

HEAVEN'S LANDING

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 March 2012

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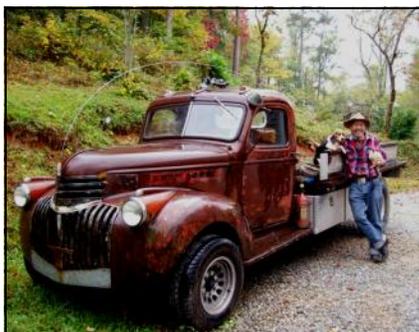
When I bestride him, I soar, I am a hawk: he trots the air; the earth sings when he touches it; the basest horn of his hoof is more musical than the pipe of Hermes.

~William Shakespeare, *Henry V*

For many, horseback riding brings up memories of childhood adventures, romanticized day-dreams of unbridled freedom, wild spirits, or the drama of the Old West. There are some, especially in our Heaven's Landing community, that share a connection with horses that has gone beyond dreams into a lifestyle centered around their equestrian passion. Where ever you may be drawn, the beauty of a horse, surrounded by picturesque mountains, captures everyone's heart on many levels.



Holly astride Tripoli, an Arabian.



Ken, your wonderful guide.

Heaven's Landing is delighted to announce a developing relationship with a nearby riding stable—[Equus Mountain Meadow](#). This partnership allows our community and guests access to extremely well-trained steeds, as well as, personalized rides with lessons built into every step. Equus Meadow owner, Ken Boyung is a delightful and colorful character who has years of experience and has a true passion for horses and people. "My love for horses has been prominent in my life, and teaching people to understand what special critters they are, has been my goal," Ken states. "Exploring Heaven's Landing and the surrounding public lands will offer the community a great riding experience they will long remember," he adds.

By appointment, Ken and his partner Sandy will bring their horses to Heaven's Landing where they will greet your party. Ken will take 1 to 4 riders at a time and allows children ages 10 years and up. Ken will thoughtfully match your experience level and personality to one of his horses—all of whom are gentle and very responsive to commands. Clients will see that Ken makes any novice feel quickly at ease and ready to ride with confidence, but he offers experienced riders plenty of freedom to use their knowledge as well. Guests can learn to trot and canter on their first outing, which sets Equus Meadow Riding Stable apart from other riding services and completely enhances the ride.



Journey ...continued



Heaven's Landing owners and friends, or new clients visiting with family, wishing to see the far reaches of our magnificent property in a whole new way, will certainly have an amazing experience on horseback. Your personalized riding adventure will have you exploring the hundreds of acres and many miles of trails found in Heaven's Landing and the adjoining U.S. Forest Service property. Along the way, you are likely to discover new sights and views seldom seen by any other means of transportation!

There is so much to take in at Heaven's Landing that it is likely you will enjoy riding over and over again and will certainly be delighted year round through the stunning changes in our seasons.

Holly and Jan's Experience

With a steady rhythm and seemingly endless energy, we moved from the clearing into the forest...

On a magnificent day late in February, Holly Ciochetti and I (Jan Nash, newsletter) ventured out with Equus Mountain Meadow's guide and owner, Ken, through Heaven's Landing. "What a perfect 65 degree, February day!," Holly stated exuberantly after the ride, "Ken did a fantastic job leading us along our trails in Heaven's Landing. I really enjoyed the walk through the woods almost as much as the pure joy I felt while trotting along the runway. Mike and I are so excited about the possibilities this presents to our owners and our guests."

As an experienced rider, Holly was a natural, and looked very photogenic upon Tripoli, but even I, a serious novice, quickly felt very comfortable on Equus Meadow's largest mount, Shamrock, a 5 year old Clydesdale/Quarterhorse, who is over 17 hands tall! Shamrock felt massive, but he always responded to touch or words just beautifully. It is obvious that Ken and Sandy love their horses—which seem very healthy and happy. They have certainly trained them well. Ken was so patient and funny. He always offered helpful riding advice and answered every question with knowledge and experience. We look forward to this developing relationship. The ease and convenience of this riding experience is yet another example of the joy found in relaxed mountain living.



