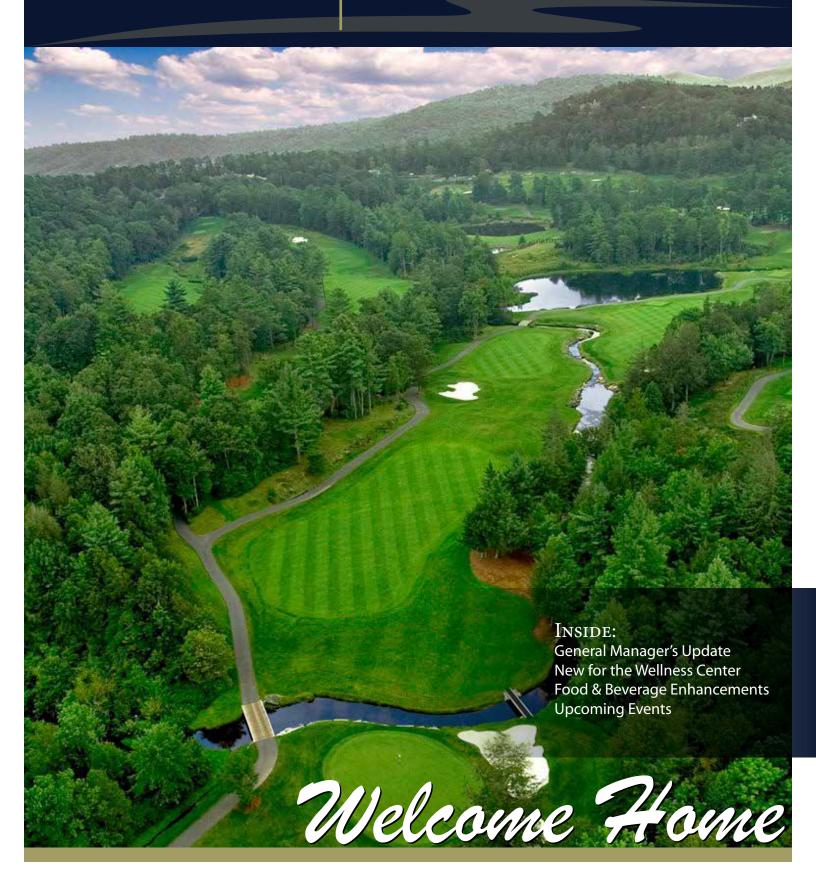


# CURRENTS A Publication for Members & Friends of the Cullasaja Club





## BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Bettie Ingram | President
Hugh Dillingham | Vice President
Brian Rice | Secretary
Clint Dawkins | Treasurer
Deane Briggs
Sid Nurkin
Charlene Palmisano
Michael Shawhan
Sammy Smith

STAFF

sdudley@cullasaja-club.com
Leigh Coggins | F&B Manager

lcoggins@cullasaja-club.com
Maria Jandera | Executive Chef

chefmarie@cullasaja-club.com

Meredith MacNevin |

Accounts Payable & Receivable

mmacnevin@cullasaja-club.com

Shelley Walker | Clubhouse Manager swalker@cullasaja-club.com

swalker@cullasaja-cub.com Terry Fugate | *Head Tennis Professional* tfugate@cullasaja-club.com

Tom Nelson | Golf Course Superintendent tomnelson@cullasaja-club.com



1371 Cullasaja Club Dr. | Highlands, NC 28741 828-526-3531 | Fax: 828-526-3560

#### GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE | by Chris Conner, CCM

It is the first day of spring and as I sit to write my first General Manager's message of the season, it is snowing outside. The weather on the plateau seems to always be changing but I know that we are only a few weeks away from your arrival and the warmth that you will bring. Cullasaja Club is a family club in the sense that every member is part of a special group of people who care for one another and look out for each other. In many ways, the Cullasaja Club family is a 'tribe' and the collegial and familial spirit of the Club is about to be whole again. We look forward to welcoming you home in a few weeks.



Thank you for taking time to complete the 2015 Member Satisfaction Survey. Based on your positive feedback, we are very pleased with the results. However, we are looking into some of the operational areas that rated the lowest (although still above a 4.0 out 5.0) and have developed a plan to improve. One of the areas that rated lowest was the overall satisfaction with the look and feel of the clubhouse interior. We have contacted a local interior design firm to help us create a master plan to look into possibly refurbishing the clubhouse's interior. The House Committee and Long Range Planning Committee will spearhead this endeavor. Look for more details sometime this summer.

We look forward to introducing you to Stacie Dudley who recently joined our team as the new Wellness Director. She is charged with the overall fitness and wellness program at Cullasaja Club and has been busy developing exciting novel exercise classes and programs for the upcoming season. Please stop by the Activities Center to say hello and make sure you review her bio later in this newsletter. In addition to Stacie, other valuable team members have been promoted this year. Shelley Walker has been elevated from Food and Beverage Director to Clubhouse Manager and will now oversee the Activities Center, Clubhouse Department, and continue to lead the F&B Department. Leigh Coggins has been promoted from Dining Room Manager to F&B Manager.

