



Around THE Club

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The 2024 Couple's Club Championship event served to be a great day for competition golf and member's camaraderie.

What a beautiful day and perfect weather for golf. GROSS scores ranged from 73-92 and NET scores ranged from 66-80. We cannot thank the participants enough for making the event a memorable and enjoyable experience.

CONGRATULATIONS! To all participants and those who placed. Below are the results and attached is the entire field leader boards for GROSS and NET.

Your 2024 Couple's Club Champions top three GROSS teams are:



1st place GROSS – 2024 Couple's Club Champions

Randy and Debby Beck 73



2nd place GROSS

Dave and Karen Kozlowski 77



3rd place GROSS

Keith and Esther Patterson **80**



3rd place NET

Regina and Bonas Johnson **68**

Your 2024 Couple's Club Champions top three NET teams are:



1st place NET – 2024 Couple's Club Champions

Evelyn Weasner and John Buono **66**



2nd place NET

Ruth (Bobbi) Iredale and Selden Skelly **68**
(USGA)

Men's Tilton Match Play League

Vince Laverghetta

The fall session has reached the half way mark of the 8 weeks of matches and here are our leaders:

Nicklaus Division

1st Place

John Buono and Vince Laverghetta

2nd Place

Bob Keating and Rick Mason

3rd Place

Bob Porch and Keith Patterson

4th Place

Harold Beasley and Randy Beck

Palmer Division

1st Place

Jim Layne and Al Abrams

2nd Place

Brian Heaslip and Al Whittlef

3rd Place

Dan Demartinis and Tim Carey

4th Place

Chris Crawford and Dave Kozlowski

Al Abrams is the leading money winner in the skins game.

Vince Laverghetta has the low round of the session with a 72 and Brian Heaslip and Bob Porch share the low net round of the session with a 69.

The fall session will conclude on December 16th with our fun day and awards luncheon.

The winter session will kick off on Monday, January 6th with late morning tee times.

Men's Match Play is a member only league sponsored by the Monarch Men's Golf Association. The cost is currently \$40 per session, which includes \$20 for prize money and \$20 for the luncheon and raffle prizes.

Please contact Vince Laverghetta at vincelaverghetta@gmail.com for sign up details and information on the league.

MMGA-Terry Pollard

We had excellent golf going on in November. Welcome back to more of our winter time friends.

On Wednesday November 27 we enjoyed the MMGA "Scramble" event:

1st Place (-10):

Chris Crawford, Brian Heaslip, Sheldon Skelly, Al Whittlef

2nd Place (-8)(Tie):

Bonas Johnson, Tim Kohler, Bill Ortvals, Rich Page

3rd Place (-8)(Tie):

Chuck Hill, Dick Holst, David Schmitz, Dean Woodle

Closest to the Pin

#4	Bill Ortvals	8'8"
#8	Harold Beasley	10'9"
#11	Jimmy Layne	1'3"
#13	Brian Heaslip	10'3"

50/50 Chuck Hill
Harold Beasley

On Wednesday November 20 we enjoyed the MMGA "Red, White & Blue" event with teams playing very well:

1st Place (-16)

Ralph Acquaro, Keith Beile, Brian Heaslip, Dick Therrien

2nd Place (-13)

Al Abrams, Tony Hicks, Wendell McDannel, Sheldon Skelly

3rd Place (-11)

Tim Carey, Bill Ortvals, Don Tubbs, Charlie Wolff

Closest to the Pin

#4	Al Abrams	26'6"
#8	Dave Maki	18'7"
#11	Bill Ortvals	6'3"
#13	Keith Beile	10'10"

50/50

Tom O'Rourke

On Wednesday November 13 we enjoyed the Annual MMGA "Scramble/Meeting/Lunch" event:

1st Place (-9):

Randy Beck, David Fitch, Vince Laverghetta, Sheldon Skelly

2nd Place (-8):

Ralph Acquaro, Chris Crawford, Dan DeMartinis, Tim Kohler

3rd Place (-7):

Jim Duane, Lee Fjeld, Jim Oddo, Bob Price

Closest to the Pin

#4	Bob Price	1'2"
#8	Dean Woodle	16'1"

#11 Rick Mason 10'2"
#13 Dan DeMartinis 28'1"

Come join us on Wednesdays for games such 2 Best Net, 3 Best Net, 1-2-3 Red, White & Blue, Scrambles and Flighted Skins.

