



THIRSTY THURSDAY KARAOKE

Thursday, September 14th

When - Every Second Thursday per month

6 pm - 8pm

Featuring HCC's Own Mexican Buffet
with Build Your Own Taco Bar

\$15.95 per person



Prime Rib and Shrimp

Friday, September 29th

COLD COCKTAIL SHRIMP

\$34.95

FRIED FAN TAIL SHRIMP

CARVED TO ORDER PRIME RIB

FULL SALAD BAR

MAC & CHEESE

FRESH GRILLED VEGETABLES

HUSH PUPPIES & MUCH MORE!



Dear Members,

Thank you for your loyalty as a member of Houndslake Country Club. The Seawell family along with the staff is honored to be a part of this wonderful community. Our goal as a club is to be a relationship focused club delivering excellent value, high quality facilities, golf, dining, and social experience at an affordable price. As a PGA Professional, I have visited many clubs from all around the country. Without exception, I have yet to see another club come close to the prices that we charge for dues, golf, food, drinks, or room rentals.

Although we have tried our best to keep the expenses low, our operating costs (staff, food and beverage, insurance, utilities, maintenance, equipment, turf chemicals, vendor contracts, and more) have increased significantly due to many uncontrollable factors. In addition we have spent well over \$200,000 in the past several months repairing our flat roof, air conditioners, 2 separate water main breaks, gas leaks and many other equipment repairs. It is also imperative to prepare for many upcoming expenses. A few examples include: new golf cart fleet – \$300,000, new maintenance equipment for the Spring –\$280,000 , new kitchen equipment, irrigation system replacement – \$1 million, and new cart paths – \$350,000.

After carefully reviewing our finances and in accordance with the clubs core values, we have made a tough decision of moderately increasing our pricing for dues and other services. Our intent was to make the classifications of membership more fair. Some classifications will see a small increase and others may not see an increase at all. Although logical, it was a challenging decision for several reasons: 1) we know it directly impacts our loyal members and 2) this is only the second time we have increased dues in the 11 years of ownership. We are confident that this is the right thing to do because it will help sustain our club, our mission, and our core values into the future. We are all determined to continue providing our best, high-quality services to you, our members and this modest price increase will ensure that we are able to do so.

We continue to acclimate to our new state of the art ForeUp software system that we invested in this Spring. This technology allows us to efficiently manage every aspect of the club from start to finish. It helps us connect with you better, make reservations, tee times, exchange important communications and process payments virtually. In September we will reopen our Grill with much excitement and brand new equipment. We will serve our traditional club favorites. Last week, Houndslake signed a contract with the Southern Pickleball Academy. This partnership will benefit our club and members in many ways. A news release with more details is included in this newsletter. These are just a few examples of the club aggressively getting better.

As always, we are striving to evolve and improve our services that you deserve. The price increase will help us finance much needed infrastructure issues and introduce new features and products and serve you better.

We truly thank you for your understanding, support, and continued business through this small change. With humility, we ask that you maintain your membership and become more active at the club. Our team is more than happy to discuss our new dues structure with you.

Sincerely,
Daniel Seawell

ladies' NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

SOUTHERN SAMPLER

Seasonal Salad Table with Broccoli Salad
Cream of Mushroom Soup
Houndslake Dry Rub Ribs
BBQ Chicken
Hash & Rice
Fresh Creamed Corn
Ham Hock Lima Beans



DESSERT \$5

Cookies & Cream Pie
Peach Cobbler

ladies' NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

TOUR OF ITALY

Seasonal Salad Table with Three Bean Salad
Italian Vegetable Soup
Chicken Piccata
Pork Marsala
Roasted Cauliflower
Broccolini
Herb Roasted Potatoes



DESSERT \$5

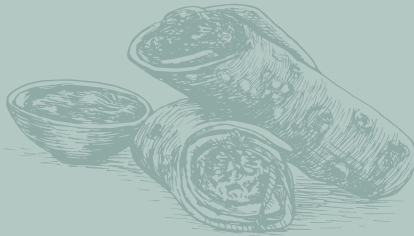
Limoncello Cake
Strawberries Romanoff

ladies' NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

Asian Flare

Seasonal Salad Table with Carrot Raisin Salad
Egg Drop Soup
Asian Beef & Broccoli
Sweet & Sour Pork
Fried Rice
Bok Choy
Asian Sauteed Vegetables
Vegetable Egg Rolls



