



## *Around THE Club*

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**Ann Carter - Editor**

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### **2020 Board of Directors**

**Dick Sjogren-President**

**Vince Laverghetta-Vice President**

**Esther Patterson-Secretary**

**Steve Ryan-Treasurer**

**Bill Ortvals-Membership**

**Steve Bryan-Golf**

**Ann Carter-Communications**

**Bob Keating-Building & Grounds**

**Therese Buono-Finance & Audit**



**Craig Misch – General Manager**

Happy New Year!!! Another year in the books!!!

In December we held our semi annual Black and Gold tee scramble, we had 64 players on a beautiful Florida day go at it in our scramble format event, here are your winners... Bill Ortvals for the A and B players and Mike Boiler for the C and D players won closest to the pin. Fourth place

Joel Anderson, Dick Sjogren, Dick Wolff and Henry Maguire...Third place Jim Dubsky, Tom Suzda, Terry Maciolek, and Jim Rice...Second place Al Dame, Bill Ortvals, Dave Kozlowski and Jerry Berryhill...and the winners are...Steve Bryan, Laverne Welch, Rick Reaktenwalt, and Doug Hosterman, well played!!



**1<sup>st</sup>-Steve Bryan, Laverne Welch, Rick Reaktenwalt & Doug Hosterman**



**2<sup>nd</sup>-Al Dame, Bill Ortvals, Dave Kozlowski, Jerry Berryhill**



**3<sup>rd</sup>-Jim Rice, Terry Maciolek, Tom Suzda, Jim Dubsy**



**4<sup>TH</sup>-Henry Maguire, Dick Wolff, Dick Sjogren, Joel Anderson**



**Bill Ortvals-Closest to Pin**



**Mike Bolier Closest to Pin**

Ghin is changing...on Jan 6<sup>th</sup> the World Handicap System will be in effect, if you want to learn about it go to the fsga website ([www.fsga.org](http://www.fsga.org)) and under the handicapping tab click on world golf handicap and you can go thru the entire presentation of the changes this will bring to us in 2020. If you need assistance in any way, please feel free to come into the Pro Shop and ask. Remember to download the GHIN app on your phone. The app will be live on Jan 6<sup>th</sup> (you will not be able to access it before that).

Member guest registration will begin towards the end of January...look for an eblast coming out very soon.

### **MMGA-Steve Bryan**

The Men's Shootout was another great success. Thanks to everyone that came out to support it. We are looking into variations of this event to be held at a later date. The fourth place finisher was Don Taylor who holed out a very difficult chip shot on number 6 to come in fourth. Third place went to Bill Ortvals. Second place was Dave Kozlowski and the winner was Vince Laverghetta with a birdie on the last hole to win it.

By the way Vince did not receive any strokes during the event and shot an even par 36 on the front nine.



Congratulations to all involved and special thanks to Craig for organizing and running the whole show.



**Winner – Vince Laverghetta**

On December 6<sup>th</sup> volunteers from the MMGA brought their tools and talents to the course and repaired and repainted the fence enclosures behind the Great Hall and next to the #3 tee box. Most of the materials were purchased from money collected by the MMGA raffles and the paint was provided by the Maintenance Department.



**Players & Caddies**



**Final 4-Don Taylor, Bill Ortvals, Dave Kozlowski & Vince Laverghetta**





The following members contributed their time and efforts to this project:

- Roy Bradford
- Keith Patterson
- Rick Mason
- Keith Beile
- Gary Ritchey
- Jim Rice
- Vince Laverghetta
- Tom Suzda
- Dick Sjogren
- Ralph Acquaro
- Jim Dubsky
- Bob Keating
- Denny Walden
- Al Whittlef
- John Padula
- Steve Bryan
- Jack Scappaticci

Please join us as we welcome two new members to the MMGA, Terry Maciolek from Wisconsin and Jim Rice from Michigan who recently moved to Royal Highlands and joined our club.

On December 30<sup>th</sup> Craig Misch and Steve Bryan provided a training seminar on the upcoming World Handicap System. We had a great turnout and the training was well received. The new WHS handicap system will go live on January 6<sup>th</sup>.

We would like to thank our outgoing Secretary, Russ Van Ness for his years of service to the MMGA and welcome our new Secretary, Gary Ritchey. Gary will be transitioning to the role in the coming weeks. Russ will continue to run our Closest to the Pin competition on Wednesday shotguns. Thanks, Russ, for all your work and support.



We would also like to thank Tom Lawrenson for his 10+ years of service to the MMGA and the Monarch Golf Club. Tom was unable to continue to fill his role as Treasurer due to his illness, but has made countless contributions to the membership of our club. His leadership and guidance were instrumental in the success of the MMGA and we look forward to his speedy recovery.

### **MWGA – Esther Patterson**

Happy New Year to Everyone!