The House and Social Committee, along with Shelley Walker, have been working diligently to develop an exciting calendar of events for you to enjoy this season. Each month offers exciting offerings for you and your family to participate. From the Derby Day Party on May 7th, Mother's Day Brunch on May 8th, Welcome Home Party on May 27th, to the Memorial Day Weekend Extravaganza on May 29th; there is plenty to keep you entertained in the month of May. Please make note of the many events that are offered so that you do not miss out on the fun. Also, by now you should have received your calendar via regular mail. If not, please stop by to see Zoe when you arrive back to the plateau and we will gladly give you one.

Thank you for your support and we wish you a safe trip back home to Cullasaja.

Best Regards,

**Chris Conner** 

General Manager

#### by Stacie Dudley | INTRODUCING OUR NEW WELLNESS DIRECTOR



Hi! I am Stacie Dudley and I am excited to be the new Wellness Director at Cullasaja Club! I have lived in the Cashiers area for over eighteen years and consider the mountains my home. I am the proud mom of three amazing children. I have been leading fitness classes and offering personal training sessions for the past four years as an ACE certified fitness instructor. I have a deep passion for wellness and the improved quality of life that good health and fitness can allow. We plan on making great additions and improvements to the Wellness program by offering new fitness classes, fun activities and exciting challenges. I hope to work with the Cullasaja Membership to help obtain their wellness goals through fitness classes, dietary guidance and personal training sessions. I want to find out what works best for each individual Member; whether you are a seasoned athlete or someone new to exercise. I am here to assist you in achieving individualized wellness goals! I am very excited to meet everyone and I am looking forward to having a great season! Please come to the Activity Center and say hello.



#### by Tom Nelson | FROM THE GREEN



As of this writing we have just begun the final portion of the last phase of the capital improvement plan that was initiated in the fall of 2011. The plan consisted of a new irrigation system, resodding all of the green surrounds, re-building the 11th green along with several smaller projects that have improved both the aesthetics and playability of the golf course. In total we have installed nearly 20 miles of pipe, 1500 sprinkler heads and replaced 12 acres of rough. The total budget was approximatly \$3 million dollars and I am happy to report that we have completed the projects on time and within budget. The new system will allow us to have much greater control over where and how much water is applied. Additionally, it will drastically reduce the man hours spent hand watering. The man hours previously spent watering can now be utilized on tasks that are more noticeable to you and your quests while on the course.

With the infrastructure work completed, we are now developing the next long range plan that will further enhance the playability and aesthetics of the golf course. Based on member survey results, the Green Committee will assemble and prioritize project ideas. To date, our most criticized areas are our sand bunkers and the rough. We are already in the process of creating a budget to address those areas of concern.

It is great to be a part of a club that is committed to continually improve upon our golf course and all other facilities.

Tom Nelson
Golf Course Superintendent

#### "SWINGING INTO SPRING" | by Charles Beurmann

The 2016 golf season is approaching and we are very excited for it to begin! Our club was invited to participate in this year's Sea Island Invitational on February 21st - 24th. I would like to thank Frank & Janina Pinon, Mike & Anita Delamore, and Hugh & Connie Dillingham for their participation. Our team finished in 5th place out of 46 teams. I hope to continue this relationship with Sea Island each year.

The Mill River program will continue to offer all the latest merchandise and golf club equipment at a substantial discount to everyone who participates. The cost to participate in the Mill River program is \$150 per membership. All apparel offered will be available for purchase at only 20% over wholesale pricing and all golf equipment will be offered at 10% over wholesale pricing. If you participated in this program last year we have already re-enrolled you. If you would like to join the Mill River program please notify a member of the professional staff.

Our demo golf clubs will be available all season long on the driving range for you to utilize and compare. We will offer the latest equipment from Callaway, Ping, and Cleveland/Srixon. We will have a sign out procedure in place if you wish to take a particular club out on the course for use. Demo day is scheduled for June 15th from 12:00pm - 4:00pm.

We will always offer the opportunity to special order if we don't have a particular item available in the golf shop. All special orders will offer the Mill River pricing; however members will be responsible for any shipping cost.

We have a very exciting tournament schedule prepared for everyone this season, and are looking forward to each event. Our Invitational will continue to be the focal point of our tournament schedule. If you are planning to participate in our Men's Invitational this year please make sure you return your completed entry form guickly when released May 1st. We are expecting a full field of 42 teams this season and have already given last year's participants an opportunity to commit. Mixed Member Guest was sold out last year so don't miss the opportunity to participate this season! Entry forms will be released July 1st. We would hate for you to miss out on these amazing events!