Dessert \$5

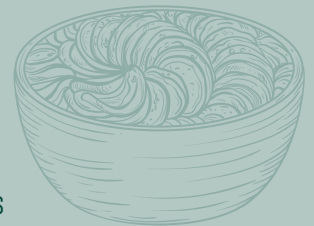
Coconut Layer Cake
Angel Food Cake with Berries

ladies' NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

Cruise the Med

Seasonal Salad Bar with Cucumber-Tomato Salad
Chicken Soup with Vermicelli
Chickpea Salad
Eggplant Parmesan
Beef Stuffed Peppers
Turmeric Rice with Grilled Vegetables
Dolmades with Fresh Lemon
Ratatouille



Dessert \$5

Rice Pudding Baklava

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT 5:30-8PM

LADY MEMBERS \$12.95

MEMBERS \$15.95

Any special requests please
call the day before. Reservations Required

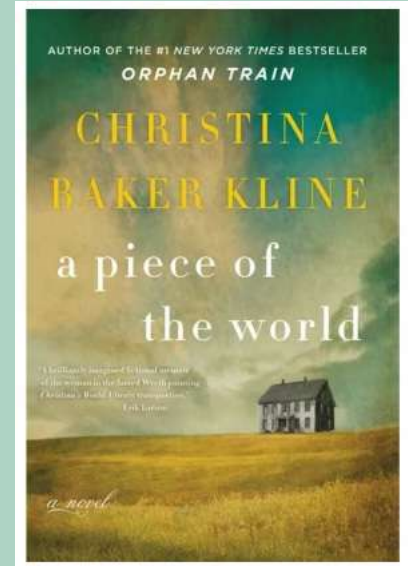
GARDEN CLUB

Our first meeting, a "Welcome Back Coffee", will be held at 10:30 am, in the Azalea Room, on Friday, September 15th. Come to meet new friends and sample coffee cakes and other baked goodies! All are invited..being an active gardener is not required. Also, one does not have to be a member of Houndslake to participate.

Our programs are part of our meetings, held on the 3rd Friday of each month. This year come to learn about "Honey Bees and Their Importance in Pollination, "Drought Resistant Plants ", "Orchids..Growing and Caring for Them", meet a representative from the Blue Bird Society and learn how to nurture them in your yards.

Looking forward to seeing you!

BOOK CLUB



a piece of the world: Christina Baker Kline

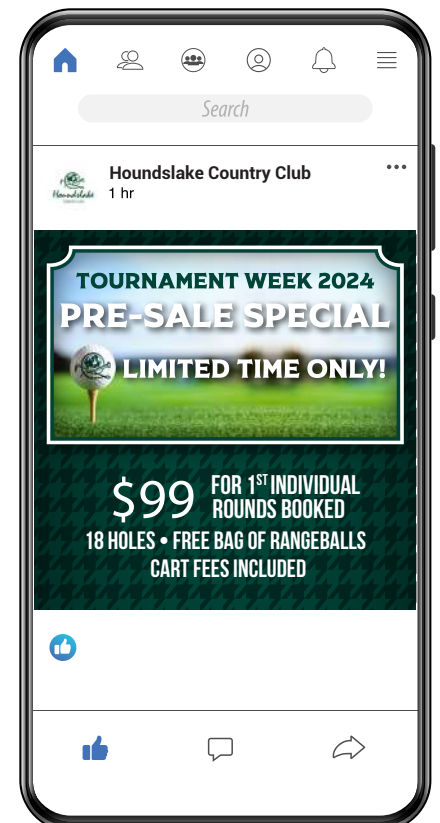
September Book Club will meet on Thursday, September 28th at 11:30 AM

Please email Christina Brinson if you are interested in attending Christinab@houndslakeecc.com.

Masters 2024

Members, you may start to see social advertisements for Houndslake's Masters 2024 packages. We want to inform you that as members, you will not be affected by these prices during that week.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the club to gain additional income for the purpose of those funds being dedicated to improvements of Houndslake Country Club.



