

## Around THE Club

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## **Member Guest**

#### Luis Colon - General Manager

We could not have asked for better weather for your final round. What a gorgeous day!

Final two best putters of the tourney going for the \$2,000.00 cash prize were:

- Jackie Cvikota
- Patty Guinther

No winner this year!!!

We had no hole in ones unfortunately.

For the first day Closest to the Pin, the following individuals took the prize home:

Hole 4 Karen Pufky – 14ft 11in Hole 8 Kari Lemke – 4ft 10.5in /// Steve Bryan - 3ft 10in Hole 11 Linda Carey – 3ft Hole 13 Chris Carmen – 17ft 8in

For the second day Closest to the Pin, the following individuals took the prize home:

Hole 4 Karen Kozlowski – 1ft /// Harold Beasley – 13ft 1in Hole 8 Karen Kozlowski – 28ft 7in /// Mark Newman - 4ft 8in Hole 11 Francie Traviolia – 6ft 5in /// Todd Hubmer – 4ft 7in Hole 13 Maddie Hill - 4ft 9in /// Dan Brennan - 4ft

Below are the results of the 2024 Member Guest tournament:

#### **2024 Member Guest Champions**

**Women's Division** 



Michelle Penski & Kari Lemke

#### **2024 Member Guest Champions**

**Men's Division** 



Tim Nopper & Dennis Seifferlein (chip off)

Women's Division top 4 teams on each flight:

**A FLIGHT** 



1. Karen Kozlowski & Chris Wilson 172



2. Francie Traviolia & Patty Guinther 174



3. Linda Carey & Diana Hamilton 176



4. Evelyn Weasner & Claire Brucato 177 B FLIGHT



1. Michelle Penski & Kari Lemke 180



2. Maddie Hill & Trudie Dorval 183



3. Gail Brennan & Karen Pufky 186



4. Alice Heaslip & Ruth Ann Cox 186

#### Men's Division top 4 teams on each flight: A FLIGHT



1. Bob Keating & Rocky Richmond 167



2. Vince Laverghetta & Andrew Laverghetta 169





4. Randy Beck & Jake Beck 174

**B FLIGHT** 



1. Jim Nopper & Dennis Seifferlein 170



2. David Kozlowski & Scott Kozlowski 171



3. Bonas Johnson & Ben Stephens 175



4. Jeff Scott & Stef Bender 175

#### **C FLIGHT**



1. Brian Heaslip & Mark Newman 169



1. John Buono & John Farrelly 174



2. Tom Suzda & Anthony Suzda 180



1.Jim Oddo & Mark Messina 181

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1.Dave Race & Carson Race 157



2. Mike Kline & Lynn Strucker 170



3.Tom Cvikota & Jackie Cvikota 181



4.Don Hubmer & Todd Hubmer 183

We cannot thank our members and their guests enough for playing in the event. You are what makes the event one to remember. We hope that we met your expectations and plan on exceeding them at the next Member Guest event scheduled for April 3-5, 2025.

I will be remised if I do not thank the hardworking staff of this club that showed up daily to provide a great service to you all. Restaurant Manager, Dawn Catando / Head Chef Toby Williams and their staff.

Maintenance superintendents Craig Shelton
/ Kimberly Gill and their staff, and the pro
shop / cart barn staff. We could not do this
without you. You are appreciated. Thank
you for all you do.

To the Army of volunteers and all the other members and residents that stepped up to support the event, your contributions and efforts do not go unnoticed. Thank you for all you do.

# Men's Titton Match Play League

#### **Vince Laverghetta**

John Buono and Harold Beasley are coasting to a victory in the Nicklaus division with a 25 point lead with only one week remaining in the session. Harold Beasley shot a personal best 68 to post the lowest score of the session. Harold also is the leading money winner in the skins game, but Rick Mason is in close pursuit.

Henry Maguire and Jim Layne hold a slim 5point lead in the Palmer division and will meet Tim Kohler and Jim Duane in the final week of the session to determine the winners.

