

Houndslake

COUNTRY CLUB

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JANUARY 2026 | MEMBER NEWSLETTER

Welcome to 2026 at Houndslake Country Club

— *A year of connection, tradition, and elevated experiences* —

As we begin 2026, we are excited to welcome our members into a year focused on connection, tradition, and thoughtful enhancements across the Club. From elevated dining experiences to engaging social events and meaningful moments on and off the course, we look forward to sharing a vibrant year together at Houndslake. 

— *The Houndslake Country Club Team*

Featured This Month:

Shady Characters of the Winter Colony —
Our first Lecture Dinner of 2026


Full details inside →

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Shady Characters of the Winter Colony

Scandal, secrets, and true stories from Aiken's gilded past

Lecture Dinner | Thursday, January 22 | 6:00pm

 **Houndslake Country Club** | \$47 per person | Cash Bar | Dinner Included

An Evening of History, Mystery & Dining

Behind Aiken's elegant Winter Colony facade lies a trail of scandal, deception, and dark secrets. From shocking betrayals to bizarre misfortunes, this captivating lecture uncovers the lesser-known stories of five unforgettable figures from Aiken's past.

Join us for an engaging evening of storytelling and dining as we host our **first Lecture Dinner of 2026**, featuring **Lauren Virgo** of the Aiken County historical museum.



Lauren Virgo brings Aiken's Winter Colony to life through vivid storytelling and carefully researched history, revealing the human drama behind the town's most polished era.

Dinner Menu

First Course

Houndslake House Salad

*Crisp mixed greens with seasonal vegetables, finished with a house apple vinaigrette.
Served with warm dinner rolls and butter.*

Entree Selection (choice of one)

Chicken Mushroom Marsala

*Pan-seared chicken breast with a rich mushroom Marsala wine sauce
Served with herbed confetti rice, broiled tomatoes, and seasonal asparagus*


Roast Pork Loin with Pan Gravy


Herb-roasted pork loin finished with a savory pan gravy, accompanied by sauteed apples, creamy mashed potatoes and green beans with smoked bacon

Southern Pecan Pie

Finished with a light whipped cream topping

Reserve Early - Seating is limited
Advanced reservations and entree selections are required

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Members are encouraged to bring guests.

GOLF NEWS



The Spirit of the Game

POST-HOLIDAY & WINTER GOLF SALE

The season may be quiet, but the deals are anything but. Refresh your golf wardrobe with post-holiday and winter savings on both men's and ladies' apparel—now up to 50% off. From cold-weather layers to everyday favorites, it's the perfect time to stock up.

Stop by the Golf Shop and see Mike for the best selections and can't-miss deals—while sizes last.

WE'RE LOOKING TO HOST "LEAGUE AFTERNOON" GOLF!

Want more golfers on the course Monday–Thursday afternoons? **We do too!** Houndslake is looking to host **afternoon golf leagues** teeing off **after 1pm**, and we need your help.

If you know of any existing golf leagues, groups, or organizations looking for a home course — or if you're interested in starting one — **send us your leads!** We're ready to build a fun, competitive, and community-focused league schedule that fills our afternoon tee sheet.

Contact the Golf Shop with any contacts or ideas.

Let's grow our golf community together!

MASTERS WEEK TEE TIMES NOW OPEN

Spring golf in Aiken is at its finest during **Masters Week (April 5–12)**, and tee times are now being accepted. Due to high demand, we strongly encourage booking early.

Members enjoy first right of tee times through February 2026, after which availability will open as space allows. Secure your preferred time and experience Houndslake at its peak this April.

Golf is unlike any other sport; it is played without the supervision of a referee or umpire. Integrity and accountability are the two most important aspects of the game of golf. We wanted to provide subtle reminders when playing at Houndslake Country Club.

Reminders:

- **Replace divots in the fairway and ball marks on the greens**
- **No carts allowed on all Par 3's Fairways**
- **Keep golf carts 30 feet and push carts 5 feet from the greens at all times behind stakes**
- **Keep up with the group in front of you. Allotted time to play is no more than two hours and 10 minutes per 9 holes**
- **Please rake all the waste areas**
- **Please follow our dress policy at all times (Golf shirts, soft spike tennis shoes, and golf shorts, skorts, or pants) No Denim**
- **Please adhere to SC state liquor laws which state NO ALCOHOL may be brought onto the golf course EXCEPT alcohol purchased in the Pro Shop**
- **No outside coolers are permitted on the course (The Pro Shop will provide ice bags for those who need to keep purchased drinks cold)**

CLUB NEWS

Country Club Life

Houndslake is more than just golf —
it's about connection.

Our club is a place to build relationships, socialize with like-minded friends, and grow meaningful community. Whether you're part of an existing group or looking for a new place to gather, we'd love to host you. One of the privileges of membership is access to our Azalea Room for social meetings with minimal restrictions, pending availability.

☎ Call Christina or ✉ email
christinab@houndslakecc.com to learn
more and help us continue growing the
Houndslake club lifestyle.



