Evans High School.

H.B. is also an accomplished musician, and his band “eleventhour” has their first CD coming out in February.

“Our band has been together for about two years now, and we play mainly Christian Rock music. Our CD is self-titled, “eleventhour” and we’ll be having a CD Release Party in February. People can check us on at [www.myspace.com/eleventhhour3](http://www.myspace.com/eleventhhour3) and see where we’ll be playing and other info on us.” Also in the band are fellow Bartram Trail Golf Club staff member Luke Johnson, H.B.’s cousin, along with Luke’s brother Caleb Johnson and Zac Allsup. H.B. plays lead guitar and vocals for the band.

“Songs from the CD should be available on iTunes sometime in February,” added Chavous.

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## *Superintendent's Corner... From Jeff Lloyd*

***"...it can stop raining any time now..."***

Don't get me wrong, we can always use the rain...but it can stop raining any time now! The course is saturated and we could certainly use the sunshine. That's where we are really going to need the members, and public players as well, to help us out. Please stay out of low-lying areas around the course with your golf carts. We've set up ropes, and please abide by them so we can protect the turf and the course. When taking carts onto the course please use the 90 degree rule as well.

Please also help us and protect the course as well as our tee box mowers and throw away your broken tees. If you break a tee, through it in the garbage can next to the tee boxes. It will help us tremendously and save our equipment as well.

### **DECEMBER PROJECTS...**

- We'll be continuing cutting down trees near #10, #11 and #16 greens due to shading issues around the greens. We need to get as much sunlight on the greens as possible, while also eliminating dead trees.
- We'll also be continuing our use of Roundup to kill poana and other weeds.

### **HOME PROJECTS FOR DECEMBER...**

- Don't mess with your Azaleas. Don't try to trim them back or anything else, you will do more harm than good at this time of year. You can use Roundup, just as we are, to take care of weeds at this time.

*Jeff*



**Patrick Gantt**



**Robby Watson**



**Lee Henry**

## **TIPS FROM THE PROS**

### **"PLAYING FROM THE GREENSIDE BUNKERS"**

Take your stance with the ball lined up on your back foot. Be sure to take a lofted club (pitching wedge, sand wedge or lob wedge) and close the face considerably. Take a hard swing and strike the ball with steep, downward blow, about an inch behind the ball. Then admire your high soft buried bunker shot land very close to the pin!

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## **Bartram Trail Golf Club January Birthdays**



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Hal McDaniel	January 5	Grayson Brown	January 20
Brian Griesemer	January 6	Harold Lewis	January 22
Steve Tomlin	January 7	Randal Tomlin	January 26
Tom Shepherd	January 8	Andy Kingery	January 31
Jerry Stokes	January 14	Robert Armstrong	January 31

***Happy Birthday from Bartram Trail Golf Club!!!***

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**11th Hole at Augusta National Golf Club**  
By: Marci Rule

**Bartram Trail Golf Club "2009 Ryder Cup Matches"**

**Best Ball Format**

<b>Red Team</b>		<b>White Team</b>		<b>Blue Team</b>	
Robby Watson	2	Patrick Gantt	0	Lee Henry	1
Jordan Johnstun		Cody Shafer		Jacob Tilton	
Mike McCorkle	2	Bob Prange	1/2	John Bock	1/2
Scott Skadan		John Alley		Jerome Dorsey	
Kenny Hood	2	Russell Maddox	1/2	Kevin Hadlock	1/2
Tommy Meacham		Bart Shafer		Taylor Gove	
Neil Bock	0	Al Nelson	1	Steven Hill	2
Rex Goble		Don Boren		John Vigna	
Will Watson, III	2	Tommy Slay	0	Don Herron	1
Rob Zeyfang		Derin King		Carter Murphy	
Joe Montano	2	Davis	1	Leith Benedict	0
Pete Hamilton		Ken Cuebas		Kyle Bock	
Dude Coleman	2	Dane Moore	1/2	Rayne Johnstun	1/2
Fred Evans		Jay Brooks		John Carney	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>3 1/2</b>		<b>5 1/2</b>

