# LANDINGS

THE RIVER LANDING E-NEWSLETTER | WINTER EDITION, 2018



# SAVE THE DATE UNCW Ladies Invitational March 4<sup>TM</sup> - 6<sup>TM</sup> RLGALS Opening Day March 10<sup>TM</sup> RLMGA Breakfast Scramble March 17<sup>TM</sup> RL Demo Day March 21<sup>ST</sup> UNCP Ladies Invitational March 25<sup>TM</sup> - 27<sup>TM</sup> RL Member-Member April 21<sup>ST</sup> - 22<sup>MD</sup> RLGALS Invitational May 24<sup>TM</sup>

# REMINDERS

**Golf Cart Pairing Up** –You must pair up when leaving the 1st Tee and make sure there are 2 riders in each cart. It is careless and adds age to our cart fleet!

**Practice Range Mats** – When the balls are set to hit on the range mats, you must only hit on the mats. They are intended to protect and prolong the natural grass tee for all golfers.

**Back Driving Range** - Please keep golf cart traffic limited to the cart path or beside the south practice tee. Our maintenance staff is trying to improve and beautify our practice area and the traffic elimination will help substantially.

Native Grasses & No Mow Areas – You must not drive golf carts or push carts through the native areas. There should never be any vehicles in the grass; this will not be tolerated.

**Safety First** – Please wait for the golfers ahead of you to clear the landing area before you hit your next shot. It only takes one errant shot to change our community. Are you really impatient enough to jeopardize someone's life? If you are, think about someone doing the same thing to your spouse, child or best friend. It's just a game!

**Golf Shop Vendors** – Please know just because you don't see it in the golf shop doesn't mean we can't order it! We can compete and usually offer a better price on new product than most golf stores. Please ask a member of the golf staff for a price if you don't see it in the golf shop.

**Golf Course Cart Towels –** Please, please, please return any cart towels you may have accidentally taken home or left in your trunks.

**Cigarette Butts & Trash** – Please keep River Landing Green & Clean: "No butts about it!" We would like to inform all smokers we do have ashtrays for golf carts so please ask the staff for one and help us keep our golf courses free of butts!!!

# GOLF PRO'S CORNER

There hasn't been much golf played in the last month, so Patty and I were watching the Waste Management Golf Tournament on TV and I asked her if she would want to hit a tee shot on #16, the par 3, with an arena style fan base: "A b s o I u t e I y N o t!!!" As for me, I would love to be in the arena hitting a shot with 40,000 crazy golf fans watching and waiting to cheer for a good shot. This started me thinking about how and why golfers enjoy the game and no one enjoys the game as kids do!

There was a Golf Digest article written in 2016 during the US Kids tournament in Pinehurst and there were many great quotes by the children from as young as 5 years of age. "Don't get upset

over bad shots," says Matilde Modesti, 7. "I love practicing short game because a lot of people who hit long balls get up to the green and they're a mess," says Madison Moman, 9. "Put on music and dance to have more fun," Tommy says. Tommy is a 5 year old with only one arm...that's right, one arm and he's playing to the best of his ability with no complaints or excuses. Kids don't worry about results, they don't worry about failure and they rarely even see failure as an option. Failure doesn't define kids, it was just a bad shot or a bad round and that's the end of it.

Confident, reckless abandon is the way to play your best golf. Forget failure and bad results like a kid. If you aren't confident, lower your expectations. In the end you need to look at it as "Golf is the best, most fun, coolest thing you get to do all day". And if money determines your enjoyment of the game, then play for skittles like the kids do!



-Larry George

# HOLES-N-ONE

Well the first newsletter of the year has me going all the way back to October 24th to congratulate **Walt Dlugolecki** for his ace. He used his 6-iron from 141 yards on #6 River.

Cheers to **Jeanne Murray** for using her PW from 80 yards to ace #3 River on December 3rd.

On December 6th on the 10th hole of The River Course, **Dave Cailler** made a "1" from 150 yards using his 8-iron. Congratulations to those getting a hole-n-one before the end of the year!

And, starting the year off on February 9th was **Mark Scronce** holing out an 8-iron on #6 River from 145 yards, his first ace at River Landing and 2nd career Hole-n-One, congratulations!

