



Around The Club

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LABOR DAY TOURNAMENT

The Labor Day tournament took place on a fantastic overcast day! The teams battled their hearts out on the step-back scramble format. Thank you to all participants and supporters for making the event a successful one.

As many have said, “You are what makes your club and the tournaments special!”.

Game Winners

Congratulations go out to the top 3 teams:



1st Place -14 Net 58

L to R: Mike Allen, Cindy Hendricks, Bobbie Iredale, Tim Waugh



2nd Place -12 (Net 60)

L to R: Rick and Marsha Mason; Therese and John Buono



3rd Place -11 Net 61

L to R: Bonas and Regina Johnson, Susan and Jeff Scott

Closest to the Pin Winners



Terry Pollard, #8, 13'11



Susan Scott, #4, 6'2"

MWGA-Connie Ortbals



The MWGA held their annual Pick a Partner game and luncheon on September 24, 2026. What a fun day! Great golf; great food; lots of laughs.

Winners:

Flight 1

1 st Place	73	Diane Dixon/Bonnie Rex
2 nd Place	75	Joan Beasley/Debby Beck
3 rd Place	76	Karen Koz/Sandy Pilling
4 th Place (Tie)	77	Christa Bowen/Sue Scap Beth Skelly/Karen Weicht

Flight 2

1 st Place	79	Susan Scott, Francie T
2 nd Place	80	Marge Parkinson/Lori Slater
3 rd Place (Tie)	85	Linda Hodgson/Judy Taylor Donna Laverghetta/Carolyn Upchurch
4 th Place	89	Sherry Pagut/Kathy Stephens

Let's give a shoutout to the staff at the Monarch who did an outstanding job. You are terrific!

Thursday Games:

9/3 – Mutt and Jeff (Par 3s and 5s):

Flight 1

1 st Place	33	Bonnie Rex
2 nd Place	34	Christa Bowen
3 rd Place (Tie)	35	Debby Beck, Sandy Pilling, Cindy Hendricks, Lisa Ritchey

Flight 2

1 st Place	32	Lori Slater
2 nd Place	34	Regina Johnson
3 rd Place (Tie)	35	Marge Parkinson, Joan Beasley

9/10 Par 4s

Flight 1

1 st Place	36	Diane Dixon
2 nd Place	39	Sue Scappaticci
3 rd Place (Tie)	40	Lisa Ritchey, Karen Kozlowski
4 th Place	41	Debby Beck, Wilma Greenhowe

Flight 2

1 st Place (Tie)	37	Susan Scott
2 nd Place	39	Francie Traviolia
3 rd Place	40	Molly Ryan
4 th Place (Tie)	43	Jeannette Marinelli, Carolyn Upchurch

9/17 – Low Net

Flight 1

1 st Place	72	Karen Koslowski
2 nd Place	73	Diane Dixon
3 rd Place	75	Debby Beck
4 th Place (Tie)	76	Bonnie Rex, Christa Bowen

Flight 2

1 st Place	71	Francie Traviolia
2 nd Place	73	Susan Scott
3 rd Place (Tie)	77	Barbara Kowalski, Pat Cashmore
4 th Place	79	Carolyn Upchurch

Many members who play on Thursday visit the Crown and Shield following the game for food, fun and fellowship. Hope to see you there!

Match Play

The next session of Match Play starts on October 6. Nine teams are competing. Watch this space!

If you are interested in learning about Match Play, contact Carolyn Skorich at duffycms@aol.com.

MMGA-Craig Moore

The MMGA welcomes all male members of the Monarch Golf Club. We are approximately 100 members strong. Check us out for great golf times. The cooler September weather was certainly appreciated!

