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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF CHAMPION HILLS

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Dear Owner/Members,

As the warmth of spring starts to arrive, we eagerly anticipate the arrival of Easter. Until then, we have plenty of exciting events planned to keep you entertained on or off the course. This month we'll host the Seafood Spectacular, Pasta Night, Trivia, BBQ Night, Spire Wine Dinner, Lucky Seven Golf Tournament, St. Patrick's Day at Thirsty Thursday, Ladies Luncheon, The Progressive Dinner, The Grand Brunch Buffet, Burger Night, Men's Night out, Prime Rib Night and our Easter Brunch. On top of the events, don't forget that the Wellness Center has a variety of classes Monday - Friday.

We are very pleased to announce that Chef Anthony Garnett will be joining the culinary staff Champion Hills as our Chef de Cuisine. Anthony comes to us from Kenmure Country Club where he was the Executive Chef. Working with our Executive Chef Sean Thomas and Director of Restaurants Patrick Necessary, we will continue to improve and provide excellent dining and social activities. Please give a great big CH welcome to Chef Anthony when he comes on board later this month.

There's plenty to do this month and every month at Champion Hills. As they say, time flies when you're having fun! We're very fortunate that the Club continues to prosper and that demand in the Club remains high.

Lastly, the best private clubs and resorts around the world attain their greatness by defining and enhancing a CULTURE built around excellence. CULTURE is defined by a combination on many factors which comes together in harmony for the greater good of the Club – excellent facilities, excellent members/owners, excellent management and excellent staff. "Ladies and Gentleman serving Ladies and Gentleman" all of whom believe in one another and work together respectfully to develop an "esprits de corps" (an acceptable way of acting and behaving) that embodies the spirit of the Club, engenders positivity, builds one another up, strives for continues improvement and aspires to excellence. Champion Hills is becoming a great Club – a world class Club – as our CULTURE becomes world class. It's an ongoing journey, not a destination and one of which I am excited to be a continued part. Thanks you all for your loyal support and patronage of your great Club!

I would be remiss if I also did not thank both the Club and POA Boards for all the time and effort provided to work for continuous improvements for both the Club and Community of Champion Hills! The future is bright for the best year-round private golf club in Western North Carolina.

See you around the Club, Alan Deck, CCM, PGA

Champion Hills Club Promotes New Homes for New Members

Come again? Champion Hills Club is in the Real Estate business?

Not exactly, but Member/Owners have an interest in a successful real estate market at Champion Hills so I want to update you as spring approaches.

In 2023, the Professional Club Marketing Association reported only 48% of private clubs have waiting lists, and while CH Club does not currently have a waiting list for full equity memberships, another hurdle exists. Over the last 5 years, the #1 reason for not joining given by qualified, visiting member prospects is "I haven't found the right house". In practical terms, this is a "waiting list". Prospective members also say "on-campus" represents the best experience and that is where they initially focus their home search.

The Club has thousands of leads in our prospective member database produced from marketing efforts, and in 2023 we hosted 353 on-site tours (+232% vs. 2019)! Many of the most interested, visiting prospects tell us they have a 2 to 3-year outlook as they start planning their dream of moving to Champion Hills.

The big idea we are pursuing is linking the Club's pipeline of prospective members to a pipeline of new, high-quality, custom homes in our community planned by motivated builders.

Here are the three big efforts underway to make this connection and find homes for new full equity members:

- On March 6, Champion Hills will host an open house for qualified builders to showcase 40 available lots, equal to one-third of all unbuilt lots here. Twelve of these lots are owned by the POA, mostly adjacent to the oasis of greenspace in Champion Hills known as Willow Creek Park where dogs and grandchildren enjoy the meadow and the mountain creeks. Twenty-eight privately held lots will also be presented showing the full range of building options.
- Chimney Crossing, the newest neighborhood of villas in Champion Hills is under construction! This fourteen-unit development with full equity Club membership commitments attached is generating a lot of interest. Already, one pre-construction sale is confirmed a remarkable sign of success in new construction real estate!
- And yes! Fairmont Heritage Place the Cedars will host an official groundbreaking in Hendersonville on Friday, March 8! Champion Hills Club is already collaborating with this world-renowned developer of condominium residences to ensure that as interest in the Hendo lifestyle brings qualified buyers to town, awareness of opportunities for full equity memberships at Tom Fazio's "mountain masterpiece" is part of the attraction.



At Champion Hills Club, our membership goals are annually measured in "net new members" because inevitably, we also lose members each year. These real estate efforts are designed to give prospective new members something they have told us they want – a better chance to begin the next phase of life at Champion Hills.