# RIVER LANDING MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION



**RLMGA 2017:** It was another great season! RLMGA finished the season with our final Tournament on November 18th. This year we again played a lot of golf as shown in our 2017 Statistics. Hidden in these statistics are 4 holes-in-one, 17 eagles, and 4 road trips."

Number of Rounds Played		AVERAGE # OF PLAYERS PER ROUND	TOTAL WINNINGS	
TUESDAYS	1487	42	\$7,086	
Thursdays	1064	30	\$5,332	
Saturdays	423	71	\$2,470	
POT OF GOLD	115	57	\$2,308	

### This past year we had many winners with some real stand-outs:

### MOST IMPROVED

Handicap 0-12 C. WINWOOD 9.7 to 7.3 Handicap 13-25 C. TEETZ 19.3 to 14.1 Handicap 26-up J. GOODMAN 28.8 to 21.4

### COMBINED WINNINGS

### IRON MEN (TOTAL # OF ROUNDS PLAYED)

JIM FRATER	\$448	JIM FRATER	66 total	59 play days
JERRY ORMANER	\$347	JIM CANDIDO	63 total	58 play days
RANDY WESTON	\$339	TOM HOWELL	63 total	58 play days

**So, what is in store for the 2018 RLMGA Season?** We will kick off the season with our opening tournament on March 17th (Breakfast Shamble: Wear Green!) followed by: Spring Classic – April 14th; Village Cup – May 19th; Summer Classic – July 14th; Fall Classic – September 8th; and Closing Day – November 17th. We will be having road trips for the times the courses are closed on Play Days and our two Pot-of-Gold Days. Rumor has it that there are individuals trying to prepare for the season by getting holes-in-one and practicing shots they have to make in the 2018 season.

As we begin the new season remember our RLMGA slogan:

# "WHERE RIVER LANDING MEN MEET TO SHARE A LAUGH, A BEER, AND SOME GOLF."

Randy Weston's Hole-in-One (2-20-18).





Iron Man (Jim Frater) gets ready for 2018.

Keeping it light:



"Man, that is really devious of her. Making club covers of her and the kids to guilt-trip you every time you golf."



How sweet, he's smiling. He must be dreaming about me."

### Words of Wisdom:

"GOLF CAN BEST BE DEFINED AS AN ENDLESS SERIES OF TRAGEDIES OBSCURED BY THE OCCASIONAL MIRACLE, FOLLOWED BY A GOOD BOTTLE OF BEER."

Come and join us as the adventure continues with our 2018 season. Remember...you can't win if you don't play!

See you on the course, Gary Wintrode RLMGA Secretary





# SWING FOR THE CURE WRAP UP

Since 2004 the RLGALS have been bringing the River Landing community together to support breast cancer awareness and research through various fund raising events. The Swing raises money for The River Landing Golf Association for Ladies Fund for Breast Cancer Research, an endowment managed by UNC Lineberger, and for Pretty In Pink Foundation. The RLGALS Endowment Fund is used to award seed grants to promising researchers who are working to find a cure for breast cancer. Pretty in Pink Foundation is a North Carolina charity whose mission is to provide financial assistance to uninsured and underinsured breast cancer patients.

On October 21 and 22, River Landing Golf Association for Ladies (RLGALS) held their annual "Swing for the Cure" event, which included a golf tournament and luncheon for the ladies, the always popular helicopter ball drop, and, new this year, "Flamingo Bingo" and "Men are Swingers Too".

THE PURPOSE OF THE RLGALS IS TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE INTEREST AND CONFIDENCE IN COMPETITIVE PLAY, AND TO FAMILIARIZE PLAYERS WITH GOLF RULES, ETIQUETTE, AND GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP. IN DOING THIS WE ALSO HAVE A LOT OF FUN!!

On Sunday, a crowd gathered on the terrace at the Club House to witness the ball drop event. 770 balls were dropped from a helicopter onto a temporary green created on the 14th fairway of the River Course. Three lucky winners split half of the money raised from the raffle after their golf balls landed in the hole. The remaining raffle money was donated to The RLGALS Endowment Fund for Breast Cancer Research, and Pretty In Pink Foundation.

After the ball drop, a sell-out crowd adjourned to the Ballroom for a fabulous dinner and then Flamingo Bingo! Proceeds from the bingo card sales were split between our charities and several lucky winners. A good time was had by all.

