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10th Annual Blessing of the Animals

In 2014 a new tradition was born, the Blessing of the Animals, celebrating that very special part of the community. This past Saturday dozens of families came out to celebrate their pets and have them blessed by The Chapel's own Rev. Henley.



Kat Benenati with Lola.



The Waite Family with Susie.



Thurkettle - Rice Family. See more Blessing of the Animals photos on page 12.

AROUND THE REEF



Grand Seafood Buffet

**Saturday, January 21
5:30-9:45pm * Ocean Room**

Experience an elevated dining experience at this Saturday's Grand Seafood Buffet. Adults: \$85++pp; Ages 5-11: \$40++pp; Children ages 4 and under: complimentary. Reservations required. Call 305-367-5931 or go online oceanreef.com/dining under Ocean Room reservations.

Ocean Reef Club Forges 2nd Partnership With Coral Restoration Foundation

It has been eight years since Ocean Reef Club entered into its first partnership with the Coral Restoration Foundation™ (CRF™) to help rebuild the corals and reefs that play such an

important role in life at Ocean Reef and in the Florida Keys. Today, the Club is proud to announce it has committed to another five-year partnership with CRF to continue the support of coral reef restoration.

The Coral Restoration Foundation, founded in 2007, is a Key Largo-based nonprofit created to develop offshore coral nurseries and restoration strategies for critically endangered coral reefs. What began as a local effort, has grown into a globally recognized organization. CRF has been successfully growing and transplanting corals for more than a decade throughout the Keys and beyond, supporting

international restoration efforts. The restoration process involves growing staghorn, elkhorn and boulder corals for about a year in an underwater nursery until they are large enough to be outplanted on a reef.

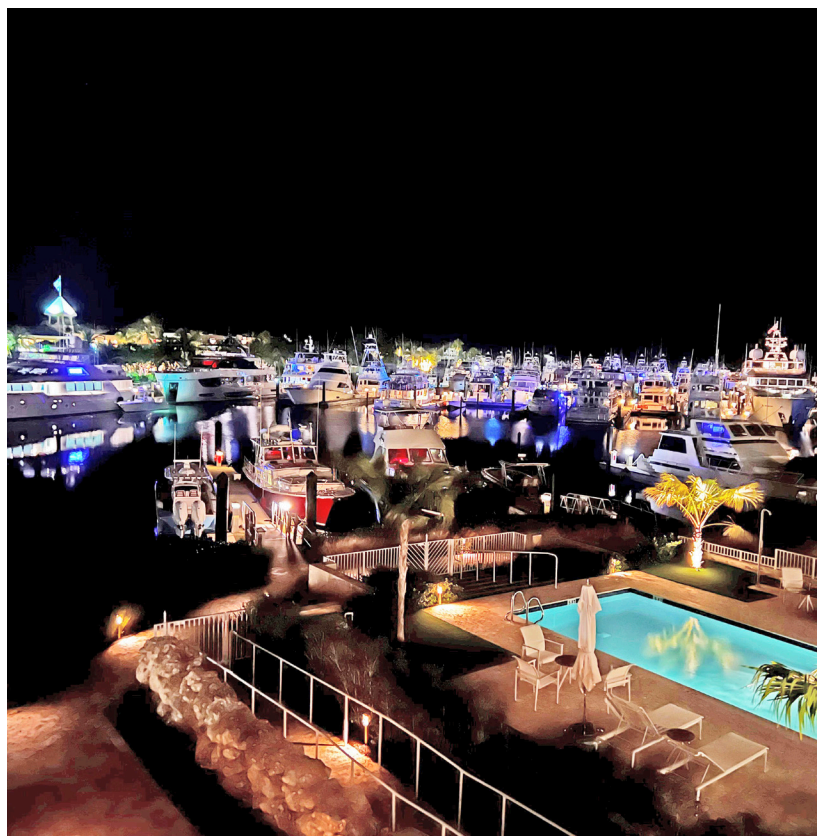
Ocean Reef Club's relationship with Coral Restoration Foundation first began in 2013 through an innovative program in which Members could "adopt a coral" and watch it grow for a year in one of Coral Restoration Foundation's nurseries. With this relationship, the Club and the Ocean Reef Conservation Association became CRF's first community donors. Then in 2015, the Club committed to a groundbreaking five-year

collaboration with CRF to bring Carysfort Reef, one of the world's most iconic reefs that lies just five miles from Ocean Reef's shore, back to life. Called "Carysfort 2020", the goal was to outplant 30,000 corals at Carysfort Reef over the span of five years. By 2020's end, not only had CRF exceeded their

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OR "See"



The Marina all aglow as seen from Stacy and Bob Schmetterer's Marina Village balcony.

What have you discovered on your walk, biking or on a daily golf cart ride that you never noticed before?
Email orp@oceanreef.com and share your discoveries.



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Rules Reminder: Facility Usage

When considering holding a private event it is important to note that it is contrary to the policy of the Club to have the Club's facilities used for functions or fundraising efforts for the benefit of a political cause, except as may be otherwise approved by the Board. The Club's facilities shall not be used in connection with organized religious services or other activities except as may be approved by the Board.

Additionally, performance by entertainers shall be permitted on the Club's facilities only with the permission of the Club.

Gotta Question?

Do we need to make reservations for Equity-Only Nights? And when booking online, how will other Members know those nights are Equity-Only?



Reservations are required when booking dinner for any of the four Equity-Only Nights. These reservations are done the same way all regular dining reservations are made - through the Online Reservations Platform at oceanreef.com/Dining. Additionally, the standard reservation window rules apply - Equity Members can see available Equity-Only Night dining reservations a maximum of 14 days out.

Non-Equity Members looking to book reservations will not be given the option to book a reservation on an Equity-Only Night. Because you are logged in with your Member number, the system recognizes your Member type and therefore only shows what is available to that Member type. For example, if a Legacy Member is logged

into the website and visits oceanreef.com/Dining and selects Gianni Ristorante, they will not be shown any availability on a Monday, which is Gianni's Equity-Only Night. The same goes for the other three nights – Ocean Room on Tuesdays, CH Prime on Wednesdays, and Islander on Thursdays.