We will share more as the story unfolds! In the meantime, let us know how we are doing at memberfeedback@championhills.com.

Milan Turk Champion Hills Club Board President

HOW FAR DID YOU GO?

We asked for you to share your vacation photos and the response was fantastic! Everyone that submitted their photos traveled a combined 36,028 miles!

MILES FROM CHAMPION HILLS:

- 1. Todd & Pam Roadman | Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park 10,329 miles
- 2. Bob & Diane Hansberry | Antarctica 9,035 miles
- 3. Craig & Mari Alper | Maputo, Mozambique 8,583 miles
- 4. Mike & Beverly Swartzlander | Perito Moreno, Argentina & Valparaíso Chile 5,951 miles
- 5. David & Bertie Woods | Puerto Vallarta, Mexico 2,130 miles

AND THE WINNERS ARE...

Farthest Distance

Todd & Pam Roadman

Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, Australia 10,329 miles

Most Unique

Mike & Beverly Swartzlander Valparaíso, Chile | 5,951 miles

They commissioned a street art project for Champion Hills!

Congratulations to each of our winners! Feel free to stop by the administrative office at the Clubhouse to claim your gift. We cannot wait to see where you travel next!





THE SPEYRER FAMILY

NICK. ABBIE. KATE & EMILY

Where are you from?
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Are you in CH full-time or seasonally?
Seasonally

What do you like to do at Champion Hills?

I enjoy golfing every chance I get. I love being on the course with Abbie and the girls enjoy riding along with me as well. We love to invite our friends and family to share the experience of golf, food, beautiful views, and drinks.

What is one fun or interesting fact about yourselves?

Our girls attend camp in Tuxedo and despite not having any ties to the mountains, during a trip in the summer of 2020 we stayed at Camp Glen Arden and instantly fell in love with the area. Once we stumbled on Champion Hills, we knew we wanted to have a summer place to get a reprieve from the south Louisiana heat and humidity. Fall and spring are our favorite times at CH and we would love to be around more!



SANDY & LAURIE DAVIS

Where are you from?

We are originally from Montreal, Quebec Canada. We moved to South Florida in 1977.

Are you in CH full-time or seasonally?

We will be seasonal at CH. However, we plan to come up every two months for at least a week in the winter months.

What do you like to do at Champion Hills?

We are golfers, pickleball players, hikers and card players (bridge, canasta and mahjongg). Sandy is a tennis player and avid gym buff.

What is one fun or interesting fact about yourselves?

We are devoted grandparents to our six Floridian grandkids. We consider ourselves fun people and love to socialize and have many new friends!



WEDNESDSAY, MARCH 6 5:30 PM - 9 PM

Want to show off your trivia knowledge? Reserved your team a table today!

FEBRUARY TRIVIA WINNERS



Congratulations!
"Practicing for Jeopardy"
David & Laudette Doudna
Steve & Karen Imhof
Glenn & Terry Strow

SPIRE WINE DINNER WEDNESDSAY, MARCH 13 6 PM - 9 PM

The Spire Collection encompasses estates throughout the world and resides on the best restaurant lists and cellars in the world.



YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND Ladies' Luncheon

FRIDAY, MARCH 15 11:30 AM - 1 PM

Enjoy a scavenger hunt around the Champion Hills Clubhouse. It is sure to be an afternoon filled with laughter and friendship!

PROGRESSIVE DINNER SATURDAY, MARCH 16 5:30 PM - 9 PM

Dine throughout the Clubhouse and meet new friends with complimentary cocktails at every turn!





MEN'S NIGHT OUT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27 6 PM - 9 PM

We invite the gentleman of Champion Hills to an evening of great food and conversation!



WINTER GARDEN

by Kristin Hannah

Winter Garden is one woman's sweeping, heartbreaking story of love, loss and redemption. At once an epic love story set in WWII Russia, and an intimate story of contemporary mothers and daughters poised at the crossroads of their lives. It explores the heartbreak of war, the cost of survival and the ultimate triumph of the human spirit.

For more information please contact:

Barb Morrison | 309.269.0010 Barbara Zucker | 845.598.0933

CARD GROUPS

Champion Hills has a variety of card groups organized by our members. Interested in learning more? Contact the below members to learn how you can join them!