DECEMBER CARD WINNERS

Darlin Dozen

Faye Waldrop & Kay Lawton

Houndslake Contract Bridge

Joan Basile

1st Thursday Duplicate Bridge

Kay Lawton & Phyllis Ingram


Darlin Dozen

1st - Phyllis Ingram & Anne
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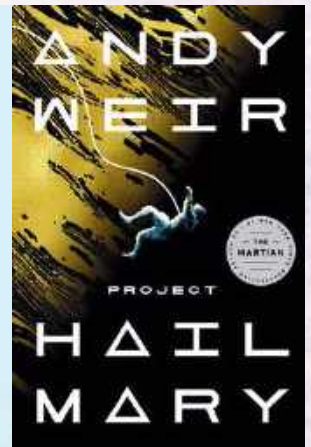
2nd - Kay Lawton

BOOK CLUB IS BACK!

January Book: **PROJECT HAIL MARY** by Andy Weir



We hope everyone had a happy holiday. We are excited to hear about all of the great books you read! Book Club meets on the last Thursday of the month at 11:30 in the Jack-Daniel Dining Room. Everyone is welcome!



GARDEN CLUB

Happy New Year!

As we welcome 2026 we want to remind everyone that garden club is open to all of our members! Meetings are typically held on the second Friday of each month in the Azalea room unless there has been an outing scheduled in advance. Please join us!



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LADIES' NIGHT MENUS

1/7 - Back to the Basics Country Plate

SALAD TABLE
GUMBO
COLESLAW
POTATO SALAD
RIPE WATERMELON
BBQ RIBS AND PULLED PORK
FRIED CATFISH
RICE & GRAVY
STUFFED POTATO CASSEROLE
SIMMERED BEANS
FRENCH FRIED OKRA AND SQUASH

Lemon Pie \$6
OR
Chocolate Cake \$6

1/14 - Mediterranean Ragu

SALAD BAR
FLORENTINE BEAN SOUP
GRILLED FOCACCIA WITH GARLIC PESTO
MANNACOTTIT AL FORNO
EGGPLANT PARMESAN
SILLICIAN-STYLE MEATBALLS
GRILLED VEGETABLES
BROCCOLI WITH GARLIC OIL
BROILED MUSHROOMS W MARSALA SAUCE

Cannoli w Frangelico Syrup \$6
OR
Lemon Sorbet \$6

1/21 - East of the Mississippi

SALAD TABLE
SHRIMP BISQUE
TOMATO CUCUMBER SALAD
PASTA TOSS
BAKED CHICKEN W LEMON PEPPER & GARLIC
BEEF POT ROAST
RICE AND TOMATOES
CHEDDAR MASHED POTATOES
GREEN BEANS
FRIED SQUASH/ONION RINGS

Homemade Cheesecake \$6
OR
Homemade Deep Dish Apple Pie \$6

1/28 - Home Town Favorites

SALAD BAR
COASTAL CLAM CHOWDER
HAM SALAD
CARROT RAISIN SALAD
FRIED CHICKEN
MASHED POTATOES
HAMBURGER STEAK
GARLIC BUTTER SHRIMP
OKRA
FRIED GREEN TOMATOES

Lemon Meringue Pie \$6
OR
Cheesecake w Strawberries \$6

DINE IN 5:00-8:30PM

MEMBERS \$15.00 | MEMBER'S GUESTS \$19.00 | KIDS 6-12 \$7.95

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED & CAN BE MADE ONLINE OR AT 803-648-6805
SELECT HOUSE WINE IS INCLUDED IN THE BUFFET PRICE FOR LADY MEMBERS

****Please note to go boxes are not permitted on buffet nights****

DIRECTORY

Clubhouse 803-648-6805

EXTENSIONS

Golf Pro Shop	2235
Membership	2227
Billing/Finance	2227
Dining/Pub	4646
Banquets/Events	2230

HOURS OF OPERATION

Golf Operations:

**Pro Shop
(Winter Hours)**

Daily until 5pm
(exception: inclement weather)

Membership/Billing Office:
Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

Dining Hours:

**Grill Room
(Winter Hours)**

Wednesday - Sunday until 4pmish
(may change based on volume)
(exception: inclement weather)

Hal Peck Pub

Tuesday-Friday 11am-2pm
Wednesday - Friday 5pm-8pm
Saturday Happy Hour 3pm-5pm
Saturday Dinner 5pm-8pm

Jack-Daniel Dining Room

Wednesday 5pm-8pm
Sunday Brunch 11am-2pm
(exception: member events)

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M E M B E R S H I P

Do you know someone who is thinking of joining our Houndslake Country Club family? We would love the opportunity to meet them and give them a tour of the club. We are starting off 2026 with a New Year Deal! For a limited time we are waiving the \$250 initiation fee for any new members referred by current members!

We offer unmatched value proposition!

**Championship Golf Course
Olympic Size Swimming Pool
Accessible Driving Range
Indoor/Outdoor Teaching Center**

Pickleball

Tennis

Croquet

Bocce Ball

3 Restaurants

Book Club

Dominos Club

Men's Card Group

Multiple Card Groups

Garden Club

Water Hounds Water Aerobics

140 Person Swim Team

Wedding/Banquet/Party Venue

4 Unique Venue Spaces

Largest Permanent Dance Floor in Aiken

Education Lecture Series

Corporate Meeting Spaces

30 Room Hotel Conveniently Located

Help us/you grow OUR club!