Resort Offers Thrills, Spills on Ice Rink

BY DAVID SINCLAIR
Managing Editor

Pinehurst Resort will soon add a seasonal twist to the greeting callers receive upon arriving in the resort lobby. The 2,100-square-foot rink will offer 50-minute skating sessions on the hour. Tickets are $15 a person and can be purchased on site. Skates will be provided.

Pooch Park Rule — and Drool — at Park

BY MARY KATE MURPHY
Daily Pilot

On a shaded 3.5-acre sanctuary near the Moore County Airport, only one law applies: Dogs rule — and drool. At Pooch Park of the Pines, Linda Halburn's original vision has come to fruition in a safe setting where a game of fetch, a free-spirited romp, or a good-natured tussle between terriers are all fair game.

In 2009, the Moore Humane Society sought the use of the property in a group informally known as the Pooch Park Partners, a corps of volunteers and volunteers who over the years have worked on a project that will soon be realized.

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INTERIM FIX Expected by Early 2017

BY JAYMIE BAXLEY
Staff Writer

A spokesperson for Woodlake Country Club says its owners have been "working closely" with engineers and state safety officials to repair the Lake Surf dam's broken spillway.

"We are committed to completing the process as quickly as possible," said Devin McDonald, a spokesperson with the state Water Quality Division. "We want to emphasize that throughout this process the protection of life, property and the environment are our top priorities."

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By Laura Douglass

A time capsule of village history will be unlocked this week when a reality television program rolls into town. "Salvage Dawgs," a DIY network program, will be filming at the old 1905 steam plant in Pinehurst for a future episode on the series.

Fans can meet the crew tonight of the Ryder Cup Lounge at the Carolina Hotel. On Thursday, work begins at the old steam plant.

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"At the lavender stage of the series, where they'll begin looking up some of the local ambience. Come Thursday morning, work will begin in earnest under the watchful eye of the camera."

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WEATHER FORECAST

Sunny
Winds WSW at 5
Overnight Low: 42°

Sunny
Winds W at 9
Afternoon High: 70°
Overnight Low: 40°

Sunny
Winds W at 4
Afternoon High: 73°
Overnight Low: 44°

We are going to push them as fast as we can, but also knowing that it takes time to get a big design like that done right."

Shane Cook
Dam Safety Engineer

Reach the Pilot at.\(\frac{1}{2}\) 910-299-7013

Keeping It Local

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From Front Page

**Rink**

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The holiday skating rink is yet another effort by the resort to appeal to the growing younger demographic in the village as well as among the ranks of the original members.

A pair of "Woof Woof Open" golf tournaments in 2009 and 2010 netted enough money to install vinyl-coated fencing around the rink is scheduled to operate through Jan. 11 and will be open to the public in addition to members and resort guests. It will feature popular winter foods and beverages, including smores bites, cookies, brownies, hot chocolate, coffee and a full bar. There will be fire pits and patio heaters for those, presumably, cold days.

"We are trying to create that unique atmosphere," Leap said. "As you step up the front steps of the hotel and look to the west lawn, you will be able to see, hear it and feel it."

On July Fourth, the resort set up a small carnival on the lawn across from the airport, Pooch Park members plan to appeal to other dog owners follow their pets’ example in forming fast friendships. They will have to sign a written waiver. Skaters will have to sign a written waiver.

"What is something that hasn’t been here," he said. "The hotel and in the village?"

He researched companies and found that the schedule and hours are subject to change based on weather conditions and safety concerns. Group skating and private parties can be scheduled by calling (910) 693-2126 or dmsinclair@thepilot.com.

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