Bridge

Ladies' Chicago Style | Susan Thomas | 210.834.8771 Partners - Duplicate & Contract | Terry Robbins | 828.696.9030 Ladies - Duplicate | Betty Martin | 828.697.5819 Party - Nancy Bertelli | 828.242.4447

Canasta

Judy Breissinger | 828.696.9306 Margaret Mellott | 828.698.9815 Gina Moffit | 256.508.0419 Debra West | 828.845.5323

Mah Jongg

Lynn Hupe | 828.698.6351 Marilyn Schmidt | 828.684.0869 Carolyn Brann | 828.696.4912







HOLE-IN-ONE JOSEPH NARET!

Mr. Joseph Naret shot a hole-in-one on Wednesday, February 21 on the 11th hole from 175 yards with a 6 Iron. Please make sure to congratulate him as this was his very first hole-in-one!



CONGRATULATIONS KEVIN GUNTER!

Mr. Kevin Gunter shot his all-time low round on Friday, February 16 during the Men's Skins Game with a gross score of 72! Great round! Please make sure to congratulate him on his achievement!

UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, MARCH 7 | TAYLOR MADE DEMO DAY

Appointment Only | 11 AM - 3 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 9 | NINE & DINE

2:30 PM Shotgun Start

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 | LUCKY 7 NINE HOLE SCRAMBLE

2:30 PM Shotgun Start

For more information or to register, please visit ForeTees!

RULES OF HANDICAPPING - DO YOU KNOW?

A new treatment of 9-hole scores:

- In 2023 and previous years, 9-hole scores were combined in the order posted to create an 18-hole Score Differential. This meant that a 9-hole score could have been combined with another 9-hole score from days, weeks, or even months before – which at times lead to volatile results.
- Today, when a player posts a 9-hole score, it is combined with their expected Score Differential over 9 holes to create an 18-hole Score Differential for immediate use with expected score based on the player's Handicap Index at the time the round is played as well as a course of standard difficulty.



SOUP

Sherried Mushroom Bisque
Wild Rice & Chicken Soup

SALAD

Garden Salad Mixed Greens, Cucumber, Carrot, Tomato, Radish, White Balsamic

Spring Mixed Berry & Feta Salad Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumber Carrot, Raspberry Vinaigrette

DISPLAYS

Shrimp Cocktail

Smoked Salmon Chopped Egg & Onion, Capers, Diced Tomato

Deviled Eggs with Bacon & Paprika

OMELET STATION

Eggs Spinach Tomato Onion Peppers Sausage

Bacon Mushrooms Swiss American Cheddar Cheese

CARVING STATION

Pit Ham with Honey Glaze

Slow Roasted Angus Prime Rib with Au Jus & Horseradish Crema

BUFFET

Sausage
Bacon
Waffles with Maple Syrup
Cheese Blintz with Strawberry Sauce
Biscuits served with Honey Butter
Glazed Carrots
Green Beans with Toasted Almonds
to Whipped Potatoes
Wild Rice Medley
Tortellini with Spring Peas & Mushrooms
in Garlic Cream Sauce
Roasted Salmon with Lemon Chive Butter
Grilled Chicken Marsala with Mushroom Ragout



DOMAINE HOUCHART COTES DE PROVENCE ROUGE

Provence, France \$8 Glass | \$30 Bottle



With really ripe fruit and juicy black flavors, this is a rounded, warm wine. It tastes of the sun, although there is also something more seriously structured about it. Acidity gives freshness, while the tannic structure suggests further aging.

Although I do not lean toward the old-world, this wine seems to always be on my mind. I first tried it as a gift from a former member. Along with their wine travels, they found this gem. It is a botle meant to be shared over dinner and a sunset. I just purchased the last 25 bottles of this vintage, and I cannot wait to share it with you.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR SATURDAY, MARCH 2 5 PM - 8 PM



PASTA NIGHT TUESDAY, MARCH 5 5 PM - 8 PM



BBQ NIGHT TUESDAY, MARCH 12 5 PM - 8 PM



GRAND BRUNCH BUFFET SUNDAY, MARCH 17 10 AM - 2 PM



BURGER NIGHT TUESDAY, MARCH 19 5 PM - 8 PM



PUB NIGHT TUESDAY, MARCH 26 5 PM - 8 PM





WINE TASTING THURSDAY, MARCH 28 4 PM - 6 PM



PRIME RIB NIGHT SATURDAY, MARCH 30 5 PM - 8 PM

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

With a variety of weekly classes to choose from you are bound to find the right group fitness class to meet your health and wellness goals.

Group fitness class cards can be purchased by contacting Mackenzie and can be used for any offered weekly class. Class cards are non-refundable and never expire! Register for all of your favorite classes on chmember.com under "Racquets & Wellness" and select "Book a Class". See you in class!

