

Hole of the

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Anderson Creek GC
Spring Lake, N.C.

Month

For the 'Love' of the Land

When brothers Davis and Mark Love formed their golf course design company, Love Enterprises and Associates in 1994, they vowed to create courses that “blend naturally with the land.” That said, North Carolina native Davis Love says he’s never seen a property more perfect for a golf course than Anderson Creek GC, located in the historic sand hills of Spring Lake, N.C.

The 476-yard, par-4 17th hole, pictured here, features the toughest tee shot on the course, says Davis, who should know. “But there’s plenty of room to drive the ball, so take a deep breath and put your best swing on it,” he says.

Burr Johnson, the course’s certified superintendent, says the hole plays long and tough. “Unless you hit your tee shot perfectly into the landing area, you’ll have a side-hill lie,” he adds.

Johnson, who helped build Anderson Creek, says the Love brothers didn’t move much dirt to build the course.

“It was carved out of the rolling hills,” Johnson says. “They did an excellent job. Most everybody who plays it enjoys it.”

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