



# The Cove

April, 2022

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## 2022 is underway!

The Events Committee has begun the presentation of our 2022 events. We continue to consider residents' desire to gather and have fun while trying to respect everyone's health concerns. As the weather warms, we transition to outdoor events which will allow more of the community to attend.

We began our season with The Not-So Newlywed Game on February 9<sup>th</sup> at the clubhouse. Over 60 residents joined the fun as we were entertained by Allison Violette as emcee. David Jarmon manned the scoreboard. Allison provided colorful background and kept the evening light and fun. The panel consisted of Keith and Jeri Bechly Ray and Donna Izor, Bill and Cheryl Kent, Larry and Caryl Mobley, and Ed and Tara Spence. Bonnie Reuscher was the lead organizer of the event and came up with a series of insightful and funny questions posed to our panel. The teams were very evenly matched, and we needed to go to our emergency tie-breaker to break the tie. In the end, the Spences prevailed and claimed their prize of a set of Cummings Cove stemless wine glasses. Additionally, each of the couples were gifted a certificate for a bottle of the Wine of The Month from the restaurant. The 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Eatery provided the catering for the evening and over 50 guests chose to make dinner part of their night out.



The Events Committee next moved onto the perennial favorite...BINGO! On March 16, we hosted this fan favorite. We have a blast whenever we do this event. The 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Eatery worked with us to present a dedicated menu for the evening.



CUMMINGS COVE EVENTS COMMITTEE  
PRESENTS

**RUN FOR THE  
ROSES**

THE 148TH  
KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

The next event will be the Kentucky Derby Party on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Please watch for updates on the community Facebook page, via eblasts, and on the flyers posted throughout the community.

As always, the Events Committee uses numerous platforms to share event information with you so please make sure you are set to receive the community eblasts and have joined the Cummings Cove Facebook page to stay up to date on all the happenings here in The Cove. If you know of neighbors who may not see these posts, please help to keep them in-the-know!

Should you have any questions about events, please feel free to reach out to the co-chairs:

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The Events Committee Members for 2022 are:

Terry Buonomo, Mary Culp, Mary Gise, Marcia Hern, David Jarmon, Rachel Moran, Ed Movic, Bonnie Reuscher, Deb Rowe, Mary Ellen Terradas, Allison Violette, Robin Virbickis, Arlen Wall, Bob Yancey, and Kathie Yancey

## Pickleball Season Ready for Action

Our coldest weather is now behind us, but winter weather did not stop many avid and hardy Pickleball players. Note the sunny Feb. 10th photo of 4 of the 23 players who enjoyed the day. On dry calm days it was not unusual to see many players at the courts.

This is not surprising with the popularity of the sport. A recent post on the CC Facebook page made note of the 4.2 million players and how it is the fastest growing U.S. sport, outpacing golf as a sought-after amenity in communities like ours. Cove residents continue to participate in area tournaments. In early February, Don Stedman took Gold in the 3.5, 65+ division at Naples, Florida.

Congratulations Don!



On our courts, we have purchased a new heavier rolling net, in preparations for our court expansion. We have also purchased four chairs, to replace a few of the older chairs that are beyond their usefulness. Thank you, Tom Virbickis. We will be phasing out the Onyx balls, and in the future will only be purchasing the Franklin X-40 balls. These balls have been preferred by our members. To cover the various needs of the Pickleball community, we will again solicit an annual voluntary fee of \$10 per member. In addition, the committee is looking for donations of used towels, to aid in the drying of the courts. We are also looking for unwanted used paddles that would be used by new players or visiting family. When ordering items from [pickleballcentral.com](http://pickleballcentral.com), please try to remember to use the code CRCummings to get a discount. Not only will you get a discount, but the PB committee accrues a discount when it makes a purchase. Thanks to that code usage, the recent purchase of a new net resulted in a \$121 dollars savings.

Our annual court maintenance day occurred March 25. Thanks to all that participated. That set the stage for the always successful annual Intro to Pickleball scheduled for Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10 a.m. Rain date is Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1 p.m. This overview is an excellent way to learn about the game and get a paddle in your hand. Facilitated play for those beginners will start the following Wednesday. Skills and Drills for various levels of play will start in May. No change to the current schedule of play is anticipated.



**A One-Day Charity Tournament** is being planned this year for June 4<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for more details on this mixed doubles event for 3.0, 3.5, and 4.0+ divisions. There will be a maximum of 12 teams per division with a \$40 per player entry fee. Also planned is a community Round Robin, 50/50, and fun skills and drills games during Cummings Cove Cares week.

Don Stedman, Center, Winner of Pickleball Tournament, Naples, FL

# Golf News

## First Hole-In-One in 2022

John Walter has started off the year with the first Hole-in-One for 2022. John got his hole in one on February 9<sup>th</sup> on hole #8. This is Johns third hole in one -Congratulations John!

