



High Meadows "Hummer"

Roaring Gap, NC

April 2018

General Managers Message

April is a wonderful time of the year as spring has finally arrived, flowers and trees begin to bloom, and the weather makes for a great time to be outdoors. We are preparing for a fantastic year here at the Club and anxious to get the new season underway. Our new golf course irrigation pump was installed in March. Our upstairs men's and ladies' restrooms will be complete by receipt of this article. We thank you for your patience during our renovation period. The Grille will be open Monday-Sunday, starting April 1. Hours will be Monday-Saturday from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm and Sundays 8:00 am-2:00 pm. Our new Members Only section on the website is now active. Make sure to register by going to our website: highmeadowscountryclub.com and click on the Member Log-in heading at the top of the page.

Mark your calendars for two very special social events in April. Saturday, April 7th will feature our Masters Party. Let's kick-off the first major of the year and watch your favorite golfer compete for the green jacket. Masters Party will begin at 4:00 pm with plenty of TVs around to see the tournament. We also have our Diamonds & Denim event scheduled for Saturday, April 21st. Wear your favorite pair of jeans, boots and country outfits and enjoy some excellent country music by Bandits Roost. Cocktails and music will begin at 6:00 pm with dinner served at 7:00 pm.

Reminder, Monday & Tuesday, April 2 & 3 we will be our spring greens aeration, weather permitting. The course will be closed to allow our golf course maintenance staff to conduct this essential agronomic procedure. Aeration is necessary to promote root growth, allow water and nutrients to move through the green's profile, and relieve soil compaction. We are continuing to clean-up debris and remove down trees from last month's storm.

Mike West, General Manager

Welcome New Members

Jason & Angela Clemons
Dining Members - Sparta, NC

Jeff & Beth Setser
Golf Members - Charlotte, NC

William & Nancy Boyles
Golf Members - Burlington, NC

A Word From The President

As I sit here on the 20th of March with five inches of snow on the ground, I am grateful that Spring is just around the corner.

Things are looking good for the Club. In spite of an unusually bad winter, we had some fun events on the mountain and some good golf.

The Club is entering the Spring in good shape:

- ✎ The finances are in good shape
- ✎ We have an outstanding staff.
- ✎ The Social Committee has done an outstanding job planning events for this year. There are several new events on the calendar that will be a lot of fun.
- ✎ The Golf course is coming out of the winter in good shape. The course was in outstanding shape last summer, and it looks like this summer will also be a good one.
- ✎ The Social media marketing program continues to give the Club excellent exposure.
- ✎ Our new real estate company, High Meadows Country Club Properties is up and running with good results.
- ✎ Several houses have sold and we have several new members.
- ✎ Mike West and the committee chairpersons have the details in their articles

We look forward to getting into full swing and having the High Meadows community roaring along.

Allen Williams

Think Safety!

With the arrival of spring, we begin to see more outdoor activity on our roads and golf courses. As a reminder, our speed limit in High Meadows is 24 mph. Please adhere to this speed and remind any friends, guests or contractors to do the same. We also ask that you pay close attention for pedestrians who may be walking the roads. We ask all pedestrians to use safety as well by walking on the side of the road facing incoming traffic. Your cooperation and safety awareness is appreciated. We will be re-stripping the lines on our roads towards the end of the month.

Mike West

Pros Corner

New Merchandise Arrivals!!

Please stop by the Golf Shop to check out our new inventory for the upcoming year! We have been receiving new goodies all month and should have everything in for spring by April 15th. Also as another reminder, we are offering our annual Family and Guest Coupon booklets as well as the Buyers club program through the month of April! Please call or e-mail for information or for sign ups!

Tournament Reminder

As we enter into the golf season beginning in May, we would like to remind everyone registering for events to be aware of the registration deadlines. For example the Saturday points chase cutoff is the Friday prior at 5:00pm. This will help to make sure everyone has been entered into the events as well as making sure that we do not have to split up foursomes that have pre-registered. Please call the Golf Shop for details of any event throughout the year or to sign up.

Tip Of The Month! - Balls Lost or Out of Bounds: Alternative to Stroke & Distance:

A new Local Rule will now be available, permitting committees to allow golfers the option to drop the ball in the vicinity of where the ball is lost or out of bounds (including the nearest fairway area), under a two-stroke penalty. It addresses concerns raised at the club level about the negative impact on pace of play when a player is required to go back under stroke and distance. The Local Rule is not intended for higher levels of play, such as professional or elite level competitions. (*Key change: this is a new addition to support pace of play*)

Thank you,
The Golf Shop Staff!

