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STONO FERRY • THE PLANTATION COURSE • TOT HILL FARM

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

GREG WOOD

As we move into the early months of 2026, I'm pleased to share updates from across our three properties through the insights of the professionals who make these operations run.

Michael Eargle provides an important update on Stono Ferry's ambitious irrigation project, now eyeing a late February completion. Michael and his team are supervising Maverick Golf's installation work as new heads, wire, and green loops go down across every hole. His crew continues their daily four-hour morning prep routine while managing project oversight alongside regular course maintenance. At Edisto, Joe Hill's crew mirrors this commitment to course quality with their focus on winter turf protection and pre-emergent applications—detail work that positions us well for the spring transition.

While our superintendents prepare the courses for the season ahead, Andrew Emery reminds members that January and February offer ideal opportunities to address swing fundamentals before play intensifies. His YouTube channel has grown to 40,000 subscribers with over 200 instructional videos—a resource available to our membership year-round.

On behalf of Peter Skirpstas and myself, I want to express sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to the Employee Holiday Gift Fund. Your generosity means a great deal to our entire team—not just those



you see daily, but everyone working behind the scenes to enhance your membership experience. Peter also recognizes Chris Dejoy as the inaugural MGA Player of the Year—an award based on points earned through participation and performance across all MGA events. The Unknown Golf Communities platform now handles all tournament sign-ups. At Edisto, Heather Henderson reports that spring villa packages are filling quickly, with weekday availability still open for stay-and-play groups

Regina Forehand announces an important transition in our Food & Beverage team: the departure of Barbara Walsh after 11 years of service, with her final day on January 10th. I encourage everyone to stop by and wish her well. Winter programming shifts from Burgers & Brews to Trivia Nights for January and February, with new menu items rolling out this month.

Finally, Dan Lorentz reports encouraging movement in real estate as interest rates dip heading into the new year. Current Stono Ferry inventory stands at 8 active listings and 3 contingent contracts, with homes averaging 50 days on market. The on-site office in the clubhouse remains open seven days a week.

Thank you for your continued support of The Links at Stono Ferry, The Plantation Course at Edisto, and Tot Hill Farm Golf Club. We're grateful for a tremendous 2025 and look forward to serving you throughout the 2026 season.

DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION STONO FERRY

ANDREW EMERY

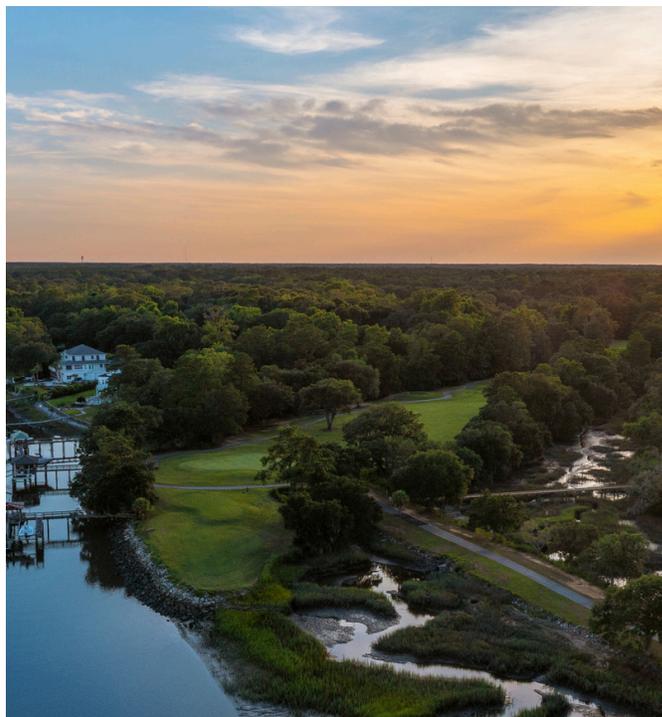
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

It's a great time to reflect on the past year and, of course, to look ahead to the new one.

I've been teaching golf now for nearly 30 years. And if there's one thing I've learned, it's this: golfers improve when they take a thoughtful, intentional approach to their game.

This time of year is a great opportunity to look at the bigger picture. Are your clubs fit for your current swing speed? Is your equipment dated? The advances in golf technology over the past few years have been remarkable, and the right setup can make a real difference.

<https://www.youtube.com/@andrewemerygolf>



It's also worth thinking about how you prepare your body for the game. As we get older, flexibility and strength become just as important as technique. A simple stretching or strength routine can go a long way toward playing better - and feeling better - on the course.