Clients may arrange a ride with Holly at Heaven's Landing or call Ken and Sandy directly at **706.363.6330** for riding appointments. You may also visit the Equus Meadow's [website](#) for additional photos and details of their services. Equus Meadow will take riders out all year round in good weather conditions. Enjoy, and share your experiences from the trail with me at janclay@windstream.net.

Stop-Over at Heaven's Landing to and from Sun 'n Fun

On your way to [Sun 'n Fun International Fly-In & Expo 2012?](#)



Stop-in to top-off your fuel at Heaven's Landing and enjoy a free sandwich for you and your passengers. We are conveniently located for all travelers headed south, and we offer very competitive Jet A and Aviation fuel.

Drop in for a quick fill-up or rest for a longer stay. Our General Manager, Gerald Silvius will be available from March 25 until April 2 to welcome you and your party.

Call Gerald on your way at **(800) HEAVEN 2 (800.432.8362)**.



2012 Event Poster designed by: Melissa Rankin, Creative Services Manager of SUN 'n FUN Fly-In, Inc

When in Lakeland, make sure you visit with Mike, Holly, and the Heaven's Landing Angels. They will be so glad to see you. Their exhibit is located at D -083/084.



**You Are Invited: Saturday, March 17th for the Heaven's Landing
Saint Patrick's Day Pot Luck Party
A Joyful and Entertaining Celebration to Remember!**



One amazing blessing you will experience in our community is that of instant camaraderie amongst old and new acquaintances! You are never a stranger at Heaven's Landing and every visit is like a homecoming. This year St. Patrick's Day falls on *Saturday!* Spend the weekend celebrating with us. Starting at **6:30 pm on Saturday, March 17**, join us for an evening filled with friendship, great cheer, and entertainment.



The evening will unite everyone, especially the Scottish and Irish! We have a special treat in store with local bagpiper, Jean Hayes. Mrs. Hayes has been a musician all her life, and she will certainly add to the ambiance during the evening. Jean and her husband live in Franklin, North Carolina where she is the piper-in-residence for the [Scottish Tartan Museum](http://www.scottishtartanmuseum.com). She is an expert in her craft and often holds seminars and lessons for those who have always desired to play the pipes. "It is how I started," Jean states, "I simply wished to learn and did. For many it can be physically demanding, but it is also a lot of fun."

Call Holly at 706.982.5245 to coordinate for this epic pot luck dinner celebration.

Celebrate the Glory of Easter with Us At Heaven's Landing

Join us Easter Sunday, April 8 for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Sunday Brunch at the Heaven's Landing Clubhouse.

Starting at **1 pm**, enjoy a great brunch with ham, quiche, fresh fruit, and other delicious delicacies. To everyone's enjoyment, we will have an Easter Egg hunt for the young and young at heart.

We look forward to seeing you and your family in Heaven's Landing. Kids and grandkids of all ages are welcome. Remember your Easter Baskets!!

Your RSVP is very much appreciated. Call Holly today at (706) 982.5245 or send her an email at holly@heavenslanding.com.