1 Class | \$18 10 Classes | \$160 25 Classes | \$350 50 Classes | \$500



INSTRUCTOR ELIJAH ASKEW

TABATA CIRCUIT | TUESDAY 10:30 AM & FRIDAY 8:15 AM

A 45-minute class with both HiiT (high impact interval training) or LiiT (low impact interval training) options. This class is sure to challenge you. Each exercise in a Tabata workout lasts only four minutes. The structure of the program is as follows:

- · Work out moderate to hard level for 20 seconds
- Rest for 10 seconds
- Complete 8 rounds

RIP TRAINER TABATA | WEDNESDAY 8:15 AM

Cross-train for your best golf or tennis game! This is a 45-minute isometric strength training class using the rip station.

GOLF CORE | THURSDAY 8:15 AM

A 35-40-minute class that will target core muscle strength. This class will focus on core articulation, flexibility, and strength cross training to enhance your golf game.

INSTRUCTOR MACKENZIE JONES



STRENGTH 45 | MONDAY 9:15 AM STRENGTH 60 | THURSDAY 9:15 AM

Go for confidence-inspiring contour and definition. Both resistance training classes use hand weights and mats. Each class will alternate between three different muscle groups. The class consists of abdominal routines, upper torso/arm routines, and glute/leg routines. Each workout is choreographed to upbeat music of all genres to drive the class forward and keep your mind on the beat. Strength 60 is an advanced class, Strength 45 is a moderate level class.

STRENGTH 45 BALL CORE | MONDAY 8:15 AM

This is a 45-minute intermediate to advanced class that will target alternating muscle groups with a focus on abdominals using resistance balls.

JAZZERCISE DANCE FITNESS | TUESDAY 9:15 AM & WEDNESDAY 9:15 AM

Burn up to 400 calories with this high-intensity low-impact dance workout that mixes modern moves with strength training. Set to Top 40 music, Jazzercise targets the 3 major muscle groups for a full body workout. This class is both fun and effective and can be modified for all fitness levels.

SIMPLY STRENGTH | THURSDAY 10:30 AM

This is a gentle 45-minute functional strength training class. Using a chair for balance, light weights, and small balls for extra resistance, this class is designed for those new to strength training.



INSTRUCTOR JULIA WARD

YOGA BASICS | TUESDAY 8 AM

A well-rounded and accessible yoga class with an emphasis on healthy posture and physical alignment. Increase flexibility, improve balance, build core strength, relieve back and neck pain and de-stress. A great way to start the day. Beginners are welcome!

SLOW FLOW + CORE YOGA | MONDAY 10:30 AM & WEDNESDAY 10:30 AM

This yoga class was designed with strength and fitness in mind. This class offers core focus movement helping in posture, balance, flexibility, and articulation. This class ends with Slow Flow to focus on mindfully moving and breathing while holding poses longer. This class is suitable for all levels.

GENTLE YOGA | FRIDAY 9:15 AM

A well-rounded and accessible yoga class with an emphasis on healthy posture and physical alignment. Increase flexibility, improve balance, build core strength, relieve back and neck pain, and de-stress. A great way to start the day. Beginners welcome!



INSTRUCTOR WENDY SCHUCHART

PILATES MAT CLASS | FRIDAY 10:30 AM

This is a 60-minute Pilates mat class uses a variety of equipment pieces including rings, balls, and versa bands. A challenging static strength training class.



Looking for a beautiful home in an idyllic setting for under \$1 million - this is it! Tucked into the extensive, yet low-maintenance landscaping, you're greeted by the rocking chair front porch where you can enjoy the calming sounds of the babbling brook. Inside, the welcoming great room with clean lines, warm tones, handsome stone fireplace flanked by gorgeous custom built-ins. Off the great room is a cozy office/den with double doors.

Then into the well-equipped kitchen including plenty of cabinets and granite counters, wine fridge, warming drawer and more! Off the kitchen and adjacent dining area is nirvana: a private, screened porch with a second stone fireplace that has room for relaxing and dining. Enjoy views of the gorgeous 11th hole on the Azek deck, which is off the great room and spacious main bedroom with a lovely bath. Downstairs offers two guest suites, one can double as an office/family room. Storage, cedar closet and cart garage complete this level.











3.099 SOFT

PROPERTY FEATURES

- 3.099 Sauare Feet on Two Levels
- · .83 Acres with Golf Course View
- · Gorgeous Stone Fireplace
- · Golf Cart Garage
- Generator

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