We are excited to start 2020 with our new Board members:

Lisa Ritchey - President

Judy Keating - Vice President

Linda Carey - Secretary

Carolyn Case – Treasurer



**Lisa Richey, Judy Keating, Linda Carey, Carolyn Case & Evelyn Weasner**

**And thank you to the 2019 Board:**



**Carolyn Skorich, Linda Carey, Betty Gibson, Crista Bowen & Evelyn Weasner**

### **Last Year's accomplishments:**



**Lisa Richey-Most Improved**



**Coreen Corbin-Most Participation**  
(sorry for the blurred photo)



**Karen Kozlowski-President's Cup Winner**



**Linda Carey, Ringer winner, Most Birdies & T Cup Winner**

Sue Scappaticci and Esther Patterson are in charge of the games this year...and our first day of league play will be Thursday, January 9th.

Our games for the month of January will be:  
1/9: Par 4's

1/16: Mutt & Jeff (Net score on Par 3's and 5's)

1/23: F.O.N.E.

1/30: Low Net

We did play in December and those winners were:

#### **12/12: Low Net**

##### **Flight 1**

Dot Vieira - 1st Place

Reka Reaktenwalt & Francie Traviolia

(tie) - 2nd Place

Betty Hudi - 3rd Place

##### **Flight 2**

Judy Ambrosio - 1st Place

Barbara Kowalski - 2nd Place

Marge Parkinson - 3rd Place

Karen Weicht - 4th Place

#### **12/19: F.O.N.E.**

Brenda Watson - 1st Place

Mary Clemans - 2nd Place

Marge Parkinson - 3rd Place

Nancy Beighley - 4th Place

We have started using the new Golf Genius sign-up system for Thursday play. You should be receiving an email notice each Thursday afternoon regarding this signup process. If you don't see one of these emails in your regular email, be sure to check your spam first before you let Sue or Esther know so that we can look into the situation.

Note: Comcast is experiencing some issues with this new system, so those of you that have comcast.net as your email address should create a new address (gmail.com) to work around this.

Our next session of Match Play starts Tuesday, January 7 - 8:00 AM shotgun start. Cost is \$20 per person charged to your golf account. We have 8 teams ready to play, but if you would like to be a sub, please let Esther know.

We welcome all lady members of Monarch Golf Club to join our organization and play and socialize with us on Thursdays (8:00 AM shotgun start). Dues are \$35 for the year which also includes the Closing Dinner at the end of the year. Make your check out to MWGA and place it in the box on the bulletin board. Come join us for a fun filled Thursday round of golf, and stay to socialize after golf over lunch in the Crown and Shield Restaurant.

### Vince Laverghetta-Men's Match Play

The Winter session of Men's Match Play will start on Monday, January 6th and conclude with the Fun Day and luncheon on March 2nd.

Here are the winners of the fall session of Men's Match Play:

#### Nicklaus Division

1st Place	Vince Laverghetta and John Buono
2nd Place	Steve Ryan and Steve Bryan
3rd Place	Jack Scappaticci and Chuck Hill

#### Palmer Division

1st Place	Mike Russomano and Tom O'Rourke
2nd Place	Larry Demaline and Seldon Skelly
3rd Place	Dave Kozlowski and Dennis Walden
4th Place	Tim Waugh and Roy Bradford

Keith Patterson subbing for John Buono saved Vince Laverghetta a lifetime of abuse from John by shooting a terrific net 67 to keep the Buono / Laverghetta team in first place in the Nicklaus division. The low round of the session was a 69 shot by Bob Keating and Roy Bradford and Jack Scappaticci shot the low net round of 62.

The cost of each match play session is \$35 with \$20 towards prize money, \$12.50 for the luncheon and \$2.50 for raffle gifts to be won at the awards luncheon.

### Terry Stephenson - Superintendent

Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. Thanks to all the members for the employee Christmas bonus. It is always greatly appreciated.

We will be putting out some more mulch in some of the beds that have not been done yet. We will also be edging the bunkers and cart paths. We are filling in some of the low areas in the fairways with sand and seed. We will be spraying the tees for nematodes this month.

Please remember to drive "IN" the fairways to help the Bermuda grass in the roughs. Here is to a great 2020.

## HOLES IN ONE



Vince Laverghetta-#11-12/11/19

## THANK YOU DIANE CHRISTIE



The Monarch Golf Club would like recognize and thank Diane Christie for all that she has done to maintain all of the gardens around the golf course. She spent countless hours planting, mulching and weeding to ensure our golf course looks as beautiful as it does.

She also spent a lot of her own money as well as selling golf balls to raise money for the sole benefit of the golf course.

Diane served on the board of directors for several terms and was instrumental in providing entertainment for our members and residents. Even after her term on the board was completed, she agreed to continue to run the monthly card bingo game and meal. That event sells out every month. Thank you again Diane for all that you have done and continue to do for The Monarch. The golf course attracts a lot of golfers because of the condition and aesthetics that you have had a big part in creating and maintaining.

