



# High Meadows "Hummer"

Roaring Gap, NC

August 2018

## General Managers Message

The summer continues to roll along with an abundance of activities here at High Meadows. July events included 60 ladies participating in the Ladies Member-Guest, 62 attendees at the Big Band Dinner & Dance, and 17 children attending Kids Week. August promises to be just as busy with our Member-Guest being held Thursday-Saturday, August 2 - 4. Currently we have 49 teams signed up to play. We also have two very exciting projects beginning Monday, August 6th! These projects will be a replacement of the fencing around the pool and renovation of the deck around the clubhouse. Our pool deck will also be expanded on the driving range side during the project. Our clubhouse deck will be replaced, new railings added, and an expansion of the deck on the Golf Shop side of the Clubhouse. Deck renovation will also include a fire pit addition. Both projects are funded by the Living Tree fund. Thank you to the members who have contributed!

Our greens are recovering from the outbreak of the Annual Bluegrass Weevil which occurred mid-June. The weevils feed on the roots of the lower cutting height Poa annual and Bent grass, deteriorating the roots of the plant resulting in turf loss. The greens have been sprayed three times and received fertilizer applications. Although there still remains some evidence of damage, the grass is now replenishing and recovering. Several other items to keep in mind while playing golf. Make sure to fix your ball mark on the greens. We ask you to make sure to replace all divots in the fairway, tee and rough areas. The Bent grass will grow back if replaced properly. Please replace the turf back into the divot if possible and step on the divot so mowers and cart traffic will not disrupt. If the divot is not replaceable, you should use sand provided in the bottles on the carts. We also ask golfer to please utilize the cart paths around all tees and greens, making sure to keep all four tires on the cart path. Carts should also remain at least 30 feet away from all greens surfaces. These steps will go a long way to keep our course in excellent condition and making the round more enjoyable for you and your fellow golfers.

Make sure to check out our website! Every time you frequent the site, it improves our exposure in search optimizations to other users who are checking out High

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## A Word From The President

As I write this it seems that the summer monsoon season is finally over. Over 3 inches of rain in a week. Houses are still selling and we are adding some new members. High Meadows is on the move again. Our wonderful golf course looks great and we have a wonderful staff. Garrison Wagner is serving as our interim chef, and Mike West has moved closer to the daily operation of Food and Beverage in this interim.

### A couple of special thanks:

Nathan has had a year he would rather forget:

- ✂ It started with two wind storms and trees and trash down everywhere. More than 60 trees down on the course. The effort to clean all that up was remarkable
- ✂ Then we had a record cold and wet winter
- ✂ Then we had an unusually wet Spring that delayed the work necessary to bring the course out of winter
- ✂ In the middle of all that, the Assistant Superintendent resigned, throwing an extra work load back on Nathan.
- ✂ Then the computer that drives the irrigation system died and was out about a week. If you saw strange lights on the greens at night, it was Nathan out watering greens
- ✂ Then the Annual Blue Grass Weevils appeared, migrating down from New England. Nathan has been applying extra chemicals and fertilizer that he did not normally apply.

It's been a tough year for Nathan. Give him a pat on the back or a hug.

Also, special thanks to Tom Williams for bringing up his crew from Raleigh. They are a nice bunch of guys, who had a good time. Thanks Tom, and we look forward to seeing them again next year.

The LGA and MGA events were all well done and successful. Thanks to all who worked so hard on these events.

Ever Onward,  
Allen Williams

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HELLO  
**AUGUST**

## Pros Corner

As we enter into late summer and the peak golfing season, just a reminder of some exciting events forthcoming! We have had a tough year with weather and let's hope fall will be cooperative. We have our Club Championships, Ryder Cup, Fall Member-Member and our weekly events still to come! Also help support the Club Championship as we have different divisions for all to be competitive and an enjoyable weekend. Please call the Golf Shop to sign up for any of these events or to get information.

## Course News:

With new members joining the club and mostly from areas with warm season grasses, we are reminding everyone that our policy at the club is to replace divots, and if not possible, to fill with sand mix. Cool season grass will not come back as quickly as Bermuda. Also we ask that you repair ball marks on the greens by working inwards towards the center. Avoid twisting or lifting the ball mark. As always please keep carts no closer than 30 feet from tees and greens.

Thank you,  
The Golf Shop Staff!

## About Membership

The Stay & Play program continues to be a huge success. The "Ambassadors" for this program are greatly appreciated and make booking the events easier for Donna. Thanks to all volunteers for participating in this important responsibility.