I have been nominated to the Mountains Chapter PGA Board as the 2016 Tournament Director. Our involvement with the Mountains Chapter will help us network and expose our wonderful club to our surrounding PGA Professionals and their memberships. We will host this year's MCPGA Pro-Assistants Championship Wednesday, August 31st. I am very excited to have been nominated and look forward to representing our club over the next four years as a part of the MCPGA Board.

PGA Tour Instructor and close friend Eric Kaplan will be at Cullasaja Club on Tuesday, August 30th as a part of his 2016 book tour. Eric will be here promoting his new book "Putting the Four Secret Body Locks" as well as conducting a one hour putting clinic, book signing, and question and answer session on both the short game and full swing. If you are interested in attending Eric's clinic please notify the professional staff as space is limited.

We will continue to offer a wide variety of teaching programs to all our members across all ability levels. Our Thursday Ladies Clinic will continue weekly from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. A copy of our Ladies clinic schedule is published in the WGA Directory. Men's Clinics were heavily participated and will continue this season. Dates and subject matter for the monthly Men's Clinic will be published through our monthly newsletter as well as our email blasts.

Junior Golf & Tennis Camp is back full of fun and innovative instructional programs (June 14th – 16th). Our Golf Professional Staff and Tennis Professional Terry Fugate are very excited to see new and familiar faces so please encourage your grandchildren to participate!

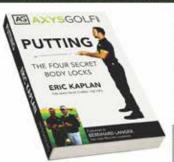
Our professional staff will always be available for private and group instruction.

Stop by the Golf Shop or contact a Professional to get a head start on your spring training.

# THE MAN BOOK WHO CURED TOUR THE YIPS



SPACE IS LIMITED. RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW!



Initially developed as a method to reduce the shaky hands of golfers with Parkinson's disease. Eric Kaplan's research has developed a simple putting stroke that is proving to be the most effective system for everyone

The Four Body Locks create a single-axis. single-variable putting stroke that is now being used by major championship winners and Ryder Cup members.







immeasurably, imagine what he can do for you' Bernhard Langer Professional Golfer



I frust Eric Kapla Miguel Ángel Jiménez Professional Galler

#### **Book Tour Information:**



At Door Cost \$125 Pre-Registered \$100 Includes: MEMBERS ONLY

I Hour Putting Clinic

Book Signing Event

Short Game Q & A Session Full Swing Q & A Session

#### To Reserve:

Register Online: AXYSGalf.com/8ookTour Register by Phone: 866 333 1763 Register by Email: info@axysgalf.com

#### **MAY GOLF EVENTS**

TWILIGHT GOLF Friday 6th, 13th, 20th Wednesday 25th

FRIDAY QUOTA Friday 27th 9:30 a.m. Shotgun

MEMORIAL DAY STABLEFORD Monday 30th "Optional Game Available"

WGA OPENING Tuesday 31st 9:30 a.m. Shotgun

**MAJOR EVENTS** (Mark your calendars) JUNIOR GOLF CAMP June 14th - 16th

MEN'S INVITATIONAL July 21st - 23rd

WGA MEMBER GUEST August 18th - 19th

MIXED MEMBER GUEST September 22nd – 23rd

\*PLEASE INVITE YOUR GUESTS' NOW BEFORE THEY MAKE OTHER PLANS!!!



WELCOME HOME to all of our GREAT Cullasaja members! We have all been anxiously waiting and we are very excited to get started with the 2016 tennis season. Last year was a great year for tennis with 4,261 hours of tennis, and I see no reason why this year won't be even better. We have completed our annual resurfacing of our 4 Har-Tru courts so the courts are in great shape for the summer season. We have lots of great tennis planned for you this year. The first week of May we will offer a complimentary "Back to Basics Clinic" and match play on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE TENNIS **COMMITTEE:** I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the members of the Tennis Committee. The Chairperson for the committee is Leslie Ezerski and she has done a great job over the past two years. Some of the members who have been on the committee for many years will be rotating off this year. Special thanks to Rick Eichman and Larry Ainsworth for their many years of service to this committee. It is because of the dedication, focus and commitment of our Tennis Committee members that we have become one of the premier tennis programs in the area today.

Your new 2016 Tennis Committee is as follows: Leslie Ezerski as Chairperson, David Rountree, Diana Sanderson, Kay Johnson, Linda Messerly, Mary Wilding, Mike Buchanan and Tim Godwin.

**SUMMER ASSISTANT:** This year I am proud to announce that Zdenka Janderova will be returning for her second season as my summer. For Junior Clinics the kids referred to her as Coach Z, for everyone else her name is pronounced Zadana. At any rate, we are very happy that she decided to return this year. Her parents Monica and Julius both work in the kitchen, Chef Marie is her aunt.