### **2019 HOLES IN ONE**

#### **Men:**

Tom O'Rourke - #11 – 2/16/19  
Rich Page- #4 – 2/16/19  
Terry Neikirk - #13 – 4/12//19  
Adam Talarek - #11 – 4/13/19  
Sam Hanley-#13-7/15/19  
Roy Bowen-#4-10/1/19  
Charlie Wolff-#11-10/18/19  
Jim Dubsky #4 – 11/11/19  
John Padula #8 11/14/19

#### **NEW**

**Vince Laverghetta-#11-12/11/19**

#### **Ladies:**

Kitty Bolier-#8-1/2/19  
Jan Dubsky- #4 – 2/23/19  
Sherry Grimm-#4-5/8/19  
Marge Parkinson-#13-5/16/19  
Sue Scappaticci-#13-6/18/19  
Karen Brondyke #13 – 11/26/19



**January, 2020 Crown & Shield Restaurant**  
**Ann Carter – Communications Chair**  
**Important Information:**

**ITEMS OF INTEREST:**

**Tuesday, Thursday & Friday the restaurant is**  
**open for dinner.**

**Dinner Menu will be offered**

**Thursday's are Happy Hour Thursday with a special dinner being offered**  
**in addition to menu items.**

**As Well As Friday Nights**

*Beer is available in the Pro Shop also*

- **Bar will be open until 6:00 on Monday's & Wednesday's**  
**unless there is a special event or meal**

**Pizza until 6:00 PM Saturday & Sunday**

***Note: Bar will be closing early on the following days to prepare for the following special events:***

January 14- Dinner Buffet  
January 18 – Birthday Bash  
January 21 - Taste of Italy Pasta  
January 29-Italian Card Bingo

**THE RESTAURANT IS OPEN FOR DINNER ON TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY EVENINGS.**



**The Crown & Shield is open on Saturday & Sunday for breakfast**

**Saturday Breakfast & Lunch from 7:30 am until 2:00 PM**

**Sunday Breakfast & Lunch from 7:30 am until 2:00 pm**

**Bar Open until 6:00 pm on Saturday & Sunday**

**NOTE!!!!**

**CARRY OUT IS AVAILABLE ON THE DAYS THE RESTAURANT IS OPEN**

**Call the Crown & Shield 314-3908 to place your order**

## Menus for January

### Tuesday 's – Served with your choice of a cup of soup, or dinner salad

January 7 - Liver & Onions with bacon, mashed potatoes, gravy & vegetable \$12.99

January 14 – Dinner Buffet \$14.99

January 21 – Taste of Italy \$15.99

January 28 – Jerk Chicken with white rice and vegetable \$13.99

### Thursday's- Dinners – Served with choice of a cup of soup or dinner salad

January 2 – Meatloaf with gravy, mashed potatoes & vegetable \$12.99

January 9 – BBQ Chicken and Rib Combo with French fries & coleslaw \$16.99

January 16 – Meat Lasagna with garlic stick \$12.99

January 23 – Salisbury Steak with onion/mushroom gravy, mashed potato and veg  
\$12.99

January 30 – BBQ Pulled Pork with French fries & Coleslaw \$12.99

### Friday's – Dinners – Served with choice of a cup of soup or dinner salad

January 3 – Almond coated Salmon with mint lemon sauce. Starch & vegetable \$16.99

January 10 – Seared Sea Scallops served with rice & vegetable \$18.99

January 17 – Seafood Combo plate (Crab cake, 3 grilled shrimp 2 Sea Scallops) starch  
and vegetable \$17.99

January 24 – Sliced Tenderloin & Grilled Shrimp served with starch and vegetable  
\$17.99

January 31 – Seafood Scampi served over pasta \$15.99

January 18 – Birthday Bash

January 23 – MWGA Scramble Luncheon

January 29 – Italian Card Bingo

**PLEASE REMEMBER – RESERVATIONS REQUIRED in order for the staff to be  
ready for your arrival.**

***Preparation is the key to their success and only you can help.***

### **REMEMBER**

**For Special Events, there is a 24-Hour Cancellation Policy in effect**

**MEALS & PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**Happy Hour Drink Hours:**

**Monday, All Day; Tuesday, 4 to 6; Wednesday, 12 to 2 & 4 to 6;**

**Thursday, 4 to Close; Friday, 4 to 6, Saturday, 3 to 6:00**

**Our restaurant hours are as follows: (unless there is a special event)**

**Monday 11 to 4–Hot Dogs and Snacks will be available.**

**Bar will remain open until “6:00 PM”**

**Tuesday Lunch starting at 11 Dinner including dinner features-bar open ‘til 7:00 PM**

**Wednesday 11 to 2:00 Lunch –no dinners unless there is a special event-Bar ‘til “6:00 pm”**

**Thursday Lunch starting at 11 – Dinner including dinner features-bar open ‘til 7:00 PM**

**Friday Lunch starting at 11 – Dinner including dinner features–bar open ‘til 7:00 PM**

**Saturday – Bar & Restaurant 7:30 am to 2:00 pm – Bar Open from 11:00 to 6:00**

**Restaurant 7:30 am to 2:00 pm – Bar Open from 11:00 to 6:00 PM**

**Sunday – Bar & Restaurant 7:30 am to 2:00 pm – Bar Open from 11:00 to 6:00**

**PIZZA ‘TIL 6 PM – BAR ONLY** Check the web-site for flyers and special meal announcements