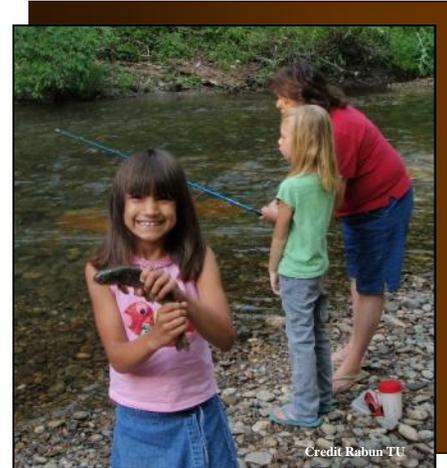
Crystal Clear Cool Water

For many people, the enjoyment of the mountains comes when they relax and immerse themselves in the experience. Literally for anglers, an opportunity to be thigh deep in one of Rabun County's [pristine trout streams](#), is the best place to spend some well-earned leisure time. If the art of fly fishing appeals to you, the resources you will need are easily accessible from Heaven's Landing. Within just a few miles of the airfield, you will find the [Department of Natural Resources Fish Hatchery](#), multiple scenic and bountiful [trout streams](#), and friendly people, who delight in teaching and sharing their love of the sport. Trout season starts this month on March 31. It is the perfect opportunity for you to ...get your feet wet.



The brook trout or "brookie", native to the eastern United States and NE Georgia mountains.

With a state teeming with abundant and diverse wildlife, including 4,000 miles of trout streams, 12,000 miles of warm water streams, and 500,000 acres of lakes and reservoirs, Georgia is a popular place for all types of outdoor enthusiast, especially anglers. Both the State Department of Natural Resources Fisheries and chapter organizations like Trout Unlimited manage and devote their efforts to the thoughtful stewardship of the area's resources.



The Rabun Chapter of Trout Unlimited is a supreme example of a group out to educate, preserve and conserve. With an emphasis on the "next generation of conservation leaders," this award winning TU Chapter has everything you need, whether you are brand new to the sport, looking how to get started, or if you are a seasoned angler, seeking fellowship and a place to share your expertise and passion for the sport. The [Chapter's website](#)

is extremely well maintained with a list of events, personal stories, and resources for members and their family's to utilize. Rabun TU meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Re/max of Rabun office in Clayton. Meetings include a time to socialize ("spin some yarn") followed by a hot topic program and Chapter business. Members also look forward to the group's monthly newsletter, [Tight Lines](#), filled with up-to-date local and state-wide information for anglers.



The Rabun TU Chapter seems to be always doing something - and doing it well. In late January, they held their 25th annual fund raiser, The Rabun Rendezvous, at the Dillard House Conference Center. This year's event was their largest attended and most successful with over \$16,000 raised for the local organization and its members. This success speaks volumes about the commitment of Rabun TU members and the management of the organization as a whole. The money raised goes to support camp sessions for youth, scholarships for interns, numerous conservation programs, fishing rodeos for kids, fishing events for veterans, National TU programs, and other various Chapter promotional and educational resources.



Top right: A young girl enjoys an annual fishing rodeo delighting in her catch.

Top left: Rabunites share fly tying techniques.

Bottom left: The well-attended 2012 Rabun Rendezvous.

Cool Water ~ Continued

On March 31, the Rabun TU will offer a [Rabunite 101](#) course, a four-hour introductory fly-fishing workshop for anyone 16 and up. [Click here](#) for the sign-up sheet. This is a very popular course and is limited to 28 participants. A "Rabunite" is what the local chapter members call themselves. If you think you just might be one, check out this [link](#)!

Enjoy the early spring weather in Rabun County, and take full advantage of our amazing natural resources and local organizations who will welcome you!



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Naval Friends

Lt. Commander Donny "Smoochie" Schenk and training student Naval Flight Officer, Ensign Kevin Pitcock landed their Navy T-6 Texan II at Heaven's Landing on February 26, for a short visit with Mike and Holly. The Texan and her crew arrived in just under an hour and a half hailing from the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Florida. Heaven's Landing often serves as a waypoint for many branches of the military. Although training was involved, this trip turned pleasantly social.



Mike and Donny's fathers have been best friends for decades. With just a few years between them, Donny recalls watching Mike work on his race car as a young man in Miami, where they grew up. This trip was Donny's fifth visit to Heaven's Landing.