Also of note, while these are considered Equity-only nights, Equity Members may host non-Equity Members and/or guests during these reservations as long as the Equity Member that booked the reservation is present.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

If you would like to submit a question, email the Ocean Reef Press at orp@oceanreef.com.

Coral Restoration Foundation

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goal with 35,108 corals being outplanted, effectively saving Carysfort Reef from extinction, but the efforts have paved the way for large-scale reef restoration, providing hope for coral reefs around the world.

"For so many of our Members, the Florida Keys environment is a primary reason they choose Ocean Reef Club," said Ocean Reef Club President Alex Tonarelli. "Therefore, the Club recognizes how important it is to our Members to preserve and enhance our environment for many future generations to enjoy. That is the reason the Club partnered with CRF back in 2015, and coupled with the tremendous success, why the Club Board has agreed to do so again."

The impact of the initial partnership with CRF provided



inspiration for launching Florida-based Mission: Iconic Reefs, a collaborative effort facilitated by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to coordinate the work of different restoration organizations in the Florida Keys under a unified plan, along with proving that large-scale restoration work can improve livelihoods and diversify the local economy.

Additionally, the success of the ORC/CRF project has helped to attract investments from other

public and private organizations. The project has bi-partisan support in the federal government and is a model for similar restoration projects around the globe. In fact, the U.S. Congress recently passed a bill, co-sponsored by U.S. Senator Marco Rubio, that significantly increases federal funding to coral restoration projects. Mission: Iconic Reefs will restore almost three million square feet of Florida's coral reef, about the size of 52 football fields, at seven key reef sites. As a direct result of the success of Carysfort 2020, Carysfort Reef is at the heart of Mission: Iconic Reefs, receiving the bulk of the restoration work outlined in the plan.

"Ocean Reef Club has consistently demonstrated their commitment to the community of the Florida Keys through their support of our critical coral reef ecosystem," said Dr. R. Scott Winters, CEO, Coral Restoration Foundation. "The impact they made through the five-year Carysfort 2020

initiative, hosting Raise the Reef and the Reef Futures symposium, is also having an incredible, global ripple effect; the work we are doing together has inspired not only the Florida-based Mission: Iconic Reefs plan but also a wave of large-scale coral restoration initiatives worldwide. We are thrilled that we will be continuing to build this legacy together."

The Club's five-year commitment will be used exclusively for coral restoration at Carysfort Reef, which lies right in Ocean Reef's own backyard, and will include site preparation, the removal of some nuisance species, outplanting of approximately 14,000 genetically diverse reef-building corals, and post-outplanting site maintenance and monitoring.

If you're interested in learning more about CRF's reef restoration efforts, visit www.coralrestoration.org or www.oceanreefconservationassociation.org.

All Charities Offers Old Favorites & New Occasions



by Sarah A. Cart

While All Charities Weekend (ACW, **Feb. 10-12**) entertains everyone who joins in, at heart the objective is to enable the Ocean Reef Community Foundation to distribute financial grants and make special things happen for thousands of our neighbors in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City plus local entities vital to Ocean Reef: The Medical Center, Cultural Center, Academy, Art League,

ORCAT and Conservation Association. Thanks to your participation, over \$50 million has been distributed since 2008.

All Charities makes special things happen for auction bidders, too. Looking back, **Keri Crocker** and **Faruk Capan** won last season's Champagne trip and note, "It was unbelievable, the best trip we have been on, and we told Ethan [Dupree] we will be back with him again." Similarly, a few years ago, **Stephanie** and **Ken Karl** traveled around Africa with hosts **Diane** and **Keith Hill**. As Stephanie explains, "We bid and won and panic set in, but we forged ahead.... It was truly a trip of a lifetime." The Karls loved it so much, they donated to help make the subsequent one possible.

Whet your appetite: With such a past worthy of honor and celebration, this season's Silent and Live Auctions include many longtime favorites. In addition to others that have been mentioned in earlier articles, there's the 2023 Lexus RX350 raffle open

to Saturday gala attendees, a Maine lobster bake on Marlin Beach, a makeover for your home thanks to Preferred Partner Baer's Furniture, the beloved Mt. Veeder Magic Vineyards experience for six, and finally, Preferred Partner Lester Lampert's Baubles, Bubbles and Jewels (20 percent of Lester's Ocean Reef sales are donated to All Charities).

And new items will carry ACW into the future, too. There's a limited edition (40) "Heart of Ocean Reef" custom-made Lester Lampert necklace ... A four-bedroom condo a block from London's Regent Park for a couple weeks, with access to history, modern art, the Goodwood Revival, exclusive dinners and West End theater tickets ... An up-close Indy 500 weekend experience for four ... Sicily for two ... South Africa for two ... New Orleans Jazz Fest for four ... Mykonos for 10 ... Five continents are represented!

Fun close to home: ACW 2023 has more First Dibs than ever before, allowing people to

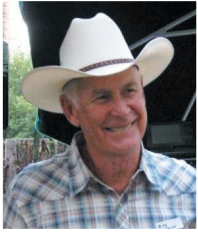
play after the weekend in fun-friendly experiences, and an inaugural All Charities Season Kick-Off Party to celebrate a beloved neighborhood, the first being a Party on Sunset (Cay) Strip to enjoy food, drink and entertainment with the In Crowd.

There may even be an amazing Duck Dinner ... stay tuned!

To have fun while doing good: Online bidding opens February 3 (details next week). Friday evening, Feb. 10, is the Wine and Bourbon Tasting & Silent Auction Showcase. Saturday daytime is Burgers, Beers & Bidding compliments of the Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce and a NetJets display, and the partying culminates Saturday night with dinner, dancing and the Live Auction (and the 10:30 p.m. closing of the Silent Auction's online bidding).

Questions? Visit oceanreefcommunityfoundation.org, or contact All Charities at 305-367-5996 or AllCharities@OceanReef.com.

MAKING HISTORY

By Land, Sea
and... Airby Mike
Smith

Officially opened for business in 1951, Ocean Reef Club was off and running. The Club was accessible by land and many drove down from southern Florida. Access was also gained by water as many yachts found their way south from the Florida coast. But Morris Baker, always thinking ahead, wanted access by air. He envisioned members from the north, such as himself being able to jump in a plane and land at Ocean Reef, spend a few days and go home. He thought an airport



would be crown jewel of the Club's attributes.

