



# High Meadows "Hummer"

Roaring Gap, NC

March 2017

## A Word From The President

If you ever want to guarantee a mild winter, just schedule shoulder surgery in January so you won't miss much golf. The weather has been spectacular in Charlotte, and judging from emails, there's been plenty of playing opportunity on the mountain as well.

The warm weather has likely kept Todd Hutcherson, our Head Professional, busier than usual this time of year. He lives in Mt. Airy with his wife Vicki, and has been a PGA Professional for 27 years. In addition to an obvious love of golf, he enjoys time off at the lake with his family. He doesn't talk about it, but I understand he has received commendations for heroism from both President Reagan and the city of West Palm Beach, Florida.

Tim Brant lives in Mt. Airy, surrounded by girls. Jayme, Ella, Emmie, Sissy and Samantha correspond to wife, daughter and dogs, in that order. He is devoted to all of them, even going so far as making peanut butter and jelly sushi rolls (for Ella and Emmie, I presume). He enjoys trout fishing and hiking with all the girls, and is actively pursuing his PGA certification.

We are sorry to announce that Sam Bryant has left High Meadows, and has taken a job as Assistant Professional at Pine Island Country Club. We will miss Sam, but wish him all the best.

The Board is excited about several upcoming projects, in various stages of planning, that will enhance your High Meadows experience this year and in the future.

You may have noticed stakes, ribbons and spray paint on the range. Construction on our short game area is slated to start in early March. We want everyone to share in the excitement of this project, and to that end we will be sending out periodic email updates, complete with pictures of our progress.

We would like to improve the view of the club from Hwy. 21, and are considering screening the maintenance shed area with a fence and trees. Clearing and limbing up the woods to the right of fourteen will give a better view of the hole and provide additional air to this chronically wet fairway. A water feature in the #13 pond is another possibility. Lastly, the restrooms at the #14 tee have been renovated under the direction of Yon and the House Committee. They should be ready when the season gets under way.

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## General Managers Message

Are you ready for spring? As of this newsletter you will see that the work has started on the driving range to improve the range itself along with an all new practice area. We are always excited when we add value to the club and our membership. We will keep you posted on our progress with weekly emails as we move through the process over the next several months. You will also notice that the team's starting to fill back up as we begin the hiring process throughout the club and grounds. Join me in welcoming back some great employees from last season and some new faces too. We will be ready for great weather and a lot of fun around the club.

Come join in the fun—it's time to make reservations or save the dates for some of our upcoming events:

- Bingo & Buffet, Thursday March 16<sup>th</sup>. Featuring an Asian Buffet and Bingo Queen Donna & Bingo Princess Barbie.
- St Patty's weekly specials starting Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to make reservations! Be sure to wear your green for Friday night dinner the 17<sup>th</sup>.
- The updated Grille opens on weekends starting Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Check out the New 2017 calendar in the directory and see all the fun coming this year.
- Please make plans to join us for our famous Easter Feast Sunday, April 16
- First Wine dinner of the season is April 22<sup>nd</sup>; this will be limited to the first 50 members & their guests. Please remember that jackets are requested on Saturday nights.

We're looking forward to the start of our 2017 marketing plan. We are sending invitations to our neighbors to join the club and putting last minutes touches on our "Experience Fun on the Mountain" with HMG&CC promotion. Look for a flyer in the April Hummer. We are asking all of you to help the club grow with 25+ new golfing members for 2017. Invite some

## Welcome New Members

Bob & Linda Metz (Raleigh).....	Dining
Tom & Pam Metz (Sparta).....	Dining
Elizabeth Randleman (Elkin) .....	Dining
Paul & Dana Hammes (Clemmons) .....	Dining

## *Pros Corner*

### Notes from the Pro!

Spring is fast approaching and we are all eager to see some nice golf weather! We have some exciting events scheduled and looking forward to seeing everyone back at the club. We have revisited our reciprocal arrangements for 2017 and have added some new facilities. If you are on the road or just interested in playing a different facility please give the golf shop a call and we can make arrangements, as this is handled thru the golf Shops only. As always, if we can be of assistance please do not hesitate to reach out to us in the golf shop!!

### Reminder

**Due to construction beginning March 1st the driving range will be closed. We will be installing a new permanent matting system and resurfacing the existing range surface. We will also be adding a chipping green to the left of the range. This process will allow for a superior practice facility as well as protecting the teeing ground from being torn up from corporate events, juniors etc. We should be back open depending upon weather for the start of the season.**

### Coupon Books

The 2017 Family and Guest coupon books are now available in the Golf Shop and will expire one year from date of purchase. All booklets will be handled thru the Golf Shop. Please contact the Golf Shop staff for any questions or details.