Donny is also a pilot for United Airlines. "Mike keeps encouraging me to buy a lot, but I think I need a plane first. Actually, my wife has also visited Heaven's Landing," states Donny, "and we all think it is just a beautiful place." On this trip, Kevin's mother also joined them. She made the drive up from Atlanta to meet the group for lunch. "We all just can't get enough of Heaven's Landing," adds Donny, "It is in a fantastic area, the home sites are great, the clubhouse is just amazing—it is all just overwhelming."

The Texan II is a single engine turbo prop aircraft used as a primary and intermediate pilot and navigational trainer for the Armed Services.

Atlanta Social Season Features Heaven's Landing

Checkout this quarter's issue of [Atlanta Social Season Magazine](#). Heaven's Landing is featured in a spectacular six-page full-color layout.

ATLANTA SOCIAL season

Atlanta Social Season Magazine is the Southeast's premiere social and cultural magazine. Each issue is full of highlights from Atlanta's most prominent events and profiles on well-known and homegrown heroes. Features focus on A-list celebrity interviews, fashion, dining, art and design trends, as well as, the most glamorous and talked about vacation destinations.



"What an honor it is to be featured in *Atlanta Social Season*," states Heaven's Landing Developer Mike Ciochetti, "We are in keeping with great company. This quarter's issue has Donald and Melania Trump gracing the front cover!"

The Heaven's Landing article leads into an entire section of the magazine devoted to Rabun County, including the popularity of Rabun as a feature film location, real estate, and upcoming events and attractions.

Pick up a copy of the Spring issue available at retail stores and news stands.

Simply Home Grown Market

With the popularity of our local award winning farmer's market and with the season approaching, the Heaven's Landing Newsletter will keep you updated throughout the 2012 growing season. The market is comprised of passionate local growers specializing in heirloom crops, hard to find produce, homemade baked goods, local honey, and fresh cut flowers just to name some of the treasures you will find! We are pleased to be your resource for when the market opens and what specialty items are available each month.



"The Simply Homegrown market is open Saturdays from 9 am to 2 pm, April or May through October or November in front of the new Clayton City Hall, 837 Highway 76 West, adjacent to historic downtown Clayton, GA. Check the [website](#) weekly while the market is open for a list of growers and the products they'll be selling. If nothing else, stop by and say hello!"



Simply Homegrown is a local farmers market in Rabun County, GA. Simply Homegrown was selected in July, 2007, as one of America's Top 10 Farmer's Markets by the readers of [Eating Well](#), the magazine where Good Taste Meets Good Health."

Upcoming Events

Heaven's Landing:

Saint Patrick's Day Pot Luck

March 17

Bring your Irish heritage, your good cheer, and a covered dish for Heaven's Landing's Annual St. Pat's party at the Clubhouse on Saturday, March 17th at 6:30pm. Call Holly for all the details at 706.982.5245.

HL Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Sunday Brunch

April 8

The beautiful scenic backdrop of the Heaven's Landing Airfield is the perfect location for the Easter Bunny's visit. Join us at 1 pm for a brunch feast followed by an Easter Egg Hunt with prizes and treats.



Area Events:

Roots and Boots Tour

March 9

See county music greats Aaron Tippin, Joe Diffie, and Sammy Kershaw at the Smoky Mtn. Center for the Performing Arts. Show starts at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$27/35.

Top of Georgia Bluegrass Jamboree

March 16—17

Two days of amazing bluegrass at the Dillard House Conference Center. One or two day admission available from \$30-\$90.

GA Paso Fino Horse Assoc. Open House & Clinic

March 24

This event is open to the public and will be held at the Rabun Arena in Tiger, GA. Gates open at 9 am. Call Greg Willis at 706.490.4366 for additional information.



RGNS MAD Fest

March 30 & 31

Rabun Gap Nacoochee School presents all the best of this year's Music, Arts, and Drama. You will feel as if you were transformed to Broadway and the Gallery district! Experience this amazing showcase of student performances. March 30 at 4 pm are audition performances and March 31 will be finalist showcase at 7 pm. Call 706.746.7467 for more information.