The MMGA welcomes all male members of the Monarch Golf Club to join our organization. We currently have over 100 members in the MMGA. Come and join us for some great golf and great times.

Terry Pollard 352-408-0975

MWGA – Connie Ortbals

Good heavens! Where has the year gone?

The final Ringer Tournament of 2024 concluded on November 7, 2024. The Overall Winner was Barb Kowalski with a net 66. Way to go! Second place was awarded to Evelyn Weasner (67 net) and the 3rd place winner was Christa Bowen with a net 67. There were several score card playoffs. Great job, Ladies!



Pictured L to R: Evelyn Weasner; Barbara Kowalski, Christa Bowen

The final MWGA Tournament is the President's Cup. Round 1 took place on Thursday, November 21. Round 2 will be held on December 5; the winner will be announced at our Annual Banquet, to be

held at the Crown and Shield on Monday, December 9. The 2025 Officers will be sworn in as well. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the Tea Cup, Most Improved Player, Best Attendance, and Most Birdies. Should be a big night! Look for lots of pictures next month!

Thanks to all who contributed to the Thanksgiving Basket collection. Over 35 baskets were delivered to families in the Leesburg community. The MWGA members are certainly generous.

Here is Lisa Ritchey and Florence Katzenberger, the Family School Liaison for Leesburg Elementary, with some of the baskets. It was quite a haul! Thanks to all who contributed.



The Angel Tree was another great success this year. As was the Toys for Tots Drive. While these are community-wide collections, they are organized by Karen Kozlowski, Linda Carey and Carolyn Skorich - who volunteer their time every year. Again, you ladies are the best!

The Ladies' Challenge Cup Team is well into the season. They have posted three wins so far – their next match is Friday, December 13. We appreciate your efforts to represent our Golf Club in the local community.

Match Play is still ongoing. It appears the #1 team has this season won already. But

who knows what will happen come January? It is a lot of fun and a great competition!

There were limited Thursday games in November:

November 14 – Individual S and T Holes

Flight 1

1 st Place (Tie)	36
Lisa Ritchey, Debby Beck	
2 nd Place (Tie)	39
Cindy Hendricks, Esther Patterson	
3 rd Place (Tie)	40
Linda Carey, Evelyn Weasner	

Flight 2

1 st Place	38
Lori Slater	
2 nd Place (Tie)	40
Barb Kowalski, Francie Traviolia	
3 rd Place	42
Molly Ryan	
4 th Place	43
Marge Parkinson	

Happy Holidays to the entire MWGA family. We said good-bye to some members this year, and welcomed new members. We are looking forward to 2025 and expect to play challenging golf, make good friends, and laugh a lot!

Join us!

Connie Ortals 352-530-2828

Craig Shelton, Maintenance

Recent Activity

- Sprayed greens with second application for goosegrass and poa annua
- Sprayed greens with fertility and fungicide
- Finished edging bunkers
- Touched up weak areas with seed

- Mowing rough again
- Raking and picking up leaves as needed. We still have some seed on the ground that require protecting but we have reached a point where we are now able to start using blowers again on tees and fairways.
- Edged yardage markers
- Trying to get caught up on weed eating
- Cleaned mud and dirt off cart paths
- Filled divots on tees. Always ongoing
- Fertilized tees, fairways, and approaches with granular fertilizer
- Cut down palm by pro shop
- Trimmed shrubs at club house
- Trimmed up grasses along cart path
- Weedeated grass beds and spraying. Not complete.
- Sprayed beds around clubhouse, cart barn, and parking lot for weeds
- Leveled up end of cart paths (where needed) with dirt
- Ball washers drained and refilled with fresh water

New Members



John & Mary Long

Please welcome John & Mary Long who moved to Royal Highlands from Cincinnati, Ohio and joined us as General Members.

