

Around THE Club

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Ann Carter - Editor

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Craig Misch – General Manager & Golf Pro I want to take this opportunity to remind you of all the steps we are taking to ensure everyone's safety here at the club. We also have this listed on our website. Please continue to practice social distancing. We will all get through this together. Please stay safe.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic we are making some adjustments to golf course operations.

- The Putting Green and the Driving Range are closed.
- Congregating in the parking will not be allowed. Do not show up until 5 minutes prior to your tee time and go directly to your assigned hole. Again, do not stay in the parking lot.

- Do not start playing golf until the allotted tee time (8:00 or 1:30). We will be sending all players to their respective tee boxes before the shotgun starts, please wait at the tee until 8am or 1:30 pm before you start playing.
- As a reminder, be no less than 6' of each other and do not touch anything on the course including the flag poles, rakes, or anything else that may be on the course.
- If you need to get your hole assignment, please call the Pro Shop for that information prior to play.

Per the direction of Governor DeSantis "all persons in Florida shall limit their movements and personal interactions outside of their homes to only those necessary to obtain or provide essential services or conduct essential activities until April 30. Per confirmation through the Governor's Office, **Golf I considered an essential activity** as long as proper social distancing is maintained. Proper social Distancing includes <u>one person per cart,</u> with one exception. COUPLES LIVING IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD CAN RIDE IN THE SAME CART.

Effective Tuesday, April 7th the Tee Times will be as follows until further notice (this will allow for proper watering on the course) Monday – Double Tee Times, Starting at

7:16 am off 1 and 10 <u>Tuesday</u> – Shot Gun – morning, 8:00 am and afternoon, 1:30 pm <u>Wednesday</u> – Shot Gun - morning, 8:00 am and afternoon, 1:30 pm <u>Thursday</u> – Shot Gun – morning, 8:00 am – Double Tee in afternoon, 12:30 pm <u>Friday</u> – Double Tee Times, Starting at 7:16 am off 1 and 10 <u>Saturday</u> – Double Tee Times, Starting at 7:16 am off 1 and 10 <u>Sunday</u> – Single Tee Times Starting at 7:16 am

Club Championship Results BLACK GROSS

1st Bob Keating 2nd Vince Laverghetta

NET

1st Richard Sjogren 2nd John Buono



Keating, Laverghetta, Sjogren, Buono GOLD – Flight #1 GROSS 1st Ralph Beighley 2nd Tom Suzda **NET** 1st Rick Mason 2nd Jim Rice



Rice, Mason, Suzda, Beighley GOLD – Flight #2 GROSS 1st John Scappaticci 2nd Mike Kowalski NET 1st Mike Russomano #2 Mike Kline



Kline, Scappaticci, Kowalski, Russomano GREEN GROSS 1st Mike Bolier 2nd Joel Anderson NET 1st Larry Demaline 2nd Dick Holst



Holtz, Demaline, Anderson, Bolier

Ladies Silver – Flight #1 GROSS 1st Jan Dubsky 2nd Esther Patterson NET #1 Linda Carey

#2 Evelyn Weasner



Patterson, Dubsky, Carey, Weasner Ladies Silver – Flight #2 GROSS 1st Betty Gibson 2nd Rosanne O'Rourke NET 1st Sandy Cookson



Gibson, O'Rourke, Cookson, Danish



Gross WINNERS: Jan Dubsky & Bob Keating

MMGA-Gary Ritchey

Well, things have sure changed in the last month! We are all doing a great job at our "social distancing" and the club is doing a great job of keeping things clean and sanitized for our safety. Thanks to Craig, Linda and the entire staff at the Monarch for going above and beyond during these crazy times. Please remember that the restaurant is currently open 7 days a week from noon to 7:00 pm for take-out. Let's keep them busy!

The current situation has also forced the cancellation of the Member/Guest Tournament and the MMGA Spring Dinner and Meeting. We will be rescheduling the dinner/meeting after the virus is contained or possibly have it in the fall.

On March 17th eleven volunteer members of the MMGA spread 10 cubic yards of mulch around several of the gardens on the golf course.