#### **REVISED WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR MAY:**

During the month of May we combine men & women for our weekly tennis mixers to ensure we always have enough members to get up a game. We combine men & women each Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 10:00am. We have Open Play on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday each week during May.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: This year we are bringing back the Monday B-Level Ladies Clinic. This is a complimentary clinic and fun doubles play for the ladies who just want to have fun. These B level ladies have all promised me they will participate on Mondays each week. If this is popular then I will also offer this same program on Wednesdays, and perhaps even Fridays.

Battle of the Sexes will return with a rematch scheduled between the same 4 participants. The ladies' vow to avenge their loss last year and go away with bragging rights this year. Mark your calendars now because sparks will fly in this exciting rematch. Will Larry Ainsworth and Rick Eichman prevail again this year? Will Betsy Butler and Farah Reynolds be victorious? The date for this exciting rematch is Saturday, August 13th at 5:00 pm followed by a poolside cookout or dinner.

This will be the 3rd year for the Junior Tennis/Golf 3 Day Mini Camp. The Camp will be held on June 14 – 16 Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. In last year's Camp we had instruction and drills the first day and after that we had one group that had instruction and I took the remainder of the kids for a round robin match play event. This year I promise we will have more instruction and fun – filled drills and less round robin match play.

Ladies & Men's Inter-Club Matches will return this year in an effort to offer our tennis group greater diversity and more challenging matches.

#### LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE:

JUNIOR GOLF/TENNIS CAMP June 14, 15, 16th Tennis after lunch each day

WELCOME HOME TENNIS MIXER & LUNCHEON
Saturday June 18th 10:00am

LADIES DOUBLES INVITATIONAL Wednesday June 22th 10:00am

MEN'S DOUBLES INVITATIONAL Saturday June 25th 10:00am

Men's & Ladies Doubles Invitationals may be played with a fellow member or a guest as your partner. You will need a partner for this event so please let me know ahead of time if you need for me to find someone for you. Please sign up ahead to ensure your spot.

Memorial Day Weekend at the Tennis Center: Help us kick off the 2016 tennis season with our annual "Stars & Stripes" tennis mixer which will be held on Saturday, May 28th 10:00 am. Open play on Sunday, and then Men's & Ladies Doubles on Monday, May 30th.

Tennis Pro Shop: Always remember we have a fully stocked Pro Shop located right beside the courts for your shopping convenience. In our Tennis Pro Shop we offer a complete selection of tennis, croquet and fitness related products. This year we will offer some great price points for merchandise. We offer the Mill River Buying Plan for only \$150 dollars per season. This allows you to get all hard goods at 10% over cost and all soft goods for 20% above cost. If you are not a member in the plan then you must pay full price for all purchases.

PROPER TENNIS ATTIRE REQUIRED:

Please remember when you do come out to play tennis to dress appropriately. Please see dress code in the back of the Membership Directory. One of the most important things for all to remember is to wear smooth soled tennis shoes while playing on our beautiful tennis courts. Running shoes should never be worn on the tennis courts due to the uneven rough surfaces on the soles of the shoes. Running shoes do not allow you to slide on the court surface because of the way their sole is designed they just dig into the surface which damages the court surface.







**WELCOME HOME:** I would feel remiss if I did not take this opportunity to say welcome home to all of our great Cullasaja members. We have lots of competitive events as well as fun-filled social events that are sure to have something for everyone to participate in this season. So come on out and let's get those balls rolling.

**LAST YEAR WAS AN INCREDIBLE YEAR** we were able to log 4,214 hours of croquet over the course of the 6 month season. These numbers reflect not only CCA events and activities, but also times when non CCA club members and their families took to the lawn. Croquet was so popular that we had to add an additional day for Mallets & Martinis which is now scheduled twice each week.

#### SPECIALTHANKS GO OUTTO ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CROQUET COMMITTEE:

These folks worked tirelessly to ensure you had the best croquet on the plateau from start to finish. The Chairman of the Croquet Committee is Scott Turner. Members of the Croquet Committee are as follows: Clint & Lane Dawkins, Berty Fransen, Dr. Joe Giegel, Lana Jordan and Scott & Peggy Turner. Without their concerted efforts we would not have been so successful. So, BRAVO to them for a job well done!

