

Golfer's Glance

DECEMBER 2021



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Matt Primrose
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GATE ATTENDANT

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Happy Holidays!

This past year will always be remembered as a notable year for Waterlefe! We finished our fiscal year in September with record highs of 210 members and 50,936 total rounds. Waterlefe also hosted the US Open Qualifier for an unprecedented 7th time. Yes, some events were modified due to COVID but that didn't decrease participation and I think we are much more acclimated to the new normal as we continue to provide a safe environment and hope to see COVID work itself further back in our rearview mirror.

Janice Reed shared a quote with me recently that I think represents our club. "The soul of a golf course isn't in just the challenge, it's beauty, or even in the course conditions. It's in the collective memory and shared experiences of the people who golf there." The club is lucky to have such a beautiful golf course, and a tremendous maintenance and operational staff dedicated to providing the best experience possible. However, it is the clubs' members who are the ones creating the memorable experiences with fellow friends and neighbors. This is what sets Waterlefe apart from other clubs.

This past summer we broke ground on the new putting green and outdoor patio area. Many compliments to Chris Threatt, our Golf Course Superintendent, for spearheading the project and doing a tremendous job in coordinating the new putting green and surrounding areas. We expect the new patio furniture in December and will start outdoor food and beverage services soon after. We also look forward to seeing everyone around the fire pit for post round drinks.

Lastly, the club had quite a few staff changes at the end of summer. We will miss those who moved on but with change comes opportunity for new ideas. The professional staff had the biggest transition with three new professionals; Mark Trotter, Director of Golf; Matt Primrose, Head Golf Professional; and Jack Howard, Assistant Golf Professional. These gentlemen have hit the ground running and have already introduced new programs and operational changes at the club. I am also proud to say that we have many long-term employees who truly are part of the Waterlefe family! Our longest tenured employees are from the Grille Room. Denise Muyldermans is entering her 19th year at Waterlefe and right behind her is Jessica Kaufman who is entering her 18th year. Belem Nunez in housekeeping and Juan Garcia on our maintenance staff are also both entering their 18th year. We are blessed to have them as part of the team for so long!

On behalf of the entire Golf Club staff, we wish you and your family a safe Holiday Season!



Steve Dietz, PGA
General Manager
Waterlefe CDD & Golf Club

Please join us in giving a warm welcome to our newest additions to our

WATERLEFE GOLF CLUB!



Gayle & Russ
BERGMAN



Kenny
BONTZ



Mark
CHRISTOBEK



John
CLARK



Roger
GLASGOW



Carol & Scott
GOODIN



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GOVEKAR



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Karen DUNN KELLEY*



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& Erik KLIS*



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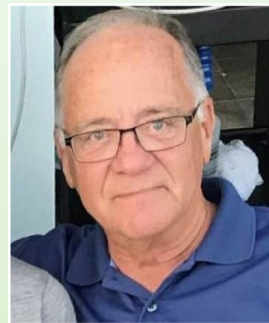
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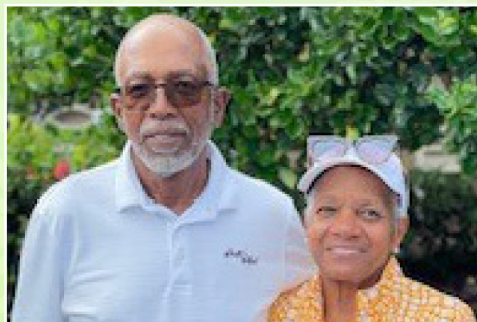
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Jeff & Beth
LILLEY



Chuck & Teresa
MOORE



*Mary MILLER
& Jim MAGALSKA*



Doug & Michelle
ROBEY



Sheree
RUCK



David
SHANAHAN



Rick
UHR





Bob UNDERSTEIN



Margaret & Mike VADALA



David VOLKENS



Tom WRIGHT



Tommy & Anne WALTERS

NOVEMBER **GOLFNEWS** 2021

Ft. Hamer Bridge 5K Run/Walk Saturday, November 6, 2021

Waterlefe was proudly represented at the Ft. Hamer Bridge 5K Run/Walk



ATTENTION ALL VETERANS



Waterlefe resident and Passport golf member Dick Schmidt organizes a Veterans Only group to golf a bi-weekly 9-hole scramble. This group is open to all Waterlefe residents and golf members. The next scramble is set for December 9th and again on December 23rd with tee times beginning at 2:04pm. Please contact Dick Schmidt or the Pro Shop for more information or to sign up for golf.

Dick Schmidt may be reached at 616-283-1013
or rk_schmidt@comcast.net
The Golf Shop may be contacted at 941-744-9771



NOW IS THE TIME...