And maybe this is the year to create a plan for your golf. What do you want to improve - short game, driving, or on-course management? For many golfers, a lesson series provides the structure and continuity needed to take their game to the next level.

We're here to help. From our heated indoor/outdoor teaching studio, to our short game area with a brand-new bunker, to on-course coaching, there are plenty of ways to work on your game year-round.

Here's to stepping it up in 2026.

- Andrew

GRASS CLIPPINGS STONO FERRY

MICHAEL EARGLE

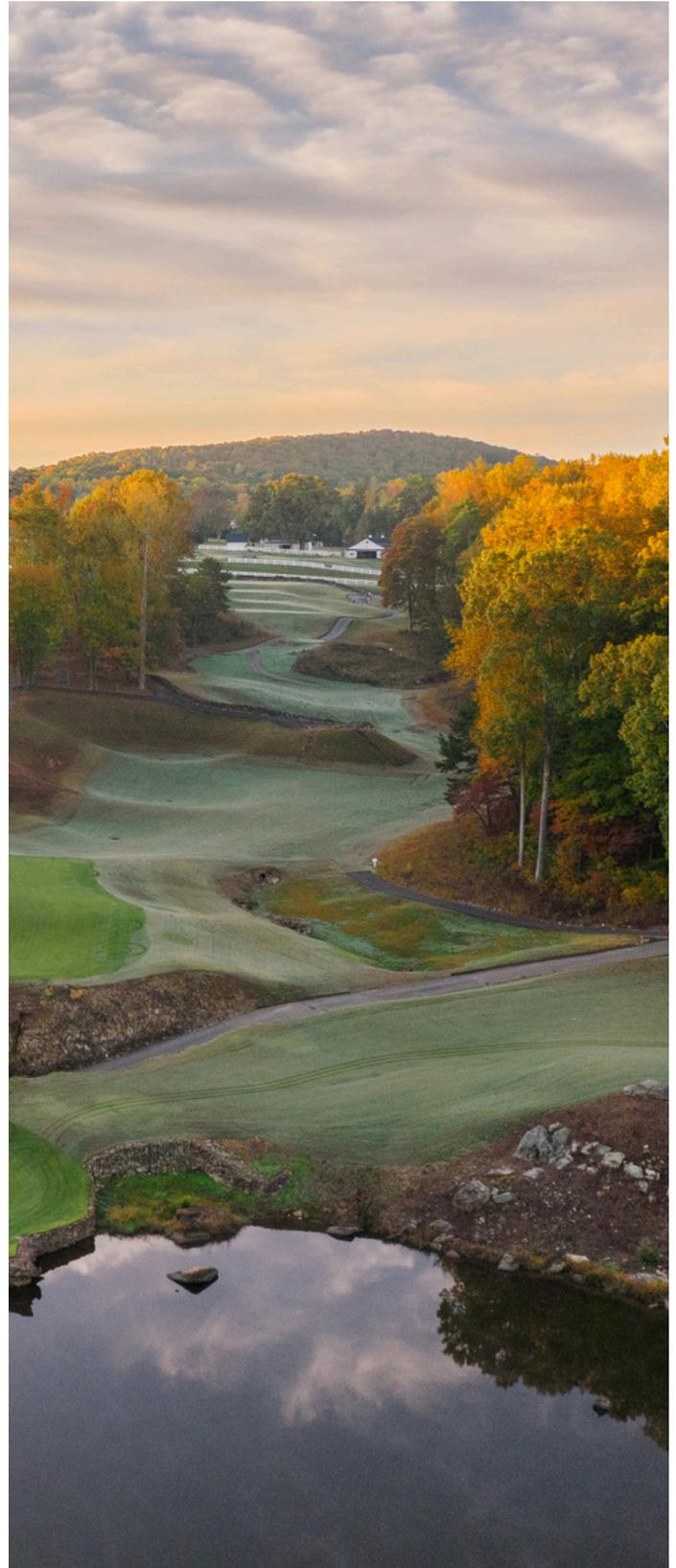
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! I hope everyone has had a great holiday season creating cherished memories with family and friends. I know 2025 presented many challenges for us across the board, but I find myself being truly thankful that we were able to continue enjoying golf and the golf course.

For the maintenance operation, during the months of January and February our top priority is to prepare the golf course for play each morning. This takes about four hours and requires every staff member. Once the golf course is ready for play, work efforts will be focused on things, such as bunker repair, tree work, and managing leaves. Much of this clean up and repair work is performed on a priority basis or “moments of opportunity.”