**CULLASAJA CROQUET ASSOCIATION:** I would like to take this opportunity to encourage anyone who is interested in playing croquet this summer to join the Cullasaja Croquet Association (CCA). Last season we continued to grow and ended up with 148 CCA members. You do not have to join the CCA to use our beautiful croquet lawn, but you do have to be a member of the CCA to participate in all sanctioned CCA events. When you join the CCA, you may participate in any sanctioned CCA event including rules seminars, world class instruction, inter-club matches and all of our weekly croquet events. Last year, the CCA also picked up the bill for the end of season awards banquet, where over 75 members had a most enjoyable dinner with memorable conversations and awards. The CCA paid for the World Class Instructional Series and the Rules Seminar last year. The CCA also added the 4 patio umbrellas, the new flower baskets at the 'Lawn', and also the installation of the new gas heater in the croquet pavilion. The CCA also picked up the tab for all of the continental breakfasts and the food that was served at Mallets & Martinis each week. So, as you can see, you get a lot of bang for your buck when you become a member of the CCA. The fee to join the CCA for the season is only \$85 per person, or \$170 per couple. Come see me if you are interested in joining this amazing organization.

**WORLD CLASS INSTRUCTION WITH JEFF SOO** will be offered to CCA members on Thursday, June 9 and Friday, June 10. There is no charge for instruction since these classes are included in your CCA dues. Jeff Soo will return at a later date for his popular Rules Seminar (TBD). This will be a great opportunity for you to hone your croquet skills as you prepare for the season ahead.

**RULES & REGULATIONS FOR CROQUET:** Croquet Rules & Regulations' are now listed in the back of your Membership Directory for easy access. Please conform to these rules & regulations whenever you play with your guests or your family members. All white attire is required for all sanctioned CCA events. For those of you who just come out with your family or with guests occasionally, you may wear attire that would be acceptable for golf or tennis here at the club. All players must wear smooth soled shoes in an effort to protect and preserve the integrity of our beautiful new lawn.

#### **WEEKLY CROQUET SCHEDULE:**

Sunday -Open Play all day until 4:00 p.m. when we have our CCA "Couples on the Lawn" event which usually lasts until around 6:00 p.m.

Monday - Open Play for all members until 4:00 p.m. then the CCA "Ladies on the Lawn" have the lawn until 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday CCA "Men with Mallets" have the lawn reserved from 10:00am until noon. There will be Open play from noon until 3:00 p.m. Mallets & Martinis starts promptly at 3:00 p.m., followed by a second session at 5:00 p.m. and concludes around 6:30 - 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday until 4:00 p.m. is Open Play for all Cullasaja members. "CCA Match Play on the Lawn" starts at 4:00 p.m. until around 6:00 p.m. This is a non-staffed event where CCA members challenge other CCA members to a friendly match of croquet.

Thursday is Open Play for all of our members until 3:00 p.m. From 3:00 - 4:00p.m., I will offer a complimentary "**Croquet Clinic**" for any member who wants to improve their game. Also starting at 3:00 p.m. is the first round of very popular "**Mallets & Martinis**". The second round will start at 5:00 p.m. and continue until around 6:30 - 6:45 p.m. This event is by far the most engaging weekly event we have on our schedule. You must sign up ahead of time for the clinic or for the Mallets & Martinis event by emailing me at tfugate@cullasaja-club.com or by calling 526-9185.

Friday is Open Play all day for all of our great Cullasaja members, their family members, and their guests.

Saturday is Open Play for all of our great Cullasaja members their family members and their guests.

**CROQUET CHAMPIONSHIPS AND QUALIFIERS**-we will still offer Intermediate and Advanced groups for the Championships. This year we will offer 4 qualifying tournaments, and the winners of each qualifying event will advance to the finals in late September. We will offer one qualifier each month from May through August. Here are the dates for the qualifier tournaments.

Sunday, May 29th in the afternoonMonday, June 20nd in the afternoon

Monday, July 18th in the afternoon

• Monday, August 22nd in the afternoon

 Club Croquet Championship will be played on Monday, September 19th time TBD.

#### **INTER-CLUB CROQUET SCHEDULE**

June 9th @ Cedar Creek Racquet Club

June 16th vs. Wildcat Cliffs

June 23rd vs. Chattooga Club

• July 12th vs. Highlands Country Club

July 28th @ Burlingame

August 4th @ Lake Toxaway

August 11th vs. Highlands Falls

August 18th @ Trillium

Country Club of Sapphire Valley TBD



**HAVE MALLETS WILL TRAVEL:** This spring we had two wonderful events for our croquet playing members. In February, 30 of our Cullasaja members embarked on a trip to the beautiful Gasparilla Inn in Boca Grande Florida. While there our members enjoyed many hours of croquet, as well as golf, and of course shopping and fine dining. February 29 - March 1, I went down to the National Croquet Center in West Palm Beach with 13 Cullasaja members. While there, the members participated in a two-day Golf Croquet Seminar at the National Croquet Center. Both trips were remarkable. Stay tuned, there's no telling what trips may be on the horizon.





Can you believe that spring is just around the corner and our 2016 WGA season is about to begin!

Lana Jordan and her committee have been hard at work planning a lot of wonderful events for us. This year's theme is "Blossoming of Golfing Buddies". As Lana said, "It is my hope that throughout the season, WGA members' friendships will go from buds to full blown blossoms as we have fun playing golf in our mountain paradise!"