Wednesday, September 2nd, "Flighted Skins"

Selden Skelly 4 skins	\$9
Dan Brennan 3 skins	\$12
Mike Kowalski 4 skins	\$9
Dave Maki 4 skins	\$12
Dan DeMartinis 6 skins	\$12
Rick Mason 3 skins	\$12
Bob Price 3 skins	\$12

Closest to the Pin Winners - \$14 each

#4	Craig Moore	4'10"
#8	Steve Ryan	3'9"
#11	Craig Moore	6'2"
#13	Terry Pollard	10'6"

50/50 Winners - \$35 each

John Wassenaar, Tim Nopper

Wednesday, September 9th, "3 Best Net "

1st Place at 2 under par, \$8 each:

Dick Hellem, Dan Brennan, Tim Kohler

2nd Place at 6 over par, \$5 each

Craig Moore, Dave Maki, Adam Talarek

3rd Place at 7 over par, \$3 each

Dean Woodle, Keith Beile, Don Hubmer

Closest to the Pin Winners - \$8 each

#4	Tim Kohler	4' 1"
#8	Joe Greenhowe	10' 9"
#11	Dave Maki	26' 5"
#13	Tim Kohler	16' 1"

50/50 Winner: Dave Maki \$30

Wednesday, September 16th, "Red, White, and Blue"

1st Place at 11 under par, \$8 each

Keith Patterson, Keith Beile, Steve Snover,
Gary Ritchie

2nd Place in a score card playoff at 11 under par - \$5 each

Mike Allen, Dave Maki, Jim Layne, Selden
Skelly

3rd Place at 9 under par, \$3 each

Bob Price, Hank Best, Don Hubmer

Closest to the Pin Winners, \$9 each

#4	Craig Moore	9'8"
#8	Henry Maguire	21'9"
#11	Don Hubmer	45'
#13	Jim Layne	9'11"

50/50 Winners: Steve Snover \$20; Keith Beile \$25

Wednesday, September 23rd "Ringer Tournament" – Week 1

Thirty-seven players competing; the top 20 qualifiers after two weeks of play advance to the first ever **Monarch President's Cup!**

Closest to the pin Winners - \$18 each

#4	John Wassenaar	21'1"
#8	Mike Allen	3'11"
#11	Bob Price	2'1"
#13	Keith Beile	14'

50/50 Winners - \$45 each

Ralph Beighley, John Wassenaar

Wednesday, September 30th, "Ringer Tournament" – Week 2

The MMGA had another big turnout this week. We had two flights with the top 3 net scores. Listed are the winners.

Flight 1

1 st Place	Harold Beasley	8	\$100
2 nd Place	Steve Ryan	7	\$65
3 rd Place	John Buono	7	\$35

Flight 2

1 st Place	Gary Ritchey	8	\$100
2 nd Place	Adam Talarek	8	\$65
3 rd Place	Dennis Walden	7	\$35

Closest to the Pin Winners \$16 each

#4	Harold Beasley	3'6"
#8	Dan Brennan	6'7"
#11	Vince Laverghetta	12' 2"
#13	Dave Fitch	8' 8"

50/50 Winners: \$40 each: Dan DeMartinis; Harold Beasley

Men's Tilton Match Play League

Here are the final results of the summer session of Men's Match play:

Nicklaus Division

- 1st Place Harold Beasley and John Buono
- 2nd Place Jim Layne and Gary Ritchey
- 3rd Place Rick Mason and Tom Suzda
- 4th Place Vince Laverghetta and Rondo Pagut

Chris Crawford shot the low round of the session with a two under par 70.

John Buono shot a 72 for the low net round of 65. John shot 8 shots under his age!

Chris Crawford blew away the field in the skins game carding 24 birdies in the 8-week session.

Leading Money Winners in the Skins Game:

1 st Place	Chris Crawford
2 nd Place	Bob Keating
3 rd Place	Gary Ritchey
4 th Place	Harold Beasley

The fall session will kick off on Monday, October 5th and conclude on *a day that will live in infamy* (December 7).

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 at vincelaverghetta@gmail.com for sign up details and information on the league.



Tim Waugh, 9/7 (**LABOR DAY TOURNAMENT!!**)
Hole #4, 137 yards.



EAGLES ARE FLYING



Keith Patterson scored an eagle on Hole 10 on September 9. Congrats!



Karen Brondyke eagled Hole #1 on September 21. Awesome!

