

The National Tavern Opens at Reynolds Lake Oconee

Executive Chef Derin Moore Opens New Restaurant at The National Golf Village



GREENSBORO, **Ga.** (October 20, 2015) – Reynolds Lake Oconee has opened its newest restaurant, The National Tavern at The National Golf Village. Led by Executive Chef Derin Moore, The National Tavern is a casual restaurant and lounge at the heart of the Club and resort's sixth clubhouse and will be open for both residents and guests to enjoy.

"Our vision for The National Golf Village is a place that exemplifies Southern charm and is just as inviting for diners, as it is functional for golfers," said Tim Hong, chief operating officer at Reynolds. "This opening further solidifies Reynolds as a culinary destination."

Located on a commanding hillside overlooking the finishing hole of the Tom Fazio designed National golf course, the Tavern is the centerpiece of The National Golf Village. The craftsman-style farmhouse design, complete with a large stacked stone fireplace, creates a welcoming environment for residents and guests. With its standout wraparound porch, gracious fire pit area, and practice putting green, the Tavern's scenic golf course views and casual open-air dining options will encourage guests to linger longer after either dinner or a round of golf.

"It's a touch of urban sophistication blended with the warmth and charm of a comfortable lodge," says project architect, Bill Johnson. The Johnson Studio put their exceptional talent to work in bringing Reynolds Lake Oconee its latest, unique restaurant venue. As principal of The Johnson Studio for over 25 years, Johnson earned his position as one of the foremost hospitality designers in the nation by concentrating on the finer details that make a restaurant outstanding: great lighting, authentic materials, and a creative, well-crafted layout. He

has designed more than 500 restaurants across the country and been involved in several of Atlanta's top restaurants, including Canoe, Del Frisco's Grille and Two Urban Licks.

As for the menu, Chef Moore promises some "unique twists on the traditional pub menu." Signature menu items include hand-crafted artisan pizzas, wood roasted wings and fennel glazed salmon. Guests get a firsthand look at the kitchen from a large island bar that is perfect for dining, socializing and enjoying signature drinks made by "liquid chefs."

"As traditional Southern cuisine has evolved to reflect global trends and tastes, I'm excited by the creative liberties that I was able to take when developing the menu for The National Tavern," said Chef Moore. "Through Reynolds' continued commitment to expanding its offerings, residents and guests will enjoy the culinary diversity and energy that this restaurant brings to the resort and Club."

The first phase of The National Golf Village was completed in April 2015 with the opening of the Golf House and The Market snack bar. The opening of The National Tavern marks the second phase of The National Golf Village.

The National Tavern located at 1145 National Drive, Greensboro, GA. For more information on culinary offerings at Reynolds, visit ReynoldsLakeOconee.com.

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Reynolds Lake Oconee, located between Atlanta and Augusta, Ga., is situated along more than 350 miles of Lake Oconee shoreline and features six championship golf courses, dining, swimming pools, pedestrian trails, marinas, a tennis center and a wellness campus. Reynolds is also home to The Ritz-Carlton Reynolds, Lake Oconee, a 251-room lakefront resort and spa, which was named a 2015 AAA Five Diamond Lodging and 2014 Forbes Four-Star resort. The community is located about an hour and a half drive from Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport. For more information, visit www.reynoldslakeoconee.com.

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