Ladies News & Notes

March 15, 2018. As I am writing this there is snow on the ground and large icicles hanging from the eave of the house. However, I am optimistic that Spring is just around the corner!

We are eagerly awaiting warm weather and the start of the 2018 LGA golf season. We have some exciting things planned for this year and encourage you to take part in all of them. If you are not yet a member of the Ladies' Golf Association and wish to join, please call Donna in the office and tell her you want to be a member. The dues will be billed to your club account. Current annual dues are \$55 for golf members and \$30 for social members.

The new forward tees will be ready for play by our opening day and hopefully will make golf more fun for our members. We will address the playing of these tees, handicaps and other questions at the Kickoff. Please make plans to play in our Captain's Choice opening event on May 12th and to attend the luncheon afterwards. Social members are welcome at the luncheon.

Hope to see you on the mountain soon.

Vicki Cox, President

Keeping House

Welcome to Spring...I think. Well it's coming I'm sure. This season has been a challenge for those of us who choose to spend the winter on the mountain. We have experienced a long and active winter with plenty of cold, wet and snow, so to say we're ready for warm weather is an understatement.

We made a decision last fall to upgrade the main floor bathrooms with a plan to have them ready by the first of April. Looks like we will make that deadline despite the things Mother Nature has thrown at us, the latest being the snowfall which required the cancellation of the March Madness party scheduled for March 24th. We trust that all our members and guests will appreciate the efforts that went into this project and enjoy the end results. Many thanks are due to all those who made this all possible, especially Cindy Lee Middleton and Tony Shepherd for their diligence in bringing us in under budget. Kudos to Eric Wingler for his hard work and to Virginia Pollet for cleaning up each day's mess to minimize interruption to normal club operations.

Thanks also to our contractor Joey Royal, Gary Ketterling of White Dove Woodworks, Omar from Amanzi Marble and Dustin from Inside Additions. These folks provided their quality service on a timely basis and are worthy of your business when the need arises. I would personally like to thank Jim Meyer for inspiring the design of the bathrooms despite having to take liberties with his design.

In an effort to keep improving your Grille experience we have installed a new grill cooker and refrigerator to keep food fresh and to speed up food delivery. Becky has returned and the Grille is serving daily. I've heard a number of members say how much they've missed her breakfasts. We have additional ideas for refurbishment and use of the Grille in the long-range plan and they will be executed as funds become available.

Your House Committee is committed to insuring your continuing enjoyment of the club and to making the club more inviting to prospective new members. These hard working people are Debbie Shelburne, Tanya Wilson, Chris Payton and Cindy Lee Middleton. They welcome all positive comments, all negative comments should come to me.

Looking forward to the return of our Florida members and to a great 2018 season,

Yon Demmink, House Chairman

MGA News

The Winter has been rough with very little golf weather. We hope the worst is behind us and we are ready to play golf. We are anticipating a great season.

The best Tournament of the year will be the Kick-Off which will be on May 18, 19 and 20. You need to save the dates and look for information and sign-up form which will be mailed mid April. New members are urged to play in this Tournament since it is a great time to meet people and have a good time. We are looking for a volunteer to be in charge of the weather for the Kick-Off. Last years man in charge did not do a very good job. Whoever is up to the task please contact one of the MGA Officers.

As the weather gets better remember we have games on Wednesday and Saturday. Call the Pro Shop the day before to sign up. If anyone has questions you can contact one of the MGA Officers.

Your MGA: Tommy Thompson, Clarence Haile, Vernon Mountcastle and Allen Williams.