### Buyers Club

We will again be offering the Golf Shop Buyers club in 2017. The program allows all participants to purchase merchandise from the Golf Shop at 15% above cost. The program has an initial buy in of \$150.00 and runs from May 1st, 2017 thru April 30th, 2018. Please contact Todd or Tim if you are interested in signing up.

Thank you,  
The Golf Shop Staff!

## *President* (Continued from page 1)

Charlie and the Roads Committee are looking at modifications of our front entrance to enhance visibility, signage, access, and security. The By-Laws Committee, under Sue's direction, is looking at a number of changes in our Membership structure. Carolyn and her Membership Committee have completed their 2017 Membership Promotion, and are looking seriously at Internet marketing strategies.

There's a lot going on, and the Board is committed to making 2017 a great season. Please remember to do your part for our membership efforts. Many of you have offered great ideas – please keep them coming!

See you on the mountain.....  
Paul

## *Around the Meadow*

Wow what a crazy winter we are having here on the mountain. Your golf course maintenance staff has been hard at work doing many things over the past few months. Our golf course maintenance mechanic Chris Ashely has been hard at work going through all of the equipment, as well as grinding reels and blades for the upcoming year. I must say Chris has done an excellent job this winter as the equipment should be ready to go for the upcoming season; and your staff has been busy cutting and trimming trees along with fixing irrigation problems that have occurred from this past year. You will have new tee markers on the golf course this year thanks to the MGA for their generous donation, and a huge thank you to Charlie Tucker for the use of his wood shop so that we could make the tee markers. Now, that March is approaching your maintenance staff will be hard at work completing many in house projects and preparing the course for the upcoming season. Not to mention assisting Mr. Pegram in the construction of your new chipping green and range tee that should begin in mid-March weather depending. The driving range will be closed effective March the 1<sup>st</sup> as we prepare for construction. Once the new turfhound matting system is installed we will open the range back up however, it will be only open on the new mats. Since we are growing the range tee in from seed I am asking for some patience during this process as it will take some time for the turfgrass to be fully established. However, my goal is to get the range open as soon as I can. I hope you all are as excited as I am for this upcoming year! I look forward to seeing many of you here on the course in next few months.

Nathan Biggs  
Golf Course Superintendent

## *Ladies News & Notes*

Plans are being made by the HM LGA Invitational Committee for the tournament on June 12. The Committee will soon be ready to send out this information to members and area clubs. Please mark your calendar (only 105 days left) and invite all of your friends to come play and enjoy our great mountain course and High Meadows hospitality.

Our HM LGA Member/Guest Committee is busy making plans for their tournament also. This tournament will be July 13 (only 135 days). Please consider inviting a friend to come spend the day with you playing golf and making new friends.

The Invitational and the Member/Guest hosted by the HM LGA are especially designed for both member and guests enjoyment and the showcasing of our course and club. It is a difficult task to pull people out of their routines, but once here our guests just may decide to join HM and see what we have found...climate, golf, friends.

Spring is upon us...March 20 and hopefully many, many beautiful golfing days!

Dian Ramey  
Vicki Cox  
Jenny Braswell  
Lou Garner

## Keeping House

After taking a short new year's break your House Committee is back at work. I'm happy to report the progress of a couple of early year projects. First is the renovation of the kitchen in the Grille. During the January closure the kitchen was completely stripped, had new flooring installed, a new upright freezer installed and all other equipment removed, cleaned and reconditioned. The Grille has never looked this good and is now ready to serve you. Please watch this space for the grand opening date and join us for breakfast or lunch.

Secondly, upstairs has seen a fair share of TLC as well. The carpets, furniture and dining spaces have been deep cleaned and refreshed. Walls, windows and doorways have been touched up and several areas of leakage addressed. The addition of new stools in the bar give your club a more professional image which we are sure you will enjoy with friends and family.

Last but not least (at least not for the year), the bathrooms between holes 13 & 14 are in the final stages of rehab. They have been gutted, re-plumbed, had windows replaced, insulated and sheet rocked. Final trim work and painting will be completed in the next several weeks making them ready for use by mid-April.

Please come and see and enjoy all these improvements. The work we do is designed to inspire pride of membership in your club and we hope you will bring lots of guests to appreciate our little piece of heaven.

Yon Demmink,  
Chair, House Committee

### MGA News

Don't forget about the Co-Ed Points Chase at 11:00 on Saturday's (Weather Permitting)! If you want to join us, just call the Golf Shop by 9:00 on Saturday morning to sign-up.

We look forward to seeing a lot of you sign up and play with us!

Tommy Thompson,  
MGA

## From The Membership Committee

You may have noticed while reading the Hummer the list of dining members who have recently joined our club. If you happen to see a new face within our midst, please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome. It's a well-known fact, our members are the friendliest folks around and are definitely our true ambassadors for making this a great club.