They have three children and one of them, Brian, lives with them.

Jason was an Information Systems Manager with Proctor and Gamble and Mary was a stay-at-home mom.

They both graduated from Xavier University.

They so enjoy the game of golf.

Jim Rice joined us as a Seasonal General Single member effective 11/1/24. More information to follow in next month's issue.

Lowell Ranvek also joined us as a Limited General Single effective 11/1/24. More information to follow in next month's issue.

Conversion to Equity

Congratulations to Alice & Brian Heaslip who have converted to Family Equity October, 2024.

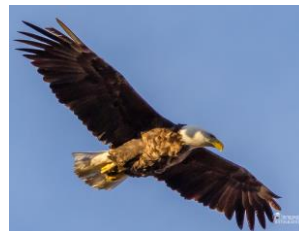


Alice & Brian Heaslip

Congratulations to Jeff & Susan Scott who converted from General to Equity Membership effective October 15, 2024.



Susan & Jeff Scott



EAGLES ARE FLYING



Jeff Scott, #10 11/21/24



Harold Beasley #16 11/22/24

Garden of the Month



#16 After (amazing)



#16 Before (another view)



#16 Before



#16 After



#16 - Kathy Stephens, June Wassenaar, Robin Teets

Christmas at the Monarch Golf Club



Our Putterflies got up early and decorated the Crown & Shield. It looks so festive with the beautifully decorated tree, wall hangings and table centerpieces.

Thank you to all the gals that pitched in and helped:

Karen Weicht, Trinkka Carman, Michelle Penski, Dolly Page, Bobbie Iredale, Gail Brennan, Barbara Ellis, Nancy West, Susan Scott, Diane Adlet, Janie Ernst, Linda Fjeld,

Marsha Mason, Carol Padula, Alice Heaslip, Janice Viapiano,, Linda Martin, Ann Enloe



Thanks to Santa's helpers, Larry Shultz & Lee Fjeld for decorating the outside of the building. It sure does look like Santa will be here soon.

Playing Card Bingo

Once again, we had another successful event on Monday, November 11th with a total of 19 tables. Lisa Ritchey & Keith Beile subbed for the Keating's this month and had their hands full. Good morning Mrs. Ritchey (and that didn't always work).



Evelyn Weasner was Queen and Dean Woodle was the King.

NOTE: There will not be a Card Bingo event in December, but will return on January 13, 2025.

Entertainment

Rob Nichols was with and once again we had a full house of 88 people. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves dancing to a large variety of music.

Many thanks for the large number of residents that attended this event. Your support is so appreciated.

Rob is scheduled to be back with us on Wednesday, **January 29th** so mark your calendar.





Notary Public-ANN CARTER
352-408-6737 (was removed from RH's
phone book).

I am here for any of your notary needs.
 Give me a call to make an appointment.
 Note-all proceeds go to the Monarch Golf
 Club for a variety of items.



2024 HOLES IN ONE

Men:

Joe Greenhowe #4-2/13/24
 Tim Nopper #13-3/14/24
 Bob Price #11 3/27/24
 Tim Kohler #8 4/3/24
 Dave Kozlowski 4/4/24
 Dick Hellem #8 4/7/24
 Vince Laverghetta #4 5/4/24
 Selden Skelly #11 7/17/24
 Tom Powers #4 7/26/24

Ladies:

Carolyn Skorich #8 5/4/24
 Cindy Hendrix #4 8/8/24



CROWN & SHIELD RESTAURANT

Our hours of operation

Monday 11:00 am to 5:00 pm with lunch menu
bar to 6:00 pm.

Tuesday thru Saturday 11:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Sunday 7:30 am to 6:00 pm for breakfast and lunch.

The bar and dining room will remain open till 6:00pm.

