

Around THE Club

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Vince Laverghetta—President
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Bill Ortbals-Membership Chair
Jim Oddo-Golf Chair
Doug Simpson-Marketing & Development
Chair

MMGA Scramble

Terry Pollard-Board Member at Large

The MMGA held their annual Men's Scramble on Saturday, December 7, 2022. The results are as follows:

1st Place Score of 58

Rick Mason Jim Oddo Jim Rice Gary Ritchey

2nd Place Score of 61

Rocky Richmond Henry Maguire Terry Pollard Lynn Strucker

3rd Place Score of 62

Bob Keating Ted Laubner Craig Moore Roy Bradford

4th Place Score of 63

Doug Simpson Bonas Johnson Don Snopik Mark Newman

Men's Titton Match Play League

Vince Laverghetta

Here are our winners of the fall session of the Bob Titton Men's Match Play league:

Nicklaus Division

1st Place

Henry Maguire and Steve Ryan

2nd Place
Bob Price and Craig Moore
3rd Place
Randy Beck and Keith Beile
4th Place
Bob Keating and Terry Maciolek

Palmer Division

1st Place
Jim Layne and Selden Skelly
2nd Place
Jack Scappaticci and Steve Bryan
3rd Place
Steve Snover and Dick Therrien
4th Place
Don Tubbs and Gary Ritchey

Bob Keating shot the low round of the session with a 70, Dave Schmitz and Craig Moore shared the low net round with a 69.

Bob Keating was the leading money winner in the skins game followed closely by Steve Ryan and Terry Pollard. John Buono and Vince Laverghetta both carded eagles in the session.

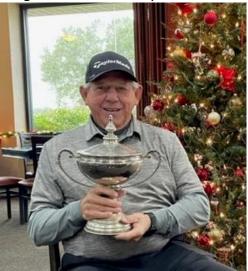
The winter session will begin on Monday, January 9th and will conclude with our fun day and luncheon on March 6th. We have 20 teams signed up to compete in three divisions.

Men's Match Play is a member only league sponsored by the Monarch Men's Golf Association. The cost is currently \$35 per session, which includes \$20 for prize money and \$15 for the luncheon and raffle prizes.

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



Congratulations to Terry Pollard who



Terry Pollard – Crown Cup Winner

Congratulations to Terry Pollard, the 2022 Monarch Crown Cup winner. Rick Mason came in second.

Terry stepped up to the challenge outlasting a field.

The competition serves to be a level playing field with all players receiving a NET 100% course handicap. At the end of the day, each player must play at his handicap level or better to have an opportunity to win.

MMGA – Terry Pollard

The winter session of Men's match play begins January 9.

The Lake County Senior Golf Association will begin its 2023 season at Arlington Ridge on January 19.

Come join us on Wednesdays for games such 1-2-3 Red, White & Blue, Best Ball 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 Stephenson – Maintenance Supervisor

We will be putting out pine straw in the beds this month.

We will be edging cart paths and bunkers. We are reseeding some of the weak areas on tees and fairways.

We are fixing some of the drain boxes along cart paths and other areas.

We will be putting out our 1st pre emerge application towards the end of this month. We will be blowing the leaves of fairways and tees.

Thanks to the members for the generosity in contributing to the maintenance staff for their Christmas bonus.

Hope everyone has a great 2023

MWGA-Connie Ortbals

The MWGA ended 2022 on a real high note. What a spectacular Holiday Party – the dinner was superb and the company was terrific. So many members took the time to dress up and toast the outgoing board and welcome some new faces.

First order of business (following a social hour and the meal!) was to announce the winners of the Yearly Awards:

Most Birdies on Thursday Games: Debby Beck, who posted 20 birdies.

Most Improved Golfer: Carolyn Upchurch, whose Handicap Index went from 37.2 to 32.4 in 2022.

Most Participation in MWGA Events award went to Francie Traviolia who played 31 games on Thursday as well as all seasons of Match Play.

The Tee Cup Award: This prize originated with a former member, Karen Teeguarden: each regular week, one hole is selected for the Tee Cup. Points are earned by scoring birdies (7), pars (5), or bogeys (2) on that particular hole. The totals are calculated for the entire year. The winner for 2022 was Francie Traviolia!

The Ringer Board: This prize is computed by documenting the lowest GROSS score, hole by hole, for all MWGA games for the entire year. With a gross score of 11 under par, a 61, the winner of Ringer Board for 2022 is Lisa Ritchey.



