March 2022 ECHOES



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HOLE #5 BEAUTIFICATION & INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT BY GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT, ALAN BURNETTE

We recently had a representative from The Fazio Design Group on-site for a second visit. He was helpful with the direction of the final grade and grassing between the new boulder wall and five green. There will ultimately be contour changes made to the entire left side of this green complex, as well as minor changes to the bunkers with a goal of enhancing playability.

Barry Cosgrove has finished with the drainage overflow dry rock bed and plantings, and our staff is in the process of completing the final clean up to the new landscaping and adding additional pine straw.



While this work was in progress, we also took the opportunity to remove some shade-makers consisting of two large white pines and a poplar tree located behind five green. Removing these trees will help increase the duration of much needed sun on the back portion of this Green Complex.

We are waiting on parts for the pond drain mechanism that will be attached to the stem/overflow pipe. This repair will need to take place prior to refilling the pond. It should not be more than a week or two before we close the drain and begin to fill the pond back up.

The separate second phase of this project is the pipe replacement where we have had the reoccurring sink hole between holes five and six. It has been delayed because of pipe manufacturing and

delivery issues. We are told by our vendor that delivery of the pipe will take place by mid-March and weather permitting installation will be complete by the first week of April.



A "PUPDATE" FROM THE POA

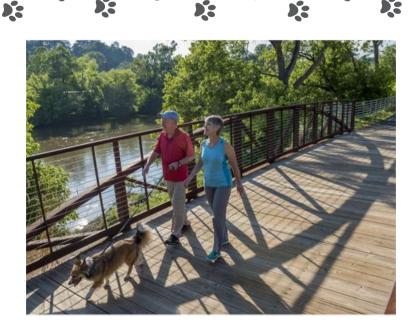
Champion Hills is a proud pet friendly community, and we absolutely adore each of our four-legged residents. We love featuring your pets in our publications, and encourage all members to send us pictures of your pets enjoying the majestic mountains of Champion Hills. To help ensure all members can fully enjoy our beautiful home we offer a gentle reminder to please be sure to pick up after your pets. Pet waste can create an eyesore, hazard for other pets, and attract unwanted wildlife. All pets also need to be properly leashed when being walked within Champion Hills to protect the safety of the pet, pet owner, and others using the roadways to travel.

Below is a list of great dog parks within a quick drive of our surrounding area that offer your pet the chance to socialize and run free with other dogs.

Pet's Own Place Dog Park - 1019 7th Ave E | Hendersonville, NC Jackson Park Dog Park - 708 Glover St | Hendersonville, NC Bill Moore Community Park - 85 Howard Gap Rd | Fletcher, NC Mills River Dog Park - 124 Town Center Dr | Mills River, NC Brevard Dog Park - 824 Ecusta Rd | Brevard, NC

The link below is a great guide of how to enjoy downtown Hendersonville with your dog. You can stroll down Main Street, stop by the Visitor Center, or grab a bite to eat while you are out and about. There is also great information on walking paths and hiking trails for you and your pet to roam.

<u>Click Here to Read about Pet Friendly Hendersonville.</u>



Making a trip to Asheville for the day and don't want to leave Fido at home alone?

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No worries! The article linked below includes great locations for both you and your pup to enjoy the unique atmosphere that our neighboring "Dog City" exudes.

<u>Click Here for Tips for</u> <u>Visiting Asheville with a Dog</u>.



LAST MONTH'S WINNERS: Congrats to Trebek's Rejects: Bill & Cindy Breyfogle, Ken & Susan Thomas, and John & Libby Gilmore!

TRIVIA NIGHT

April 6

Want to join in on the fun and show off your knowledge?

Reserve your team a table today!

To do so, please contact Shelly Metcalf at ShellyM@ChampionHills.com

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN



SPARKS BY THE FIRE

March 9

Assistant Golf Pro, Craig Sparks, is not only a skilled golfer but also a talented musician! Enjoy a delicious meal in the Champion Hills Clubhouse as his music fills the room.

