



The Cove

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LET'S CELEBRATE!

4TH OF JULY

CUMMINGS COVE
CARES

Events Committee Happenings

The Events Committee continued with our busy schedule by hosting a Kentucky Derby Party on Saturday, May 7th. Over 70 guests turned out in their Derby finest and dined on a Derby-themed buffet hosted by The 19th Hole Eatery. At race time, we all gathered around the TV sets and watched as Rich Strike made a triumphant Run for the Roses. After the race we drew our own winners, many of whom donated their winnings to Cummings Cove Cares. We awarded prizes for Best Dressed couple (Bill and Lin Campbell), best Ladies' Hat (Nancy Barth), and Best Dressed Gent (Jon Ciolek). Total donation to Cummings Cove Cares from this event was \$410.00



The Derby event was followed with a pop-up musical evening co-hosted by Marty and Judy Tjiattas. The renowned Brevard Music Center presented a mini concert at the pavilion featuring two of their talented singers and a keyboard accompanist.



We continued next with our first Community Picnic and Dance Party. The day began with a Picnic where all gathered around the pool area and played some fun outdoor games including silly games like keeping balloons in the air with only one hand, how many marshmallows could we stuff in mouths, how many Fruit Loops could be threaded onto a skewer, water balloon toss, and other fun challenges. Howdy Homemade ice cream truck was on hand for an afternoon snack. The day turned to evening with a Dance Party featuring Tom Brown, the One Man Band. Tom entertained us with a lively mix of music from a variety of genres and decades.

Fourth of July Blow-out Celebration. The day will include kid's games and the golf cart parade with this year's theme being "Fun in the USA". Other 4th activities include a flag golf tournament, pickleball instruction and our own Fireworks Spectacular. There will be food and beverages available for purchase from the 19th Hole Eatery. This year there will also be booths where spectators can purchase ice cream treats and glow in the dark trinkets for only \$1 each with profits going to Cummings Cove Cares.



Upcoming Events (Check out Facebook and Eblasts for details)

Adrienne Blanks Vintage Country and Folk Music Concert, July 17th, 6 p.m., Triple Fairways Pavilion

Asheville Tourists Game, Aug. 14th, special ticket price to include buffet & soft drinks at the Ingles Picnic Pavilion.

A Busy Start to the Summer Pickleball Season

The Pickleball season is in full swing. Our members began the Skills and Drills sessions in May and regular scheduled play is held in the morning hours. Many of the nineteen folks who attended the Introduction to Pickleball are now honing their skills and enjoying court time.

On a beautiful and sunny May 16th, the CC Pickleball Club traveled to Kenmure Golf and Country Club for its first interclub event of the season. We followed a round-robin format in which each player was paired with a different teammate in each round of play. Each team was divided into four groups of four players, eight men and eight women for a total of 32 tournament participants. A total of 24 games were played in the initial rotation, followed by four more games between the players who had best represented their respective teams in the initial round. At the end of the first rotation, the CC team had won 23 out of 24 games. Our team's success continued into the second round of competition by winning all four final games. Final score, CC 27, Kenmure 1.

Our top finishers in each group included: Group A: Rob Radcliff and Lane Martin, Group B: Mike Howenstine and Tom Virbickis, Group C: Carol Willert and a three-way tie between Gina Howenstine, Trang Martin, and Gina Landovsky; and Group D: Lorraine Francioni and Robin Virbickis.

On May 25th, the Pickleball members enjoyed a social gathering at the Pavilion. With cool and damp temperatures, the heat from the fireplace was welcome. The potluck format assured a variety of delicious food, and a good time was had by all.

On June 4th, our Cummings Cove Pickleball group hosted its first Invitational Pickleball Tournament to benefit Cummings Cove Cares. Great weather greeted 58 participants from the greater Asheville area, Charlotte, Tennessee, and South Carolina. Nine teams from Cummings Cove, of which three of those teams won medals, were cheered on by Cove residents and local spectators. And best of all, the tournament raised over \$2,300 for Cummings Cove Cares. A huge thanks to Robin and Tom Virbickis and all the other members of the Cummings Cove Pickleball community that volunteered and helped to make this event happen.