Debby Beck and Lisa



Carolyn Upchurch and Lisa Ritchey



Francie Traviolia and Lisa Ritchev

Lisa then announced the winners of the Ringer Tournament. Christa Bowen was the overall champion with a net 64. Way to go, Christa! Other winners:

Flight 1

1st Place Debby Beck 2nd Place (tie) Linda Carey; Bonnie Rex 3rd Place Karen Kozlowski; Carolyn Skorich 4th Place Dot Vieira

Flight 2

1st Place Cindy Hendricks 2nd^d Place Evelyn Weasner 3rd Place Marge Parkinson

Flight 3

1st Place (tie) Kim McDannel; Molly Ryan 2nd Place (tie) Maddie Hill; Barb Kowalski 3rd Place (tie) Connie Ortbals, Joan Beasley

So many good scores!

Pictured are the first-place winners



L to R-Bonnie Rex, Christa Bowen (Champion), Cindy Hendricks, Linda Carey, Molly Ryan, Kim McDannel (not pictures-Debby Beck)

Lisa then introduced Donna Laverghetta, the incoming President, who swore in the officers for the coming year. Molly Ryan was elected Vice President. Carolyn Case (Treasurer) and Connie Ortbals (Secretary) are continuing in their current positions.



Donna and Molly Ryan, who is a very joyful vice president.



Donna and Carolyn Case who manages our funds with such ease and proficiency.



Donna and Connie Ortbals take the role of secretary very seriously.



Donna and Evelyn Weasner enjoying a moment.

Lisa is taking over the role of Director for the MWGA Board, so she presented the departing Evelyn Weasner with a lovely gift and thanked her for her wonderful advice, experience and talents over the past years — both as President and Director. Evelyn does so much for MWGA — chair of the Hospice Tournament, active participant in tournaments, fabulous crafter. Thank you so much, Evelyn. You will be missed in this role but we know you will be available for any questions that arise. Right, Evelyn?

Karen Kozlowski has agreed to remain as the very effective Rules Guru for the coming year; Carolyn Skorich will continue her great job managing the Match Play sessions; Ann Carter has agreed to again be the Sunshine contact; Debby Beck is overseeing the Challenge Cup games; the ever-inventive Esther Patterson and Sue Scappaticci will continue to arrange the weekly Thursday games, and Debbie Dame has volunteered to again manage the hardworking MWGA volunteers.

We want to take this opportunity to thank Lisa Ritchey who, as a brand-new golfer, had no qualms in saying, "Sure. I can be President. What do you need me to do?" Well, Lisa, you never looked like you were learning on the job. You were always professional, positive, and just did an amazing job. Thank you for serving us so well during your tenure.

REGULAR THURSDAY GAMES

December 22, Individual Low Net

1st Place (tie) 70
Parkinson; Maddie Hill
2nd Place 72 C
Christa Bowen
3rd Place (tie) 74
Linda Carey; Lisa Ritchey
4th Place (tie) 77
Debby Beck; Francie Traviolia

December 29, Low Net Odd Holes

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Flight 1		
1 st Place	34	Carolyn Skorich
^{2nd} Place	37	Debby Beck
3 rd Place	38	Evelyn Weasner
Flight 2		
1 st Place	34	Kim McDannel
2 nd Place	36	Betty Hudi
3 rd Place (tie)	40	Barbara Kowalski &
	Betty Hudi	

The Match Play session ended on December 22. Winners were paid out to six places. Here are the teams who ended in the money:

1st Place

Karen Kozlowski/Linda Hodgson, 342.5 points

2nd Place

Evelyn Weasner/Virginia Holzhausen, 336 points

3rd Place

Maddie Hill/Sue Scappaticci, 335 points 4th Place

Esther Patterson/Carolyn Upchurch, 333.5 points

5th Place

Cindy Hendricks/Bonnie Rex, 332 points 6th Place

Lisa Ritchey/Molly Ryan, 331 points

Five points difference in 2nd and 6th place – that is some good competition, ladies. Congratulations to the winners and to all who chose to play. The next session starts on January 10th.

The ladies' Challenge Cup has started and will run through April. In addition to the Monarch Golf Club, there are seven other clubs represented: Arlington Ridge, Deer Island, Country Club of Mt. Dora, Eagle Ridge, Plantation and Harbor Hills The season runs from September through April. The Monarch team is having a terrific year.

Congrats! This great team of lady golfers is doing a wonderful job representing the MWGA and our golf club in the outside community.

An invitation to each MWGA member is sent out each week. Look for yours on email, and plan to join us for some great competition. The MWGA charges \$3 for each weekly Thursday game (charged to your account). For special events, the cost is \$8. Note: After Thursday golf, MWGA members often retire to the Crown and Shield for lunch. Make a plan to join other members for some fun and camaraderie!