**Alternate Shot Format**

<b>Red Team</b>		<b>White Team</b>		<b>Blue Team</b>	
Robby Watson	1	Patrick Gantt	2	Lee Henry	0
Jordan Johnstun		Cody Shafer		Jacob Tilton	
Mike McCorkle	2	Bob Prange	1	John Bock	0
Scott Skadan		John Alley		Jerome Dorsey	
Kenny Hood	2	Russell Maddox	1	Kevin Hadlock	0
Tommy Meacham		Bart Shafer		Taylor Gove	
Neil Bock	0	Al Nelson	1	Steven Hill	2
Rex Goble		Don Boren		John Vigna	
Will Watson, III	1 1/2	Tommy Slay	1 1/2	Don Herron	0
Rob Zeyfang		Derin King		Carter Murphy	
Joe Montano	0	Davis	2	Leith Benedict	1
Pete Hamilton		Ken Cuebas		Kyle Bock	
Dude Coleman	2	Dane Moore	0	Rayne Johnstun	1
Fred Evans		Jay Brooks		John Carney	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8 1/2</b>		<b>8 1/2</b>		<b>4</b>

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**Singles Head-To-Head Format**

<u>Red Team</u>		<u>White Team</u>		<u>Blue Team</u>	
Robby Watson	1	Patrick Gantt	0	Lee Henry	2
Jordan Johnstun	1/2	Cody Shafer	2	Jacob Tilton	1/2
Mike McCorkle	2	Bob Prange	1	John Bock	0
Scott Skadan	1/2	John Alley	1	Jerome Dorsey	1 1/2
Kenny Hood	1 1/2	Russell Maddox	1 1/2	Kevin Hadlock	2
Tommy Meacham	1	Bart Shafer	0	Taylor Gove	0
Neil Bock	0	Al Nelson	1	Steven Hill	2
Rex Goble	2	Don Boren	1/2	John Vigna	1/2
Will Watson, III	1/2	Tommy Slay	1/2	Don Herron	2
Rob Zeyfang	1	Derin King	0	Carter Murphy	2
Joe Montano	2	Davis	1	Leith Benedict	0
Pete Hamilton	1	Ken Cuebas	2	Kyle Bock	0
Dude Coleman	2	Dane Moore	0	Rayne Johnstun	1/2
Fred Evans	1	Jay Brooks	1/2	John Carney	2
<b>Singles Totals</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>11</b>		<b>15</b>
<u>Totals Combined</u>					
<b>Best Ball</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>3 1/2</b>		<b>5 1/2</b>
<b>Alternate Shot</b>	<b>8 1/2</b>		<b>8 1/2</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Singles</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>11</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>35 1/2</b>		<b>23</b>		<b>24 1/2</b>

*Congratulations once again to Robby Watson's Red Warriors*

**2009 Bartram Trail Golf Club  
"Ryder Cup" Champions**



# **“Dee’s Corner”**

## **Let’s get off to a good round in 2009**

*By: Dee Ramp  
Bartram Trail Golf Club*

*Just like successful organizations and businesses empower their staffs to develop strong working relationships with clients that will last for a lifetime, so will our golf staff. Need lessons, want to fine tune your game, having trouble getting from tee to green, traps driving you bonkers, then it’s time to get your game in shape.*

*Our staff is totally committed to helping each of you get off to a great start for the 2009 season. Yes, I know you have all heard that “you have to keep your eye on the ball” right? Yes, that’s true but apparently that’s not enough when it comes to golf. You have to be aware of your stance, your alignment, your shoulders, your feet, your club face and so on and so on. This is where our pros come in. They know what to look for and they can address each of these situations for you and make you a better golfer. They have each heard stories of “I was in the lumber today and I had this uncontrollable urge to slap a nice 6 or 7 iron up to the fringe of the green and perhaps make par or at least boggy”. Why did you think that? Because you saw an opening between the trees and thought that was a good idea to just go for it. And our staff would tell you, if there is no opening, think damage control. Just punch it out into the fairway, get it back into play and you are still in the game. This is one temptation that is hard to break. Think: What would Tiger do? That is what you would ask yourself but you are not Tiger, you are YOU. Play it safe, ask for help and to become a more consistent golfer, get some lessons from the pros. That is what they are for – to help you shoot a better score and to instill in you the confidence that you can be all that you want to be.*

*Sure, we have all dubbed it off the tee and the second shot did not seem to be much better so just take a breath and find your bliss. Stay with it, don’t quit. Stay down, hit through the ball and remember ONE SHOT CAN FIX IT ALL. That shot might not come on the front nine but it will be somewhere within you on the back nine and then you are back in the game. Happy New Year and good luck this 2009 season. Enjoy Bartram Trail Golf Club where “golf is seriously fun”!*