VeggieTales Live!

April 1

Enjoy an afternoon filled with your children's favorite Veggies! All the songs and dances and fun you know and love from this classic crew. Performance begins at 2:30pm at the [SMCPA](#) in Franklin, NC. Limited VIP tickets allow your family to visit with the characters (\$25) all other tickets are \$15 advanced purchase and \$20 at the door.



Easter Egg Hunt

April 7

Hillside Orchard in Wiley, GA is a great place to begin your Easter Celebration. Join us at 2 pm sharp for an Egg Hunt with prizes. The Easter Bunny will be on hand for visits and hay rides to our petting zoo.

Foxfire Living History Days

April 13-14

Journey back to the 1800's on the grounds of Foxfire located near Black Rock State Park in Mtn. City, GA. Witness the amazing culture of Appalachian Mountain living with demonstrations, crafts, and period costumes. Hours are 9:30 am—4:30 pm both days; Adults are \$6, Children 7-10 are \$3, and 6 years and under are free. See [Foxfire.org](#) for more details.



Jeff Foxworthy!

April 15

Enjoy an evening filled with laughter! Comedy Legend [Jeff Foxworthy](#) performs live at the Smoky Mtn. Center for the Performing Arts. All proceeds benefit Compassion International providing water, sanitation and hygiene needs for children in Africa. Show starts at 7:30 pm tickets range from \$39-99.



Our Community



- **Weather Link.** Stay up to date on the Clayton, GA weather conditions and forecast from NOAA. <http://forecast.weather.gov/>



- **Wi-Fi** is available at the Clubhouse. Stay connected with your personal devices as you enjoy the amenities.



- **What's New with You?** Share photos and stories of what is new in your flying circles. Please send submissions to janclay@windstream.net. (All submissions are subject to editing and the evaluation of content.)



- **Go Green!** Please update your contact information with our office at 706.212.0017 or sales@heavenslanding.com and make sure we have your latest email address, so you will stay informed.

- **Stay in Touch.** "Like" us on [Facebook](#), "[Heaven's Landing Residential Airpark.](#)"



- **Let us Know About Your Aviation Groups.** Give the office a call and share what groups and organizations you belong to, the website address, and the organization's contact information. (800) HEAVEN 2.



- Fish year round and enjoy our local lakes. It is always time to go boating! We wish to remind all owners and visitors to take advantage of our area lakes. Rentals are available at [Anchorage Boat Rentals](#) at 706-212-0534 or [LaPrades Marina](#) at 706-947-0010.

Personal Trainer—Elisa Hopkins



Heaven's Landing welcomes Elisa Hopkins. Elisa is a certified Personal Trainer and tailors training for men and women to the individual's interest and goals. Elisa currently conducts five classes ranging in aerobic, kick-boxing, dance aerobics, and strength training at the dance studio at Rabun Gap Nacoochee School. She has offered to conduct classes and specialized instruction for Heaven's Landing owners and their guests in the Clubhouse fitness room.



Contact Elisa at 706-982-2302.

Heaven's Landing Services

Heaven's Landing Concierge Service

We offer the finest, personalized, and professional services to meet your needs. Whether it's scheduling a trustworthy service to clean your home, picking up groceries, or keeping up with routine maintenance, Heaven's Landing Concierge Service will maintain your property, so you can fully enjoy your Heaven's Landing home. Please contact our office for an estimate: 706.212.0017 or sales@heavenslanding.com.



"Work with someone you know and trust."

Our Current Fuel Prices



Self Serve Pumps

- AV GAS \$5.65/ gal*
- JET A \$4.95/ gal*



**Prices Subject to Change. Prices as of March 1, 2012*

Thank you for being a part of Heaven's Landing. For an archived electronic library of our Heaven's Landing Newsletter showcasing the year's local and aviation events as well as the amazing beauty of Heaven's Landing and surrounding areas, please see www.heavenslanding.com and "newsletter" link.

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