COOKIES & COCKTAILS

March 3

Enjoy delicious cocktails inspired by the iconic cookies all while supporting a local Girl Scout troop at Thirsty Thursday! Cookies will be available for purchase at this event, so please "Be Prepared" with cash or a credit card.

BOURBON STREET AT THIRSTY THURSDAY

March 10

Enjoy tasty, Mardi Gras-inspired drinks and bar bites while meeting fellow Members at this weekly favorite event!

Visit chmember.com to register for these events today





SHAMROCK SCRAMBLE AND THIRD THURSDAY!

March 17

Grab your team and wear your green! After you've gathered your Foursome and all your lucky charms, head out to this year's Shamrock Scramble Golf Event! Afterwards, celebrate a great day on the "Greens" by throwing on some green attire and enjoying this month's Third Thursday. See friends and meet new members while enjoying St. Patrick's Day inspired refreshments.



J VINEYARDS WINE DINNER March 23

Enjoy a carefully chosen selection of five wines, including an opening and closing bubbly pairing, by J Vineyards. Each wine will be paired perfectly with its own course during this delectable dining experience!

APRIL UPCOMING EVENT

THE HENDERSONVILLE YOUTH SYMPHONY

Monday, April 4

An auditioned full orchestra ensemble of 48 student musicians playing string, brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments is returning to Champion Hills this season.



Students in the group come from 11 different local public, private, and charter schools. This year is particularly special for the youth orchestra, as this season marks our return to in-person playing after Covid, and the youth are as excited as ever to be making music together again and perform this evening for the Members of Champion Hills!

KING CAKE:

ORIGINS, TRANSLATIONS, AND TRANSFORMATIONS BY STEPHAN STANSFIELD, FOOD & BEVERAGE DIRECTOR

Fat Tuesday is nearly upon us! And as the ancient festivities return and begin to celebrate the tradition of Carnival, a uniquely-colored and intricately woven cinnamon cake begins to make appearances in supermarkets everywhere. If you're lucky, you may have even seen one at Publix or The Fresh Market already. Sparkling tri-colored dough always captures the eye with it's empowered purple representing the color of justice, gorgeous green representing faith, and gold to represent power. The official tri-colored pastry of Marti Gras called king cake is back!

The traditions of King Cake pay homage to The Three Wisemen or "Three Wise Kings" who visited the Christ Child in the manger on that starry night. Originally brought from Europe to the United States, the tradition continues today most popularly in New Orleans, Louisiana where King Cake is eaten and given out freely to those roaming and rummaging the streets in search of a little fun during the Marti Gras season. Inside the cake there is an epiphany to discover. With a little luck and a bit of an appetite, a figurine resembling a porcelain baby can be found inside the cake. All it takes is the right slice and a soft bite.



In the United States, the discoverer of the baby is promised a year of prosperity and the responsibility of purchasing the next year's cake. In many Frenchspeaking countries the winner is kinged with a paper crown included with every cake. In Spanish-speaking countries the baby figurine is sometimes replaced with a hard candy or a bean. In the United Kingdom, custom practice was traditionally to have two cakes: one with a bean and another with a pea. The fortunate duo who found each item were dubbed The King and The Queen of the Twelfth Cake. Shakespeare fans may recall his famous work, "Twelfth Night" where he explored the contrast of a bean and royalty. And what about the fable "The Princess and the Pea?"

Modern day society is becoming more and more concerned about King Cake. NBA fans may recall the New Orleans Pelicans basketball team started with a pelican mascot, but in recent years the pelican has been replaced with easily the most terrifying mascot in the NBA: The King Cake Baby! The legend around The King Cake Baby is that it survives off stolen children's candy and tears. Talk about nightmares, yikes!