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Gross - Aaron Ingram

2nd Gross - Michael Smith

1st NET - Carter Hopkins

1st NET - Thom Vongmongkol

3rd NET - Demetrick Drumming

SENIOR

1st GROSS - Todd Brantley

1st NET - Eddie Estochen

SUPER SENIOR

1st GROSS - Gil Means

1st NET - Roger Huff

2nd NET - Joe Golyski

2nd NET - Frank Acolina

LADIES GOLF RESULTS

AUGUST 15

Marelle Groteluschen +2

Lucy Loomis +2

AUGUST 22

Peg Sharp +7

Jenifer Ramseur +4



SEPTEMBER GOLF OUTINGS

Monday, September 25 - Lion's Club

Tee Times may be limited

Call The Pro Shop for more information

TIP OF THE MONTH

A lot of players spend too much of their time hitting "at" the ball. That's not the way to encourage a free, swinging motion and leads to all kinds of bad shots. Think instead of hitting "through" the ball, all the way into a full follow-through. This is the best way I know to get rid of your "hit impluse"

Imagine the ball as the first in a line of four. Then try to extend through impact so that the clubhead makes "contact" with all four. That way you will stay with the shot maintaining your spine angle until the ball has gone.





PICKLEBALL AT HOUNDSLAKE

Coach Ben Lacy: A name synonymous with pickleball excellence, Ben Lacy brings his expertise and passion to Houndslake. As a nationally certified professional coach, professional referee, and former USAP ambassador, Ben is committed to helping players of all levels improve their game.



Aiken Pickleball Professionals: This team of skilled and enthusiastic pickleball coaches is on mission to spread the joy of the game throughout Aiken. With their combined experience and coaching prowess, they're the driving force behind the success of pickleball in our community.

Southern Pickleball Academy: A formal public charity dedicated to the growth of pickleball by investing in our students, communities and municipalities, while fostering the valuable life skills of integrity, fair play, character, honesty, strategy, patience, and sportsmanship.

For details on schedules, events, and registration,
call Ben directly at 803-221-8869
Let's make this summer unforgettable on the pickleball court!

JOIN THE FEVER!

FREE NEW PLAYER CLINICS

Take advantage of early registration.
FREE clinics for current HCC members.
*\$20 per player for non-HCC members.

Learning Opportunities

Brush up on your fundamentals, master advanced strategies, and learn the intricacies of the game through structured classes and interactive practice sessions. From casual learning sessions to intense matches, there's something for everyone.

Community Building

Join a welcoming and vibrant pickleball community that celebrates camaraderie on and off the court. Connect with fellow players, make new friends, and share your love for the sport.

Meet & Greet Social

(6:00 PM Friday Sept. 01, 2023)

Join us for a casual evening of mingling and pickleball chatter. Meet Ben Lacy, the Southern Pickleball Academy, and fellow enthusiasts over drinks and appetizers.

Join the Pickleball Revolution

Prepare to elevate your pickleball game and immerse yourself in a community that's as passionate about pickleball as you are. With Ben Lacy and the Aiken Pickleball Professionals leading the way, the possibilities are endless.

Fun-Filled Events

Get ready for a series of thrilling events, including clinics, workshops, and tournaments that cater to players of all levels.

GET ON THE PATH TO YOUR NEXT EVENT AT HOUNDSLAKE COUNTRY CLUB



**Interested in Houndslake
hosting your next private event?**

Get in touch with Christina Brinson below!

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Email: christinab@houndslakeecc.com

Google Voice: 803-220-1718





4.3 ★★★★★ 206 Google reviews

Country club in Aiken County, South Carolina

What Google Says!

"This course has a nice design with varied terrain giving many uphill or downhill lies. The hole in the picture is a big downhill from the tee box with the fairway funneling around the lake at the bottom. The head pro and staff are always friendly."

"Went there for dinner with a member. The Friday buffet was very good and reasonably priced. Wait staff was also very helpful, properly attentive, and friendly."

Trunk or Treat

We're thrilled to announce the 2023 Houndslake Country Club Trunk or Treat!

901 Houndslake Drive, Aiken, SC 29803

October 28, 2023 6pm-8pm

This is a free event, but we encourage families to provide their information below so we can get an estimated head count and buy candy accordingly.

Email: christinab@houndslakeecc.com



Membership Rates

Full Membership: No Changes

Golf Membership: No Changes

Executive Full Membership:

- Current: \$100
 - October 1st: \$120
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Full Family:

- Current: \$118
 - October 1st: \$140
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Tennis/Pickleball Membership:

- Current: \$91.80
 - October 1st: \$100
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Social Membership Family:

- Current: \$75.60
 - October 1st: \$90
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Social Single Family:

- Current: \$54
- October 1st: \$75