Save the Dates ***September 24 & 25*** Save the Dates

For the Annual Cherry Lane Volunteer
Fire Department Golf Tournament

Monday, Sept 24
Golf at
Roaring Gap
Club



Tuesday, Sept
25 Golf at
High Meadows
Country Club

Monday, Sept 24
Dinner at
Olde Beau



Out & About - Local Happenings

ALLEGHANY COUNTY

Water Color Class - Thur., April 5, 2018 - 6p - 8p; \$35
Landscape, soft washes, negative painting. All supplies & dessert furnished. **Deadline to register - April 2 - Studio Redwood; 16 S. main, Lower Level, Sparta, NC**

Water Color Class - Thur., April 19, 2018 - 6p - 8p; \$35
Wet on Wet and Dry brush. Peach Branch; Sky; branches; leaves. All supplies & dessert furnished. **Deadline to register - April 16 at Studio Redwood; 16 S. main, Lower Level, Sparta, NC**

Alleghany Jubilee; 25 N. Main Street; Sparta; 336-657-1441
Every Tuesday - \$5, & Saturday - \$6
Doors open at 6pm. Music begins at 7pm.
Mondays - Line Dancing classes. 6-7:30pm. \$3 per person

Alleghany Wellness Center; Sparta; 336-372-5597
Diabetes Today - 12:00 - 1:00 - Food samples; recipes & Info.
April 3, 2018 - Cancer Control (Eat Anti-Inflammatory)
May 1, 2018 - Med not Meds
June 5, 2018 - Fresh Fruits & Vegetable Month

Performance by Alleghany Writers & Trojan Playmakers
Horizon Bistro (formerly Mustard Seed) The Writers present Poets

& Storytelling. The Playmakers present ten minute plays, monologues and more. Writers at 3:00pm and Playmakers at 8:00 pm on April 7; May 5 and June 2.

Empty Bowls - April 9, 2018 - 11:00 - 2:00
Four varieties of soup with vegan and gluten free offered. Tickets available at the Chamber of Commerce.

Appalachian Poetry & Stories - April 14, 2018 - 3:00
Featuring Ron Houchin reading from his poetry and story collections, including The Man Who Saws Us In Half, 2013 recipient of the Weatherford Award for poetry.

Alleghany Library Programs 11:00
April 14 - Typography
April 21 - Electronics

Tour de Mountains - Saturday, June 9, 2018
Mark your calendar now for the 2018 Tour de Mountains. Registration opens February 1st!

WILKES COUNTY

Thu, May 17, 2018 - The Heart Behind the Music

Walker Center on campus of Wilkes Community College
www.walkercenteronline.org - 336-838-6260

April 2018

| <i>Sunday</i> | <i>Monday</i> | <i>Tuesday</i> | <i>Wednesday</i> | <i>Thursday</i> | <i>Friday</i> | <i>Saturday</i> |
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| 1 Grille Open's 7 days a week!  | 2 Aerification | 3 Aerification | 4 Aerification Rain Date | 5 Aerification Rain Date | 6 | 7 Masters Cocktail Party |
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Coming Events

May 2018

- May 5..... Kentucky Derby Party
- May 12..... LGA Kick-in w/ Social
- May 13..... Mothers Day Buffet
- May 18 - 20..... MGA Kick-in
- May 25..... Pool Opening & Cook-out

F & B Hours of Operation

April Dining Hours

Wed, Fri & Sat.....6:00 - 9:00
 Sun.....2:00 - 6:00

Side Door Lounge Hours

Sunday..... Golf Weather Permitting
 Call the Golf Shop (363-2445)

April Grille Hours

Mon - Sat 8:00 - 4:00
 Sun..... 8:00 - 2:00



MASTERS COCKTAIL PARTY

APRIL 7, 2018

4:00 UNTIL

20.00++

(Drinks Excluded)

Come join us to kick off the 2018 HMCC golf season and to celebrate America's most prestigious golf tournament.

"THE MASTERS"

Come attired in your "Masters' Green", participate in the Masters Drawing (\$5 per golfer) & watch your designated golfer/golfers on the televisions that will be available throughout the dining room and bar areas.

Angela will make sure you have plenty to drink & there will be heavy hors d'oeuvres so no one will go home Hungry or Thirsty!!

COME JOIN THE FUN!

Passed Hors D'oeuvres

Chicken Salad Cups
Pimento Cheese Toast Points
Egg Salad Canapé

Hot Station

Southern Fried Chicken Wings
Oven Roasted Potatoes
Masters Mac & Cheese Seasonal Vegetables
On the Green Beans

Slider Station

Fried Chicken Breast, BBQ Pork, Mini Burgers
and all the accompaniments
Masters Chips
Sweet Potato Chips

Carving Station

Grilled Beef Tenders
Stuffed Pork Loin
served with an assortment of sauces

Cold Station

Grilled Salmon
Green Jacket Salad
Layered Roasted Beet Salad
Grilled Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert Station

Georgia Peach Ice Cream Sandwiches
Pecan Pie Bars
Chocolate Chip Cookies
Sour Cream Pound Cake with Strawberries

Social Happenings

There are several social events that we would like to make you aware of in April and early May.

