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Update from Barton Tuck

Hopefully you are enjoying your summer and have been able to take a break from your normal routine. It's been great seeing old friends at the club and making new ones. This past month's weather has provided for good golf, good fun, and allowed us to make progress on the inn and fitness building. The building should be open by early next year and will give us great resources for overnight lodging and a place to get and stay fit. In the meantime, remember that there are homes available for overnight stay. We are also making steady progress on the design for other amenities, and we'll have more news on that front over the next couple of months.

Please give us a call if there is anything we can do for you. I look forward to seeing you at Bright's Creek!

From the Pro Shop

The golf course is in great condition, and our rounds of golf are up. Inside our temporary clubhouse, we have added showers for men and ladies as well as installing a small number of lockers for your use while you are here. We have included an additional Men's One-Day Member Guest Tournament this fall. It is on Friday, November 9th. It will begin with a 10:00 AM shotgun start. Please be sure to mark this on your calendar as the course and weather should be perfect.

Men's One Day Member Guest

On June 15th, we had a Men's One-Day Member Guest Tournament using a best ball of two format. Forty two teams competed for the title. We had seven teams finish within one shot of the lead. Four teams had 64's. Kent Kistler and his guest Scott Davis won the event following a scorecard playoff. Second place

went to Kent Kistler and another of his guests, Harry Bobotis. Mark Clary and Jason Dierks took third place. Fourth place went to Sandy McLean and Kyle Lock. Ronny Brown and Xan Law took fifth with a 65. Earl Thompson and Tom Conner finished sixth, also with a 65. Seventh place went to Dick Bradbury and Doc Cunningham, again with a 65. Earl Thompson and Dan Gromelski shot 66 to finish in eighth. The closest to the pin contest winners were Barton Tuck with two, Bill Jones, Brent Knutson, and Nick Trainor.

Parent-Child Tournament

On July 13th and 14th, we had our first Parent-Child Tournament. Using three different formats over thirty six holes, Pete Cook and his son, Ben Cook, took home the title. Justin Winter and his son, Ben Winter, came in second. Third place went to Kent Kistler and his son, Clark Kistler. Brent Knutson and his son, Kelton Knutson, claimed fourth. The closest to the pin contest winners were Brent Knutson with two, Clark Kistler, and Ben Winter. The Cook team won the putting and chipping contests.

Tough Day

Have you seen some outrageous pin placements, maintenance equipment in your way, annoying sprinklers running or crooked tee markers on the golf course this year? If so, it is only to get you ready for Tough Day. Scheduled for August 24th, it's sometimes referred to as "Superintendent's Revenge". It's the one day of the year where we INTENTIONALLY try to make life difficult for the golfers. Be prepared, because anything goes, but trust us, it'll be the most fun you'll have on the course all summer. Please contact the golf shop to sign up at 828.894.5032.





Ben Cook & Pete Cook—Parent—Child Winners



Ben Cook—18th tee



Brent Knutson—15th tee



Ben Winter—18th tee



Kent Kistler—15th tee



Kelton Knutson—15th tee



Equestrian Center

Bright's Creek Equestrian Center is happy to welcome "Indian Paint Brush," a ten year-old Medicine Hat Paint gelding, to our group of school horses.

Medicine Hat Paints are very particular in their markings. They are mainly white all over except for a "war bonnet" or "hat" of brown or black on their head. These horses were considered sacred among some Native American cultures and were believed to possess certain powers that would render their riders invincible in battle.

Indy has this war bonnet on his head, plus a brown bull's eye on his rump. He has a very quiet and trusting personality, and his past includes being ridden in parades, trail rides and horse shows. He seems very happy in his new home, and we will be making him available for lessons and trail rides soon.

We are also pleased to announce a new program for children:

Saddle Up Saturday

Saturday, October 6, 2007

11 am–3 pm

Ages 6–12

Lunch included

\$75

Spectacular sunset behind the Equestrian Center.



Uli grazing next to four deer.



Join us for this fun horse program for kids! The day includes learning how to groom a horse, a riding lesson (children 6 years of age will have a pony ride instead), a picnic lunch, finger painting on a real horse, games, crafts, plus a t-shirt. We can tailor the program for many different skill levels, from beginner to intermediate riders.

Please contact us for more information or to sign up at 828.894.2511 or cking@brightscreek.com.

Griffin Graham and Cheryl King introduce Ashelyn Wigginton and Cadence Boehm to Waco.



Golf & Grounds News from Doug Walter

It's time to vent. One cultural practice that is very important this time of year is the venting of our greens. Using a solid 5 mm needle tine, we aerify on 2 in. x 2 in. spacing. This opens a passage for the exchange of air, and allows for water to pass through the root zone. Venting is ideally done every 7–10 days. The end result is healthier and firmer greens at a time of year when both are difficult to achieve. The disruptions to play and playability are minimal. In fact unless one witnesses the aerification, it is hard to tell it was done.

