



The Cove

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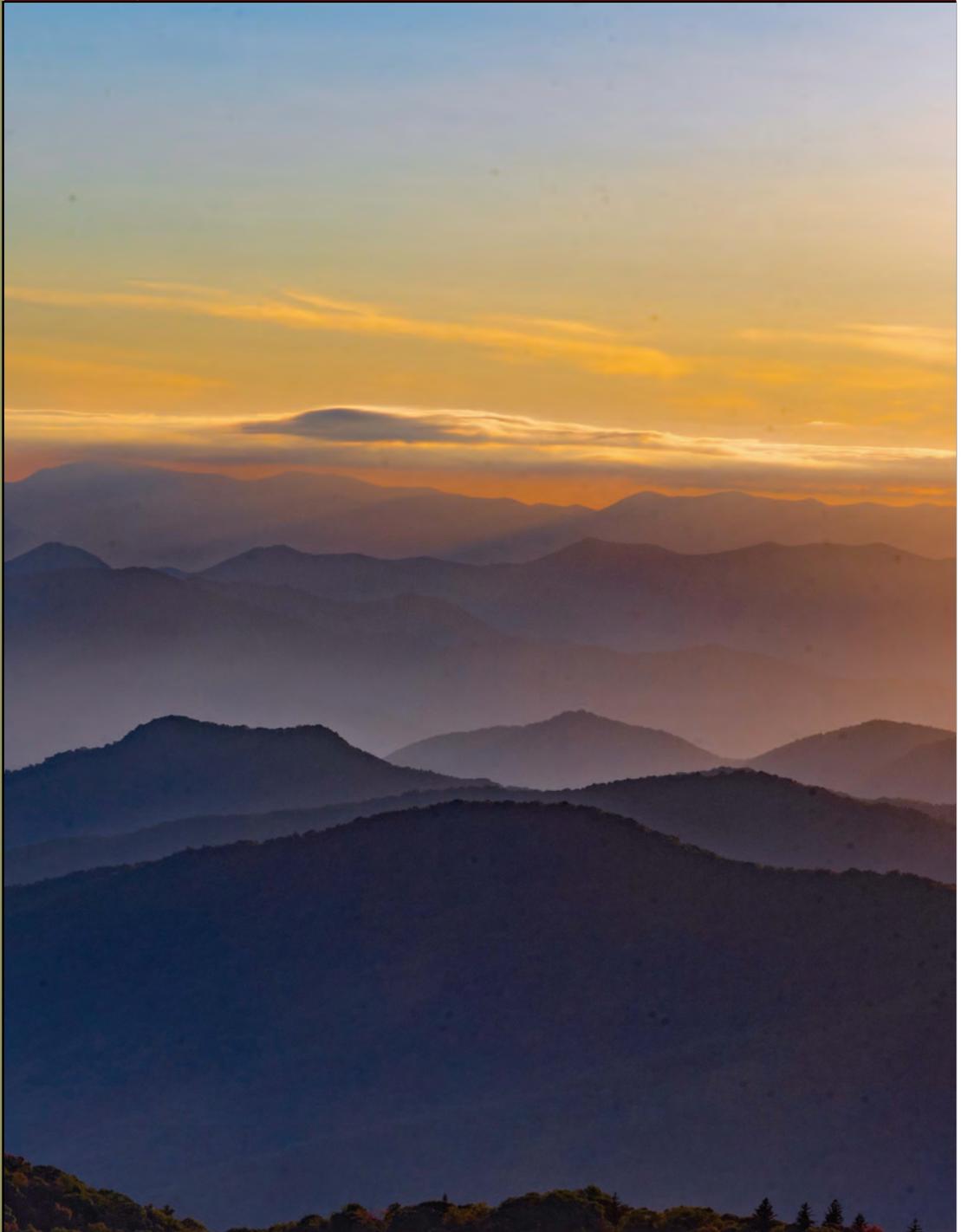
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Cowee Overlook, Lyn Blake

Events Committee Happenings



Meet & Greet Zoom Gathering on Tuesday, November 16. New to Cummings Cove? Want to learn about groups, clubs, activities and how things are organized? Where to find information on the Owners' page of the Cove website? Whether you've been here for just a few months or many years, join your neighbors for the Events Committee's Meet & Greet on Nov. 16 at 7:00pm on Zoom: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85406644139?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85406644139?pwd=bXNuSUNDWljzVmI LaGlxQ3JGMXU3dz09)
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Festival of Lights on Saturday, December 4. Come join your Cove neighbors at the second annual Festival of Lights. Festivities will kick off Saturday afternoon with a Cove Crafters Market, displaying a wide variety of craft items created by our talented Cove crafters. A dinner buffet will be served at the 19th Hole Eatery, and after dinner, we will light up the clubhouse for the holiday season with a festive display of lights and the lighting of the new community Christmas tree. Along with luminaries, we will be offering some other fun activities. Watch for more details to come.