Be sure to put May 31st, our Opening Day, on your calendars. We will have a 9-hole scramble with teams of A/B/C/D players from both the 9 and 18 holers. Our shotgun start is at 9:30 a.m. Lunch and our opening WGA meeting will follow. Please sign up at the Golf Shop either in person or by phone for this special event.

This year we have spread out our early tournaments rather than having them so close together as has been in the past. The Laurel Cup, a ringer event that includes competition for both 9 and 18 Holers, will be on June 6th and 7th. We're looking forward to our highest ever participation!

Our WGA Member/Member event will be on June 21st. Since this event is always very popular, be thinking now about your teams, and sign up early!! It is a one-day event and is one of our Major Tournaments for both 9 Holers and 18 Holers. 36 is the maximum handicap for 18 holers after the 90% and 18, which is based upon strokes for 9 holes, is the max for 9 holers after the 90%. Partners may not have more than a 10 stroke difference in handicap. If there is more than a 10 stroke difference, the partners will have to play to a spread of 10 strokes.

We have reviewed your responses to our November survey and have planned events throughout the season that will reflect your desires. Our schedule of events will be in your handbook.

In order to get your game back in gear, the ladies' clinics will start Thursday, May 26th at 10:00 a.m. This will be a wonderful time to hone your skills.

Don't forget how quickly our Ladies' Member Guest has filled up the last couple years. We promise another very special and fun event. Our theme will be "A Garden Tee Party". Now is the time to start planning ahead. Sign up will be in early July. This year it will be held on August 18th and 19th, with practice rounds and Twilight Golf on August 17th. Again, it will be a four-person team event; however, last year we voted that each member may only bring one quest in order that more members and their quests may participate. Stay tuned for more information to follow.

Remember an established handicap is required under USGA rules in order to be eligible for WGA tournaments and prizes. Be sure your Tuesday play day score cards are complete. If we are playing a "best ball" event and you didn't complete a hole, estimate what you think your score on the hole might have been or put in your max, if less, and place an "X" in the corner of the box to indicate that you did not hole out. Also, please review in your WGA booklet the rules for the maximum score to take on any hole which varies by handicap.

Be sure to check the club bulletin board and email for information regarding play days, winners, tournaments, and rules review. You'll find fun pictures on our digital photo frame in the Pro Shop.

In closing, we all would like to thank Beth Elzemeyer for her last two years of leadership. During her tenure, WGA has reached new heights! Here's to continuing to go onward and upward, and the "Blossoming of Golfing Buddies". See you on the links!



#### **RESERVATION POLICY**

Reservations are required for all Club social events. Reservations for á la carte dining are always recommended. If space is available and you do not have a reservation, we will make every effort to accommodate you on a first come, first served basis.

#### **SHIPPING**

Do you know the Club office will handle your UPS and Federal Express shipping needs? Just bring your package to the front desk and we'll take care of it from here. You pay shipping plus a \$5 handling charge.

#### MAIL SERVICE

When you arrive at the Club for the summer, please be sure to change your address with the Club office. We will change your address in our records so you will receive your billing and Club correspondence without delay. It is very important for you to complete the forwarding and stop orders when you move back and forth. If your mail is left in your box for more than 10 days without being picked up, the Post Office is required to hold it for 30 days and then they will return it to the sender.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

If you have a reservation for dinner or any event and find you will be unable to attend, please call the Club to cancel in a timely fashion so another Member may take your place. To avoid cancellation fees, all reservations must be cancelled as stated in the 2016 Club Rules published in the 2016 Membership Directory.

#### **HOLE-IN-ONE CLUB**

Sign up now for your chance to win \$550.00! Membership is only \$3.75 per person. When we have a winner you will be billed an additional \$3.75 to replenish the fund. Sign up through the Pro Shop or Club Office.

#### E-MAIL RESERVATIONS

You may e-mail any reservation requests to Shelley Walker at swalker@cullasaja-club. com. Be sure to include your name, date, time, number in party and any special requests (high chairs, boosters, Birthdays, Anniversaries, special guests, etc.). E-mail reservations should be submitted no less than 48 hours in advance of an event. Shelley will confirm your reservation via e-mail.

#### BRIDGE

Bridge play will officially commence in June. Please watch *The Week at a Glace* for information.

#### DRESS CODE

Please observe the dress code for the Clubhouse, Activity Center, Golf Course, Tennis Center and Swimming Pool listed in the 2016 Club Rules, published in the 2016 Membership Directory.

#### GENTLEMEN'S HEADGEAR

Gentlemen are required to remove their headgear when entering the social areas of the Clubhouse.

#### **SMOKING POLICY**

The Clubhouse, Activity Center and all adjacent patios and decks are smoke-free environments. Smoking is allowed only in designated areas outside of the buildings.