The original plan was to build a 2,000 foot runway adjacent to Barracuda Lane. (Remember, the Barracuda Golf Course, now known as Card Sound was not yet constructed.) The exact orientation of the runway has its own unique story. At that time, different proposals were being offered on how best the Keys could be accessed by land. One of the proposals was a highway from Key Biscayne to Key Largo

that would pass over Elliot Key and directly through Ocean Reef. Baker saw such a highway as potentially very disruptive to his plans for further development as it would split his property in two. At that time, the specific route of the highway through Ocean Reef was not known, so Mr. Baker aligned the runway with an orientation he hoped the highway would take to minimize the effect it would have. Fortunately, the choice was made to construct the highway the way it is now, a wise choice that benefits us today.

The 3,000 foot landing strip was completed and dedicated May 18, 1956 fulfilling Baker's dream of the Club being accessible by land, sea and air. A grass hut served as the terminal building and featured a sign that said: 'Elevation: 1 foot 5 3/4 inches'. (Note: Monroe County records indicate the length as 2,000 feet, but 3,000 feet is more likely accurate.)

In the ensuing years, the popularity of the airport grew and it was lengthened in 1967 to its present 4,456 feet and a terminal building was constructed which remains today. Small airline companies that normally flew in the northeast in the summer considered using our airfield. One such company was Montauk Caribbean Airways of New York who formed a southern division

actually called Ocean Reef Airways. Operating flights between Miami and ORC, all passengers had to be members or guests. They flew Piper Navajos and Beech Barons.

Later, another airline, Provincetown-Boston (PBA) began a scheduled service flying between Key West and Miami stopping at ORC. They also offered service to Nassau for a short time. Into ORC, they used Cessna 402's. After several accidents, none of which was at Ocean Reef, PBA was sold to Bar Harbor Airlines and service to ORC was halted.

Today, our airport is a testament to Morris Baker's vision and the phenomenal success of our Club. It remains today as one of the very few exclusive Club's in the world with modern airport access.

(Interesting detail: One of many special guests that arrived at our airport was Jackie Onassis in 1978. With her son John and daughter Caroline, they had requested strict privacy. Sonny Vasquez greeted her at the airport but the first thing Jackie saw was a photographer from The Enquirer who Sonny quickly dispatched. After a couple days, Jackie called Harper Sibley and said she would like to meet some people so he took her to a cocktail party at Don Hindman's house that night. She stayed the whole evening, drank club soda, and everyone enjoyed each other's company.)



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SERVICES

FRIDAY JANUARY 20TH
6pm - Cornerstone Room

Candlelighting, Hamozi, Kiddush
followed by a brief service

FRIDAY JANUARY 27TH
5:45pm - Sanctuary

Followed by dinner
(Reservations for dinner requested)
Cantor Happie Hoffman will lead us

All services at the Ocean Reef Chapel

MEMBERABILIA

Coming Soon to the Cultural Center



by Joan Birsh

Why I Don't Miss New York

For most of my life, I lived in New York City. But last spring, I decided it was time to officially make Ocean Reef my home.

The decision to sell my wonderful apartment on the 21st floor of a great old land-marked building at One Fifth Avenue was something I agonized over.

I made a list of all that I would miss by no longer being a New Yorker. (Secretly it was losing that identify which initially bothered me most.)

Very high on my list was all the fabulous entertainment city life offers. Theatre, Opera, Concerts, Cabaret, Lectures,

Art Shows. How could I live without all those wonders?

The day I stopped worrying was the day I gave a careful perusal of the catalogue for the 22/23 Season at the Cultural Center.

I began to imagine going to the theatre without having to call an Uber or stand in line to pick up tickets or brave the hassle of getting to my seat (and God forbid the restroom).

I was suddenly comforted by the thought that at Ocean Reef I could continue to enjoy a variety of the quality entertainment, that I previously experienced in NYC – and with a whole lot less aggravation.

What follows are some of the upcoming events I quickly signed up for.



Jason Robert Brown

CABARET

Jason Robert Brown (1/21/23)

I have always liked the sophisticated atmosphere of a cabaret, and I am sure I will enjoy the multi-talented Jason Brown. Over the years he has made countless contributions to the Broadway musical theater – not just as a composer but also as lyricist, conductor, arranger, director and performer. He has done it all!

In 1999 Jason won a Tony Award for Best Score for the musical *Parade*, which after a successful run Off-Broadway, is moving this month to a Broadway theater.

Performing with Jason Robert Brown is **Jessica Vosk**. Jessica is a wonderful vocalist, who is best known for her role as Elphaba, the bad witch in the musical *Wicked*.

Jessica spent two years with her face painted green, belting out that hit song *Defying Gravity* from the musical *Wicked*. So I am willing to bet that in addition to performing Jason Robert Brown's songs (e.g. *All Things in Time, Anywhere But Here, Still Hurting*), she will have a few stories of her own about her days in OZ.

Just Do It! If you are reading this today, then it is almost your last chance to take advantage of a New York City experience at our own Ocean Reef Club.

There are still tickets available – \$175. (\$150 for a donor). Price includes dinner. Call 305-367-6300 for reservations.

CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL Jan. 23, 25, 26, 27, 28...

I love this Festival, which truly brings culture to Ocean Reef.

Hard to believe that it all began way back in 2005 when the late **John Boll** and his wife **Marlene Boll** approached **Anne-Marie McDermott** at the Vail, Colorado Music Festival.

The music-savvy Boll's recognized that Anne-Marie was a massively talented musician, who was up to the formidable task of creating a Chamber Music Festival for Ocean Reef.



Anne-Marie McDermott

As soon as McDermott said yes, the Bolls enlisted **Alan Goldstein**, who loved the idea and immediately began raising the essential funding.

That was the start of what has given us 15 seasons of glorious Chamber Music concerts. (This year will be the 16th).

The formula had previously been to hold the three soirees (dinner and a concert) in the private homes of Members.

This January the venues have changed to the new Chapel (1/25) and two private OR clubs – Anglers (1/23) and Card Sound (1/26).

As usual, there will be two complimentary concerts at the Cultural Center – Family/Youth Concert (1/27) and the Grand Finale (1/28).