The mulch was purchased with funds donated by the MMGA and MWGA raffles with thanks to the generosity of our membership. The following MMGA members worked on the project: Mike Bolier Roy Bradford Steve Bryan John Buono Denny Carlen Chuck Gietz Bob Keating Rick Mason John Padula Keith Patterson

Tim Waugh

Congratulations are in order for Mike Kowalski who shot a hole in one on #8 on Saturday, March 21st. Also, congratulations to Keith Beile for his eagle during his round at Eagle Dunes while playing with the Lake County Seniors. Not to be left out, Tom Suzda carded an eagle during match play on March 30 on #16. Way to go gentlemen!

The annual MMGA Stoke Play

Championship was held Wednesday, March 18. The results were:

Nicklaus Flight GROSS

1st Place John Buono (73) 2nd Place Bob Keating (73) SC 3rd Place Tom Suzda (76).

Nicklaus Flight NET

1st Place Jim Rice (67) 2nd Place Dick Sjogren (73) 3rd Place Henry McGuire (74) SC

Palmer Flight

GROSS

1st Place Steve Ryan (77) 2nd Place Terry Neikirk (78) 3rd Place Jim Oddo (81).

Palmer Flight NET 1st Place Mike Kowalski (72) 2nd Place Mike Bolier (75) 3rd Place Lee Fjeld (76) SC

Watson Flight GROSS

1st Place Ron Letterly (84) 2nd Place Russ Koskie (86) SC 3rd Place Steve Bryan (86).

Watson Flight NET

1st Place Selden Skelly (69) 2nd Place Dick Therrien (71) SC 3rd Place Roy Bradford (71)

Closest to the Pin awards were Jim Rice on HOLE #4 (4'6"), Steve Snover on HOLE #8 (4'6"), Ace Rossom on HOLE #11 (2'8"), and Jim Oddo on HOLE #13 (6'11")

Congratulations to all the players!

The MMGA/MWGA Facebook group continues to be a good way to stay informed about some of the things happening out on the course. Right now, baby Sandhill Cranes are all the rage! We are up to 52 members in the group.

MWGA – Esther Patterson

There were over 40 lady golfers participating in the Annual Beat the Pro Golf and Pizza Party held last month (March 5). Five holes were picked for the competition against our Head Golf Pro, Craig Misch.

Our total net score was used against his total gross score on these holes, and the winners were: Coreen Corbin, Sandy Cookson, Mary Clemans, Evelyn Weasner, Therese Buono, Judy Ambrosio, Francie Traviolia, Betty Danish, Linda Carey, Karen Kozlowski, Sherry Anderson and Linda Hodgson. The festivities ended with a pizza lunch and a yummy dessert. See the picture below of Mary Clemans (left) and Sandy Cookson (right), two of our members who seriously intended to "beat the pro"!



Mary Clemens & Sandy Cookson

And a big shout out to Carolyn Skorich for her Hole in One on #11 on Tuesday. Congratulations! And to Brenda Watson for her Hole in One on #13 - even though you didn't have anyone to witness it!

We have had a tremendous turnout for golf these past few weeks. I guess everyone is ready to get out of the house and get some exercise. We do appreciate all of you supporting our organization and participating in our weekly games.

Our other winners in March were: Beat Par (3/19)

<u>Flight 1</u>

1st Dot Vieira, Reka Reaktenwalt (tie)
2nd Jan Dubsky, Linda Carey (tie)
3rd Esther Patterson, Francie Traviolia (tie)
Flight 2
1st Barb Kowalski
2nd Marge Parkinson, Donna Laverghetta, Judy Taylor (tie)
3rd Therese Buono

Flight 3

1st Sandy Cookson, Beth Skelly (tie)2nd Peg Johnson3rd Judy Ambrosio, Kitty Bolier, ConnieOrtbals (tie)

F.O.N.E. Holes (3/26)

Flight 11stCookie O'Rourke,2ndMaddie Kilmister3rdReka ReaktenwaltFlight 21stDiane Christie2ndLisa Ritchey3rdBetty Hudi, Brenda Watson (tie)Flight 31stJudy Ambrosio, Mary Clemans, PegJohnson (tie)2ndMolly Ryan

Our games for the month of April will be: 4/2: Criss Cross 4/9: Blind Nine 4/16: Best Nine (Front or Back) 4/23: Team Sixes - Best Net Ball 4/30: Like Handicap Thursday

Our next session of Match Play begins Tuesday, April 7 and runs through June 2nd. We have 20 ladies signed up, but if you would like to be a sub, let Esther know.