Also, as you may have noticed by now, our irrigation project is in full swing. It is a time-consuming process with new heads, wire, and green loops going down on every hole. This requires an assortment of equipment and a multitude of workers on a hole at once, so your continued patience with them is much appreciated. With everything being completed on schedule, we are eyeing an end of February completion date.

We are grateful for all comments, so please continue with your feedback. I also want to thank you for creating many bright spots for my crew and myself this past year with your praise and appreciation for our efforts.

May your drives be straight and your putts short!



PRO SHOP UPDATE **STONO FERRY**

PETER SKIRPSTAS

On behalf of the entire staff at Stono Ferry, thank you to everyone who contributed to the Employee Holiday Gift Fund. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. While you may only see a handful of us day-to-day, it truly takes our entire team working together to enhance your membership experience.

A special thank you to the WGA for another successful season. Their mission of engaging both new and current members continues to thrive—whether you're here to compete or simply to have fun, there's room for both, and that's what makes our community so special.

The MGA wrapped up the year with the inaugural Steeple Chase. Fifteen players teed off simultaneously on hole 10 in this elimination-style event. After an exciting extended four-hole playoff, Jordan Fuller emerged victorious over Kip Parks to claim the first Steeple Chase title.

Congratulations also go to Chris "Sergio" Dejoy, winner of the inaugural 2025 MGA Player of the Year Award. Points were earned through participation and performance across MGA events, and Chris's consistency and dedication set the standard.

As we reflect on the 2025 season, we are truly thankful to everyone who chooses to spend their time with us at the course. You make Stono Ferry a place of fun, enjoyment, and lasting memories. Looking ahead to 2026, we aspire to more hole-in-ones, lower scores, and better practice habits—all while continuing to celebrate the camaraderie that makes our club unique.

Please be sure to check the 2026 Tournament & Maintenance Schedule for upcoming events. For more details, visit the Unknown Golf Communities platform.

From all of us at Stono Ferry—
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



GOLF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 7th** WGA Opening Day
- 8th** Stono Super Bowl Blitz
- 28th** MGA Opening Day Member-Guest

MARCH

- 14th - 15th** WGA Stono Classic
- 15th** Stono Players Blitz
- 28th** MGA Presidents Cup Qualifier

APRIL

- 1st** WGA President's Cup
- 12th** Stono Master's Blitz
- 25th** WGA Spring Fling

MAY

- 17th** Stono PGA Championship Blitz
- 30th** WGA Member Guest

JUNE

- 4th** Stono Dry-Ject
- 26th - 28th** MGA Stono Ferry Member/Guest

JULY

- 14th - 16th** Stono Aerification
- 17th** Stono Summer Sandy Social

AUGUST

- 8th - 9th** MGA Edisto Member/Member(Guest)
- 28th - 29th** MGA Tot Hill Invitational

SEPTEMBER

- 18th** MGA Presidents Cup Final Four
- 19th - 20th** MGA/WGA Club Championship

OCTOBER

- 10th - 11th** WGA Member Member
- 13th - 15th** Stono Over Seed
- 23rd** Stono Fall Oyster Roast

NOVEMBER

- 7th - 8th** MGA Stono Ferry Member/Member
- 14th** WGA Closing Day: SFWGA Board

DECEMBER

- 1st** Stono Gifts Fore Golf Tournament
- 4th** MGA Player of the Year Tournament
- 10th** Stono Holiday Sale
- 15th** Calga Closing Day



FOOD AND BEVERAGE STONO FERRY

REGINA FOREHAND

GREETINGS FROM FOOD & BEVERAGE AT THE LINKS AT STONO FERRY

Happy New Year, everyone! We are excited for all the great things happening here at Stono Ferry in 2026, and we're grateful to kick off another wonderful year with you.

A Special Farewell to Barb Walsh

We would like to take a moment to recognize and celebrate a very special member of our team: **Barb Walsh**, who has been with Stono Ferry for **11 incredible years**. Barb will be leaving us this month, with her final day on **January 10th**.

We hope you'll stop by to thank her and wish her well on her next adventure. Barb is truly one of a kind—as many of you know. She is always upbeat, a dedicated team member, a talented golfer, and holds more hole-in-ones than anyone we know!

Barb, thank you for being an outstanding employee and a cherished friend. We will never forget you, and you will always be part of the Stono Ferry family.

New Menu Items Coming in January

We're excited to roll out a few new additions to our menu this month. Be sure to stop by and see what's new—we think you'll love the new creations our team has been working on.

Winter Fun: Trivia Nights in January & February

Because of the colder weather, we'll be putting a twist on our usual **Burgers & Brews** events. This January and February, join us for **Trivia Nights** featuring great food, fun themes, and plenty of libations.