Thanks to everyone who helped make the Swing event such a tremendous success, including River Landing Management, River Landing Dining Room and Pro Shop staff, tournament and luncheon participants, ball drop and raffle ticket purchasers, the gentlemen who participated in the "Men are Swingers Too" contest, the many people who donated items for our raffle and bars, and of course the wonderful people who generously donated their time, money, gift certificates, and raffle prizes.





Mark Your Calendars: OCTOBER 13-14, 2018

SWING FOR THE CURE TOURNAMENT | BALL DROP | BINGO

We can't wait to see what the Bingo theme is going to be!

# Special Thanks to:

# HELICOPTER SPONSORS:

Bill Carone's GMC, Chevrolet and Buick Dealership, the Pizza Corner, Smith Brothers Gas Company, and River Landing residents Joel and Cindi Peterson for funding the helicopter expense for the ball drop.

### RAFFLE PRIZE DONORS:

Thanks to Domino's Pizza, Evans Jewelry, El Dons Hairstylers, Food Lion, Fran's Sewing Circle, GDN Nail Bar, Inc, Le Nails, Lori's Golf Shoppe, Mad Boar Restaurant, Mik's Sports Bar and Grill, Peebles-Jodie Hoffman, Sea Side Hair Salon, Stallings Florist, Two Wheeler Dealer, Village Sub Shop, Pampered Chef-Amy Gibson, and Longaberger-Doris Miller, as well as some generous River Landing residents. The ladies really had fun buying tickets and hoping theirs would be pulled to win one of the great prizes that were donated!

# HOLE SPONSORS:

Thanks to the many River Landing Residents who remembered loved ones and honored those who have fought or continue to wage the fight against breast cancer by sponsoring holes for the Swing tournament. In addition, thanks to Wallace and Wilmington businesses who sponsored holes to support the cause: An Everlasting Effect, Cindie's Yoga, Farriors Flooring & Int., PIP, Graybar Chiropractic, Lisa Jones Johnson, Dickie Jones - Blueberry Lane, Loris Golf, Olive Branch Gardens, Pigford Physical Therapy, Quinn McGowen Funeral, Rose Hill Restaurant, Southland Dental, Szechuan 132, and Whitewood Management.











# RIGALS CLOSING DAY

It was chilly on November 11, but forty-seven ladies braved the cold to play in the Closing Day Shamble. The winning teams were:

Maureen McCarthy, Barbara Kukoski, Thuy Johnston, Sara Cailler

Kathy Harless, Pat Gasparini, Fran Aronson, Angela Smith

Jackie Fiala, Janis Jay, Carolyn Bruggeman, Pam Dillard

# PRESIDENT'S CUP RESULTS

### 18 HOLERS

Low Gross - Maureen McCarthy, score 81 Low Net - Carol Cossette, score 70

### 9 HOLERS

Low Gross - Kathy Lord, score 55 Low Net - Treva Croker, score 37

# **MOST IMPROVED GOLFERS**

### 18 HOLERS:

Sheila Bertoldi (from 16.4 at the beginning of the season to 12.4 at end)

### 9 HOLERS

Kimberly Butler (from 24.6 at the beginning of the season to 15.8 at end)



# THURSDAY MAY 24TH, 2018

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT JEANNE MURRAY 910.665.1099 | JRMURRAY71@GMAIL.COM

# SOCIAL GROUP UPDATES

# **CARD GAMES**



FOR BEGINNER + INTERMEDIATE PLAYERS | FITNESS CENTER

Duplicate Bridge Wednesdays 7-10PM

Mah Jong Mondays + Fridays 1-4PM

Party Bridge Tuesdays 1PM

Tu Sac Mondays 1-4pm Wednesdays 1-5:30pm

# **PICKLEBALL**

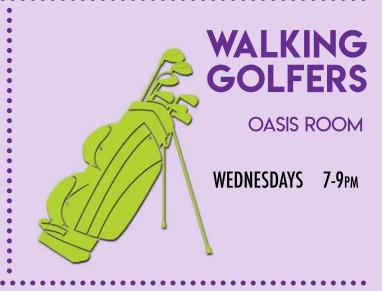
PICKLEBALL / BASKETBALL COURTS

MIXED PLAY Mondays + Fridays 10AM

LADIES Thursdays 10AM

Contact Sabrina Lewis to reserve a court: slewis@riverlanding.com





# **BIBLE CLUB**

**OASIS ROOM** 

TUESDAYS 7-8:30pm

All are welcome!
Contact Vinnie Sabatino for with questions:
910-285-0339



# **CREATIVE HANDIWORK**

**OASIS ROOM** 

MONDAYS 7-9:00PM

# **QUESTIONS:**

Please contact Sabrina Lewis, Activities Director, at 910-285-1035 or slewis@riverlanding.com