Thank you to all who joined us for **Wine Tasting Around The World** in September. Seventy participants enjoyed complimentary tastings from Argentina, France, Italy, New Zealand, and the U.S., provided by Crate Wine Market and Project. Everyone received a Riedel swirl stemless wine glass – the perfect glass for every type of wine.

Chili Cook-Off. Ten talented chili cooks spiced up the day on October 17th at the **Chili Cook-Off**. Under the leadership of Ed Movic, the Events Committee was joined by over 40 neighbors to sample and select the best tasting chili in The Cove. Thank you to all who attended and a special thank you to our ten creative chili cooks!



Events Committee activities are limited to Cummings Cove members in good standing. Questions or suggestions? Please contact co-chairs Terry Buonomo, terrybuonomo112@outlook.com or Robin Virbickis, robin_virbickis@yahoo.com.

Pickleball News

The late summer and early fall have been busy times for our Pickleball players. Court usage continues to increase as well as participation in all levels of Skills and Drills. Although those Skills and Drills sessions have come to an end for the season, they have clearly paid dividends in the tournament success of our players.

We hosted the Hendersonville Country Club in early August for a round robin competition. Our players were clearly on their game and prevailed in all levels of play. The group photo captures all participants. Kudos to Sandro Francioni for making this happen and communicating with other groups. A social was held at the pavilion in mid-September. We were blessed with great weather, and everyone enjoyed a great meal and catching up off the courts. Thank you Treese Lawlis for organizing this event.



The Cove players “did us proud” in tournament play since the last newsletter. Don Stedman placed second in the APP Atlanta Open in the 65+, 4.0 singles. Quite an accomplishment. Next up was the 3-day Connestee Falls Scholarships Tournament. Deborah Seale and Leigh Stewart won the Gold in the 3.0, 50+ women doubles. Deborah then teamed with Ross Terradas to take Gold in the 65+, 3.5 mixed doubles. Next up were Neil and Kathy Londa taking Gold and Tom and Robin Virbickis taking Bronze in the 3.5, 50-64 mixed doubles. Ross and Tom then took Gold in the 3.5, 50-64 men’s double category. The final day resulted in Neil Londa and his partner taking Gold in the 4.0, 50+ division as Don Stedman and his partner took the Bronze medal. More recently at the Georgia Mountain Fall Classic, Neil Londa with his partner took Gold in the men’s doubles 4.0, 50-64 and Don Stedman with his partner took Gold in the men’s doubles 4.0, 65+. Is anyone doubting if our Skills and Drills give us an edge?

Fall play will have a slightly modified schedule with later playing times. As it gets colder these times will move accordingly. All our organized play can be accessed via the SignUpGenius app. Please contact Nancy Rader at bnrader@hotmail.com to be added to the SUG invites.

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Golf Member News

Congratulations to our 2021 Club Champions Jane Young, Charlie Hilleboe and Bill Haliburton!

League News

Thanks to our 2021 league and ABOG leaders who all worked hard to provide a great season for everyone involved. We bid farewell to the ladies 9 Hole Coordinators Karen Carter and Judi Hilleboe, women's golf chair Sally Gauntlett, and the men's 9 Hole Coordinator Roger Burgess.



Welcome your new ABOG leaders & coordinators for the 2022 season.

Women's ABOG Chairs — Jane Young and Lyn Blake

Women's 18 Hole Coordinator – Mindy Schult

Women's 9 Hole Coordinators – Carol Cox and Nancy Ciolek

Men's ABOG Chair — Charlie Hilleboe

Men's 18 Hole – Mike Herrick and Kevin Harrison

Men's 9 Hole – Doug Thomson

Fall and Winter League Tee Time Changes Beginning November 1st

It is that time of year where we adjust our tee times for the Fall and Winter due to the arrival of colder temperatures. Please make the changes to your calendars.