Maintenance – Craig Shelton

- During the last weeks of September the maintenance staff has been focusing on preparation for overseeding, which will take place very soon. The plan is to overseed tee complexes as early as possible in the beginning of October. They will seed the entire complex this year, not only the tee tops. Fairways will be done at end of month as scheduled originally.
- Staff have also been spinning out goosegrass on tee tops and around edge of greens and collar daily. They are continuing with the spot spraying of goose grass daily as well.
- Staff have been filling washouts around the course caused by the last heavy rain we received a few weeks ago, 6 inches in one night. Also leveled cart path ends such as hole #6 for example. •
- Course has been fertilized wall to wall in the last 2 months 3 times. Once with an all-around slow release and twice with a sludge / sulfate combination. Sulfate is a quick release which pushes fast growth and the sludge is an organic fertilizer which also aids in increasing organic material in sandy soils to aid in moisture retention. A wall-to-wall application of straight sludge was applied as well for a total of 4 wall to wall applications.
- *They have been leveling tee tops with top dressing mixed with Command, and have begun reshaping fairways, tees, and approaches to prepare for upcoming overseeding.*
- Several new staffers have been hired and they are being trained. Even though some have a lot of experience, training is still required. Please be patient during this time.
- The work has continued on weak areas on greens Staff members are hand spiking and hand top dressing same areas.
- Greens were sprayed with fungicide, nutritionals, and soil conditioners twice.
- Rough mowers are going nonstop.
- Holes #1, #2 putting green, and #9 got dry due to irrigation issue with satellite controller. Repairs have been made and turf will be ok.
- Craig will look into the tree roots on hole #3 and hole #8 approaches to the greens from the cart path.

Overseeding Update

The weather is blessing our location with cooler morning temperatures and much needed rainfall. Given those things, the maintenance department made changes to start overseeding all tee box complexes and the driving range areas early. All golf course tee boxes and the entire driving range hitting areas are done. With that, the parking lot area near number 1 black and gold tees will be coned off today, October 7, to ensure no golf carts get wet during the additional irrigation runs.

With the favorable temperature conditions, the maintenance department will continue with overseeding the golf course approach areas next Monday. Effective Wednesday, October 14, all approaches areas are off limits for approximately 14 days. Please help us by not driving past the marked white line at the approach entrance. The entire approaches will be dotted line marked with white paint.

Below are reminders for overseeding the rest of the golf course:

Monday, October 26 all day closed: All fairways will be overseeded. Effective Tuesday, October 27 all fairways are off limits for approximately 14 days.

Tuesday, October 27, course closes at noon: Overseeding spot treatment of tee boxes, approaches and driving range areas will be conducted to ensure all areas are good for the season.

Wednesday, October 28, course closes at noon: A back up half day for any work needed. We might re-open the afternoon if no additional work is needed.

The practice putting green area will be opened the entire time and no overseeding will be done around it.

Notary Public-

ANN CARTER 352-408-6737

Ann Carter is here for any of your notary needs. Give her a call to make an appointment. Price is very reasonable.

Note: All proceeds go to the Monarch Golf Club for a variety of items (the latest being the purchase of the parking signs in the parking lot for this year's Club Champion winners.)

Playing Card Bingo



Sue Scappaticci and Steve Snover were a delightful King and Queen! They presided over twelve tables at September's Card Bingo. But we made up for the relatively small crowd with lots of laughs and tough competition. The Italian Feast was truly delicious. Kudos to the Cooks and Staff. Looking forward to a Taco Buffet on October 12.

Memorial Patio

You may not be aware that you can purchase personalized bricks to place in the patio behind the Crown and Shield. This is a wonderful way to memorialize the passing of a loved one, remember a special milestone or event, or for any other reason. For only \$100 you can be part of Monarch History.

Contact Tom Cvikota at cvi3455@gmail.com with questions.