**TENNIS** 

**TENNIS COURTS** 

MEN'S

Monday + Wednesdays 4PM

Tuesdays 7PM

**LADIES** 

Tuesdays 10AM

**MIXED DOUBLES** 

Sunday 11AM

Friday 10AM

# ISLAND CREEK QUILT CLUB

MEMBERS ROOM

Second Tuesday of Each Month 10:30AM



# QUILT ENTHUSIASTS

MEMBERS ROOM

Fourth Monday of Each Month

10:30am



# BOOK CLUB Second Sunday of each month • 7pm • Members Room

# MARCH 11TH

Beneath the Marble Sky by John Shors



# **APRIL 8TH**

Tiffany Girl by Deanne Gist



# **MAY 13TH**

The Alice Network by Kate Quinn



# Winter at River Landing

A rare winter storm brought cold temperatures and 4-6 inches of snow this January to Wallace and the surrounding areas. Here's a recap of the winter weather of 2018 at River Landing.





# CUSTOM HOME PROGRAM

# The Custom Home Program (CHP) is comprised of

- custom home builders
- insurance agents
- mortgage brokers
- architects
- home designers
- interior design professionals

The CHP aims to provide all of the **information**, **guidance** and **services** to River Landing property owners throughout the process of designing and building your **dream home**.

Portfolios are available at the Welcome Center and opportunities to meet with CHP Members can be arranged at your convenience.

# CHP PRESENTS:

# The Builders' Showcase

# April 12 + 13 | 2018

# What is the Builders' Showcase?

We welcome our property owners to attend our semi-annual Builders' Showcase events. As a River Landing property owner, these events offer you the opportunity to:

- Tour Beautiful Custom Homes
- Meet Custom Home Program Builders + Allied Partners
- Experience The River Landing Community
- Meet current residents who have recently undergone the building process

# Benefits of Attending:

Learn all you need to know AND get your questions answered all in one place!

CHP **Builders** and **Allied Partners** attend these events to provide an educational experience for you. *Plus*, take advantage of great **exclusive incentives** when you sign up with one of our Custom Home Program Builders after attending the show!

# CHP BUILDERS



**FINE CUSTOM HOMES SINCE 1981** 

### BARKER AND CANADY CUSTOM HOMES

Tom Canady & Phil Barker 910.509.2014 BarkerCanady.com

WILKINS & WILKINS GENERAL CONTRACTING, INC.

JIM WILKINS
910.458.2524
NCGENERALCONTRACTOR.COM





### RIVER LANDING CUSTOM HOME BUILDERS

COURTNEY ST. PIERRE 919.931.0939
RLCustomBuilders.com

# STONE BUILT CONSTRUCTION

TRAVIS STONE
910.810.8500
STONEBUILTCONSTRUCTION.COM



# CHP ALLIED PARTNERS

Allstate Insurance Lagomarager Agency | BB&T Mortgage | Carlton Insurance | Farrior's Flooring & Interiors | First Bank | Strickland's Closets & Home Organization | Strickland's Blinds, Shades, and Shutters

# NEED MORE?

Contact Morgan McCollow, Custom Home Program Manager (910) 285.4171 | mmccollow@murfam.com

# REAL ESTATE UPDATE

As River Landing continues its partnership with Intracoastal Realty into 2018, we are proud of the progress we are making together. The Keith Beatty team at Intracoastal is committed to introducing new property owners to our wonderful community, and to helping make the transition easier for those who find it necessary to leave. Broker-in-Charge Keith Suttle and Broker Associate Brandon Hendrickson have devoted their efforts to working on behalf of both buyers and sellers in River Landing. You can find them at the Welcome Center, so feel free to stop on by!

