

# *Scenic Skybrook Golf Club better than ever!*

For more than 15 years, golfers have been beckoned to the 18-hole championship Skybrook Golf Club in Huntersville, a spectacular golf course featuring beautiful rolling fairways and incredibly scenic views. And now, under management of Troon Golf, with their motto: Better conditions. Better service. Better EVERYTHING! Golfers are finding a golf course that is improving every day for daily and membership play and golf outings on one of the premier layouts in the Greater Charlotte area.

Roaming across 7,000 yards of remarkably mountainous terrain, John LaFoy, designer and golf course architect, blended the rolling hills, dramatic elevation changes and beautiful landscape into a course that will capture the heart of every golfer that plays.

“Skybrook has always had good bones,” said head professional Dan Russo. “This lets players enjoy a variety of creative golf holes. Many players have told us they love the mountain feel created by the elevation changes at Skybrook. And our location allows Skybrook to reach a large portion of a growing area of the Charlotte market”

You get a real feel of the golf course elevation changes right from the first hole with a 419-yard par 4 that comes complete with elevated tee box, spectacular view, and behemoth green. As a matter of fact, 7 of the first 9 holes have greens that stretch more than 50-feet in depth from front to back. Getting on in regulation may be easier with the larger greens, but make sure you take a couple of long putts on the practice green, you may need them.

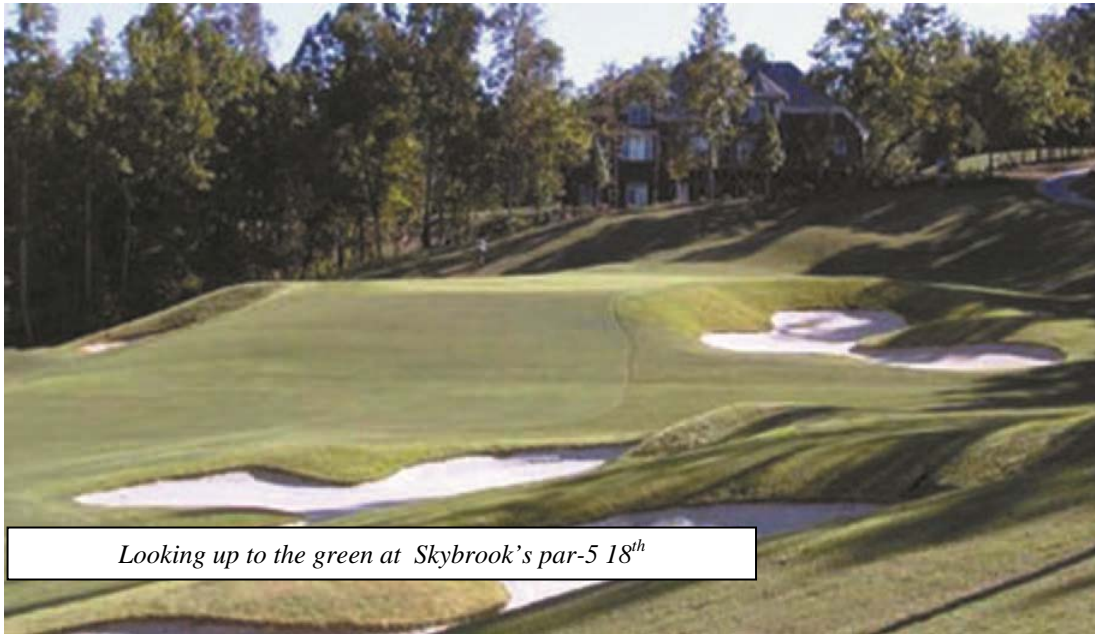
After the first hole, the rest of the front nine ranges from testy to very enjoyable, including the 433-yard 6th hole that invites sight-seeing and products rave reviews with the elevation of its tee box.

For “the down the middle” hitters, all these elevated tees could lead to red numbers. But, for errant drivers, it could create some tense moments. Hole #6 aside, off the tee box, this course can be forgiving because many of the holes slope back towards the fairways, a uniqueness of this course that sets it apart. If you miss a shot, you won't be looking for your ball longer than the rules allow.



Skybrook's rolling hills and excellent greens makes it one of North County's best

The 178-yard par 3 16th hole is all carry over water into a tighter than normal green. The 17th hole is the number 2 handicap hole on the course, and is a long 429-yard par 4 slight dogleg-left with the same lake running all along its left side. The 18th finishing hole will test you're your metal.



*Looking up to the green at Skybrook's par-5 18<sup>th</sup>*

This 553-yard par 5 starts with a tee shot that must avoid trouble of trees and drainage ditch area on the right. Then on this S-shaped hole you have to hit a narrow second fairway with your second shot to set up your pitch into another well-bunkered, elevated green. This hole will force you to earn a par, but what a rush if you get it.

One other factor figured into the course design at Skybrook, John LaFoy likes to place bunkers several yards in front of greens, creating Donald Ross type "false fronts", giving the appearance that they are greenside traps, when in reality they area solid sand wedge shot away.

At Skybrook, the two-tiered driving range tee, which has a slight downhill landing area, is designed to improve your accuracy and build your confidence. The range complex also features a designated chipping area and practice bunker where you

can work on shaving strokes off your score.

With six sets of tees, Skybrook can be as tough, or as friendly as your game can stand. To meet that challenge, the Skybrook pro staff can help you reach a level of confidence with personal lessons and clinics.

For information on improving your golf game, club memberships or tee times contact Skybrook Golf Club at 704-948-6611, or [www.skybrookgolf.com](http://www.skybrookgolf.com).