TO THINK ABOUT A GOLF MEMBERSHIP AT WATERLEFE

7 TIME HOST TO THE U.S. OPEN QUALIFIER

GET A ~~12~~¹³ MONTH MEMBERSHIP FOR THE PRICE OF 12 (NEW GOLF MEMBERS ONLY)
 MULTIPLE MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES
 SINGLE & FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE
 RIVER CLUB DINING PRIVILEGES, NO F&B MINIMUM
 NO PRE-PAYMENT REQUIRED

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT JANICE REED, DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING
 941.718.4848 OR JREED@WATERLEFEFL.COM

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF OUR NOVEMBER EVENTS

MEN'S DAY

- Wed., Nov. 3 - Team of Richard Geib, John Rogers, Brad Hantverk, Richard Gran
- Wed., Nov. 10 - Jim Carey
- Wed., Nov. 17 - Team of Bob Buchanan, Richard Geib, Frank Dickson, Don McLain
- Wed., Nov. 24 - Team of Richard Greenwood, John Rogers, Bill Batjer

LADIES' DAY

- Tues., Nov. 2 - Cathy Rogers
- Tues., Nov. 9 - Nancy Webb
- Tues., Nov. 16 - Diane DeGennaro
- Tues., Nov. 23 - Team of Jean Paddison, Diane DeGennaro, Carole Luzio, Sheree Ruck
- Tues., Nov. 30 - Team of Susan Owens, Mary McLain, Trudy Shrum, Tina Steffey

MIXED EVENT

- Sun., Nov. 7 - Bonnie & Ron Tyler, Linda & Ulf Andersen
- Sun., Nov. 21 - Fran & Syd Xinos, Ligaya Buchbinder & Jim Lavieri

DECEMBER WEEKLY SPONSORED EVENTS

MEN'S DAY

TEE TIMES START AT 8:04AM

- Wednesday, December 8
Team Game - Net Stableford Points
- Wednesday, December 15
Individual Game - 2 BB Plus Overkill
- Wednesday, December 22
Individual Game - Lone Ranger
- Wednesday, December 29
Individual Game - 1 BB Gross 1 BB Net

LADIES' DAY

TEE TIMES START AT 8:04AM

- Tuesday, December 7
Individual Game - Winter Wonderlefe
- Tuesday, December 14
Team Game - Net Stableford Points
- Tuesday, December 21
Team Game - Low Net In Flights
- Tuesday, December 28
Individual Game - Scramble

MIXED EVENT

TEE TIMES START @ 8:04AM

- Sunday, December 5
Team Game - 1 BB Odd 2 BB Even
- Sunday, December 19
Team Game - Step Aside Scramble

LADIES'

9-HOLE LEAGUE

TEE TIMES START @ 2:04PM

- Wednesday, December 1
Snows-A-Blowin Event
- Wednesday, December 8
Individual Game - 1-2-1
- Wednesday, December 15
Team Game - 3/3/3 Combo
- Wednesday, December 22
Individual Game - Count Your Putts
- Wednesday, December 29
Individual Game - Even Holes Only

DECEMBER PASSPORT MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Wishing you the happiest and brightest day ever!

Jeff Brand	December 1	Greg Holden	December 17
Richard Carroll	December 1	Brad Wright	December 17
Richard Geib	December 2	Alan Matthews	December 19
Teresa Moore	December 4	Dick Rosenbloom	December 20
Dennis Meskill	December 7	Jim Nilsson	December 22
Steve Mihelarakis	December 8	Theresa Pope	December 22
Doug Robey	December 8	Carol Messerly	December 25
Patricia Ronderos	December 9	Ted Cole	December 26
Jim Burns	December 10	Carole Luzio	December 29
Robin Ambrose	December 11	Kathy McElligott	December 29
Barry Hall	December 11	Bill Gratsch	December 30
Janis Bumgarner	December 14	David Volkens	December 30
Ken Bumgarner	December 15	Kenny McBride	December 31
Michael Ferrier	December 15	Jim Norton	December 31
Melissa Thomas	December 15	Tom Werner	December 31

SAVE THE *Date*

for **PASSPORT MEMBERS' EVENTS** at the Golf Club

JANUARY

Sat., January 1

WMGA Singles Match Play Begins

Tues.-Wed., January 4-5

Men's Member-Member Tournament

Wed., January 5

Niner's Shotgun

Mon., January 10

9 & Dine

Thurs., January 20

WWGA "Casino Night"

Sat., January 22

Laughs at the Lefe Comedy Night

FEBRUARY

Tues., February 1

WWGA Match Play Begins

Tues.-Wed., February 1-2

Ladies' Member-Member

Mon., February 7

Member-Management Scramble

Tues.-Wed., February 8-9

WMGA Calcutta

Wed., February 9

Niner's Shotgun

Sun., February 13

WMGA/WWGA Superbowl Skins Game

Sat., February 19

Tappas on the Terrace

Congratulations!

IT'S A
HOLE-IN-ONE



Ken Schultz
November 11, 2021
Hole #4
85 yards - 8-Iron



Kathy Kennedy
November 24, 2021
Hole #4
90 yards - 9-Iron

**Christmas
SALE**

4:30-7:30pm, Thursday, December 9
Golf Members Only

Spin the wheel for discounts as deep as 45%!