The Membership Committee is actively working to create ideas for the growth of HMCC. Coming up are some fun events that will bring in others from around the State and introduce them to what High Meadows has to offer. These events are to include many of our existing members. We hope you join in on the fun. More about this later.

You've all heard the expression "**Best Kept Secret**" which has almost become our motto. Let us all take part in sharing this secret with outside friends. Home sales are creeping up, thanks to the new economy! The stock market craze is bound to filter down to the real estate market, so get ready!

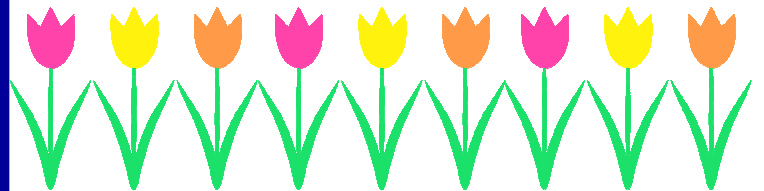
Please feel free to contact anyone on the Membership Committee if you have someone interested in becoming a member.

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

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friends that have not been with us and ask them join you for dinner, golf or both this spring. Sharing your excitement about the place you come to relax and play will be the key to successful growth—we're ready for our club's next growth spurt!

See you around the fireplace,  
Mark



## Out & About - Local Happenings

### ALLEGHANY COUNTY

**Crouse House Pickers - Mondays, 6pm – Open to the public**  
Local musicians perform live bluegrass and old time mountain music in an informal setting.

**Crouse Park; 60 Cherry Street; Sparta; 372-5473**

**Alleghany Jubilee; 25 N. Main Street; Sparta; 336-657-1441**

Every Monday, Tuesday - \$5, & Saturday - \$6  
Doors open at 6pm. Music begins at 7pm.  
Mondays - Line Dancing classes. 6-8pm.

**Special Olympics Polar Plunge at Lake Louise, Roaring Gap**  
March 25, 2017. Info provided by: Alleghany Wellness Center, Inc.;  
508 Collins Rd, Sparta, NC 28675; 336-372-2944

**Tour de Mountains - Saturday, June 10th**

Registration opens February, 1, 2017  
Alleghany Wellness Center, Inc.; 508 Collins Rd, Sparta, NC  
336-372-2944

### WILKES COUNTY



**Friday, March 10, 2017** - The Bellamy Brothers

**Thursday, April, 6, 2017** - Taylor Hicks

**Friday, May 19, 2017** - Annie Moses Band

**Walker Center on campus of Wilkes Community College**  
336-838-6260

## March 2017

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
			1 11:00 Co-Ed Point Chase	2	3	4 11:00 Co-Ed Point Chase
5	6	7	8 Co-Ed Skins Game 11:00	9	10	11 11:00 Co-Ed Point Chase
12 	13	14	15 Co-Ed Skins Game 11:00  St. Patrick Specials	16 Bingo & Asian Buffet	17 	18 11:00 Co-Ed Point Chase 3:00 Board Mtg.
19	20	21	22 Co-Ed Skins Game 11:00	23	24 Grille Opens Fri, Sat, Sun	25 11:00 Co-Ed Point Chase
26	27	28	29 Co-Ed Skins Game 11:00	31		

### Coming Events

#### April 2017

April 3 & 4 .....Aerification  
 April 15 .....Board Meeting  
 April 16 .....Easter Sunday Feast  
 April 22 .....Wine Dinner  
 April 27 .....Yadkin Valley Chamber Mixer

### F & B Hours of Operation

#### March Dining Hours

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

#### Side Door Lounge Hours

Sunday ..... 12:00 - 6:00  
 Bar opens at 12:00; Food Service at 3:00

#### March Grille Hours - Beginning March 24th

Friday - Saturday ..... 8:00 - 4:00  
 Sunday ..... 8:00 - 3:00



# Easter Sunday

April 16<sup>th</sup>

11:30 - 2:30

## Carving Station

Slow Roasted Prime Rib  
Herb Crusted Leg of Lamb  
Served w/assorted dipping sauces  
Assorted Rolls & Butter

## Cold Line

Peel & Eat Shrimp with cocktail sauce  
Deviled Eggs  
Ambrosia Salad  
Broccoli Salad  
Quinoa & Kale Salad  
Mixed Greens with all the toppings

## Hot Line

Southern Style Fried Chicken  
Grilled Salmon  
Topped with brown butter, fresh dill and citrus vinaigrette  
Grilled Tomatoes & Green Beans with balsamic reduction  
Butter & Herb Yukon Gold and Sweet Potatoes  
Rice Pilaf  
Roasted Spring Vegetables