Mon: 10 a.m. Men's 18-hole league

Mon: 10:30 a.m. Ladies 9-hole league (front nine, starting on 6 & 7)

Tues: 10:00 Ladies 18-hole league

Tues: 10:30 Men's 9-hole league (front nine after the ladies)

Wed: 10 a.m. Men's 18-hole league

Wed: 10 a.m. Ladies 9-hole league (back nine)

Thurs: 10 a.m. Ladies 18-hole league

Thurs: 10 a.m. Men's 9-hole league (back nine)

Ladies Cove Cup

The ladies provided a fun and good-natured rivalry as always during the 6th Annual Women's Cove Cup. Captain Nancy Engstrom led the Fairway Foxes into battle against Captain Sue Robinson and the Cove Cougars. Unfortunately, the remnants of Hurricane Ida blew through and prematurely ended the competition before it could be completed. Participants were sad that this year the competition concluded in a draw, but they were very happy to donate their entry fees and kick-start the 2022 Cummings Cove Care Campaign.

Men's Interclub

The Men's Interclub season had its ups and downs due to weather reschedules or match eliminations. Our club won overall at Hendersonville CC, lost one match at Etowah and the other match at home was rained out, and lost overall to Cherokee by 1 point — the first loss to that club in 3 years. Thanks to Baird Blake for leading this group for 8 years.

BIG10 – SEC Tournament

The men of Cummings Cove held their 2nd annual BIG10/SEC Challenge. In last year's inaugural event the SEC came out on top. This year the BIG10 got revenge with a resounding win by a score of 145 to 125. Thank you to Captain David Sorrick for the BIG10 and Captain Jeff Christianson for the SEC along with all the players for supporting their respective conference teams and making this another fun and competitive event.

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Victory Garden

2021 A Very Productive Year-Almost 6,000 Pounds!

Thank you to all our garden volunteers who make our garden so beautiful and productive. We are already preparing sections of the garden for next season.

A special thanks to our volunteers who helped with our non-stop harvesting almost every day in August & September. We are harvesting “cool crops” in October and will into November providing a true Thanksgiving bounty.

Thank you to many of our neighbors who have made financial contributions to our garden throughout this year to help cover our operating costs.

As the garden activities wind down for 2021, we will have produced almost 6,000 pounds of vegetables for our local Fishes & Loaves Food Bank at the Etowah United Methodist Church and Sharing House in Brevard. Many of our neighbors who volunteer at these food banks have shared how much those in need appreciate the fresh vegetables that we deliver to them.

In addition to the variety of vegetables we grew in our Victory Garden this year, we have also raised many varieties of perennial flowers to attract our many butterflies and pollinating bees as well as many other visitors (humans too!).

We also thank the many local merchants who either donated or substantially reduced the cost of our plants, materials, and equipment to help our garden grow. Lowes, Blantyre Station, Linda's Plants, Southern Ag, Epperson Tree Service, Painters Greenhouse, Cason's Supply and Ross Castaneda.

We have been blessed with many volunteers over the years and this year we had some new volunteers helping in the garden. Please consider helping us with planting, watering, fertilizing, weeding, harvesting, delivering vegetables or any other tasks. Please contact Rod Hansen, Joani Robson or Bill Haymond to volunteer or ask any questions.

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



Fitness Center News

Tennis

The clay tennis courts will remain open as long as weather permits, traditionally closing around the end of November. Scheduled weekly tennis will continue on the hard court moving to afternoons as the weather dictates. To stay up to date on days and times for organized tennis events contact Craig Swenson at cjswenson123@gmail.com.

Winter Sports Membership Upgrade

As the weather cools and the days get shorter, it's a good time to upgrade to a Sports Membership. With 24/7 access to cardio, weight equipment and the Fitness On Demand exercise video system, you can keep your exercise program in high gear through the winter. Enjoy the convenience and exclusiveness of working out in your own community. An upgrade requires a 6 month commitment.

Small Group Personal Training with Holly Capps

Small group training offers more personal attention than classes and less cost than individual personal training while including the support and camaraderie of a friend or two. Contact Holly Capps at hcapps@healthspantraining.com or 828-772-0511 for more information.

Massage Therapy

Contact Mandi Maskell at 828-553-8279.