THE MONARCH
At Royal Highlands

October

SPECIALS & EVENTS

AT MONARCH GOLF CLUB

MONDAYS 11am to 4pm 	TUESDAYS 11am to 4pm 	WEDNESDAYS 11am to 7pm 	THURSDAYS 11am to 7pm 	FRIDAYS 11am to 7pm 	SATURDAYS 11am to 7pm 	SUNDAYS 7:30am to 5pm 
10/5 Restaurant Hours 11am to 2pm Limited Menu Available Bar Hours 11am to 4pm	10/6 Restaurant Hours 11am to 4pm Limited Menu Available Bar Hours 11am to 4pm	10/7 Lunch Special 2 for \$22.00 Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm 	10/1 Meatloaf \$17.99 Includes potato & vegetable side, your choice of side salad or cup of soup Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/2 Friday Fish Fry Haddock Grilled, Fried, or Blackened served with French Fries, Hush Puppies, and Coleslaw \$19.99 Reservations are Required Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/3 2 for \$30.00 Dinner Special Reservations are Required Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	<i>Brunch All Day</i> 10/4 Country Fried Steak Breakfast \$14.99 
10/12 Restaurant Hours 11am to 4pm Limited Menu Available Bar Hours 11am to 4pm Taco Card Bingo Night Reservations Required 	10/13 Restaurant Hours 11am to 4pm Limited Menu Available Bar Hours 11am to 4pm 	10/14 Burger Night Buy One Burger Get One Burger Half Off Reservations are Required Dine-In Only Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm 	10/8 Pot Roast Special \$20.99 Includes potato & vegetable with your choice of side salad or cup of soup Reservations are Highly Recommended Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/9 Restaurant & Bar Hours 4pm to 7pm Restaurant will be closed for private function til 4pm Stuffed Sole \$22.99 Includes potato & vegetable and choice of side salad or cup of soup Reservations are Highly Recommended	10/10 2 for \$30.00 Dinner Special Reservations are Required Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/11 \$5.00 Bloody Marys & Mimosas 
10/19 Restaurant Hours 11am to 2pm Limited Menu Available Bar Hours 11am to 4pm	10/20 Restaurant Hours 11am to 4pm Limited Menu Available Bar Hours 11am to 4pm	10/21 Lunch Special 2 for \$22.00 Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm 	10/15 Pork Loin \$21.99 Includes potato & vegetable with your choice of side salad or cup of soup Reservations are Highly Recommended Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/16 Friday Fish Fry Haddock Grilled, Fried, or Blackened served with French Fries, Hush Puppies, and Coleslaw \$19.99 Reservations are Required Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/17 Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 3pm Restaurant will be closed at 3pm for Private Function 	10/18 Ham Steak Breakfast \$14.99 
10/26 Restaurant will be closed for Private Function 	10/27 Restaurant Hours 11am to 4pm Limited Menu Available Bar Hours 11am to 4pm 	10/28 Burger Night Buy One Burger Get One Burger Half Off Reservations are Required Dine-In Only Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm 	10/22 Prime Rib \$24.99 Includes potato & vegetable with your choice of side salad or cup of soup Reservations are Required for Special Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/23 Shrimp Alfredo \$22.99 Includes your choice of side salad or cup of soup Reservations Highly Recommended Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/24 Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 1pm & 4pm to 7pm Restaurant will be closing 1pm to 4pm for Private Function 2 for \$30.00 Dinner Special Reservations are Required 	10/25 \$5.00 Bloody Marys & Mimosas 
10/29 Taste of Italy Entree \$22.99 Includes your choice of side salad or cup of soup Reservations are Required for Special Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm				10/30 Friday Fish Fry Haddock Grilled, Fried, or Blackened served with French Fries, Hush Puppies, and Coleslaw \$19.99 Reservations are Required Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	10/31 2 for \$30.00 Dinner Special Restrvations are Required Restaurant & Bar Hours 11am to 7pm	

 ALL DINNER SPECIALS AVAILABLE 4:30PM TO 7PM  RESERVATIONS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED		 10/7 Presidents Cup Golf Luncheon  10/9 Hospice Memorial Tournament Luncheon  10/12 Italian Card Bingo  10/17 Birthday Bash Restaurant will be closing at 4pm for private Function		 10/24 Restaurant Closed 1pm to 4pm Private Function  10/25 Veterans Social 3pm  10/26 Restaurant Closed Private Function	
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Thank you for being a valued part of
The Monarch Golf Club!