Here are the standings:

#### **Nicklaus Division**

1st Place
John Buono and Harold Beasley
2nd Place
Bob Keating and Steve Ryan
3rd Place
Terry Maciolek and Vince Laverghetta
4<sup>th</sup> Place
Rick Mason and Bill Ortbals

#### Palmer Division

1st Place
Jim Layne and Henry Maguire
2nd Place
Tim Kohler and Jim Duane
3rd Place
Dave Fitch and Sam Brickley
4<sup>th</sup> Place
Jim Oddo and Tim Nopper

The spring session will begin play on Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> and will conclude with our awards luncheon on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Sign up in the pro shop.

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 <a href="mailto:vincelaverghetta@gmail.com">vincelaverghetta@gmail.com</a> for sign up details and information on the league.

#### **Craig Shelton - Maintenance**

Recent activity:

Sprayed greens with 2nd application of herbicide for goose grass control Top-dressed greens
Sprayed tee tops for broadleaf weeds
Filled washouts on greens surrounds.
Fertilized greens with granular fertilizer.
Sliced hole #18 tees, fairway, and rough Trimmed hedges around club house and cart barn.

As everyone knows transition is now in full swing. High daytime temps along with low humidity are beginning to take out the winter overseeding. I am running extra water in the early mornings and the afternoon ahead of play. With our limited water allocation most of the extra water is being utilized in the most severely stressed areas. Trying to slow down the exit of the

ryegrass till Bermuda is fully awake. Bermuda is growing again but still not 100 percent due to low nighttime temps in the 50s.

Most of my time for the past couple of weeks has required me to focus on irrigation repairs. We are getting caught up and most problems found have been repaired. We still have a few issues but are chipping away at them as quickly as possible. Kim, my assistant, is picking up on things quickly and doing a great job but 6 months isn't enough time to learn everything. When not working on or running irrigation my time has been devoted to spraying.

We are seeing good results on #1 fairway from the prior maintenance we listed in an earlier report. Spraying the nematicide is probably the biggest contribution to improvement. Grass is still thin and needs to fill in.

#### **MWGA-Terry Pollard**

We had some great golf going on in April. Please see the results in this month's Around the Club.

On Wednesday April 24 we enjoyed the MMGA "Flighted Skins" event. Below are the group winners:

- 1. Mike Kline
- 2. (Tie) Dick Therrien, John Wassenaar
- 3. Jim Duane
- 4. David Schmitz
- 5. Bonas Johnson
- 6. (Tie) Tom Cvikota, Craig Moore
- 7. Harold Beasley

#### Closest to the Pin

#4	Patrick Vaccaro	24'6"	
#8	Bonas Johnson	2'3"	
#11	David Schmitz	4'10"	

#13 Mike Kline 9'2"

<u>50/50</u>

**Bill Ortbals** 

On Wednesday April 17 we enjoyed the MMGA "2 Best Ball" event. Below are the Group winners:

1st Place -18: Alan Abrams, Bonas Johnson, Roy Bowen, Tom Wasil

2nd Place -15 Keith Beile, Craig Moore, Gary Ritchey, Dick Therrien

3rd Place -14 (Tie): Mike Kline, Mike Kowalski, Bob Price, Patrick Vaccaro, Terry Pollard, Bob Porch, Don Tubbs, John Wassenaar

Closest To the Pin

#4	Don Tubbs	5'5"	
#8	Bill Ortbals	2'6"	
#11	Dave Maki	11'	
#13	Terry Pollard	9'	

50/50 Mike Holzhausen, Terry Pollard

On Wednesday April 10 we enjoyed the MMGA "Scramble" event. Below are the Group winners,

1st Place -8:

Roy Bowen, Tim Kohler, John Padula, Keith Patterson

2nd Place -6:

Harold Beasley, Mike Kline, Terry Pollard, Dave Race

3rd Place -5:

Keith Beile, Tom Cvikota, Don Hubmer, Patrick Vaccaro

Closest to the Pin

#4	Bob Price	22'9"
#8	Bill Ortbals	10'8"

#11 John Padula 15'14" #13 Ralph Acquaro 6'2"

50/50 Al Whittlef

On Wednesday April 3 we enjoyed the MMGA "3 Best Net" event.