DINNER AT THE OPERA *La Traviata* (2/27)

I am a converted operagoer. My conversion took place 10 years ago, when I saw my first Metropolitan Opera HD simulcast at the Cultural Center.

I was blown away, not just

by the singing (which is always glorious) but by the acting, costumes, scenery and the subtitles, which led me through the plot.



La Traviata, which you will see and hear at the annual Opera Dinner at the Cultural Center on Monday, Feb. 27, is a popular favorite. And with Nadine Sierra in the role of Violetta, the sacrificing courtesan, I'll wager you may be in danger of becoming a lifelong opera fan..

Here's the schedule:

5:00 – wine and cheese

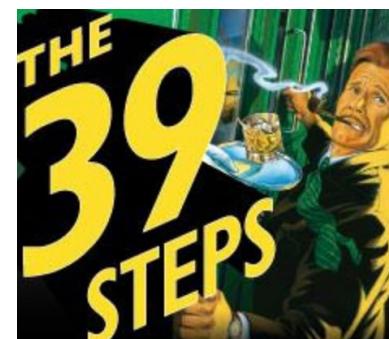
5:30 – First and Second Acts

7:30 – Dinner

8:30 – Third Act

ZOETIC STAGE: 39 STEPS Wednesday 2/15

This brilliant theatre company returns to the Cultural Center's stage with a live performance of 39 Steps, a fast-paced whodunit that is a spoof on the Hitchcock film.



This Tony award-winning play is packed with nonstop laughs, over 150 zany characters (played by a ridiculously talented cast of four), an onstage plane crash and some good old-fashioned romance.

Do Not Miss It!

Tickets: \$175 – \$150 for donors.

Last Word: Check the Cultural Center catalogue for all the other amazing events available to you this season.

Move beyond your expectations.



NEW LISTING

33 East Snapper Point | Deep Water Dockage
4 BD, 4.5 BA | Den & Office | \$16,750,000 | 2471

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NEW LISTING

121 Marina 208 | New Construction
5 BD, 5.5 BA | \$10,500,000 | 2463

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NEW LISTING

Chairman's Suite | Ocean View
3 BD, 3BA | \$6,750,000 | 2470

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Artist's Concept

3 Ocean Reef Drive | New Construction
6 BD, 6 F/3 H BA | \$11,995,000 | 2434

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Artist's Concept

44 Cardinal Lane | Ocean View
4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$11,839,900 | 2309

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Artist's Concept

30 Halfway Road | Golf Course
5 BD, 6 BA | \$10,500,000 | 2364

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11 Perky Road | Central Location
3 BD, 3.5 BA | \$5,850,000 | 2447

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Artist's Concept

3 Mahogany Lane | New Construction
5 BD, 5.5 BA | \$5,100,000 | 2377

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2 BD, 2 BA | \$3,500,000 | 2465

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Artist's Concept

40 Cardinal Lane | 40cardinallane.com
Ocean View | 5 BD, 6.5 BA | \$21,900,000 | 2308

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19 Sunrise Cay Drive | Ocean Front
31,021 Sq. Ft. Homesite | \$13,500,000 | 2335

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42 Cardinal Lane | Canal Front
29,210 Sq. Ft. Homesite | \$9,475,000 | 2428

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Pumpkin Cay 3B | Canal Front
4 BD, 4 BA | \$6,700,000 | 2456

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Artist's Concept

29 Baker Road | New Construction
4 BD, 5 BA | Water Front | \$5,995,000 | 2332

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1 Osprey Lane | Ocean Front
4 BD, 5.5 BA | \$25,900,000 | 2256

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Marina Slip DS-11 | South Side
90' Floating Dock | \$3,850,000 | 2438
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Chamber Music Festival

JANUARY 23-28, 2023

Monday, January 23 • 6:00pm

SOIRÉE AT KEY LARGO ANGLERS CLUB

\$200 PER PERSON, INCLUDES COCKTAILS, SOIRÉE AND DINNER



Wednesday, January 25 • 6:00pm

SOIRÉE AT OCEAN REEF CHAPEL

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Thursday, January 26 • 6:00pm

SOIRÉE AT CARD SOUND GOLF CLUB

\$200 PER PERSON, INCLUDES COCKTAILS, SOIRÉE AND DINNER



Friday, January 27 • 10:00am

FAMILY/YOUTH CONCERT AT CULTURAL CENTER THEATER
COMPLIMENTARY



Saturday, January 28 • 5:00pm

GRAND FINALE CONCERT AT CULTURAL CENTER THEATER
COMPLIMENTARY



An Intimate Evening with
DAVID FOSTER & KATHARINE MCPHEE

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Tuesday, January 31

8:00PM

\$250 Donors • \$275 Non-Donors

Optional pre-performance dinner \$62++ per person

For tickets visit the Cultural Center website at:
ORCulturalCenter.org
or email: Tickets@OceanReef.com

Welcome Visiting Priest Monsignor Bill Cleves



On the weekend of **January 28**, the Chapel will be welcoming the first visiting priest of this 2023 season. Msgr Bill Cleves comes to us through the kindness of **Bill** and Sue Butler.

For 11 years, Monsignor Cleves has been the Pastor of Holy Spirit parish in Newport, KY and is beloved by his parishioners. Monsignor Cleves earned a bachelor's degree and a subsequent Master's in Philosophy at the Athenium of Ohio. His scholarship was

taken note of by Rome, and he was invited to the Gregorian University there where he earned a second Bachelor's and a Licentiate in Sacred Theology as well as a Doctorate in Philosophy, summa cum laude. Msgr Cleves has developed an understanding of multiple languages including Italian, German, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch, and Latin.

While in Rome, Monsignor Cleves was offered a position in the Vatican Diplomatic Corps, but he chose to return to Kentucky in 1992 to become president of St. Thomas More College where he remained for 18 years.

Monsignor Cleves is very much a part of our day-to-day world. You can find his podcast, Catholic Soup, on Holy Spirit Catholic Parish website; each episode has a timely and clear message for us. He is also the author of several books, including *Stories in Glass*, a tour of the stained glass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption in Covington, KY.

We look forward to welcoming him to our community.

CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP CENTER NEWS

Ocean Reef Chaplain

Rev. Dr. Robert Henley

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FRIDAY, JAN 20

AA Meeting

7:30 a.m., Chapel Board Room
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Jewish Shabbat Service

6 p.m., Chapel Cornerstone Room

SATURDAY, JAN 21

Catholic Mass

4 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with Father Hilley

SUNDAY, JAN 22

Traditional Worship Service

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with guest speaker Rev. Steve Brown

A Journey Together

10:30 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Chaplain Bob Henley

Kids Matter

10:30 a.m., Chapel Kids Room

Catholic Mass

12 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with Father Hilley

MONDAY, JAN 23

Al-Anon Meeting

9 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall B

Rosary Prayer

4:30 p.m., Chapel Living Room

AA Meeting

7:30 p.m., Chapel Board Room
Call 305-390-4983 for additional AA Meetings

TUESDAY, JAN 24

Catholic Way Bible Study (5 weeks)

9 a.m., Chapel Living Room, To register call: 270-210-7305

Potluck Gathering

6 p.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, JAN 25

Intercessory Prayer

8 a.m., Chapel Board Room

Episcopal Service

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with Emilie Wierda

Women Connect Small Group Bible Study

10:30 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, JAN 26

Men's Community Bible Study

8 a.m., Led by Peter Raffalski

A Season of Firsts



by Rev. Dr.
Bob Henley

Have you ever stopped to consider how many 'firsts' there are in life? Firsts are part of our lives in every season.

Once upon a more innocent time, there was the thrill of a first kiss. One of our grandchildren recently went on their first date. Do you recall how awkward those moments were?

Last week, I sat at breakfast in the Ocean Room with a young couple planning their wedding. Between sips of coffee and bites of food, the soon-to-be bride recalled that this was the celebration of the anniversary of when they first met.

What parent can forget that important developmental moment when their child takes his or her first steps? And again, who can forget the call from their son or daughter telling them they are going to have their first grandchild?!

Not all firsts are joyful. There are the painful firsts that follow the loss of a grandchild, a child, a parent, or a spouse. Each anniversary or holiday is tinged with the painful reminder of an emptiness, a void. Grief is the cost we pay for loving well. The tears shed in those moments are a measure of the depth of love.

Like people and families, these past months have been a season of firsts in the Chapel at Ocean Reef. People who visit the chapel for the first time often remark that they have never seen a worship space and fellowship center shared by four congregations!

Here's a brief look at some firsts that have taken place since the beginning of the season.

One first was Congregation Ocean Reef's celebrating Hanukkah with the lighting of the Menorah in the Boll Garden. The Menorah recalls the miracle

that took place for eight days at rededication of the temple following the defeat of the Syrian-Greeks by the Maccabees in the second century BCE.



Another first was a Chapel Women Connect luncheon that took place in the new Fellowship Hall in the Chapel. Women from each of the four congregations and across Ocean Reef gathered for a time of sweet treats, singing, and a reflection on the reason for the season.



The chancel of the chapel was designed to be used for worship by each of the congregations. It was a delight to see the pews packed as the Catholic congregation gathered to celebrate their first Mass of the season.



Our beloved old chapel never had a dedicated space for our children. Now there is a wonderful, stimulating space where children and grandchildren gather each

week. A first this season was having the children tell the story of the first Christmas. The banner of our children's focus says it all – "Kids Matter!"



The Chapel and Fellowship Center at Ocean Reef is for people of all ages and stages. We recently celebrated the first baptism in the new chapel - **Rich and Margo Miller's** great-grandson – **Richard**

Miller Roehrborn. This was a celebration of the goodness of faith and family legacy that is such a value here at Ocean Reef.



Maybe a first for you this year might be to come and visit one of the congregations. I tell some of my reluctant friends we can guarantee the roof won't fall in! Give it a try. We would love to see you and welcome you.

We Mourn the Loss

Donald Asher



Donald Lincoln Asher was proudly born on February 12 (the birthday of the first Republican president, Abraham Lincoln) in Chicago in 1936. He passed away at Ocean Reef on January 5, 2023. Don was a man of many loves who was loved by many. His loves included his wife of 55 years Carol (who predeceased him on Christmas Day 2021), family, friends, co-workers, caregivers, scintillating conversation, fishing on the flats, golf, sailboat racing (10th place in the 1975 Soling class World Championship and a repeat

fleet champion at Chicago Yacht Club), fine Bordeaux wine, scrumptious dinner parties, commercial real estate development, investing, reading the Wall Street Journal, true conservative politics, travel throughout Great Britain, da Bears (NFL football), his rose garden, Old Masters paintings, Ocean Reef Protestant Congregation, Kenilworth Union Church, his alma mater Cornell University, Card Sound Golf Club, Sunset Ridge Club, and Jesus Christ. His positive spirit, joy for life, forward thinking, ability to decipher complexity, organizational skill, astute investing, recognition of talent, limited tolerance for BS, and appreciation of beauty and good taste are already sorely missed. As many have said, "he was one of the good ones". He left us to join the Lord while praying at home on Sunrise Cay with Reverend Bob Henley of Ocean Reef Protestant Congregation – which is probably the way that he wanted to go.

Don is survived by his three children – Craig, David, and Hope – and five grandchildren.

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success. I want to thank Dr. Carlos Smith, Amy Walton, Matt and my motivator, Medical Center Chairman **Michael Berman**, for being my champions. If you are someone struggling, don't hesitate to sign up for this great program- it has changed my life."

