

# Golfer's Glance

The 2024 season has been fast and interesting. The weather has certainly been uncertain but the golf course has held up to its part of the bargain. I want to commend Chris Noll and his staff for keeping our facility in tip top shape and I want to thank our members who have been pairing up in our club golf carts to help cut down on the amount of traffic on the course. It is imperative that we up keep this practice and provide a healthy growing environment. As a reminder, please do your part to fill in divots and repair ball marks on the putting greens.

Our men's member guest concluded with an exciting climax earning Gary Doud and his guest Dick Thennes crowned victors! Even though we didn't have our club house ready, the tented event carried on with great enthusiasm. It was great to see so many familiar guests from years past to enjoy the festivities. We look forward to another great event next year.

Looking ahead to our calendar, the Lady's Member Guest and Club Championship will be played in April. Mark your schedule for those great tournaments!

Daylight savings will apply March 10th. Remember to turn your clocks again be aware that tee times will start approximately 30 to 40 minutes later due to early darkness.

As a reminder, post all your scores after the completion of play. Under the new USGA system partial rounds can be posted but must be entered hole by hole.

Thanks for all your support.

Mark Trotter  
Director of Golf

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS & HOURS OF OPERATION

### PRO SHOP HOURS

**7 Days a week, 7AM-6PM**  
**(941) 744-9771**

### SHANK SHACK HOURS

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### GENERAL MANAGER

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### DIRECTOR OF GOLF

**Mark Trotter (941) 744-9771**

### MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING

**Sasha Jarquin (941) 718-4848**

### GATE ATTENDANT

**(941) 708-6866**

# MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Steve Byrne 3/1

Mary Ann Muccio 3/1

Bonnie Tyler 3/1

Ettie McManus 3/3

Kenny Bontz 3/5

Donald Lewis 3/5

Deborah Reaves 3/5

Kent Stoffle 3/5

Vicki Joshpe 3/6

William Batjer 3/7

Brenden Miller 3/10

Kathleen Hantman 3/11

Tina Steffey 3/15

Joel Ambrose 3/18

Casey Portschy 3/18

Syd Xinos 3/19

Lance Christensen 3/20

Norm Greenspan 3/22

John Rogers 3/22

Pauline Dickson 3/23

Donna Johnston 3/23

Ashley McGee 3/24

Trevor Born 3/25

Dick Schmidt 3/25

Fran Xinos 3/26

Rick Johnson 3/27

Tom Dunlap 3/28

Dave Scott 3/29

Betty Wagner 3/28

Bob Watson 3/29

Karen Randolph 3/30

John Stirk 3/30

Erik Klis 3/31

May your year be filled with endless joy and laughter!

✦ ✦ *Congratulations* ✦ ✦

TO THE WINNERS OF OUR  
FEBRUARY EVENTS

## LADIES' DAY

Tues., February 6 - Team of Vicki Joshpe, Robin Belcher, Nancy Webb, and Sheree Ruck

Tues., February 20 - Team of Mary Ann Muccio, Sandy Buchanan, and Donna Johnston

Tues., February 27 - Sandy Buchanan and Trudy Shrum

## MEN'S DAY

Wed., February 7 - Team of Jeff Thibodeau, Jeff, John Rogers, and Ed Scerbo

Wed., February 14 - Michael Ferrier

Wed., February 21 - Team of Walt Ruta, Bob Buchanan, Frank Dickson, and Ed Scerbo

Wed., February 28 - Bill Batjer

## MIXED EVENT

Sun., February 25 - Team of Stig and Jayne Lassen, and Mike and Peg Vadala

## 22ND ANNUAL MEN'S MEMBER GUEST

The 22nd Annual Men's Member-Guest is now in the books! Thank you to all who participated in the event this year. Congratulations to all of our flight winners and the team of Gary Doud and Dick Thennes on winning this year's event!



# 22ND ANNUAL MEN'S MEMBER GUEST



First Flight Winners  
Joe Luiz & Jonathan  
Luiz



Second Flight  
Winners  
Tom Tosi & Matt  
Cullen



Third Flight Winners  
Clive Burnett & Bob  
Stead



Fourth Flight  
Winners  
John Owens & Nick  
Pool



Fifth Flight Winners  
Greg O'Donnell &  
Patrick Guerrette



Sixth Flight Winners  
Gary Doud & Dick  
Thennes



Seventh Flight  
Winners  
Jon Boyette & Henry  
Neely



Eighth Flight  
Winners  
Herb McCarty &  
Dave McCarty



Ninth Flight Winners  
Richard Geib & John  
Hanlon



Tenth Flight Winners  
Jay Defilippis &  
Scott Sterling



# MARCH WEEKLY SPONSORED EVENTS

## MEN'S DAY

TEE TIMES START AT 8:04AM

Wednesday, March 6  
Team Game – 1 BB odd 2 BB Even

Wednesday, March 13  
Individual Game – Net Skins

Wednesday, March 20  
Team Game – 2 BB or more

Wednesday, March 27  
Individual Game – Quota Points

## LADIES' DAY

TEE TIMES START AT 8:04AM

Tuesday, March 5  
Team Game – 1 BB odd 2 BB Even

Tuesday, March 12  
Individual Game – Net Skins

Tuesday, March 26  
Individual Game – Quota Points

## MIXED EVENT

TEE TIMES START @ 8:04AM

Sunday, March 10  
Team Game – Step Aside Scramble

Sunday, March 24  
Team Game - 2 BB Front, 1BB Back

## LADIES' 9-HOLE LEAGUE

TEE TIMES START @ 2:20PM

Wednesday, March 6  
Team Game - Niners Charity Luncheon; 3PM  
SG

Wednesday, March 13  
Individual Game - "Fairways & Greens" 1 pt  
for hitting the fairway on par 4's & 5's and  
hitting greens on par 3's

Wednesday, March 20  
Team Game - "Roll Em" Roll the dice post  
game and that hole comes out

Wednesday, March 27  
Individual Game - "Bingo-Bango-Bongo" 1st  
on green 3 pt/ Closest to the pin 2 pts/ First  
hole out 1 pt

# Member-Management Scramble

We ended February with one of our favorite events, the Member Management Scramble! Congratulations to the winning team of Sherry Peeples, Connie Carkonen, Dan Lasseter, Jim Lavieri, and Steve Dietz! Thank you to everyone who came out and made this evening so memorable!