1st Place -20: Jim Duane, David Fitch, Dave Maki, Tom O'Rourke

2nd Place -12: Keith Beile, Mike Kline, Tim Kohler, Dick Therrien

3rd Place -7: Ralph Acquaro, Roy Bowen, Mike Kowalski, Jimmy Layne

#### Closest To the Pin

#4 Wendell McDannel 4'0"

#8 Tim Kohler

Hole In One (first ever)

#11 Terry Pollard 12'6" #13 Tom Wasil 21'4"

50/50 Jimmy Layne

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 Pollard 352-408-0975

#### **MWGA-Connie Ortbals**

As we head into the Summer, please know that the MWGA has many exciting events planned! The Annual Ladies' Shootout takes place on Sunday, June 9 in the afternoon. There are three qualifying rounds in May – May 16, May 23 and May 30. If there is a rain-out, the make-up date will be June 6. The qualifying rounds take

place during the regular Thursday MWGA games, so remember to sign up and try to be one of the 10 finalists! We are looking forward to fielding another great team and putting on a show for the spectators!

The Beat the Pro game took place on Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. (Did we HAVE to pick the windiest day of the season?) Luis Colon and the Women's Champ, Debby Beck, were amenable to competing against all of the MWGA members who signed up! (We could use our handicaps; Debby and Luis used their actual score!) Was it a surprise that all of the MWGA players won? It was a tough golf day for the Pro and Champ, but they were great good sports as they gave everyone their pins. Thank you!

The pizza buffet following the game at the Crown and Shield was a rousing success. Thanks to all who made this such a great day.



Here are some of the players showing off the pins they earned! (L to R: Molly Ryan, Barb Colmer, Linda Hodgson, Cindy Hendrix, Bonnie Rex, Sue Scappaticci, Coreen Corbin, Carolyn Upchurch)

Thursday Games continue to be both challenging and fun. Esther Patterson and Sue Scappaticci continue to wow us each week. And it is a great way to play with a

variety of golfers – some of the games are reserved for like handicaps while others feature A, B, C and D players. It is a good mix and very much appreciated. All games are flighted, so everyone has a chance to win.