MWGA's Beat the Pro:

The results are as follows: Scramble Winners 1st Place – Jan Dubsky & Michele Gottlieb 2nd Place – Sherry Grimm & Maddie Kilmister 3rd Place – Esther Patterson & Karen Kozlowski 4th Place – Marge Parkinson & Betty Hudi 5th Place – Linda Carey & Diane Christie



Longest Putt on Hole #13 Molly Ryan - 7ft 8in

Beat the Pro Winners:

Judy Ambrosio Sherry Anderson Therese Buono Linda Carey Mary Clemans Sandra Cookson Coreen Corbin Betty Danish Linda Hodgson Karen Kozlowski Francie Traviolia Evelyn Weasner





1st-Michele Gottlieb & Jan Dubsky



2nd-Maddie Kilmister & Sherry Grimm (MIA)



3rd-Karen Kozlowski & Esther Patterson



4th-Marge Parkinson & Betty Hudi



5th-Diane Christie & Linda Carey

Vince Laverghetta-Men's Match Play

Men's Match Play has reached the midpoint of the session and here are the leaders:

Nicklaus Division

1st Place John Buono and Ray Smith 2nd Place Dick Sjogren and Jack Scappaticci 3rd Place Henry Maguire and Roy Bowen 4th place Tom Suzda and Terry Maciolek

Palmer Division

1st Place Larry Demaline and Don Taylor 2nd Place Mike Holzhausen and Seldon Skelly 3rd Place Dennis Walden and Mike Kline 4th Place Steve Snover and Dick Therrien

Bob Keating has the low round of the session with a 69 and a host of players share the low net round of 69 including, Tom Suzda, Don Taylor, Mike Russomano, Dave Maki, Steve Ryan and Herb Van Benthuysen.

Tom Suzda scored and eagle on #16.

This session will conclude on Monday, April 27th and spring session will begin on Monday, May 4th. Sign-up sheet will be available in the pro shop on Monday, April 13th.

Match play is a great format to meet fellow members and have some friendly competition. Can't find a partner? No problem, we will team you up with another player with a similar handicap. If you have any questions, please contact Vince Laverghetta at <u>vincelaverghetta@gmail.com</u>.

Bob Keating – Building & Grounds March 25, 2020

On March 17th eleven volunteer members of the MMGA organized by Bob Keating spread 10 cubic yards of mulch around several of the gardens on the golf course. The mulch was purchased with funds donated by the MMGA and MWGA raffles with thanks to the generosity of our membership.

We will be purchasing additional mulch in the near future to complete more of the gardens.

The following MMGA members worked on the project:

Mike Bolier Roy Bradford Steve Bryan John Buono Denny Carlen Chuck Gietz Bob Keating Rick Mason John Padula Keith Patterson Tim Waugh

MMGA Spring Dinner and Meeting postponed until restaurant reopens after

virus is contained.

No further club golf events are scheduled until the virus is contained and we return to business as usual.











Terry Stephenson - Superintendent

We are currently scheduled to have one of our new pumps installed the week of April 6-10 as long as things stay the same with this corona virus situation. The rest of the pump station will be installed at a later date.

We will be putting out another application of nematode control on the tees and greens in April.

We have been spiking and topdressing the greens about every 2 weeks to help with the early transition because of such warm weather. We are hitting the hot spots with a wetting agent on the fairway and tee areas.

We are spot treating for mole crickets in various areas.

We will be bulk fertilizing the golf course towards the end of April if the weather

pattern stays the same.