Even public opinion on the safety of figurines in edible cakes has changed. More and more King Cakes are leaving the baby on the side. Liability issues are a major concern of modern-day corporations. The mass production of King Cake has reduced these once beautiful porcelain trinkets to disposable plastic counterparts. Visit New Orleans in March and see the bounty of free King Cake everywhere, babies left on the side, and handed out openly like souvenirs. Clearly, the secret is out on King Cake.



JOIN US AT OUR VERY OWN MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION! THURSDAY, MARCH 10 | 4 PM - 6 PM

SAVE THE DATE be sure to register for all events on chmember.com

CAMP CHAMP Champion Hills Kids' Camp

Must have 12 registrants by July 1 to hold camp!

July 29 - July 31

Purple Cornflowa

WHAT'S NEW IN '22 FROM RAYMOND'S GARDEN CENTER APRIL 21 | 2 PM - 4 PM

The "Garden Gals" from Raymond's Garden Center will be visiting the Champion Hills Clubhouse to give a presentation on local foliage. Annuals and perennials will be on display for inspiration as you beautify your containers and landscaping.

Have pesky deer taken a liking to your garden? "Deer Resistant Plants" will also be showcased at this event!

GOLF NEWS

TIP FROM THE PRO | PRACTICE LIKE YOU PLAY

By Assistant Golf Pro, Craig Sparks

How often do you hit the same shot over and over on the golf course?

How often do you use the same club five times in a row?

These are some questions that you need to think about when setting up a practice routine. Varying targets and changing clubs every three to five shots while practicing can help simulate more realistic on-course shots without ever having stepped out on the first tee.

While you're on the range, use visualization to help see a hole on the golf course. Attempt to play that hole in your mind and replicate those shots on the range. If you continue to hit the same club on the range, attempt to hit different shots at different trajectories to help imitate shots that you might see on the golf course. Setting up more realistic practice conditions will help transition your game from the range to the course!



SPARKS BY THE FIRE LIVE MUSIC | MARCH 9 | 6 PM - 8 PM

Craig Sparks isn't just a great golfer, but he is also a talented musician! Listen to him play on Wednesday, March 9 in the Champion Hills Clubhouse.

GOLF EVENTS

2022 MASTERS SQUARE POOL HOW IT WORKS

Similar to Super Bowl Squares, participants will write their name inside the square(s) of choice. Each square will cost \$20, which can be paid via member charge. After completion of the second round of the Masters Tournament, the top 20 players on the leaderboard will be placed onto the square board. The combined final score in relation to par will determine the winners. Squares will be available from March 8 through April

6 or until the board is full. Sign up for a Square through the Pro Shop today!



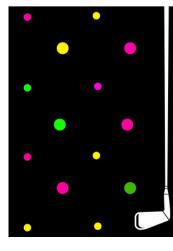


PRIZES (GOLF SHOP CREDIT)*

1st Place: \$1,000 3rd Place: \$300 2nd Place: \$600 Last Place: \$100

*Based on full field. Will be adjusted accordingly if not filled.

GLOW GOLF CHALLENGE | MARCH 22



CHAMPION HILLS GLOWGOLFregister on foretees Let your skill light up the night as you compete in the Glow Vibe Golf Skills Challenge! There will be a putting, chipping, and closest to the pin stations. Players will receive points based on performance at each station and store credit will be awarded to the top finishers based on the number of players. Be sure to register for this event through Foretees.com!

SAVE THE DATE!

JULY 20 - 22

Champion Hills Ladies' Member Guest

Enjoy a Champion Hills tradition with true Derby style!

> Entry Forms will be sent out soon. We look forward to seeing you there!

PICKLEBALL IS COMING! to Champion Hills Spring 2022

by Wellness Director, Mackenzie Jones

WHAT IS PICKLEBALL AND HOW DO YOU PLAY?

You have a choice to play singles, doubles or mixed doubles. When playing with equally skilled players as yourself, you will have good competition and lots of fun. All ages play this sport.