#### **REGULAR THURSDAY GAMES**

#### March 28 – Individual S & T Holes

Flight 1

1<sup>st</sup> Place 34 Debby Beck

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 38

Marine McKemie

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 39

Bonnie Rex

Flight 2

1<sup>st</sup> Place 40

Barbara Kowalski

2<sup>nd</sup> Place (Tie) 41

Lori Slater. Connie Ortbals, Coreen Corbin

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 42

Marge Parkinson

#### April 11, 2024 – Beat the Pro/Individual Low Net

Flight 1

1<sup>st</sup> Place 72

Linda Carey

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 75

**Esther Patterson** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 77

Carolyn Skorich

4<sup>th</sup> Place 78

Bonnie Rex

Flight 2

1<sup>st</sup> Place 75

Francie Traviolia

2<sup>nd</sup> Place (Tie) 76

Sue Scappaticci, Linda Hodgson

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 77

Marge Parkinson

4<sup>th</sup> Place 81

Diane Christie

Flight 3

1<sup>st</sup> Place 73

Coreen Corbin

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 76

Molly Ryan

3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Tie) 77

Carolyn Upchurch, Barb Kowalski

4<sup>th</sup> Place 79

Sandy Cookson

Flight 4

1<sup>st</sup> Place 76

**Barb Colmer** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 78

**Connie Ortbals** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 79

Gail Brennan

4<sup>th</sup> Place (Tie) 80

Peg Johnsen, Maddie Hill

### April 18 – Like Handicap Thursday, Individual Low Net

Flight 1

1<sup>st</sup> Place 71

Linda Carey

2<sup>nd</sup> Place (Tie) 73

Debby Beck, Karen Kozlowski, Carolyn

Skorich

Flight 2

1<sup>st</sup> Place 73

Linda Hodgson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place (Tie) 74

Sue Scappaticci, Francie Traviolia

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 76

Beth Skelly

#### Flight 3

1<sup>st</sup> Place 71

Barb Colmer

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 72

Maddie Hill

3<sup>rd</sup> Place 74

Clara Madyda

4<sup>th</sup> Place 75

Peg Johnsen

#### April 24 - Individual F. O. N. E. Holes

#### Flight 1

1<sup>st</sup> Place 32

Christa Bowen

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 33

Francie Traviolia

3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Tie) 34

Esther Patterson, Carolyn Skorich

4<sup>th</sup> Place 35

Marine McKemie

#### Flight 2

1<sup>st</sup> Place 30

Molly Ryan

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 31

Coreen Corbin

3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Tie) 33 Connie Ortbals, Lori Slater 4<sup>th</sup> Place 36

Cookie O'Rourke, Barb Colmer

The MWGA charges \$3 for each weekly Thursday game. For special events, the cost is \$8. (Both are charged to your account.) Members often meet in the Crown and Shield following the game Join us!

Connie Ortbals 352-530-2828

### Monarch Golf Club Celebration of Life Patio



Our Celebration of Life patio has received a face lift with the pavers being washed, new sand added and sealed. Special "thank you" to equity member, Tim Kohler for providing his time and talent.

Thank you to equity members, Steve and Sandi Bryan for their donation of the beautiful gold, wrought iron patio set. Wonderful addition for the enjoyment of our members and guests.

The Celebration of Life patio was built in 2015 through the efforts of Dona Nash, Barbara Bradford and Carol Smith. The patio now has over 100 bricks installed celebrating golf achievements, anniversaries, birthdays, loved ones, grandkids, dogs and cats. The patio has raised over \$10,000 and the funds are used to expand the patio and other make improvements to our clubhouse and golf course. Ordering a brick is the perfect way to remember your special person, event or achievements and support our wonderful golf club.

Brick ordering has now become easier with the formation of our own website. You can access the website at

https://polarengraving.com/monarchgolfclu

<u>b</u>. If you are not comfortable utilizing the on line ordering format, you can contact Vince Laverghetta @gmail.com and be will

<u>vincelaverghetta@gmail.com</u> and he will process your order for you.

The cost of the 4 X 8 inch brick is \$100 with 3 lines of engraving. If you wish to add a special emblem, such as a flag, add \$10 to the cost.



Bob Porch-no photo available

Bob comes to us from Rensseler, Indiana, and has joined us as a limited general plus member effective 4/1/24. He has two children and 5 grandchildren.

He was a wildlife biologist and enjoys fishing and golf.



**Alan Abrams** 

Please welcome Alan Abrams who has joined us as a single general member effective April 1, 2024

Alan is a CPA, enjoys golf, model trains & fantasy Football



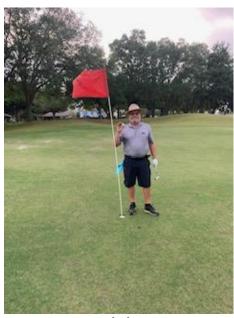
**Dale Garner** 

Please welcome Dale Garner who has joined us as a limited general single member on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Dale comes to us from Columbus, Georgia, has one daughter and one grandson.

He was previously a General Contractor and enjoys the game of golf.

# Holes in One



Tim Kohler #8 4/3/24-his first!! WTG Tim



Dick Hellem #8 4/7/24

#### **2024 HOLES IN ONE**

#### Men:

Joe Greenhowe #4-2/13/24 Tim Nopper #13-3/14/24 Bob Price #11 3/27/24

#### **NEW**

Tim Kohler #8 4/3/24 Dick Hellem #8 4/7/24

#### Ladies:

Not yet



Kim McDannel #6 4/14/24

## **Playing Gard Bingo**

Once again, we had another successful event on Monday, April 8 with a total of 23 tables.

Bob & Judy Keating are doing an outstanding job keeping all of us in order.

Joan LeCuyer was the Queen and Bob Keating was the King.