Dear Members & Residents,

Again, this year I was given the privilege to play Santa not only to meet all the hourly employees, many of which I had never met, but to make the Christmas for all, one they won't forget.

It's because of all of you that helped make me do that with your unbelievable, generous donations. Royal Highland's Residents and members of the Golf Club have to be proud of what you have done for the Monarch employees.

A total of \$15,466 was collected and distributed today, \$1,151 more than last year. Even though no one opened their card in front of me, the appreciation was so apparent. They are so grateful for what you did for them and many mentioned how

much they love working here. You sure did show them how much you appreciate them for all their hard work.

Thanks to all of you from the bottom of my heart that reached in your pocket. This community is amazing, you are the BEST!!

Have a wonderful holiday season, you sure did make it a good one me and for our staff.

Ann Carter





Tim & Susan Clements

Please welcome Tim & Susan Clements who have joined us as Family Seasonal General Members.

They are originally from Indiana, and are located in Minneola.

They have 2 children and 4 grandchildren. They were both teachers.

They enjoy fitness, biking, pickleball, golf and watching sports. They belong to the Elks, American Legion and Golf Leagues in Terre Hauk, Indiana.



Gino and Peg Marchioni

Please welcome Peg who has joined her hubby Gino making them Family Seasonal General members.

New Equity Members



Hank Best

Congratulation to Hank Best receiving his stock certificate after joining us as a Single Equity Member in October.

Hank has been a long-time resident in Royal Highlands.

Photo is Hank receiving his stock certificate from President Vince Laverghetta.



Donald Latford

Please welcome Don Latford who has joined us as an Equity member effective December 1, 2022.

Don comes to us from Clermont and was a Harley Davidson Instructor.

This is a photo of him receiving his stock certificate.

Holes in One



Phillip Miller #11 – 12/2/22



Rick Mason #3-12/17/22



EAGLES ARE FLYING



Wendell McDannel, #3, 12/4/22



John Buono

Here is John relaxing after cutting down two diseased palm trees behind the 18th green. Thank you John.

2022 HOLES IN ONE

Men:

Sam Brickley #8 1/23/22
Ted Laubner #8 2/6/22
Charlie Wolff #13 5/6/22
Henry Maguire #13 5/24/22
Don Brennan #8 5/30/22
Ted Laubner #8 2/6/22
Ralph Beighley #4 6/12/22
Steve Snover #8 6/20/22
Keith Beile #8 7/12/22
Tom Wasil #11 7/13/22
Henry Maguire #4 11/25/22
NEW:

Wendel McDannel #3 12/4/22 Ladies:

Carolyn Skorich #8 1/20/22 Gail Brennan #4 2/3/22 Esther Patterson #13 06/02/22 Cindy Hendricks #11 7/14/22 Karen Kozlowski #4 – 10/3/22 Bonnie Rex #11 – 11/15/22

Entertainment

Organized by ANN CARTER (Working with Lisa Breed)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – THIS IS A GREAT ONE!!!!



LISA COAN

Sign Up is Underway!!!

W E D N E S D A Y, JANUARY 25, 2023

Be sure to attend!! Lisa Coan will have you up dancing all night & or singing along while she takes you on a musical journey down memory lane. Lisa has been a Villager favorite as she has been in central Florida performing over 17 years, coming from south Florida & Europe where she's performed in bands over 30 years! We are excited to have her. It will be a DO NOT MISS PARTY!!!

JANUARY 2nd thru JANUARY 4th
OPEN TO PUBLIC JANUARY 5th

Cocktails at 5:30 pm – Dinner 6:00 pm –
Entertainment to follow

DINNER

\$18.99 Plus 7% Tax and Gratuity
House Salad W/Italian Dressing
Beef Tenderloin W/Demi Glaze Sauce
Baked Cod W/Lemon chardonnay
Greek Chicken W/Sundried tomatoes,
artichoke and basil on top

Baked Potato
Vegetable Medley
(Special desserts will be available)

Sign Up is to be as follows:

Email Reservations to

lisaa@monarchgolfclub.com

(or you can call @ 352-314-9000)

In your email, please <u>FURNISH</u>: All names in the party and all dinner choices (All Tables Will Be 8 Tops)

NOTE: You <u>WILL</u> receive an email confirmation from Lisa

\$5.00 per person entertainment fee

Reservations REQUIRED
NOTE: 48 Hour Cancellation Policy is in

Effect



CROWN & SHIELD RESTAURANT (UPDATED)