**SAVE THE DATE  
FOR PASSPORT  
MEMBERS' EVENTS**

## April

Wednesday 4/3 - Niners Shotgun

Saturday 4/6 & Sunday 4/7 - WWGA Member-Guest

Thursday 4/11 - Suncoast Interclub

Saturday 4/13 - Masters Event

Tuesday 4/16 - WWGA Semi-Annual Meeting

Saturday 4/20 & Sunday 4/21 - Club Championship

Monday 4/22 - Member Management Scramble

# Hole In One!

Congratulations to Ed Dephilippo and Mike Downey on their Hole In One!!



Ed Dephilippo  
February 13, 2024  
Hole #11  
139 yards  
Pitching wedge



Mike Downey  
February 14, 2024  
Hole number #11  
121 yards  
Pitching wedge

## Waterfefe Sanders



This group goes out on the course twice a month to fill divots before play begins. If others are interested in helping out contact Ken Bumgarner at [janbung@aol.com](mailto:janbung@aol.com) or call 941-726-5934.

The next scheduled days are Thursday, March 7th and 14th at 7:30am.

## Course Maintenance Update FROM SUPERINTENDANT CHRIS NOLL

With the warmer temperatures we have applied a granular fertilizer to the fairways, tees and approaches. The fertilizer is a slow release type and will feed the grass for 100 to 120 days. The fairways are improving, but optimal soil temperatures above 65°F are required for significant growth of rhizomes, roots and stolons. Last week our temperatures were in the low 60's. Looking ahead we will needle tine greens the week of March 4th followed by a verticut and top-dress.

# SHARING THE GREEN

The Waterlefe Youth Golf Program (WYGP) is now in its third year of introducing the game of golf to underserved and minority youth in the greater Bradenton area. We have 14 kids. Each of our kids now have their own set of US Kids Clubs as well as a golf shirt with our logo on it. We have 2 kids that will be participating in the PGA Junior League this spring!



We are continuing our outreach, a "Taste of Golf" to the various organizations in our area. We have partnered with Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Sun Coast to find Mentors for the kids in our program. Please go to our web site, [WaterlefeYouthGolfProgram.com](http://WaterlefeYouthGolfProgram.com), to see the details of our mission and outreach.

It has been your donations over the last 2 years that has enabled us to launch and continue our program, you are the under-laying foundation that has made it possible for us to begin and build our program. **Thank you!**

We thank, again, the WWGA for collecting over 4,000 golf balls again this year. With Greg Baird's help, we sorted them and sold them to Play-It-Again Sports for \$300.

The WMGA promoted our Super Bowl pool at the Super Bowl Skins game which sold out before the start of the match and brought in \$1000 for our program. We will be collecting "retired golf clubs" the WMGA Master's event in April.



We have received a grant from the USF Federal Credit Union which included us sponsoring the first LPGA Clinic and Demonstration at our course from which we a netted \$6,000 for our program.



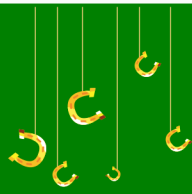
Our annual fund raising begins with the "Sharing the Green" on March 10 thru March 18th with the silent auction, a St Patrick's day on the course par 3 challenge and soliciting of personal donations.

This year's "Silent Auction" again includes rounds of golf for 4 at many of the local courses as well as, Golf lesson packages from our professional staff (Steve, Mark, Matt and Grant). Other donations for the auction would be appreciated!

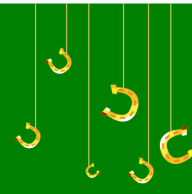
Donations can be made by check, made out to Waterlefe Youth Golf Program, and dropped off in the Pro Shop, by going to our website "[WaterlefeYouthGolfProgram.com](http://WaterlefeYouthGolfProgram.com)" to use a credit card or PayPal, or by check or cash given to Tony Tierno or Bob Buchanan. WYGP is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization so all donations are tax deductible.

Again, thank you for "Sharing the Green",

Board of Directors: Bob Buchanan, Janis Bumgarner, Diane DeGennaro, Steve Dietz, Vickie Josphe, Gerald Jones, Tony Tierno



# MARCH



SUNDAY

MONDAY



TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

					1 Men's Member Guest	2 Men's Member Guest
3  Men's Member Guest	4	5  Ladies' Day	6  Men's Day  Ladies' 9 Hole 3PM SG	7  Waterlefe Sanders @ 7:30am	8	9
10 Daylight Savings  	11  Nine & Wine	12  Ladies' Day	13  Men's Day  Ladies' 9 Hole League	14  Waterlefe Sanders @ 7:30am  Starting on hole 1	15	16
17  	18  Solheim Cup	19  Solheim Cup 8:30A SG  PM Tee Times	20  Men's Day  Ladies' 9 Hole League	21	22	23
24  Mixed Event	25	26  Ladies' Day	27  Men's Day  Ladies' 9 Hole League	28	29	30
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