### AUDIBLE CELL PHONE POLICY Use of cell phones/audio media is

prohibited in the Clubhouse, Activity Center and on the Golf Course, except for medical emergencies.

#### MINORS AND CARTS

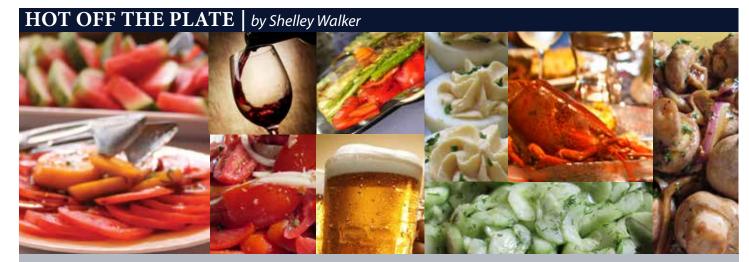
Any minor who operates any golf cart on Club property must have a valid driver's license. Due to serious liability ramifications, the Club staff has been asked to strictly enforce this policy. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

### INSURANCE CERTIFICATES FOR GOLF CARTS

Please remember to submit proof of insurance for any golf cart you plan to use on Club property.

#### DRESS CODE REMINDER

Jackets are preferred for gentlemen on Saturday evenings in the Main Dining Room and the Enclosed Terrace. Although preferred, jackets are not required for gentlemen on Saturday evenings in the Pavilion, the Bar/Lounge and our new Overlook Room. "Country Club casual attire" will be considered acceptable attire throughout the entire clubhouse every evening unless otherwise noted in the promotional materials for special functions.



Dear Cullasaja Club Membership,

We are excited to begin the 2016 season! The Food and Beverage Team has once again been working hard to create a memorable season for you and your families. I wanted to take a moment before your arrival home to Cullasaja to highlight the initiatives and programs for you this year.

Last season, we focused on and introduced many new and exciting additions to the Food and Beverage offerings. Our plan for the upcoming season has been to build on the successes from last year and to continue to reinvent and update the current Cullasaja Food and Beverage Program. We analyzed each dining service, all special events, our service standards and our training in order to focus on updating and fine tuning their details. We believe and hope we have provided a program that will create many wonderful Cullasaja experiences and memories in the 2016 season.

Our domestic and international hiring initiatives have been very successful for the season. We returned to the SEG Hospitality Schools in Switzerland, Les Roches Hospitality University in Spain, Far Eastern College in the Philippines, Florida State, University of Central Florida, Southwestern Community College, and the Culinary Institute to hire hospitality and culinary majors that are eager to learn from our developing training program. We also have several key people returning; Kyle Moser from Western Carolina will be our Dining Room Manager, Kyle Preston from Florida State has accepted the Resident Director position, Alexa Matuguina from the Philippines will be our first Manager in Training, Leigh Coggins has taken the reigns as our F&B Manager, Rocky Piechowiak will continue as your star bar manager and Tzu Thor is stepping up as our Seasonal Sous Chef. We will introduce you to each team member in the upcoming newsletters.

We spent time building on our previous successes to meet members' constructive suggestions and create excitement for the new season. Tuesday Classics will return with your favorites from Chef Marie with a new twist on the salad, bread and dessert offerings. Chef Marie has updated your weekend menus to feature new regional farmers, member suggested offerings and updated selections. We have partnered with the new Wellness Director to highlight healthy items on each menu so you will know what is heart-friendly and gluten-free. Your beverage list has also been reinvented. We have selected new wines by the glass featuring your suggestions from California, Oregon, Italy and other favorite regions. The wines by the bottle are pulled directly from your suggested favorites and feature many ideally priced options. Our wine program will include a "wine of the month" special. Each month, we will feature a white and a red wine by the glass that is normally only offered by the bottle. This will give you the chance to try some of the exciting bottle offerings at a discounted special by the glass price! Rocky has created seasonal cocktail menus with new ideas and a twist on many of your favorites. Our beer list will feature many of your domestic go-tos and local craft options with seasonality. Happy Days will return for the 2016 season on Fridays and Saturdays with special pricing on wine, beer and cocktails! We have also added a new fruit tea that we think will be a big hit. We think you will you see refined touches on everything when you return. Your holiday events, Cullasaja cabarets, wine dinners, farmers market, and super Saturdays are all returning with tuned details and new twists. We are really looking forward to showcasing all of this and much more this season!

Additionally, our goal throughout this season will be to continue to learn and grow from the successes, your suggestions and all surrounding ideas in order to provide you with the best Cullasaja experiences. We want you to love every moment at your Club and we believe and hope that you will enjoy our efforts this year. Please continue to help us improve through ideas and suggestions. We are always listening, changing and moving towards wonderful success and perfect memories.