## Dessert Station

A fine selection of pastries and desserts



Adults..... \$23.95++  
Kids 12 to 5..... \$11.95++  
Kids under 5..... Free



***Mothers Day Menu  
Sunday, May 14th***

***11:30 - 2:30***

***Adults - \$23.95; Kids 5 - 12 \$11.95; Under 5 - Free***

***Hot Line***

***Southern Style Fried Chicken  
Sautéed Vegetables  
Roasted Garlic and Herb Red Potatoes***

***Citrus and Honey Glazed Root Vegetables  
Corn Au Gratin***

***Cold Line***

***Mediterranean Pasta Salad***

***Asparagus Salad***

Steamed asparagus tossed with pine nuts, red onion, roasted red pepper and feta cheese, topped with a white balsamic vinaigrette.

***Spinach Salad***

With diced egg, bacon, mushrooms, red onion and cherry tomatoes.

***Fruit Salad***

Diced fresh fruit with local honey, garnished with fresh mint.

***Cucumber Salad***

Seedless cucumbers, heirloom tomatoes and sliced red onion on a bed of mixed greens, drizzled with green goddess dressing.

***Carving Station***

***Slow Roasted Prime Rib***

***Honey and Cranberry Glazed Ham***

Served with assorted sauces

***Rolls and Butter***

***Seafood Station***

***Grilled Salmon***

Topped with sautéed shallots, garlic, capers and diced tomato white wine sauce.

***Crab Cakes***

Hand patted crab cakes topped with mango salsa

***Sautéed Shrimp***

Shrimp, capers, tomatoes, garlic, and shallots in a white wine butter sauce. Served over cheesy grits.

***Dessert***

A delicious assortment of house made desserts.





## PERFORMANCE TEE LINES



### Turfhound Tee Line Features:

- Installed in over 30 of Top 100 golf courses
- Simulate the feel and performance of healthy natural turf
- Patented Foam technology provides safe comfort and cushioning – eliminating injuries
- Unique interchangeable panel system allows for easy rotation – extending product life
- Panel system enables replacement of small worn sections versus entire tee line

### 5x5 Frameless Features:

- Same technology as Turfhound full tee lines
- Can be rotated in all four directions – extending product life
- Uses Turfhound tee systems
- Easily to install and move if needed
- Affordable for all facilities

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## TURFHOUND STORY

**The moment you step on a TurfHound Tee Surface**, you can feel the amazing difference compared to a conventional golf mat. It's just like you're standing on natural turf. Swing a club, hit a ball and the sensation continues. There's no club-head bounce as you swing down and through the ball. No painful shocks to your wrists, elbows and shoulders. You can drive off your own tee set at any height. Or use your irons and work on all parts of your short game, just as you would off healthy natural turf - the only difference you'll notice is there's no divot to replace!

**TurfHound is in a league of its own** providing the same swing mechanics, ball response and shot results as hitting from fairways or rough on natural turf. TurfHound produces the most realistic, versatile and durable synthetic golf surfaces in the world based on our patented Active Foam Technology. It feels like and plays like you're standing on natural turf. Swing a club, hit a ball and the sensation continues.

### Swing down and through the ball.



**1.** TurfHound surfaces accurately simulate the feel and performance of healthy turf cut to fairway height.

**2.** TurfHound's unique core construction effectively duplicates the geometric compression of natural turf.

**3.** The club head flexes the surface, then the core absorbs the impact and compresses to help guide the club through.

**Available as individual Tee Stations, on-course Tee Boxes, and continuous Tee Lines**, the secret of the TurfHound surface is the combination of its proprietary foam core, embedded in a unique urethane blend, covered with the finest grass layer available. TurfHound surfaces accurately simulate the feel and performance of healthy natural turf. While ordinary golf mats focus their attention on the hitting surface, TurfHound's creators have replicated the physical dynamics and response of natural turf embodied in the top 1/4" to 1/2" of soil. You can practice your swing again and again on a TurfHound surface, then step onto the fairway and enjoy the same swing dynamics on natural turf. As many pros will tell you, TurfHound surfaces are by far the most authentic representation of natural, healthy turf they've ever hit from.

**This enthusiastic response to TurfHound** since its launch has resulted in installations at prestigious courses around the nation including Pebble Beach Golf Link in California, Royal Montreal Golf Club in Quebec, Bay Hill Country Club in Florida, Baltusrol Country Club in New Jersey, North Fork Country Club in New York, Wade Hampton Golf Club in North Carolina, Aronimink Golf Club in Pennsylvania, Woodmont Country Club in Maryland, Bellerive Country Club in Missouri, Colonial Golf Course in (FW) Texas, Boston Golf Club in Massachusetts, Merion Golf Club in Pennsylvania, and The Country Club in Ohio.

### TurfHound benefits golfers and golf facilities

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