In February and March, Keith and Brandon will once again be hitting the road. First they'll travel to the Ideal-Living Resort & Retirement Show in New Jersey, then they will head down to the Ideal-Living show in Washington, DC. Who knows...they may just find your new neighbor!



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# **2018 HOME SALES**

(as of 1/31/18)

Homes SOLD	3
Homes under Contract	3

# **2017 HOME SALES**

Total Homes SOLD	18
Sales Volume of Homes Sold	\$5,921,000
Average Price of Homes Sold	\$329,000
Average Price per Foot	\$133.22

# **LOT SALES**

Homesites sold since 2016	61
Highest priced	\$55,000
Homesites currently on the market	81
Lowest priced listing	\$10,000
Highest priced listing	\$110,000
Average list price	\$35,909

# BY COMPARISON, IN 2015:

14 homes sold for \$4,188,000 at 115.98 per foot. Home prices up \$17.24 per foot.



# SATURDAY, APRIL 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018



WITH PERFORMANCES BY:

L SHAPE LOT

+ CHRISBANDI

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!



# GOLF EVENTS 2018

Twilight Golf | March 30

Member-Member | April 21

Couple's Cup | March 6

Twilight Golf | May 11

Battle of the Sexes | June 2

Couple's Cup | June 24

Family Open | June 30

Twilight Golf | July 6

Couple's Cup | July 29

RL Club Championship | September 1

Couple's Cup | September 16

Senior Club Championship | September 22

Member & 3 Guests | September 28

Twilight Golf | October 5

**Swing for the Cure Tournament | October 13** 

Member 4 Tournament | October 27-28



MORE
INFORMATION
WILL BE SENT VIA
E-MAIL AS EACH
EVENT DATE
APPROACHES.

# Chalk Painting Class



The chalk painting class held in the fall was well attended and produced a number of fun projects including a wicker chair, table, wooden tray, chair, and picture frame to name a few. Maureen McKenna, instructor in all things painted, explained the process and assisted in the two-night session. Plus, new acquaintances were made!

-Karen T. Lutze





# DINNER - DANCING - MUSIC LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS - & MORE

The Annual Duplin County Sheriff's Ball is held to raise money supporting youth programs in Duplin County. We are excited to once again be focusing on activities throughout River Landing's entire Clubhouse. Doors will open at 6pm, leading you into a wonderful night of dinner, music, live & silent auctions and more, all while raising money for the youth of Duplin County. Please join us this year as we make the Sheriff's Ball an event to remember!



# FOR MORE DETAILS WWW.SHERIFFSBALL.COM

MARY FREDERICK 910.296.2150

DEB MERRITT 910.282.4208



Live

3/2 - MONICA JANE

3/3 - JOHN MIELCARSKI

3/9 - DANIEL JOHNSON

3/10 - MADDIE REAN

3/16 - JOHN MIELCARSKI

3/17 - SENECA GUNS

3/23 - JUSTIN DUKES

3/24 - CAROLINA SKY

3/30 - THE MANGO BAND

3/31 - SWIFT CREEK



Kids under 12 eat free every day at the Mad Boar.
One free kids meal per adult entrée ordered.



1/2 Price Appetizers in our Pub every day from 3-6pm; Sunday-Thursday 9pm-Cose; Friday-Saturday 10pm-Close.

# WWW.MADBOAR.com

# CONTACT US

# IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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Golf Shop (910) 285-6693
Gatehouse (910) 285-1020
Clubhouse (910) 285-1010
Catering Sales (910) 285-1487
Sports & Fitness Center (910) 285-1015
Horticulture (910) 285-1027
POA (910) 285-1038

# **WEBSITES**

RiverLanding.com RiverLandingPOA.com MadBoar.com VillageSubsNC.com

# E-MAIL US

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### SERVICES

### Electricity (910) 289-4534

Four County Electric Membership Cooperative

### Natural Gas (800) 752-7504

Piedmont Natural Gas Customer Service

### Water/Sewer (910) 285-4136

Town of Wallace

### Telephone/Internet (910)592-9111

Century Link

### Trash (910) 285-1038

POA Office

### Cable/Internet (888) 438-2427

Charter/Spectrum Communications

### Ambulance/Wheelchair Van

(910-210-0400)

Carolina Ambulance Specialty Transport