Keep an eye out for an upcoming email with full details, dates, and sign-up information.

Thank You for a Wonderful Year!

As we step into 2026, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all of you. I, along with my staff, feel truly blessed to work with such incredible members. You make our jobs enjoyable, meaningful, and rewarding every single day.

We look forward to serving you and creating even more memorable moments together in the year ahead.

Warmest wishes,

The Food & Beverage Team at The Links at Stono Ferry



REAL ESTATE STONO FERRY

DAN LORENTZ

As we settle into the winter season and move closer to the holidays and New Year, Stono Ferry remains as active as ever! Both on the course and throughout the community are staying busy with various holiday related golf and social events.

Reminder: Our on-site office, located just inside the clubhouse (first door on the right), is open seven days a week. Whether you're curious about the current market, considering selling, or simply want to stop in while you're out and about this holiday season, we're always here. If we're out on a showing, feel free to leave your information on the iPad outside the door and we'll reach out as soon as we return.

Interest rates have recently dipped—an encouraging sign heading into the new year. Inventory has inched up as well, and with many buyers and sellers making year-end decisions, now is a great time to start the conversation if a move is on your mind.

We also proudly serve Edisto, Stono Ferry's sister course community. Whether you're looking for a year-round residence, a winter retreat, or an investment opportunity, we offer the same trusted guidance in both markets.

If you're thinking about making a move before the new year—or planning ahead for early 2026—let's talk. Let our experience and local golf community knowledge work for you.

For immediate assistance or personalized advice, don't hesitate to contact Dan directly at **843-532-4653** or dan@danlorentz.com. If selling your property is part of your New Year's goals, we're here to help make it happen!

Dan Lorentz

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QUICK STONO FERRY MARKET STATS:

There are currently **8** active homes for sale, and **3** homes that are active contingent.

There have been **5** homes to close in the last **6** months, the average sale price for non waterfront homes is **\$201.03** per sq ft (includes the Reserve at Stono Ferry), and the average time on market is **50** days.

QUICK EDISTO ISLAND/BEACH MARKET STATS:

There are currently **43** active homes for sale, and **6** homes that are active contingent.

There have been **50** homes to close in the last **6** months, the average sale price for non waterfront homes is **\$611.77** per sq ft (includes the Reserve at Stono Ferry), and the average time on market is **88** days.

PRO SHOP UPDATE PLANTATION COURSE

HEATHER HENDERSON

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE PLANTATION COURSE AT EDISTO!

2025 was another great year for us at Edisto, and we're excited to see what 2026 has in store. We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful holiday season and are ready for plenty of great golf in the year ahead!

January and February give us a little breathing room to tackle some course projects as we prepare for a busy spring season. You will notice the bridge on 10 is ready to be replaced and plans are in the works to do the rest of our bridges in 2026.

Our spring villa packages are filling up quickly, but we still have some weekday availability for those looking to enjoy a stay-and-play getaway with friends.

As a reminder, spring weekends (Thursday-Saturday) tend to be very busy with large groups, so please plan for slightly slower rounds compared to our quieter January and February weekends.



NEW YEAR SPECIALS

Stop by the Pro Shop to take advantage of some great deals as we make room for exciting new spring inventory!

- **All shoes 30% OFF** throughout January and February
- **Select shirts and gift items** added to the SALE racks regularly

We look forward to seeing you on the course in 2026!



GRASS CLIPPINGS PLANTATION COURSE



JOE HILL

First of all, we hope everyone had a great holiday season!

As we move into January and February winter fully settled in here at the golf course. While the turf growth naturally slows this time of the year, the course continues to play well, and our focus shifts to protecting turf health and setting up for a strong spring season.

With cooler temperatures and shorter days, the turf takes longer to recover from traffic. The course also holds moisture longer during the winter, especially after rain events. Because of this, there may be additional cart path only days or restricted cart traffic to help prevent turf damage. We appreciate your patience, these decisions are made with long-term course quality in mind.

You may see our crew out applying pre-emergent herbicides during this period to stay ahead of winter and early spring weeds. These applications are important for maintaining clean fairways and roughs and help reduce weeds pressure when growth resumes in warmer weather.

Winter allows us to complete detail work and small improvement projects during peak season. This includes, edging and raising drains and general course cleanup to ensure smooth playing surfaces heading into spring.

As we get closer to March, turf will slowly begin to wake up. Our goal through the remainder of the winter is to protect what we have, so we're well positioned for a strong transition into growing season.

Thank you for your continued support and understand throughout the winter months. We truly appreciate everyone doing their part to help keep the course in great shape. We look forward to seeing you out on the course in the new year!