Just this past weekend we had four women golfers visit. Lisa Bishop, Susan Chamberlain, Anna Hayes and I joined them on Friday to play a round of competitive golf. Young, Yon, Sun & Soon are originally from S. Korea and live in Charlotte with their husbands. The language barrier was challenging for me, but not so much for others involved. They played again on Saturday and one of the women shot a 77! Anna and Cheff, the Bishops and Chamberlains joined them for dinner on Saturday night and had a fabulous time.

They were so gracious, sending a thank you note to all of us. Plus, they would like to return again with their husbands. Cheff was apprehensive at first, but related he had a really fun time. We feel confident they will spread compliments about our club, noting the nice folks they met and our beautiful course.

Additionally, thank you Tom Williams for having your nice Cary group up again this year. What a wonderful way to introduce our club to potential members.

Most of all, to our current members who make visitors feel welcome - Thank you!

We are in the process of approving two new members. Our membership numbers are growing in a positive way. With continued positive references from our visitors and our much improved website, we are bound to acquire new interest.

Regarding real estate, rumors are sometimes inaccurate. If you really wish to know what's going on with home sales, check out the club's website. It is up-to-date with each and every property for sale in our community, right there on the site. If a home is under contract, a PENDING banner is placed over the listing. Check it out at: [www.highmeadowscountryclub.com](http://www.highmeadowscountryclub.com).

Your Membership Committee,

Carolyn Harrell, Mark Stephens, Jenny Braswell, Bill Whisenant  
Ricky Brown, Ricky Shore

# HMCC LGA

The **LGA Wonder Woman Ladies Member Guest** was a smashing success! Jenny Braswell and her committee did a fantastic job of organizing and carrying out the event. It was our first two-day Member Guest and the new format was well-liked by members and their guests. A word of thanks to all the **Wonder(ful) Women** of the LGA who participated and helped make this a great event.



August brings our annual **BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE**. We are currently collecting school supplies for the children of Alleghany County. All types of supplies are needed, especially backpacks. Please consider donating. Supplies may be left in the library area of the Ladies Locker Room by August 15th

Also in August we have our **QUEEN BEE TOURNAMENT** on two consecutive Saturdays. Aug 11 & Aug 18. There will be a luncheon following play on the 18th.



**ARTISANS' DAYS** Our exciting Artisans' Days are coming up August 17 and 18. We will have 11 vendors displaying their arts and , for the first time, some will be selling their art. We have art work, pottery, jewelry, canned goods, woodworking, knitting and more. The show opens at dinner on the 17th and runs until 4:00PM on Saturday, the 18th. Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to view and purchase some of the fabulous work done by your fellow members and other artisans. Questions may be directed to Denise Horne-Kaplan.

## Welcome New Members

**Randy & Ceil Watson**  
Dining Members - Glade Valley, NC  
**Dr. James & Abbie Sancrant**  
Golf Members - Bermuda Run, NC

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Meadows. This will apply if you are checking out blogs, Facebook posts, frequent the "Member Only" section, what's for sale in our Properties location, simply checking the calendar for events, or any other visit to the site. Reminder, the pool will close for the season on Tuesday September 4th.

See you around the Club,  
Mike West, GM

### Reservations Please!

We would like to ask for your help with reservations, please. It would be a tremendous help to Angela if you make your reservations as early as possible. This allows Angela to properly schedule the wait staff based on the number of reservations on the book. Last minute reservations often make it difficult for her to find someone able to work.

## Keeping House

I hope everyone is having a great summer. The club and your house committee are busy working to continually improve your membership experience. This month we are improving the pool area by enlarging the deck surface and replacing the fencing. Doing this will improve its appearance and increase the area for seating and sun worship. We will also have more space for pool parties. The job should be completed in 3 weeks.

I trust that all will enjoy the Member-Guest tournament this week. Its going to be great fun and a wonderful opportunity to share with your friends. Immediately thereafter you will notice our next big project, replacement of the deck. This project will completely change the look of the clubhouse and should appeal to both members and prospective members. This will require some short-term cart traffic re-routing, there will be more information to follow.

Finally, we have added 1, 3, and 5 lb weights in the exercise facility to complete our weight set and I would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to Dave and Pat Green for their gift of a new exercise bicycle now in residence. Our gym facility is getting better all the time.

This is an exciting time for High Meadows Country Club. The club is improving and houses are selling. Can't wait to see what's next.