Cummings Cove pickleball winners in our invitational tournament included: Level 3.0 Mitch Shapiro, Pat Montgomery, Tammy Bellefeuil, Rob Radcliff, & Level 3.5 Ross Terradas and Susan Price.

If you have any questions about the play schedule, summer events or how to sign up for the various forms of pickleball communications, please contact Nancy Rader at bnrader@hotmail.com. For the foreseeable future, regularly scheduled play will occur at the following times, but could be adjusted. Check the SignUp-Genius invites as they are sent out. We look forward to seeing you on the courts. For the foreseeable future, regularly scheduled play will follow the same times posted in the previous Newsletter.

Golf News

Wow, Congratulations To Our 3 Members Who Scored Holes-in-One Since Last Issue of The Cove

Jeff Christianson Hole-in-One on April 18th

Mike Herrick Hole-in-One on May 16th

Charlie Hilleboe Hole-in-One on May 28th



Member – Guest Tournament and Summer Solstice Tournament

Our tournaments were held on Friday June 24th & Saturday 25th with 32 teams competing in the two formats. Winning team information was not available at press deadline so check eblasts and Facebook for details. A special thanks goes out to our members, volunteers and sponsors who made this another successful tournament.

Upcoming Member Events

Member – Member Golf Tournament

This event is for Members and will be held on Wednesday, July 20th and Friday, July 22nd. Registration is open, make sure to turn in your registration form and payment to **Jane Young no later than July 8th**.

Cummings Cove Club Championship

Our annual club championship is a two-day event and will be held Wednesday, August 17th and Thursday, August 18th. Check your golf eblast for more information soon.

Travel Teams

Men's Results

Our men were beat out by a slim margin at Etowah on June 6th, but their landslide win at home in May allowed them to take the overall win this year against Etowah.

Men's Upcoming Interclub Matches:

July 13th vs Kenmure @ Cummings Cove

August 4th vs Kenmure @ Kenmure

August 31st vs Cherokee Valley @ Cummings Cove

Ladies Results

Our ladies took 3rd place at the Carolina Ladies Black Mountain competition. Our top three players included Julie Christianson, Jane Young and Lisa Wethington.

The White Squirrel Challenge featuring 2 days of golf between Cummings Cove women and Connestee women resulted in a tie. The trophy will be shared by both clubs.

Our Victory Garden, a Garden of Promise

In the bulb, there is a radish, In the seed, a cabbage patch,
In chrysalis' a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!

From the past will come the future, what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season...
Something we joyfully celebrate



In addition to planting, caring for and harvesting the vegetables for our neighbors, volunteers have been hard at work replacing the many raised garden beds with Trex, which will provide longer lasting garden frames.



June is "Pollinator Month". Come on by the garden and see the beautiful plants and the many birds & butterflies that are being attracted to them.

Volunteering for an hour or 2 each week goes a long way in helping to maintain a healthy community and a thriving garden. Please consider joining us! Rod Hansen, Joani Robson, Barbara Fricker, Blue Haymond or Judy Chandler will be happy to answer any questions you might have.



Cummings Cove

Victory Garden

"Growing Food for Those In Need"

Summer Tennis News



The Cummings Cove Tennis group will be sponsoring a Round Robin Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament on Friday, August 12th. Rain date is Friday, August 19th. The proceeds from this tournament will benefit the Cummings Cove Cares 2022 campaign, The Free Clinics of Henderson County. The entrance fee will be \$40 and we encourage all of our tennis players to participate. Also, feel free to communicate to anyone who might be interested in participating. Contact Craig Swenson, with any questions.

As usual, scheduled weekly tennis will be played on the clay courts in the morning as the weather permits. To stay up to date on days and times for organized tennis events contact Craig Swenson at cjswenson123@gmail.com.

Fitness Center News

Fitness Schedule

- Total Body Strength – Mondays at 11:30 a.m.
- NEW Chair-based Strength and Stretch- Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.
- Pilates - Tuesday at 11:15 a.m. and Thursday at 9 a.m.
- Circuit Training – Thursdays at 4 p.m.
- Restorative Stretch – Tuesdays at 1 p.m.
- Water Aerobics — Monday/Thursday 10 a.m.
- Pool Volleyball — Last Friday of each month



For massage therapy contact Mandi Maskell at 828-553-8279.