For questions regarding the sports center contact Tim Dixon, Sports Facilities Director at tdixon@cummingscove.com or 828-545-1916.

Pickleball News Continued:

Pictured on the right are pickleball tournament winners Ross Terradas and Deborah Seale. Below are Neil & Kathy Londa, Robin & Tom Virbickis, and Leigh Stewart and Deborah Seale and Ross Terradas and Tom Virbickis.



Activities Calendar Nov.-Dec.

Euchre: The Howenstine's 937-470-7796
Nov. 22nd, 6 p.m.

Hand & Foot: The Sobkoviaks, 595-9579
Nov. 8th, Dec. 13th 6 p.m.

Mexican Train: Caryl Mobley, 891-9709
Nov. 15th, 6:15 p.m.

Shanghai: Cindy Kopperud, 414-265-6776
Nov. 1st, Dec., 6th



ABOG Meetings:
Nov., 9th
Dec., 14th

CCCA Meetings:
Nov. 16th
Dec, 21st

DRB Meetings:
Dec. 8th

Bridge, Julie Quarles, 954-873-8116
Nov 4th, 11th, & 18th
Dec. 9th, 16th, & 30th

Golf Continued:

Carolina Ladies & Blue Ridge

The Cove ladies have been busy participating in both Carolina Ladies and Blueridge Golf this year and representing our club well. Carolina Ladies has hosted four events this year with their final event of the year October 20th at Etowah Valley. Cummings Cove is well positioned and excited to bring home the trophy this year! We would like to thank Jane Young and Mindy Schult for their leadership over the past two years and we welcome Tami Valentine and Tamera Elam as our new captains starting in 2022. The Blue Ridge Golf Association has hosted five tournaments this year with the season ending two day tournament to be held at Black Mountain in late October. Thank you to our captains Julie Christianson and Pam Goldsworthy and the ladies who have represented Cummings Cove well with great play at every stop on the schedule. Members are Julie Christianson, Tamera Elam, Sally Gauntlett, Pam Goldsworthy, Mindy Schult, Meg Stadtler, Tami Valentine and Jane Young.

Member Scrambles

September Members Mixed Scramble saw 32 members come out to play a fun game of golf. Congratulations to our winners and thank you to Donna and Ray Izor for a fun filled event! October Members Mixed Scramble committee put on a fun Fall event to close out the season. Thanks to Cal and Allison Violette, Paul and Bonnie Reuscher, Ed and Judy Movic and Ellen Herrick for helping us to close out the season.



Congratulations to Mary Rutledge and Lonnie Sobkoviak who both had a hole-in-one last August.

Mary aced hole #16 with a 114 yard shot. Lonnie's hole-in-one came on #5 with a 102 yard shot.

Congratulations to Mike Liddell who had a hole-in-one on #2 during the Men's Cove Cup on October 11th using a 6 iron.



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Real Estate News

Mortgage interest rates could stay relatively steady for the time being as third-quarter rates hover around 3%. Summer walk-in numbers have predictably tapered.

Heron Pond and Golf View Projects are on their way to being sold out with only two Single Family Townhomes left not in contract of the total 35 properties that will complete Heron Pond. In the new Golf View Town House Development, there are only two move-in ready townhomes left unsold and only two of the next eight soon to start construction townhomes left unserved.

Resales homes coming to market in Cummings Cove remain way below the numbers normally seen on average each year. There are many factors that are contributing to this, not the least is the cost and availability of other homes in regions all over the country seen as quality destinations.

However, as Fall colors ripen and holidays approach, the vitality and natural beauty of WNC brings many to Cummings Cove actively searching for their next home. When these folks show up, Cummings Cove Realty is where they learn about all the wonderful aspects of our fine community. When there is nothing available at the time for them to consider buying that fits their needs, most tell us to keep an eye out for them. That is why the vast majority of buyers and sellers of property in Cummings Cove look to the Realtors of Cummings Cove Realty as their professionals of choice.

If you are thinking about selling your home, there is a high probability Cummings Cove Realty already has your buyer waiting. Cummings Cove Realty never uses lockboxes which means we attend every showing to ensure all goes well. We make sure Covid protocols are followed along with our availability to properly answer questions about your home and our wonderful community.

Most of our listings go into contract very quickly reducing the amount of traffic your home and you are subjected to. We are the Cummings Cove "Home Team" ready to assist in making any Cummings Cove real estate transaction the best it can be.

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