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Michelle Weiner
March 24, July 7

Cardiology

Howard Bush
Feb 9, March 16, April 13

Jorge Cuello
Jan 25, Feb 8, 22

Colorectal Surgery

Dan Ruiz
Feb 20, April 17

Dermatology

Alysa Herman 305-444-4979
Feb 2, 16

Debra Price 305-670-1111
Jan 20, 27, Feb 3, 17

Varee Poochareon 305-740-6181
Jan 25, Feb 1, 8, 15

Jill Waibel 305-279-6061
Feb 6, March 6

Endocrinology

Jeremy Bleicher
Jan 23, Feb 6, March 6

Heberto Valdes
Feb 3, March 3

Gastroenterology

Sandra Rodriguez
Jan 24, Feb 14

Gynecology

Jason James
Feb 9, March 9

Jila Senemar
Feb 7, March 7

Holistic Medicine

David Coppola 305-451-1819
Jan 24, 26, 31, Feb 2, 7

Nephrology

Anthony Farias
Jan 23, Feb 20, March 27

Neurology/Neuro Spine

Nancy Epstein (Spine) 561-739-9270
Feb 15, March 22

Raul Vasquez-Castellanos (Spine)
Jan 31, Feb 28, March 21, April 18

Victor Faradji
Feb 2, March 2

Ophthalmology

Bascom Palmer 786-530-2289
Jan 24, Feb 1, 7, 23, 28

Zach Segal
Feb 21, April 18

Optometry

Lauren Nicholas
Jan 27, Feb 10, 24

Susanna Tamkins
Jan 20, Feb 17, March 17

Orthopaedic Hand Surgery

Roberto Miki
Jan 27, Feb 24

Orthopaedic Sports Medicine

Michael Swartzon
Jan 20, Feb 10

Orthopaedic Surgery

Derek Papp
Jan 26, Feb 9, March 2

Joseph Fernandez
Jan 20, Feb 17

James Voglino
Feb 13, March 3, April 7, May 26

Pediatrics

Rosa Fernandez
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Jan 20, Feb 17

Podiatry

Pedro Abrantes
Jan 25, Feb 17

Sophia Masri
Jan 27, Feb 10, 24

Psychology

Joseph Mora
Jan 23, Feb 6, 20

Pulmonary & Sleep Disorders

Raul Valor
Feb 3

Spine Care & Pain Management

Ronald Tolchin
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John Caggiano, Kathleen Denis,
Sally Evans, Timothy Forman,
Catherine Hillis, Lizzie Hunter,
Gisella Llorens, Andres Lopez,
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Gerald Obregon, Morgan Samuel Price,
Jacqueline Roch, Tom Sadler,
Julie Skoda, Robert Simone,
and Carol Strock Wasson

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Painting by Julie Skoda

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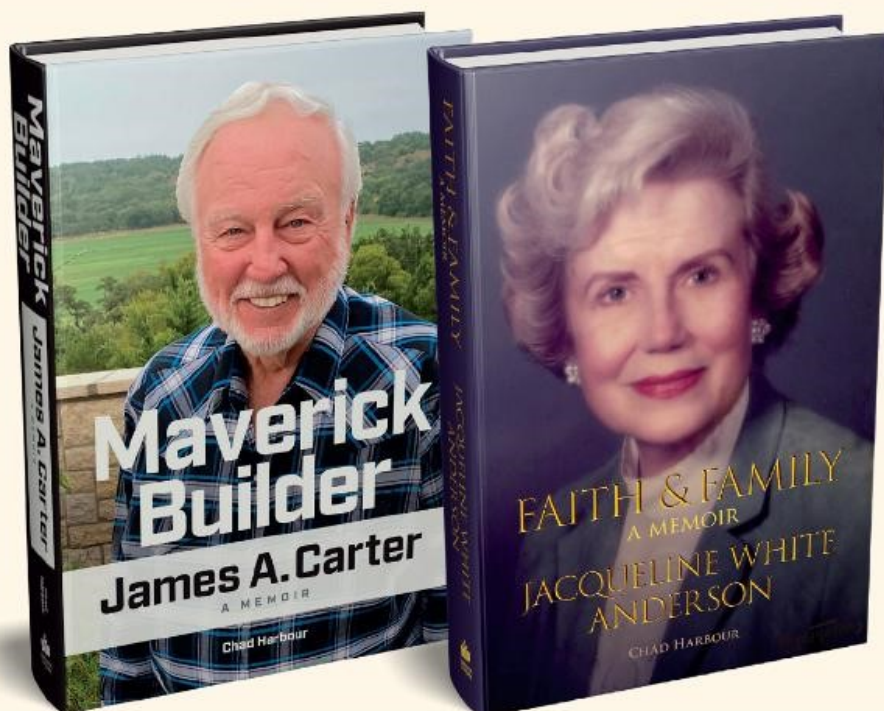


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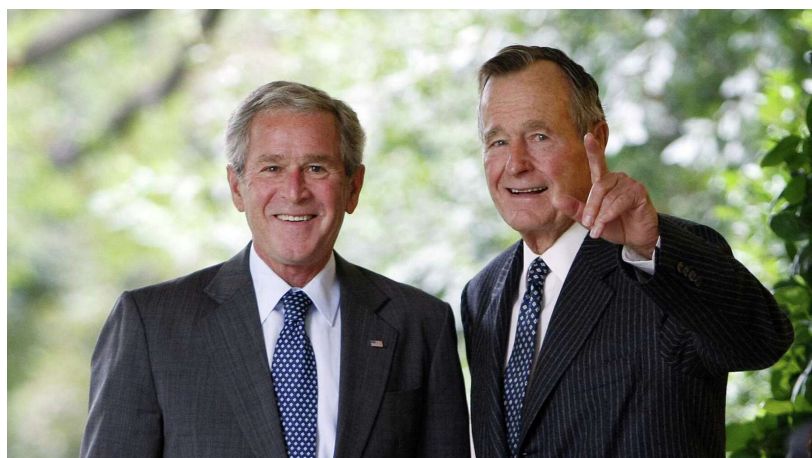


Dining With the Presidents: Mark K. Updegrove

The Last Republicans: Inside the Extraordinary Relationship Between George H.W. Bush & George W. Bush

Mark Updegrove, historian of the Presidents, journalist, professor and current President and CEO of the LBJ Foundation in Austin, Texas returns to the Cultural Center on **Thursday, February 2** at 6 p.m. This popular Dining with the Presidents series begins with a presentation by our guest speaker followed by dinner and a discussion.

Mark Updegrove is the author of five books about United States Presidents, including this 2017 publication "The Last Republicans:



George W. Bush, 43rd U.S. President and George H.W. Bush, 41st U.S. President.

Inside the Extraordinary Relationship Between George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush". Having had exclusive access to many members of the close-knit Bush family and those working with the Presidents throughout their careers, Updegrove tells the story with great insight, sensitivity and equilibrium. It is a story of lives intertwined and independent, revealing strengths and weaknesses of both men and how they were guided by love of family, loyalty to country, their Republican values, and the guiding principles of their Christian faith.

