

SNEAK PEEK



A sneak peek inside one of the loft cabins at In the Pines RV Park and Cabin Village near Boiling Spring Lakes.

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Brunswick tiny cabin and RV village nears opening

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One extended family is making its years-in-the-making dream a reality.

But right now, everyone is too busy working to relax and reflect on the process.

“Right now, it’s all hands on deck,” said Kelley Del Vecchio.

On May 11, brothers, sisters, wives, husbands, and in-laws were busy painting, building, and working on infrastructure in preparation of the opening of In the Pines RV and Cabin Village in July. But it has been a long process.

The dream started as a vision when Del Vecchio’s brother Bryan Judge packed his family into a fifth-wheel camper and hit the road in 2019. The trip began as a way to spend quality time with this wife Jessie and their children, but by the end of their journey, Bryan had the vision of a family business.

That vision included not only his wife Jessie and their children, but also his

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When Bryan Judge got the idea for In The Pines RV and Cabin Village, he decided to make it a family business, including his siblings and parents. Pictured, front row, from left are Kelley Del Vecchio, Heather Greene, Jessie Judge, and Theresa Judge. Pictured back row, from left are Joe Del Vecchio, Charlie Greene, Bryan Judge, and Joe Judge. PROVIDED BY BRYAN JUDGE

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parents, Joe and Theresa Judge; his sister Heather Greene and her husband Charlie; and DelVecchio, her husband Joe, and their two kids.

Once everybody was on board, the real work began: Finding the right land, getting approvals, obtaining permits, and installing infrastructure. With all of that done, they are now working on the park’s general store, finishing grading, and landscaping.

Bryan’s father, Joe Judge, said he is “ecstatic” about the park’s completion.

“I’m most excited about starting this new chapter as a family and the opportunity it gives us,” Joe Judge said. “I think we’ll look back on this as the cornerstone that we’re going to build off of, but I think it also gives the family the opportunity to not only work together but to learn how to work together.”

The family says at times, they’ve had to have some difficult conversations, but they have grown closer throughout the process.

“There’s ups and downs along the way, but it’s taught us how to communicate better with each other,” Bryan said.

He added that the experience has been unique because no one has “the same strengths.”

“We’re learning a lot about each other,” Kelley said.

The family had hoped to open the park in May, but like many businesses, they battled the COVID-19 pandemic and supply chain issues delayed the project. Now, they are planning to open in July. Despite the setbacks they encountered along the way, the family never considered giving up.

“My mind doesn’t work like that,” Joe

Judge said. “It doesn’t look backwards. The conversation that we had as a family often was the reason that people don’t do these things is because they’re difficult.”

In fact, the family is already planning the park’s future.

“We already have phases 2, 3, and 4 mapped out,” Joe Judge said.



The cabins at In The Pines RV and Cabin Village, located near Winnabow, are in place and waiting to be tied down on May 11. RENEE SPENCER/STARNEWS

The first phase will include eight

rental cabins, 30 full RV hook-up sites, a general store, a playground, a dog park, and a section for RV and boat storage.

The general store will in a multi-purpose building with restroom, shower, and laundry facilities in back. Kelley said they hope to sell local items and provisions needed for camping at their store.

In addition to being an economic

driver, Joe said they hope to have a positive impact on the surrounding community by hosting monthly events and live music.

“We want this to be a place where families grow up and have good memories of coming to In the Pines,” he said.

The family said they hope to begin accepting bookings soon. For more information, visit their website.