For tennis lessons contact Roy Riley at 828-551-1227

For information regarding any Sports Center facilities or activities contact Tim Dixon at tdixon@cummingscove.com or 828-545-1916. For information on fitness classes or personal training contact Fitness Director Holly Capps at hcapps@cummingscove.com or 828-772-0511.

July & August Game Nights

Euchre: The Howenstine's 937-470-7796
5 p.m. 7/28, 8/25

Mexican Train: Caryl Mobley, 891-9709
5 p.m. 7/21, 8/18

Hand & Foot: The Sobkoviaks, 595-9579
5 p.m. 7/14, 8/11

Shanghai: Cindy Kopperud, 414-265-6776
5 p.m., 7/7, 8/4

Cummings Cove Cares Main Events Are Just Around the Corner

Inside this issue of the Cove you will find a registration form for our Cummings Cove Cares activities that take place beginning with Tennis on August 12th and culminating with a silent auction and dinner on September 16th. Please take a moment to review the form, fill it out and get your registration fee of \$40 per person made out to Cummings Cove Cares to Meg Stadtler by the **deadline of August 30th**.

Our dedication to raising funds for The Free Clinics of Hendersonville brings our community together. Residents have an opportunity to get out and meet new people and connect with old friends at these events. There are activities in the Cove and at local brewery venues that provide an opportunity for us all to try new and old things alike while working together for a good cause.

We have had fantastic fundraising results to date through sports competitions, concerts, memorial contributions, wine tastings, Christmas tree donations, greeting card sales, quilter donations, NCAA brackets and Super Bowl squares, pet photos and individual donations. The need is great and we can do more. The finish line is near. We hope to see you in the coming weeks at as many activities as you can make.

Finally, we like to extend a special thanks to all the volunteers and community sponsors who have lent their time, talents and expertise to making this all happen. We live in a fantastic caring community and it is never more evident than when we get together to make magic happen.



Additional Opportunities to Give And Participate Include:

- Cummings Cove Cares Month at Mills River Brewery (June)
- Cummings Cove Cares Month at Oklawaha Brewery (July)
- Cummings Cove Cares Special Night at Oklawaha Brewery, July 8th
- July 4th Booth featuring ice cream and glow in the dark trinkets
- Prescriptions for Patients Flag Sales
- Silent Auction, September 15th & 16th
- Closing Cummings Cove Cares Celebration Dinner September 16th



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Real Estate News

The market is now shifting away from seller dominance to something much more competitive. Rising interest rates, inflation and overall economic uncertainty has started to take very noticeable wind out of home sales nationwide. Nationally, home mortgage purchase applications in June of 2022 tracked at the lowest levels in the last 5 years as for-sale inventory across the US is skyrocketing. In May of 2022 there was an increase of over 100,000 newly listed homes for sale which is the largest one month increase since that data marker has been tracked by Realtor.com. Of the homes on the market, the industry is now seeing many price reductions as sellers are experiencing very noticeable market changes. Nationally, buyer showings have severely decreased and the number of days on market to sell is becoming vastly different than the buying frenzies of just a short time ago.

Cummings Cove is unique and sought after by enough people that its real estate market has always fared better than the national and even local trends. However, when the market shifts, property selling strategies also must shift depending on what the goals are. With what is clearly materializing in the housing market, sellers must put their best strategic foot forward by being real time market savvy. Having experienced guidance that is equipped and ready to reach and capture any potential buyer in the now shrinking buyer pool is vital to achieving satisfactory outcomes. Without question, Cummings Cove property owners can always find the fine-tuned highly experienced expertise they need with the "Home Team" at Cummings Cove Realty.

Entering the third quarter of 2022 and as of this report, Cummings Cove Realty has already closed 8 lot sales with 4 more pending. Closed 14 home sales with 12 more pending. Additionally, the community has 22 sold under construction homes with pending construction starts of 5 unsold Golf View Town Houses along with