Right after the infamous High Meadows Easter Buffet on Easter Sunday, April 1st – which is always an event unto itself - we will kick off the HMCC golf season with The Masters Cocktail Party on Saturday, April 7th. Not only will you be able to wear your “Master’s Green”, gather with friends and discuss the tournament itself but you will have an opportunity to participate in Saturday’s round. Todd and his group will put the Saturday participants’ names in a hat and we will be given the opportunity to draw names to determine our picks. After the Saturday round has been completed the Pro Shop will determine the scores for the day and the winner (s) for Saturday’s round will be announced prior to the end of our evening.

On April 21st we will have a casual country evening, which we have called “Diamonds and Denim”. Wear your jeans, boots, hats – and some “bling” if you wish – and come enjoy Nicole’s country cooking with a sophisticated twist and an evening of country tunes provided by Bandits Roost from Elkin. It should be a really fun change of pace.

Lastly, on May 5th we will have our Annual Kentucky Derby Party. More information will be forthcoming for this fun event but we wanted everyone to mark their calendars accordingly and get their Kentucky Derby hats ready!

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Club.

The Social Committee

Roads, Security & Landscaping

Let me begin by sharing with you the fact that my wife, Denise & I have impeccable timing?! We departed warm & sunny Florida heading to High Meadows so that I could attend the March BOD meeting. The drive was uneventful and we arrived on Sunday March 11.....it snowed that evening and the next day, accumulation approximately 7"! Next time it may be a call in!

Tony and his road crew did a fantastic job clearing the roads, working many hours to make our roads safe. His crew is working non-stop to clean up branches etc., if you see Tony or any of the crew please spend a minute to thank them for their hard work & commitment to the Club. Our new lanterns have been installed on the entrance signs to the Club on Rte. 21 & as you enter the Clubhouse area. Landscaping on the Rte. 21 sign and the road re-striping will begin as soon as mother nature allows.

As most of you have likely read in the BOD minutes that were emailed to the membership, we have developed a complete program to make our roads as safe as possible. I realize that the speed humps may be an issue with some members but please understand that a substantial majority of the responses received to our request for suggestions were in favor of the humps. I hope those opposed to the humps will rally around the Club's majority decision. Another piece of the program is to remind everyone that our roads are narrow with lots of curves and hills so please be aware of walkers and obey the speed limit. If you're a walker please walk against the traffic and use only one ear piece to listen to news or music. That way you will be able to see & hear any oncoming traffic. Thanks to those that responded to our letter with ideas to make our roads safer.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB!

Rich Kaplan

Membership News

Recently we called a special meeting with the By-Laws Committee and Membership Committee as a combined effort to establish rules and regulations for Associate Memberships (Long-term, one month to a year). We all recognize the value of welcoming folks to our community in order to afford them the opportunity to learn more about us before making a commitment to join us. The Associate Membership is the ideal way to make that happen.

When we entertain visitors at the club, it is enlightening to observe our members welcoming new faces to our facility. It is a true example of the warmth and goodness of our community.

As most of you are aware, our new real estate brokerage firm, High Meadows Country Club Properties, is up and running. It's obvious that establishing our own firm will go hand-in-hand in acquiring new members. Our brokers are committed to promoting the club to Buyers and are well-prepared to answer any and all questions pertaining to membership.

Our office is located in the Pool House. Our names are prominently posted so someone hoping to learn more about our club and properties that are available for sale can locate us easily. Feel free to call on us with your questions about real-estate in High Meadows:

- ◆ Peggy Cooper (910) 612-0649
- ◆ Laura Matthias (843) 592-5094
- ◆ Carolyn Harrell (919) 880-9202

The web site is ever-changing and improving. The Member's Login is available to all of us. It's a great way to find contact information for our membership. Plus, you'll find the By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, Board Minutes and other pertinent information readily available.

Did you know that the more times you log onto our site, the better positioned it is on Google and other search engines? So, help us become more recognized by logging in often. If you have ideas for improving the site, please feel free to contact the office, and, please log in today: www.highmeadowscountryclub.com

Your Membership Committee,

Carolyn Harrell, Chair; Jenny Braswell; Ricky Brown; Mark Stephens; Bill Whisenant