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BLACK BULL BUILDS COMMUNITY, CAMARADERIE

BOZEMAN, MONTANA HAS OFTEN BEEN RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE MOST LIVABLE COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTRY—AND YET, THERE SEEMED TO BE SOMETHING MISSING ...



“If you were looking to live in Bozeman, but wanted resort-style service and amenities, there really were no options,” points out David Baucom, General Manager of Black Bull. “Black Bull was established

to be that place—where couples and families can enjoy all that Bozeman has to offer, but within a full-service club.”





Established on 485 acres that originally comprised the historic Leachman Angus Ranch, Black Bull is a private golf community set among the lush greens and scenic fairways of a Tom Weiskopf-designed championship course.

And although the golf here is world-class, the Club isn't only for golfers—Black Bull's owners, who purchased the Club in 2011, aspired to create "the best overall golf and living experience in Bozeman." With an active membership, the Pool & Fitness Center (currently under construction), tennis courts, walking trails, and native trout ponds are just a few of the other popular amenities.

Keenly aware of the magnitude of their vision, Black Bull's ownership knew nothing short of a world-class team would be needed to see that vision become reality.

Internationally-recognized Locati Architects was tasked with establishing the 'physical brand' for the Club. "Beginning with the wood-and-timber Corral Clubhouse," explains Jerry Locati, "we wanted to create spaces that seamlessly blended 'upscale club' with today's mountain lifestyle."

The next logical step was to bring the physical brand to life, which became the mission of Chad Rothacher and Black Bull Builders, the Club's onsite construction company. Chad (also principal of RMR Group) has logged decades of experience in high-end home building, with a specialization in owner representation—often resulting in more efficient budgets for homebuyers. "With every home, we want owners and their guests to sense the quality, but at a surprising price point given the degree of detail," says Rothacher.

Thanks to the design and construction team's experience with multi-million dollar homes within some of the country's most exclusive private communities, Black Bull's Members are also able to enjoy significant value alongside remarkable presence and quality.

Finally, with something truly compelling to offer, Black Bull needed a real estate group that would understand its

Left: The Corral Clubhouse at Black Bull; Ground-breaking for the Pool & Fitness Center (David Baucom, Chad Rothacher, Jerry Locati, Rob Schumacher); Club Home deck; Family golfing. This page: Golfing with views; Club Home interior. Photos by Gordon Gregory and Karl Neumann.

unique brand story and be able to share it successfully with potential buyers.

PureWest Christie's International (PWCI), southwest Montana's real estate concierge brokerage, was chosen to partner with Black

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Bull because of its unmatched perspective on upscale properties in this region and nationally, as well as its steadfast dedication to personal service. PWCI is able to deftly fit the Club's two distinct real estate offerings to the appropriate people; custom homesites for those seeking to build a home that fits their personal tastes and preferences; and developer-built, single family Club Homes, which offer turn-key convenience and the maintenance support of a Home Owners Association.

What began as an idea for a better lifestyle option in the Gallatin Valley has comfortably grown into Black Bull, a thriving new community for those who aren't willing to compromise their priorities.

To learn more, go to www.blackbullbozeman.com, or call Bert Brandon at 406-556-5011.