## Opening Member 18-hole Scramble & Dinner

Our opening 18-hole Member scramble & Dinner will be on Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. These scrambles are a great way to meet other golfers. Many thanks to Larry and Caryl Mobley and Chris and Pam Pazes for running our first event. If you are interested in helping out and co-chairing one of the monthly scrambles, please contact Jane Young ([jeyoung2033@gmail.com](mailto:jeyoung2033@gmail.com)) or Charlie Hilleboe ([chilleboe@aol.com](mailto:chilleboe@aol.com)).

## Men's Interclub

Our first Interclub match will be April 21<sup>st</sup> at Cherokee Valley followed by a home match on April 27<sup>th</sup> versus Etowah Valley. Tom Benson will be replacing Baird Blake as the Interclub Lead. A big thank you to Baird for all his hard work and years of leadership!

## Blue Ridge Women's Golf Association

Julie Christianson will Captain our Blue Ridge Ladies this year. The first event will be June 13<sup>th</sup> at Etowah Valley.

## Carolina Ladies

Tami Valentine and Tamera Elam will be the Team Captains for Carolina Ladies this year. The first event is May 31<sup>st</sup> at Black Mountain.

## League Leaders

9-hole ladies: Nancy Ciolek ([nancyciolek@icloud.com](mailto:nancyciolek@icloud.com)) & Carol Cox ([cc0x68@gmail.com](mailto:cc0x68@gmail.com))

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9-hole men: Doug Thomson ([doughthomson99@msn.com](mailto:doughthomson99@msn.com))

18-hole men: Mike Herrick ([mike.herrick@gmail.com](mailto:mike.herrick@gmail.com)) and Kevin Harrison ([Harrison.kevinh@gmail.com](mailto:Harrison.kevinh@gmail.com))



### League Times-effective April 4th:

#### Monday

Men's 18 hole League at 10:00 a.m.

Ladies 9 hole League starts on #6 & #7 at 10:30 a.m.

#### Tuesday

Ladies 18 hole League at 9:00 a.m.

Men's 9 hole League at 9:30 a.m. following the ladies league

#### Wednesday

Men's 18 hole League 9 a.m.

Ladies 9 hole League 9 a.m. off the back 9

#### Thursday

Ladies 18 hole League at 9:00 a.m.

## Victory Garden, Spring Is Here!, Volunteers Are Needed Plant Sale-Saturday Morning, April 30th

We are looking forward to another successful harvest in 2022 to provide needed vegetables for our local Fishes & Loaves Food Bank at Etowah United Methodist Church and Sharing House in Brevard. We delivered over 6,200 pounds of vegetables to them in 2021. Thank you to all our volunteers who help make our garden so successful.

Some of the “cold weather” crops can already be seen growing in the garden. We will plant a significant amount of “warm weather” crops beginning in May.

Our Plant Sale will be held on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-11:00 in the Victory Garden parking lot. This is our only fund-raising event so please plan to stop by. The funds raised are used to purchase materials including plants, fertilizer, compost, pest controls and many other items needed to keep our garden growing and looking beautiful.



If you wish to purchase plants before our Plant Sale please shop at our plant sale partner, Blantyre Station on Rt 64 just past Etowah. They have a great selection of plants. Be sure to tell them you are from Cummings Cove and enter your purchase in the “Victory Garden” binder at the checkout counter at Blantyre.

In addition to a wide selection of plants at this year’s Plant Sale, we are again offering a tomato grow kit for only \$20. This reusable package includes container, mix, compost, and a plant. It has been approved by the DRB to grow on your deck or patio. We are growing 8 color selections from the Dwarf Tomato Project which only grow 3.5-4.5 feet high, are low maintenance, and yield full size heirloom type slicing tomatoes. In addition to new buckets, we will also refresh your existing tomato bucket from last year. For \$15 we will dump the contents of your bucket in the garden, fill with fresh mix and supply a plant of your choice, reservation required. To reserve or request more information email Dick Lantier: [lantierd@gmail.com](mailto:lantierd@gmail.com).

We have been fortunate to have many volunteers over the years and this year we need to recruit a few more to help us in the garden. Please consider helping us with planting, watering, fertilizing, weeding, harvesting, delivering vegetables to the food bank or any other tasks. Please contact Rod Hansen, Joani Robson, Bill Haymond, Judy Chandler or Barbara Fricker to volunteer or to make a donation.

Thank you for your support of this very worthwhile community project here in Cummings Cove!

## Tennis

Come out to play tennis with the group or practice to improve your game with the ball machine. Scheduled weekly tennis will continue on the hard court in the afternoons as the weather permits. As the weather gets warmer we will move from afternoons to morning for play. Once the clay courts are ready for use we will be moving from the hard court to the clay courts. To stay up to date on days and times for organized tennis events contact Craig Swenson at [cjswenson123@gmail.com](mailto:cjswenson123@gmail.com).