Personally and professionally, I am thankful to be part of such a wonderful family. Thank you to all the Cullasaja Members and to the Cullasaja Team for making this the best place to be in Highlands!

Sincerely,

Shelley Walker

Clubhouse Manager

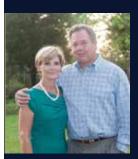


RECURRING EVENTS	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MONDAY Men's & Ladies' Dbls - 10am 9-Hole Men - 1pm  TUESDAY	Golf Tennis Activities Croquet	No Lunch or Dinner Service Complimentary Clinic & Play BOG Meeting 8:30am	3 No Lunch or Dinner Service	4 No Lunch or Dinner Service Complimentary Clinic & Play	5 Open for Dinner	6 Open for Lunch & Dinner Complimentary Clinic & Play Twilight Golf 4pm	7 Open for Lunch RUN FORTHE ROSES/DERBY DAY
Open Play Tuesday Stableford @ 1pm  WEDNESDAY  Men's & Ladies' Dbls - 10am	8 MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH	9 No Lunch or Dinner Service HOA-BOD Mtg 9am	10 No Lunch or Dinner Service	No Lunch or Dinner Service	12 Open for Dinner	13 Open for Lunch & Dinner Twilight Golf 4pm	14 Open for Lunch & Dinner
THURSDAY Open Play 9-Hole Men - 10:30am FRIDAY	15 Open for Brunch	16 No Lunch or Dinner Service Ladies on the Lawn 4pm	17 No Lunch or Dinner Service Men & Mallets 10am	18 No Lunch or Dinner Service Social Croquet 4pm	19 Open for Dinner Croquet Clinic 3pm Mallets & Martinis 3pm	20 Open for Lunch & Dinner Twilight Golf 4pm	21 Open for Lunch & Dinner
Friday Quota - 9:30am  Men's & Ladies' Dbls - 10am  Classic Canasta - 1pm  Happy Day - All Day!  SATURDAY  Men's Day - 9am	22 Open for Brunch Sunday on the Lawn 4pm	No Lunch or Dinner Service WGA 18-Hole Interclub @ OE Club BOG Meeting 8:30am	No Lunch or Dinner Service Men & Mallets 10am	Open for Lunch & Dinner Social Croquet 4pm Twilight Golf 4pm	26 Open for Lunch & Dinner Croquet Clinic 3pm Mallets & Martinis 3pm POOL OPENING DAY	27 Open for Lunch & Dinner WELCOME HOME PARTY	28 Open for Lunch & Dinner Stars & Stripes Tennis Mixer 10am Super Saturday 7pm
Men's & Ladies' Dbls - 10am Happy Day - All Day! SUNDAY	29 No Lunch Service Open Play Croquet Qualifier Sunday on the Lawn MEMORIAL DAY COOKOUT	30 Open for Lunch Dinner To-Go Memorial Day Stableford Ladies on the Lawn 4pm	Clubhouse Closed WGA Opening Day 9:30 am Men & Mallets 10am				

#### MEMBERSHIP/COMMUNICATIONS

#### **SAVE THE DATES**

# Please join us in Welcoming our Newest Club Members:



FRANK & JANINA PINON oined July 2015



ROBERT & LINDA EDER joined September 2015







**EDWIN & LOUISE ROTHBERG** 



**ROD & DEBORAH HEMPEN** 



WAYNE & SANDRA TITUS

THEY ARE THRILLED TO BE PART OF THE CULLASAJA FAMILY AND LOOK FORWARD TO ENJOYING THE CULLASAJA LIFESTYLE! PLEASE SAY HELLO...



**DERBY DAY** 

Saturday, May 7th

**MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH** 

Sunday, May 8th

**WELCOME HOME CELEBRATION** 

Friday, May 27th

**MEMORIAL DAY COOKOUT** 

Sunday, May 29th

**WINE DINNERS** 

Thursday, June 9th | Thursday, September 8th

**BURGUNDY WINE DINNER** 

Thursday, August 5th

CABARET

**DISCO TIME WITH HOT SAUCE!** 

Saturday, June 18th

**HYPNOTIST DOUG MCGRAW** 

Friday, August 12th

**SOUTHERN NIGHTS WITH 20 RIDE** 

Friday, September 16th

**FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH** 

Sunday, June 19th

KIDS' CAMP

REGISTRATION

Thursday, June 30th

**CAMP** 

Friday, July 1st until Sunday, July 3rd

**DUCK RACE & CART PARADE** 

Sunday, July 3rd

**JULY 4TH CELEBRATION** 

Monday, July 4th

**LABOR DAY COOKOUT** 

Sunday, September 4th

**OKTOBERFEST PARTY** 

Friday, October 14th

Highlands, NC 28741 1371 Cullasaja Club Drive

Permit No. 99 Highlands, NC **DIA9** US Postage First-Class Mail