Core aerification, where plugs are taken, is a form of venting, but is obviously more disruptive. Our fall core aerification of greens is scheduled for the first week of September.

You may notice traces of the coarse top-dressing from the verti-quake machine discussed last month. We use this type of top-dressing because it's best for drainage. These traces will disappear shortly.

The recent drought has been a challenge and hopefully by the time you read this it will have passed. I'm sure you're enjoying the extra roll in the fairways, but it does stress our turf.



14th Green

Outdoor Adventures

Bright's Creek can help you arrange hiking, kayaking, fishing, and other outdoor pursuits. Contact Teresa Davis at 866.302.7335.

Henderson & Polk County September 2007 Event Calendar

September 1–3

61st Official North Carolina Apple Festival

Downtown, Street Fair hours Fri.–Sun. 10:00AM–8:00PM, Mon. 10:00AM–5:00PM (street fair, arts & crafts, entertainment, children's activities, parade, food & more) Hendersonville, NC
828.697.4557 www.ncapplefestival.org

September 3

Apple Country Bicycle Tour

Begins at 9:30AM, guided nature bicycle tour, one geared for families, the second more strenuous, both with nature stops along the way accompanied by naturalists; benefits ECO (NC Apple Festival Event) Hendersonville, NC
828.692.0385 www.eco-wnc.org

September 5–30

The State Theatre of North Carolina presents Sherlock Holmes—The Final Adventure, a new thriller based on the 1899 play by William Gillette & Arthur Conan Doyle, Wed–Sun, Flat Rock Playhouse, NC
828.693.0731 www.flatrockplayhouse.org

September 6–9

Hickory Nut Gorge Olympiad III

Non-profit charitable festival modeled after the Olympics—events include: bike races, basketball, volleyball, fun run, boating races and more, Lake Lure, NC 828.625.5186 www.hickorynutolympiad.com

September 7–16

NC Mountain State Fair

WNC Agricultural Center (midway amusement rides, entertainment, display of livestock, competitions, food & more) Fletcher, NC 828.687.1414
www.ncagr.com/markets/fairs/mtnfair/index.htm

September 8

Guided Bird Walk

Jackson Park, 8:00AM, Cosponsored by ECO and Henderson County Bird Club, Hendersonville, NC
828.692.0385 www.eco-wnc.org

Moon Howl

FENCE (Foothills Equestrian Nature Center) grounds open 5:00PM, music begins @ 7:00PM, Admission \$10, Tryon, NC 800.438.3681 www.fence.org

September 10

Gardening Seminar

FENCE (Foothills Equestrian Nature Center) 10:00AM, free, Tryon, NC 800.438.3681 www.fence.org

September 15

FENCE/PAC Saturday Hiking Series

FENCE (Foothills Equestrian Nature Center) hikers meet at FENCE trail shelter @ 8:45AM, free, Tryon, NC
800.438.3681 www.fence.org

September 15 & 16

FENCE Fall Festival Horse Show

FENCE (Foothills Equestrian Nature Center) 7:00AM–7:00PM free, Tryon, NC
828.859.9021 www.fence.org

September 22

Autumn Colors Autorama

Main Street, 9:00AM–4:00PM, antique & classic car display, sponsored by the Great Smoky Mountain Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America, Hendersonville, NC 828.697.7681 or 828.891.2286

September 28–30

Tryon Fall Classic

FENCE (Foothills Equestrian Nature Center) free, horse show, 8:00AM–7:00PM, Tryon, NC
800.438.3681 www.classiccompany.com

September 28–30

4th annual Blue–Gray Heritage Weekend Civil War living history encampment & reenactment (offers infantry, artillery and cavalry in historically accurate encampments, food, music of the era, fashions,

souvenirs and sutlers) skirmishes both days, 9:00AM–5:00PM, Mills River community on the corner of U.S. Hwy. 191 North & McDowell Road, Admission \$5 adults and \$2 children 6-12, under 6 free, Hendersonville, NC 828.329.3433 or 828.890.4015 www.scvcamp70.org

September 29

A Celebration of Lincoln

Carl Sandburg Home, highlighting Sandburg's Pulitzer prize-winning biography of Abraham Lincoln, 9:30AM–12:30PM, Flat Rock, NC 828.693.4178 www.nps.gov/carl

September 30

Orchid Auction

1:00PM–4:00PM, NC Arboretum, Asheville, NC 828.665.2492 www.ncarboretum.org

Please visit the Henderson County Travel & Tourism website for a more extensive list at historichendersonville.org



Summer in the mountains has been beautiful.

Bright's Creek 2007 Calendar of Events

Tough Day	Aug 24
Greens Aerification	Sept 4–5
Men's Two-Day Member–Guest	Oct 5–6
Saddle–Up Saturday	Oct 6
Member–Home Pro	Oct 18–19
Couples' Member–Guest	Oct 26–27
Men's One-Day Member–Guest	Nov 9

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