A game of pickleball is played to 11 points; however, you must win by 2 points. A game can last anywhere from 10 – 25 minutes. Players can only score points when they are serving. To start, the serve must be hit under hand and the contact of the paddle to the ball must be below your waist. Each team must play their first shot after the ball bounces, and after that then both teams can choose to move forward to the non-volley line or stay at the baseline. It is best to move up to the non-volley line as soon as possible and make sure your partner follows you up.

Partners should always move up or back and side to side together. No volleying is permitted within the seven-foot non-volley zone; this prevents players from closing the net since the court is so small. This promotes the drop volley or "dink" shot strategies where players skillfully hit shots over the net that land in the non-volley zone – or "the kitchen". If the ball bounces in the kitchen, then a player can step into the kitchen to hit it over.

Some tips: While waiting for the ball, keep your paddle high, centered to your chest – that way you're ready for a shot on either side of you. Keep on your toes, anticipating the next shot. Keep the ball in play – let your opponent make the error.



CLICK HERE TO WATCH A SHORT VIDEO ABOUT PICKLEBALL.

You should always warm up before you get on the court. Even a 5-minute quick walk will raise your body temperature to the optimal levels for increased mobility, but remember to always have a cool down with stretching or a slow walk to lower your body temperature back to normal. Stay healthy so you can play more pickleball! When the game is over, all players come to the net and tap their paddles together, as a gesture of "good game". Instead of handshakes, pickleballers like to tap paddles and give a few laughs.

openpath is here!

Openpath, the new cloud-based door entry security system has successfully been installed at the Wellness Center and Pool.

If you are experiencing any difficulties utilizing the app, please contact Mackenzie at Mackenziej@ChampionHills.com.

CHAMPION HILLS BUYER DEMAND REPORT:

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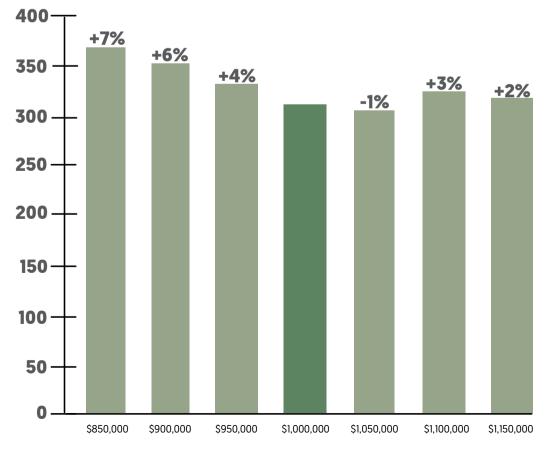
Hendersonville, NC 28739, USA 3 beds | 3 baths \$1,000,000

Target price Single Family Home



A complete, data-driven pricing strategy should consider the relative quantity of buyers who would match this sample listing at various price points. This report shows how adjustments to list price may impact the amount of exposure your home will receive. Buyers included in the graph below are among the highest-intent home shoppers, because each of them is represented by an agent on the RealScout platform.

There are currently 337 buyers who may be a match for this home at a target price of \$1,000,000.



WANT TO LEARN MORE?

Mary Kay Buhrke and Amber Saxon have been recognized as some of the top-producing agents for Western North Carolina's largest real estate firm: Beverly-Hanks Realtors. We couldn't be more proud to have them on our on-site team.



Have any questions about the Real Estate Market in Champion Hills?

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DID YOU KNOW?

Good healthcare is an essential consideration when seeking a place to retire. Healthgrades performed an evaluation of 4,500 of the nations hospitals using data from Medicare CMS. Inpatient results for 31 conditions and procedures such as stroke, heart attack, heart failure, sepsis, pneumonia, and respiratory failure, rated Pardee Hospital a top 100 hospital. That places it among the top 2% of the nation's hospitals!

To learn more about the Pardee Hospital Foundation, visit <u>pardeehospitalfoundation.org</u> today!



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