Our hours of operation
Monday 11:00 am to 2:00 pm bar to 6:00 pm.
Tuesday thru Saturday 11:00 am to 7:00 pm.
Sunday 7:30 am to 2:00 pm for breakfast and lunch.
The bar and dining room will remain open till 6:00pm.
A limited snack menu will be available for dine or take out between 2:00 pm thru 6:00 pm. Pizza orders need to be place by 5:30 pm

<u>Basket of Fries</u> – Enjoy a basket of sweet potato or regular fries. \$4.99 <u>Basket Chips</u> – Deep fried and seasoned potato chips served with your choice Of dipping sauce. \$4.99

<u>Onion Rings</u> – Crispy on the outside, tender on the inside served with our kicken Bayou sauce \$7.99

<u>Pecan Crusted Chicken Salad</u> – crunchy pecan crusted chicken breast over a mix of fresh greens, mandarin oranges, c'raisins and bleu cheese crumbles. \$12.99 <u>Hole in One Sandwich</u> – Homemade chicken or tuna salad with your choice of bread served with one side. \$10.99

10 Wings W/Fries -choose from mild, hot, garlic parm, or BBQ \$12.99

Big Bogey Pretzel - served with beer cheese \$11.50

Fried Pickles - served with our signature boom boom sauce \$7.99

Trio Salad Served W/Fruit -chicken, tuna, & egg salad on a bed of greens \$11.99

Dinner Salad W/a scoop of chicken or tuna - \$10.99

Pizza and pizza flatbreads are also available till 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, Lisa Ann, F & B Manager

January, 2023 Crown & Shield Restaurant *ITEMS OF INTEREST:*

The Crown & Shield is open 7 days a week and take out, curb service and delivery will still be available. No Dinners on Sunday, open for lunch & snack

CALL FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS

Dinner Specials for DECEMBER 2022

Sundays' -

January 1 – Closed Happy New Year

January 8 - Breakfast & Lunch until 2pm Snack Menu until 5:30pm

January 15 – Breakfast & Lunch until 2pm Snack Menu until 5:30pm

January 22 – Breakfast & Lunch until 2pm Snack Menu until 5:30pm

January 29 – Breakfast & Lunch until 2pm Snack Menu until 5:30pm

Mondays'-

January 2 – Lunch until 2pm Bar closes at 6pm

January 9 – Lunch until 2pm Bar closes at 5pm Private Event

January 16 – Lunch until 2pm Bar closes at 6pm

January 23 – Restaurant Closed Private Event

January 30- Lunch until 2pm Bar closes at 6pm

Tuesdays' - Dinners - Served with choice of a cup of soup or dinner salad

January 3 – Liver & Onions w/ mashed potato & veggie \$14.99

January 10 – Fried Chicken w/ mashed potato & veggie \$14.99

January 17 – Mongolian Buffet only Reservations Required \$18.99

January 24 – Taste of Italy only Reservations Required \$16.99

January 31 – Restaurant closes at 3pm Private Event

Wednesdays' -

January 4- Order off full menu

January 11 – Order off full menu

January 18 – Order off full menu

January 25 – Restaurant Closes at 3pm Private Event

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

January 5 – Meatloaf w/ mashed potato & veggie \$14.99

January 12 – Chicken Francaise w/ starch & veggie \$16.99

January 19 – Prime Rib w/ baked potato & veggie \$22.99

January 26 – Burgundy Tips w/ starch & veggie \$16.99

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

January 6 – Salmon Encroute w/ baked potato & veggie \$18.99

January 13 – Surf & Turf w/ baked potato & veggie \$22.99

January 20 – Clams over pasta \$18.99

January 27 – Seafood Scampi over pasta \$18.99

Saturdays' -

January 7 – Order off full menu

January 14 - Close at 3pm Private Event

January 21 – Close at 3pm Private Event

January 28 - Order off full menu

JANUARY RESTAURANT EVENTS:

Sunday January 1st Happy New Year's Restaurant & Bar Closed

Monday January 9th Restaurant closes at 3 pm Bingo

Saturday January 14th Restaurant closes at 3:30 pm Private Dinner Event

Saturday January 21st Restaurant closes at 3:00 pm Birthday Bash

Sunday January 22nd Veterans Meet & Greet 3-5 Snack Menu

Monday January 23rd Restaurant Closed Private Lunch Event

Wednesday January 25 Restaurant closes at 3pm Private Entertainment Event-Open to Public,

Lisa Coan