Friday-Friday, December 10-17: ALL Residents

This is the time to purchase that golf outfit
you've been keeping an eye on!

DECEMBER

Sign Up at the Golf Club for all Events!!

Wed., December 1

Niner's Shotgun - "Snows-A-Blowin"

Tues., December 7

WWGA Winter Wonderlefe

Thurs., December 9

Golf Shop Holiday Sale

(Passport Members Only)

Fri.-Sat., December 10-11

WMGA Ryder Cup

Mon., December 13

Member-Management Scramble
& Hole In One Party

Meet the 2021 JR. LEAGUE GOLF CHAMPIONS!

Congratulations to the 2021 Jr. League Golf Champions! The Waterlefe team consists of 15 junior golfers that compete against 5 local teams in matches. Our team captured 61.5 flags (points) compared to 49 flags for our closest competitor! The PGA Junior League team will be back in March 2022 as they look to defend their title!



Holiday Specials

**BUY 3 - GET 1 HOUR FREE
TRACK MAN DRIVER REVIEW**

Passport Member: \$360 // Resident: \$450 // Public: \$600

**BUY 6 - GET 1 HOUR
ON COURSE SHOT MAKING LESSON**

Member: \$720 // Resident: \$900 // Public: \$1,200

BUY 10 - GET A 9-HOLE PLAYING LESSON

(Includes course management & tutorial on escaping various trouble shots during play)

Member: \$1,200 // Resident: \$1,500 // Public: \$2,000

**Grant Price, Director of Instruction
(941) 840-3289**



**WMGA One-Day
Men's Member-Member
Saturday, November 13, 2021**

Congratulations to the flight winners!

1ST FLIGHT

Low Net Score

Mike Downey & Mike Ferrier

2ND FLIGHT

Low Net Score

Ted Cole & Rudi Floyd

WATERLEFE YOUTH GOLF PROGRAM

Looking for a bigger and better way to promote the PGA Jr. League and introduce more children to golf, Asst. Waterlefe Jr. League Coach, Bob Buchanan has taken the lead to organize a committee and recruit volunteers. The Waterlefe Youth Golf Program is an initiative to provide a golf experience for 6-10 "underserved youth" in the 6-10 age bracket from the 13th Ave Dream Center in Bradenton. This initiative will be accomplished by using our golf environment coupled with coaching and equipment.

The program will include 45 group lessons (approx.) and the need to purchase 10 sets of US Kids clubs (avg cost for 51" 5 club set w/ bag - \$160 wholesale) over the year. Matt Primrose, Head Golf Pro and Waterlefe Jr. League Coach, will oversee the training, assisted with several volunteer coaches. Volunteers include Denny Meskill, Rachele Moscato, Ken Whitt, Lisa Phillips, Eduardo Ronderos and Grant Price. The 13th Ave. Dream Center is represented by Derrick Randall.

The program for 2022 will require \$25,000 to cover the training and equipment. The Dream Center will be providing the transportation to/from practice and to matches as those materialize. Should any of these youth progress to the PGA Junior League, certainly our goal, then additional funds will be necessary to cover the \$230/player for each of the spring and fall leagues.

The founding members of this endeavor are Bob Buchanan, Janis Bumgarner, Linda Gratsch, Gerald Jones, Tony Tierno, and Dennis Meskill.

More information will follow on how to donate to the "Waterlefe Youth Golf Program", but in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact any of the committee members or volunteers.

As a side note, please read this interesting fact about the 13th Ave. Dream Center..... In 1937, local civil rights activist Minnie Rogers, legendary educator Dr. Mary McCloud Bethune, and former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt established the 13th Avenue Community Center. Their vision was to provide an educational family resource center, so at-risk youth could realize their fullest potential. To this day, the 13th Avenue Dream Center serves over 220 youth with before and after school academic enrichment programs, literacy training, mentoring, and character building opportunities. For more information go to <https://www.uccfl.org/about-us/>



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Men's Day Ladies' 9-Hole League SG "Snows-A-Blowin" Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	2 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	3 PDP Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	4 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am
5 Mixed Event Team Game Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	6 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	7 Ladies' Day Winter Wonderlefe Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	8 Men's Day Ladies' 9-Hole League Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	9 Golf Shop Holiday Sale Passport Members Only Veteran's Golf Outing Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	10 WMGA Ryder Cup Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	
12 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	13 Member-Management Scramble & Hole-in-One Party Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	14 Ladies' Day Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	15 Men's Day Ladies' 9-Hole League Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	16 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	17 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	18 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am
19 Mixed Event Team Game Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	20 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	21 Ladies' Day Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	22 Men's Day Ladies' 9-Hole League Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	23 Veteran's Golf Outing Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	24  Christmas Eve Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	25 Golf Course Closed  Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am
26 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	27 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	28 Ladies' Day Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	29 Men's Day Ladies' 9-Hole League Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	30 Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	31  Tee Times Beginning at 7:00am	