Lunch Menu until 5:00 pm

Pizza orders need to be place by 5:30 pm

***Pizza and pizza flatbreads are also available until 6pm order by 5:30
All for dine in or take out***

Our full menu and pizza menu are also available for takeout during our normal business hours excluding Sundays. You can find all our menus posted on the Monarch Golf Club website. Thank you for your continued support, Dawn, F & B Manager

December, 2024 Crown & Shield Restaurant

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

The Crown & Shield is open 7 days a week and take out, curb service will still be available.

No Dinners on Sunday, open for breakfast & lunch

Dinner Specials for December 2024

Sundays'

December 01 –Brunch Menu Available All Day 7:30 am to 5pm Bar til 6pm
December 08 –Brunch Menu Available All Day 7:30 am to 5pm Bar til 6pm
December 15 –Brunch Menu Available All Day 7:30 am to 5pm Bar til 6pm
December 22 –Brunch Menu Available All Day 7:30 am to 5pm Bar til 6pm
December 29 –Brunch Menu Available All Day 7:30 am to 5pm Bar til 6pm

Mondays' -

December 02 –Restaurant open Lunch Menu til 5pm Bar til 5pm
December 09 –Restaurant will be closing at 3pm for Private Function
Bingo Scheduled in December
December 16 –Restaurant open Lunch Menu til 5pm Bar til 5pm
December 23 –Restaurant open Lunch Menu til 5pm Bar til 5pm
December 30 –Restaurant open Lunch Menu til 5pm Bar til 5pm

Tuesdays' -

December 03 –Restaurant Closes at 3pm for Private Holiday Function
December 10 –Restaurant Closes at 3pm for Private Holiday Function
December 17 –Restaurant will be closing at 1pm for Private Function
December 24 –Holiday Buffet “SEE FLYER BELOW”
December 31 –New Years Eve Wine “Dinner Details to be announced”

Wednesdays' -

December 04 –Restaurant Open, full Menu Available 11am to 7pm
December 11 –Restaurant Open, Full Menu Available 11am to 7pm
December 18 –Restaurant Open, Full Menu Available 11am to 7pm
December 25 –RESTAURANT CLOSED-**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Thursdays'- Dinners – Served with choice of a cup of soup or Caesar salad

December 05 –Restaurant will be closed from 11am to 3pm for Private function
Dinner special Grilled Ribeye \$23.99
December 12 –Pork Chop w/ potato & vegetable \$22.99
December 19 –Prime Rib Night w/ potato & vegetable \$22.99
December 26 –Lamb Chop w/ potato & vegetable \$22.99

Fridays' – Dinners – Served with choice of a cup of soup or Caesar salad

December 06 –Herb Crusted Cod w/ starch & vegetables \$21.99
December 13 –Restaurant will be Closing at 3pm for Private Function
December 20 –Seared Scallops \$21.99
December 27 –Seafood Ala Vodka \$20.99

Saturdays' –

December 07 -Restaurant will be closed all day for Private Functions
December 14 -Restaurant closes at 3pm. Private Function
“Birthday Bash” Reservations are required
December 21 -Restaurant open, Full Menu Available 11am to 7pm
December 28 -Restaurant open, Full Menu Available 11am to 7pm

Please be sure to call for reservations or availability for seating as we do have smaller functions that will be taking place throughout the next few weeks. We appreciate your support and wish everyone a safe and joyous holiday season.



YOU ARE INVITED TO

CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER

*Broccoli Salad, House Salad, Spinach Salad
Smoked Salmon & Tomato Mozzarella Trays
Beef Tips, Coconut Chicken, Traditional Turkey
Salmon w/ Citrus Hollandaise, Carved Ham
Wild Rice, Vegetable Medley, Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Omelet & Waffle Station & Assorted Desserts*

DECEMBER 24 • AT 12 PM

\$35.00 per person

7% Sales Tax & 20% Gratuity will be included at time of purchase
Reservations are Required. Take out will be available.

The Crown & Shield Restaurant

Reservations: 352-314-9000 ext 4
or
email: dawnc@monarchgolfclub.com