You will not want to miss this interesting discussion with Mark Updegrove, historian of the Presidents.

Note: Mark Updegrove's latest book "Incomparable Grace: JFK in the Presidency" was published in April 2022.

Reservations required
Thursday, February 2
6pm at the Cultural Center
\$62++ per person, includes dinner and speaker. Make your dinner reservations by emailing: Tickets@OceanReef.com

Proposed for Membership Through January 26, 2023

The following individuals are being considered for membership in Ocean Reef Club. Any communication concerning these nominations should be directed to the Executive Director of Membership, Islande Dillon, at 305-367-5921 or idillon@oceanreef.com.

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-Jane Silverman Berman

TOP RIGHT: The Academy

The Academy at Ocean Reef Fourth and Fifth-grade students enjoying their new playground on a Friday "Dress Down Day".

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Farmer's Market Favorites



by Susan Bohan

Whether your taste leans toward sweet or savory, Le Petit Pain at the Farmer's Market has something for you. And the crowd waiting for owner Charles to help make selections grows larger every week!

Personally, I buy a quiche often and serve it for dinner with one of the delicious baguettes and a side of vegetables from Jerry's Here. Since Charles is sometimes sold out of my husband's favorite Quiche Lorraine, I



Le Petit Pain

have tried them all but my new favorites are the Mushroom or Broccoli/Cheddar. And they freeze well. So good. A young couple with their son stopped by as I was leaving and ordered the Spinach with Goat Cheese which Charles warmed up for them to share for lunch. A great choice for "Meatless Mondays".

As for sweets, the Apple Tarts are his best sellers, but do



not overlook the Strawberry or Raspberry tarts. And the Brownies! Just delicious. My suggestion is cut one up and place it in the freezer so you can grab a morsel whenever your sweet tooth acts up. My favorite time is at night while watching a good Netflix show.

While there on Monday, I bumped into **Annie Garlich** who was picking up goodies for her husband **Chris**. When I quizzed her on his favorite she replied, "He will eat anything and everything from here. But today I am spoiling him with Chocolate Croissants and French bread."

FARMER'S MARKET SCHEDULE

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Field at Four Corners

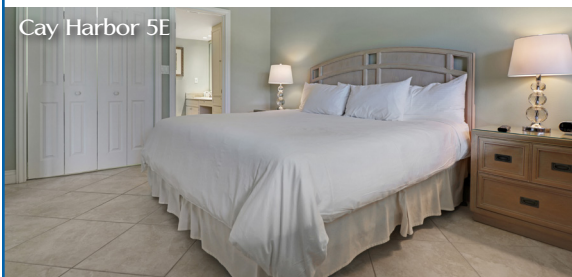
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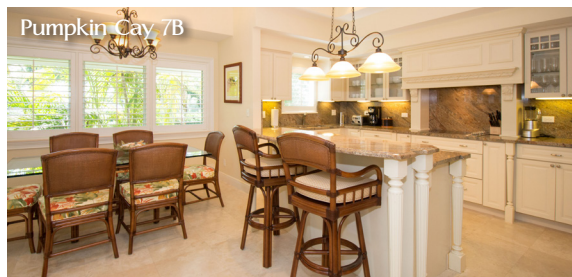


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Share Your Favorite Club Tradition

The Matthews Family

In the spirit of the holidays, the Ocean Reef Press asks you to reflect on the Club traditions from any time of year that mean the most to you and your family, and share them with us!

H.R. Matthews, Jr. shared the following Matthews/Benton family favorite ORC traditions:

Honey Benton, mother of Patricia Benton Matthews, loved to fish. It really did not matter whether it was freshwater or saltwater fishing. Either way, it was something to occupy her time while Lex Benton was working or playing with his boat. Lex did not like fishing. He liked boats though, and if Honey wanted to fish well, this is how they spent time together. Patty, Herb, Lea and I came



Chip Matthews, Lea Butler, Patty Matthews, Alan Butler, Anne Matthews, Benton Matthews, Herb Matthews, Alex Anne Matthews, Sarah Elizabeth Matthews, Lexi Butler and Prescott Butler

to Ft Lauderdale for Christmas in 1964. Patty's parents had a 50' Huckins; the Film Flam, usually docked at Pier 66 in Ft Lauderdale. Honey and Lex had heard of Ocean Reef Club and

decided for us to run the boat down to try out the Club. We all truly fell in love with Ocean Reef. The kids felt empowered with their new independence and the parents comfortable to

relax, knowing the kids were safe and having fun. That is how it all started.

Today, I am 63 years old and our family has spent every Christmas at Ocean Reef except 7 that I recall.

Our three children have grown up going to Ocean Reef. It has had a profound positive impact in the closeness of our immediate family. When they were between 5 and 12 years old, and time to drive back home, Herb and Patty would have to ride them on the mopeds or golf carts to the front gate as we left and then they would get in the car. Usually, they were crying, saying "I don't want to leave" as they got in the car. Pure torture!

For us, Christmas and Santa is not snow and cold, it is sunshine, warm, palm trees, bathing suits, fishing, pickleball and family.

If you have a favorite Club tradition, please submit it to orp@oceanreef.com.