# Clubhouse Grill

## Maria's January Members Special

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# Stephen Hill and Doug Coleman Rule Ryder Cup While John Carney keeps knocking in Eagles

Congratulations to Stephen Hill and Doug Coleman who each scored 6 out of a possible 6 points in the Bartram Trail Golf Club 2009 Ryder Cup matches. Hill was partnered with John Vigna in the Best Ball and Alternate Shot matches took two points from the Al Nelson/Don Boren team and Neil Bock/Rex Goble teams. In Singles Match Play, Steven beat both Nelson and Bock in head to head matches.

Coleman partnered with Fred Evans in the Best Ball and Alternate Shot matches and they took it to the teams of Dane Moore/Jay Brooks and Rayne Johnstun/John Carney, winning two points in each match. Dude then beat Brooks and Johnstun in head to head matches as well.

John Carney continues to play WAY TOO MUCH GOLF, and to prove that, John had THREE EAGLES in the month of December. On December 6th John eagled #3 with a 6-iron from 140 yards out. On December 12 he eagled #18 with a wedge from 95 yards, and on December 16th, Carney followed that up with, yes, his third eagle of the month, sending in an eagle on #17 from 40 yards out with a wedge. Nice shooting, John!

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## Will Watson, III Leads Georgia to Title

Look out for this young gun to rise to the top. Congratulations are certainly in order! Will Watson did a fantastic job along side his partner, Tyler Joiner of Albany, Georgia in the America Cup Tournament in Manning, South Carolina over winter break. Will and Tyler played two 9 hole matches on Saturday and won 2 up. The following day Will played singles, and won 4 and 5, leading Team Georgia to a victory over North Carolina to win the Ryder Cup-format tournament.

Will was invited to play due to his play during the year of the GA Junior Tour. The tour took the top two players from each age group and they played a Ryder Cup Match against North Carolina at Wyboo Plantation. They played alternate shot on Saturday for the first nine holes and four ball for next nine and on Sunday they played singles matches Will won all of his matches and Georgia won the cup.

Megan Sabol also competed in the event, representing Bartram Trail Golf Club very well. Want to check out these kids and see what they are capable of doing? Then go to Georgia State Parks ([www.gastateparks.org](http://www.gastateparks.org)) and click on golf courses and find junior tour and that way you can keep up with these young guns.



Will Watson (right) with his proud father, Robby.

## West Lake to Host Junior Tournaments in '09

Junior golf will be taking off very strongly in 2009 with West Lake hosting several events. Mark your calendars and get ready to tee it up.

Southeastern Junior Golf Tour	June 28-30
GSGA Junior Sectional Challenge Match	July 19-21
First Tee of Augusta golf Classic	September 28
Augusta Area Junior Tour	TBD (keep checking for this date)
West Lake Youth Classic	TBD (keep checking for this date)

The GAGA Sectional Challenge Match will be a great program. For the first time in the Club's 40 year history they will be the "host club". Juniors from around the state play a series of events within their region and hope to earn enough pints to make it to the Challenge Match. West Lake expects nearly 120 layers from around the state to compete in the event. A lot of the juniors that are member of Bartram Trail will be a major contender in this event.

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## Bartram Trail Juniors Rock the AAJGA...

AAJGA Holiday Events were played at Jones Creek, Bartram Trail, Augusta Golf Course & Midland Valley.

Cody Shafer took first place at Jones Creek in horrible weather conditions (23 degrees) during his winter break. 74 was good enough to win the 15-18 age group. This young sophomore will be playing the different tours this winter and we wish him the best of luck.

Jacob Tilton dressed warm enough (39 degrees) to win the Midland Valley event shooting a 69. This was a great score to close out the winter season before heading into the Fall schedule.

Austin Vick, battling the same winter like conditions (31 degrees) won his age group at the Augusta Golf Course shooting a 79. That tells you hold cold it really was that day.

## ...While Kim and Sabol Roll the SJGT

Elizabeth Kim of Martinez won first place in the girls 10-12 year old division in the SJGT event at Wilmington Island Golf Club Sunday in Savannah. Megan Sabol also of Martinez placed second in the division

Other top finishers included Russell Sabol of Martinez who came in third in the boys 12-13 division. Alex Dye of Evans second in the boys 14-15 division and Emmanuel Kountakis of Martinez came in third in the boys 14-15 division.