Because of the coronavirus we have removed all rakes from bunkers, removed all water coolers and cups off the course as well as putting a piece of styrofoam in the cup so golfers do not have to touch the flagpole or reach in the cup (Great idea from Craig). Looking forward to getting back to normal. "BE SAFE"





Jim McGill

Please welcome Jim McGill as a Limited General Member. Jim is originally from Jackson, Mississippi, has 3 children, 8 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

He was a death investigator with the USAF. He belongs to the American Legion (disabled vets) and also the Florida Citrus Sports

He enjoys Golfing.



Jimmy Parker Please welcome Jimmy Parker back as a Charter Equity Member. Jimmy was reinstated under the amnesty program.

He is originally from W. Virginia and worked for Continental Telephone Company that was bought out by Verizon. He started as a mail boy and retired after 30 years as Vice President.

He and his wife have 2 children and 1 grandchild.

He enjoys golfing and loves to do Sudoku and yardwork.





Esther Patterson Hole #13 – 3/7/20



Chuck Hill Hole #13 – 3/7/20



Mike Kowalski #8 – 3/21/20



Brenda Watson #13 - 3/22/20



Carolyn Skorich #11 – 3/31/20



EAGLES ARE FLYING



Tom Suzda #16 – 3/30/20

<mark>2020 HOLES IN ONE</mark>

Men: Rick Mason-#8-1/16/20 NEW Chuck Hill-#13-3/7/20 Mike Kowalski- #8-3/21/20 Ladies: Jan Dubsky-#13-1/7/20 NEW Esther Patterson-#13-3/7/20 Carolyn Skorich-#11-3/31/20 April, 2020 Crown & Shield Restaurant Ann Carter – Communications Chair Important Information: ITEMS OF INTEREST:

<u>Tuesday, Thursday & Friday the restaurant is</u> <u>open for dinner.</u> <u>Dinner Menu will be offered</u> <u>Thursday's are Happy Hour Thursday with a special dinner being offered</u> <u>in addition to menu items.</u> <u>As Well As Friday Nights</u>

DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, THE CROWN & SHIELD WILL BE OPEN SEVEN (7) DAYS A WEEK FROM 12 NOON TO 7:00 PM FOR CARRY-OUT OR DELIVERY SERVCE. THE DINNER SPECIALS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

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

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

April 14 – Meat Lasagna with bread stick \$12.99

April 21 – Chicken Parmesan \$14.99

April 28 – Prime rib Queen cut (8oz) \$19.99 / King cut (12oz) \$22.99. Baked potato & veg

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

April 2 – Pot Roast with mashed potato, gravy, & veg. \$14.99

April 9 – Meatloaf mashed potato, gravy, & veg. \$12.99

April 16 – Roasted Chicken leg quarter with starch & veg \$12.99

April 23 – BBQ Pulled Pork & BBQ Chicken breast with fries & slaw. \$15.99

April 30 – Country Fried Pork with mashed potato, gravy, & veg. \$13.99

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

April 3 – Seared Ahi Tuna with rice & veg \$18.99

April 10 – Bacon wrapped Sea Scallops with starch & veg. \$18.99

April 17 – Crab Stuffed Shrimp and sliced Beef Tenderloin with starch & veg. \$18.99

April 24 – Seafood Scampi with pasta \$16.99

CROWN & SHIELD RESTAURANT



Sunday, April 12, 2020 Noon until 6:00 pm Orders will be taken starting at 11 am ON EASTER for 12:00 or after pickup

TO GO, Curbside pickup or delivery 352-314-3908 *Easter Dinner* - \$21.99 per person

Featuring: *Starter:* Chicken Noodle Soup *Or* of Dinner Salad or Caesar Salad

Entrée Choices:

- 1. Filet of Beef cooked to order and topped with a dollop of garlic butter
- 2. Bourbon Glazed Salmon
- 3. Chicken Cordon Bleu
- 4. Pineapple glazed Baked Ham

All meals served with twice baked potato & Asparagus

Desserts: Carrot Cake,

Or

Strawberry Topped Cheesecake NO REGULAR MENU AVAILABLE Discounts and coupons cannot be used for this menu