Queen, Joan LeCuyer, King, Bob Keating

# triertainment

Rob Nichols was with us at the Crown & Shield on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> and did an sold out in 3 days which resulted in a full house. The staff did a great job getting the food out in a timely manner and it was very good. Great job!!!

Rob has been rescheduled to return on Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> so mark your calendar. More details to follow.









# **Gardens of** the



#6 - Randy & Debby Beck



Hole #4 Wendell & Kimbra McDannel



#### **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

### May, 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



# HAPPY STARTS HERE

**BAR BITE SPECIALS** 

SPRING ROLLS

\$5

PRETZEL BITES

FRIED GNOCCI BALLS

POPCORN CHICKEN

MUST PURCHASE BEER, WINE, OR COCKTAIL BEVERAGE TO RECEIVE DISCOUNTED APPETIZERS

OFFER ONLY AVAILABLE IN BAR 12:30pm to 4:30pm

#### **Dinner Specials for May, 2024**

Sunda	ays'					
May	5	Breakfast till 11am Lunch 11-1pm Lunch till 5pm Pizza 1p	m to 5:30pm			
May	12	Mother's Day Brunch Reservations are Required				
May	19	Breakfast till 11am Lunch 11-1pm Lunch till 5pm Pizza 1p	m to 5:30pm			
May	26	Breakfast till 11am Lunch 11-1pm Lunch till 5pm Pizza 1p				
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Monda	ays'					
May	6	Restaurant Lunch only till 5pm Bar Closes at 6pm Pizza 1	pm to 5:30pm			
May	13	Restaurant closes at 3pm Taco Bingo				
May	20	Restaurant Lunch only till 5pm Bar Closes at 6pm Pizza 1pm to 5:30pm				
May	27	Restaurant Lunch only till 5pm Bar Closes at 6pm Pizza 1pm to 5:30pm				
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	_	- Dinners - Served with choice of a cup of soup or Cae				
May	7	Liver & Onions "Reservations Recommended"	\$19.99			
May	14	Greek Stuffed Chicken "Reservations Recommended"	\$19.99			
May	21	Taste of Italy Buffet "Reservations Recommended"	\$20.99			
May	28	Mongolian Night Buffet "Reservations Recommended"	\$20.99			
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May	1	Restaurant open Full Menu is available.				
May	8	Restaurant open Full Menu is available.				
May	15	Restaurant open Full Menu is available.	J (*4.0.00			
May	22	Restaurant Closed 3pm Trivia Night Reservations Require	90 \$16.99			
May	29	Restaurant open Full Menu is available				
Thurs	davs'	- Dinners - Served with choice of a cup of soup or Cae	sar salad			
May	2	Pork chops w/ Apple Crisp w/ Potato & Vegetable	\$22.99			
May	9	Burgandy Beef Tips served with Potato and Vegetable	\$21.99			
May	16	Herb Crusted Lamb Chops with Potato & vegetables	\$22.99			
May	23	St. Louis Rib Night with Potato & vegetables	\$20.99			
May	30	Prime Rib Night with Potato & vegetables	\$23.99			
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Fridays' - Dinners - Served with choice of a cup of soup or Caesar salad						
May	3	Stuffed Sole served w/ Potato & vegetable	\$21.99			
May	10	Seafood Scampi "Reservations Required"	\$19.99			
May	17	Seafood Stuffed Grouper served w/potato & Veg	\$23.99			
May	24	Coconut Shrimp Dinner served with Potato & Veg	\$20.99			
May	31	Crab Cakes w/ Potato and Vegetable	\$19.99			
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May	3	Restaurant closing at 3pm Private Function				
May	10	Restaurant open Full Menu Available				
May	17	Restaurant closing at 3pm Private function Birthday Bash				
May	24	Restaurant open Full Menu Available				





May 22nd, 2024

**WEDNESDAY** 

Dinner 4:30 PM Trivia 6pm

Dinner Buffet Beginning at 4:30pm, Trivia starts at 6pm. Reservations are required, Reservations will be placed in teams of 8 unless your reservation party consists of 8 or more. Please call for Details & Reservations. 352-314-9000 ext 4.

48 Hour Cancellation policy in effect for this event