## Robertson and Mobley Two Juniors on the Rise

Robert Robertson fired rounds of 75-77 152 which was good enough for an outstanding second place finish in the Hurricane Junior Golf Tour event held at Goshen Plantation Golf Course in Augusta.

Will Mobley has come on strong this past year. The Augusta Prep student shot 71 at Bartram Trail this past year and finished in 1st Place in his age group (14-15) at the GSGA Junior Sectionals at Forest Hills. Will is a member of the Augusta Prep golf team, and practices every day he can.



Austin Vick



Cody Shafer

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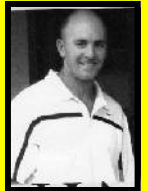
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## Let's Get Physical

We have invited Jay Garrison to share his thoughts regarding physical training for all junior golfers. Jay holds a BS in Exercise Science and is an ACE Certified Personal Trainer. Mr. Garrison is also Golf Fitness Certified.

By: Jay Garrison

Jay Garrison phone number: 706-951-5550 email me at [jgarrisonfitness@bellsouth.net](mailto:jgarrisonfitness@bellsouth.net).



Jay Garrison

### Where to Begin?

When it comes to physically training a young golfer, the first questions people ask include when should the child start working out and what type of physical training should they do? The answer to the first question is easy – yesterday. The second answer takes a little more explanation. All junior golfers are athletes. There is so much demands of the game of golf and the importance of goal-setting.

I know that many of today's children do not get enough exercise for many reasons including lack of outdoor play time, video games and/or watching TV. Another obstacle to exercise may be the focus on one sport/skill, which does not require a variety of movement or is one side dominant i.e. golf. To make a change of lifestyle we need to get children more involved in a variety of activities that enhance their body control and strength, creativity and imagination and enjoyment of physical activity.

Most girls mature earlier than boys to assessment of the individual's growth and development is needed. I am listing some example progressive guidelines for activities in a fitness program to help the junior golfer.

### Age 6-9

Coordination and Movement: Running, climbing, jumping, Cartwheels, Balance Beam, Tag, Red Light/Green Light and Dodge Ball.

### Age 10-13

Technique & Basic Strength Movements:  
Body Weight (BW) Squats, Lunges, Push-ups, Pull-ups,  
Medicine Ball, Resistance Tubing/Bands and Stretching

### Ages 14-18

Advanced Strength Training:  
Free Weights (deadlifts, Squats, Bench, etc. & Machine Weights  
Leg Extension, Leg Curls, Pull-downs, etc.)

Sports Specific Goals – The desired sport/skill will dictate the primary training routine needed to improve performance. For example – golfers need to be able to generate a lot of **rotational power**.

Training for this by running 5-10 miles, 3-5 times per week would not be optimal and that time would be better used to focus on their flexibility, mobility, and strength. Important to mention, there are sports skills that have crossover demands such as muscle sequence utilization, like a baseball swing compared to a golf swing. The differences should be taken into account when designing a program.

In summary, the foundation of a physical conditioning program for young golfer should include a variety of activities to improve overall motor skills and coordination.

As the junior golfer matures, the progression of training includes adding basic and advanced strength training with the golf specific goals as the focus.

**Stay Physically Fit!**

# Asst. Pro Lee Henry Offers Golf Club Services

## Golf Club Services Price List



Lee Henry

### Grips

All prices are per grip and include installation and supplies

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## Bartram Trail CDC

### Mission Statement

Whereas the Bartram Trail Golf Course has been built in public-private partnership as a not-for-profit, upscale daily fee golf course, open to the public, and eventually, after repayment of the debt on the course, becoming an asset of Columbia County, the Bartram Trail CDC (Community Development Corporation) Board, as the owner and directing authority of the golf course, establishes the following Mission Statement:

#### MISSION

To consistently provide the greatest possible golfing experience to all players.

#### VISION

While meeting all financial obligations throughout the term of its ownership, the Bartram Trail CDC resolves to commit itself to:

- The quality of the golf course,
- The quality of the golf programming,
- The quality of the golf course staff,
- The quality of service provided to players,
- The environmental stewardship of the land,
- The preservation and continual improvement of the asset, and
- Being a good corporate citizen of Columbia County.

*Approved by the Bartram Trail CDC Board, June 28, 2006*

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