## April Fitness Classes

Fitness Director Holly Capp's classes are in full swing. We are now using the signup genius program for members to register for classes. Look for new class offerings starting in April. Current class offerings:

Pilates: Tuesday/Thursday 10:00 am

Full Body Strength: Monday 10:30 am

Restorative Stretch: Tuesday 1:00 pm

Circuit Training: Thursday 4:00 pm

Use the signup genius program to see the latest offerings and to secure a spot in a class. Send your email to [hcapps@cummingscove.com](mailto:hcapps@cummingscove.com) to receive notifications for class times and to signup.



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# Activities Calendar April

**Euchre:** The Howenstine's 937-470-7796  
5 p.m. 4/28

**Hand & Foot:** The Sobkoviaks, 595-9579  
5 p.m. 4/14

**Mexican Train:** Caryl Mobley, 891-9709  
5 p.m. 4/21

**Shanghai:** Cindy Kopperud, 414-265-6776  
5 p.m., 4/7



**ABOG Meetings:**  
April 12th

**CCCA Meetings:**  
April 19th

**DRB Meetings:**  
April 27th

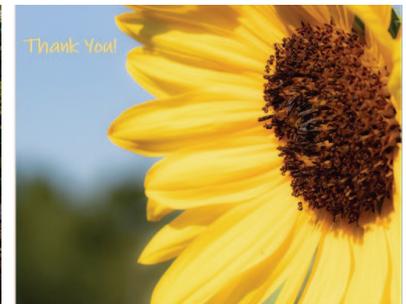
## Pet Photo Day, June 4th

Have you ever wanted to have a fantastic photo taken of your pet? Well, here's your chance. Saturday, June 4th, our own Lou Buonomo has offered to set up his garage studio to take photos of your pet. The cost is \$10 with proceeds going to Cummings Cove Cares. Participants will get a digital photo following the session to print or use as they wish. Watch for reservation details in the coming weeks.



## Cummings Cove Cares Greeting Cards

Greeting Cards will be sold as one of our major fundraising opportunities for Cummings Cove Cares. Two sets of 10 cards will be available to order with profits going to Cummings Cove Cares. All the cards will feature work from our own local photographers (Lou Buonomo, Mindy Towns, Lyn Blake, Terry Buonomo and Jane Young). Each set includes 10, 5 x 7, cards and will only cost \$20 (\$2/card, well below market price for greeting cards). Set #1 includes 5 birthday cards, 2 sympathy cards, 2 thank you cards and one blank card. Set #2 includes 10 blank note cards featuring Western North Carolina Landscapes. Look for eblasts coming soon for pre-ordering these beautiful cards. Below are just a few of the cards that will be in these sets.





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## Real Estate News

As forecasted, the housing market has not cooled despite the mid-January snowstorm. A record breaking "Sellers' Market" continues. On March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022, The National Association of Realtors Chief Economist, Lawrence Yun commented on how the employment gap is recovering; "More housing inventory will show up later in the year because jobs in residential construction and for general contractors have been steadily rising. There are 314,000 more workers now compared to March 2020."

More construction workers, higher inflation and climbing interest rates will begin to alter the housing market. However, it remains a great time to strategically sell a home. It also remains a time to be creative and decisive when buying one. Both Buyers and Sellers can benefit greatly from the specialized experience of "The Cummings Cove Home Team".

## Status Updates:

All 35 Heron Pond Townhomes are now completely sold out, with all homesites yet completed under construction. Heron Pond is destined to be a wonderfully vibrant longstanding neighborhood. Thank you, Baird & Lyn Blake! Bravo.

Of the planned 27 Golf View Townhomes, all 14 completed have been sold. The 8 currently with foundations are spoken for. Of the remaining 5 without foundations only 3 units are left from effectively selling out the Golf View. We are excited to welcome Terry Baker & CSDB Builders as the contractor for all remaining builds.

Many have asked about Valley View/Triple Fairways Drive. In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2021, "The Home Team" of Cummings Cove Realty began a new marketing campaign for Lot/Build packages exclusively designed and constructed by Vista Developers. So far, 9 Lot/Builds have contracted. An additional lot was sold via the "Preferred Builder Program" for a total of 10 lot sales in six months. Only 4 lots remain before Valley View lots will be sold out.

The above is a small picture of the activity that is abuzz as Cummings Cove Realty continues to set new records. Using a strategic approach, the last 4 resales listed by "The Home Team" quickly went into record price contracts, quickly providing sellers with ease and peace of mind. The Win/Win methods of "The Home Team" also provided decisive buyers opportunity to better achieve the goal of just getting a home in this very unusual market.

**Andrew Brooks & Suzanne Arthur**  
**The Cummings Cove Home Team**  
**"We Make Sold Happen"**