Yon Demmink,  
House Chairman

## Out & About - Local Happenings

### ALLEGHANY COUNTY

**Alleghany Jubilee; 25 N. Main St; Sparta; 336-657-1441**  
Every Tuesday - \$5, & Saturday - \$6 (12 & under—free)  
Doors open at 6pm. Music begins at 7pm.  
Mondays - Line Dancing classes. 6-7:30pm. \$3 per person

**Music on Main; 6:00.** Join us in Sparta as we close off the street and enjoy music and shopping in downtown Sparta! Bring a lawn chair if you just want to sit and enjoy the music. The Dates are as follows: **Aug 3; Sept 7 & Oct 5**

**Words & Music Weekend; Aug 4** Novelist & Playwright Charlie Lovett **12:30 pm - Lunch** with the Author. Limited seating, Reservation required - Call (336) 372 - 7444. **3:00 pm - On The Bistro Stage** - Charlie takes the stage for a book talk and discussion.

**Demolition Derby & Figure 8 Racing; 6:00 on Aug 4**  
The Sparta Volunteer Fire Department will hold their Demolition Derby and Figure 8 Racing on August 4th. This is a family-friendly event and fun for everyone!

**History Night with Jen Presents: The Titanic, Aug 9,** Come out to the Alleghany County Library on August 9th at 7:00 PM to learn the history of the Titanic!

**Fashion Show! Aug 11; 11:30 a.m. Old Beau; \$35**  
Benefiting the Alleghany Memorial Hospital Foundation. Tickets must be purchased in advance. See Donna Moore for tickets.

**Mountain Soul 2018 - Christ Episcopal Church**  
**Services at 6:00; Concerts at 6:20**

**August 26** - In Harmony: Folk/Rock  
**September 30** - Swing Set: Light Swing/Jazz  
**October 28** - Fraidy Cats: 1920's to Current Hits  
**November 25** - For All The Glory: Gospel  
**December 30** - The Faithful Four: Christmas Gospel Service.

### WILKES COUNTY

**Sept. 20, 2018** - Dailey & Vincent  
**Nov. 1, 2018** - Under the Streetlamp  
**Dec. 6, 2018** - Deep in the Heart of Christmas - Texas Tenors  
**Feb. 28, 2019** - Mike Farris & the Roseland Rhythm Review  
**Mar 28, 2019** - Artrageous  
**May 10, 2019** - The Oak Ridge Boys  
**Walker Center on campus of Wilkes Community College**  
[www.walkercenteronline.org](http://www.walkercenteronline.org) - 336-838-6260

# August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Wed 11:00 Men's Group	2 <b>Member-Guest Practice Round &amp; Cook Out</b>	3 <b>Member-Guest Round 1</b>	4 <b>Member-Guest Round 2 &amp; Dinner Dance</b>
CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER						
5 Chapel 9:00 <small>Open Tee X's.....8-10 Couples.....10-11 Mixed Couples..11-12</small>	6 Super Senior Play Day 11:00	7	8 Wed 11:00 Men's Group	9 9:00 Ladies Day	10 Super Senior Play Day 11:00	11 9:00 Queen Bee/Men's Point Chase
12 Chapel 9:00 <small>Open Tee X's.....8-10 Couples.....10-11 Mixed Couples..11-12</small>	13 Super Senior Play Day 11:00	14	15 Wed 11:00 Men's Group	16 9:00 Ladies Day	17 Super Senior Play Day 11:00  <b>Artisan Day</b>	18 9:00 Ladies Day/Men's Point Chase  <b>Artisan Day</b>  <b>Board Mtg 3:00</b>
19 Chapel 9:00 <small>Open Tee X's.....8-10 Couples.....10-11 Mixed Couples..11-12</small>	20 Super Senior Play Day 11:00	21	22 Wed 11:00 Men's Group	23 9:00 Ladies Day	24 Super Senior Play Day 11:00  <b>Nine &amp; Dine</b>	25 9:00 Ladies Day/Men's Point Chase
26 Chapel 9:00 <small>Open Tee X's.....8-10 Couples.....10-11 Mixed Couples..11-12</small>	27 Super Senior Play Day 11:00	28	29 Wed 11:00 Men's Group	30 9:00 Ladies Day	31 Super Senior Play Day 11:00	

## Coming Events

### September 2018

Sept 3.....Last Day for Pool  
 Sept 8 & 9 .....Club Championship  
 Sept 14.....Ryder Cup Pairings Party  
 Sept 15.....Ryder Cup  
 Sept 20.....Reception for Georgann Eubanks  
 Sept 22.....Fall Membership Meeting  
                     .....Wine & Tapas  
 Sept 25.....CLVFD Tournament  
 Sept 28.....Fall Mem-Mem Cocktail Party  
 Sept 29 & 30 .....Fall Mem-Mem

## F & B Hours of Operation

### Dining Hours

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

### Side Door Lounge Hours

Sunday ..... 2:00—6:00

### Grille Hours

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

Sun..... 8:00 - 2:00