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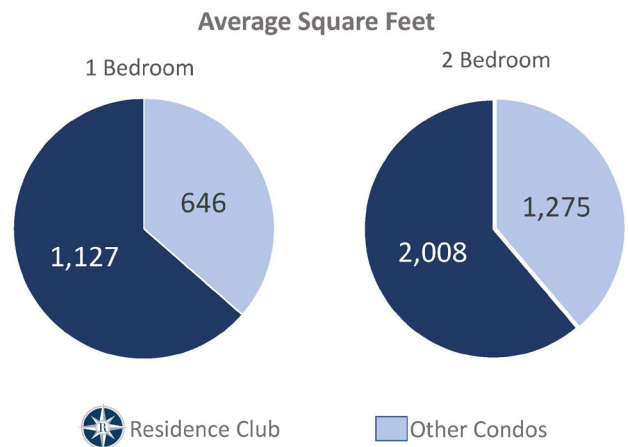
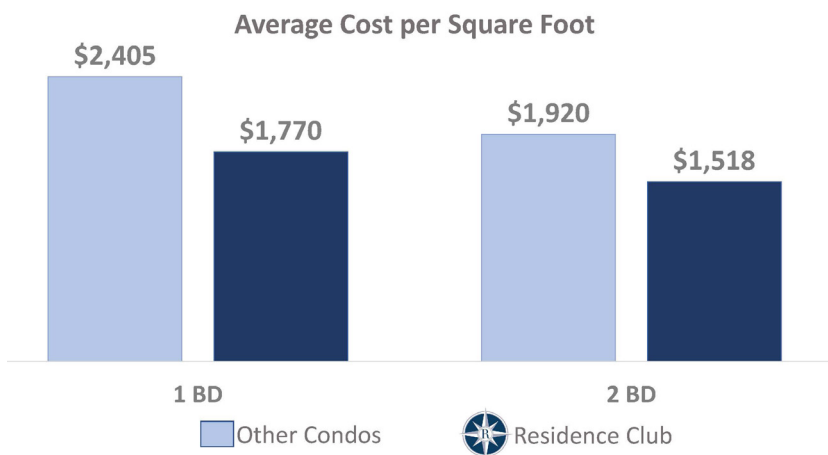
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There's An Art League Class for Everyone



by Susan Bohan

Now that the Holidays are over, the Art League is full of classes for beginners to professionals.

Linda Brown's Nantucket Basket classes always have a range of expertise. While some in last week's class had been weaving for 15 years, **Emily Poole** was enjoying one of her first - an Easter Basket for a friend's newborn son. The camaraderie is fun and after three days, you have created a future heirloom. Priceless.



Emily Poole in Linda Brown's Nantucket Basket class.

Upstairs at Andres Lopez's Oils & Acrylics class, there was a group of Members who have enviable talent. **Jane Bishop**, whose works are in many Members' homes, commented, "There is always something to learn. Classes help when you get in a rut." **Gail Moss** echoed her sentiments. **Janet Norris** felt the class was also about having fun and meeting new people and **Esther Carrico** added that Andres is a particularly



Artwork by Kent Krebeck (left) and Wesley Carter (right), featured in the Art League through January 27.

good teacher. Other artists participating in the class were **Tom Mackell, Meg Sellig, Cynthia Mitchell, Joan Hession, Alexis Rogers, and Linda Salisbury**, who was finally getting ready to paint her own dog after so many years of doing portraits for others!

Tuesday's opening Show was a big success and a must-see. Artists Wesley Carter and Kent Krebeck are mother and son whose subjects are similar but the interpretation very different. As Wesley explained, "We come from a long line of artists. You could say we speak creativity



fluently." While hers use primarily soft pastel tones, Kent begins with digital versions and uses a palette knife and strong colors. He is also an avid fisherman so knows his subjects well. There are bonefish, marlin, tuna and grouper to name a few. You have until **January 27** to catch one for yourself!

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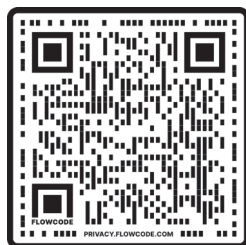


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SPORTS

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

32nd Annual Tennis Pro-Am



"Center Court"
by Justin
Romero,
Director of
Racquet
Sports

In its 32nd year, this special tournament gives Members a chance to play with and see the Pros showcase their talent in a competitive format. This year, 16 Members were paired up with 16 Pros from ORC and surrounding clubs, many of which look forward to this event year after year. The format includes 4 flights with 4 teams in each flight. After flight play, the top two teams move on to the Winners' bracket Quarterfinals. The bottom two teams move on the Consolation Quarterfinals. After bracket play comes to end, two teams remain in the winners' bracket finals and two teams remained in the consolation bracket final. This year, in the main draw finals, **Enrique Montoya** and his Pro Igor Marcondes def. **Ralf Sellig** and ORC Pro Alex Henderson 6-4. In the consolation finals, **Tony Talebi** and Pro Justin Touchstone def. **Gloren Roper** and ORC Pro Carolina Quevedo.

New this season and by popular demand, we ran a "B" flight Pro-Am. In this flight, 6 Members paired up with ORC's Pros to vie for the title of the Inaugural "B" Level Pro-Am. It started off with round robin play where every team played each other to try to earn the most points to make the finals. Out of the 6 teams, two prevailed – **Bob Baer**/ORC Pro Ricardo Martin and **Steve Rushmore**/Pro Raul Quevedo. The finals were set and played under the lights as Tennis Concierge Carolina Quevedo umpired. Some great rallies and points were played and Baer/



Pro-Am Champions Enrique Montoya (left) and Pro Igor Marcondes (right), pictured with Director of Racquet Sports Justin Romero (center).



"B" Flight Champions Bob Baer (second from left) with ORC Pro Ricardo Martin, and "B" Flight Runners Up Steve Rushmore (right) and Pro Raul Quevedo.

Martin eked out an early break and went on to take the title 6-4.

Thank you to all participants and spectators and of course THANK YOU for your generous support. The next Pro-Am tournament will be on April 22nd and we call it, "Bring-A-Pro". You can bring in your own Pro to play with. With the retirement of Roger Federer and Serena Williams last year, we could have some quality competition. However, if you do need help finding a Pro to play with, we can help. Just call the Tennis & Games Center at 305-367-6583.

Tennis & Games Center vs. Racquet Club

In Pickleball, we like to have a little friendly competition with our neighbors next door – the Racquet Club (RC). This year's interclub match will be on **Tuesday, January 24th**. Sign up with your respective "Club" and

let the games begin. ORC and RC Pros will make the games as fair as possible and whoever wins the most matches gets bragging rights for the year. Last year it came down to the wire with both teams being tied and one match to go. Tennis & Games Center eked out a close one to take home the trophy. Let's see what this year has in store. Sign up soon!



Consolation Champions Tony Talebi (right) and Pro Justin Touchstone.

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February 3 – 5, 2023

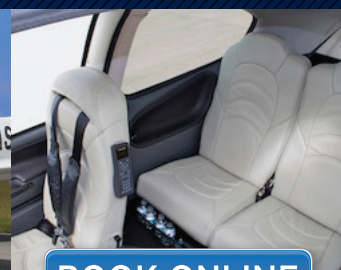
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Member-Guest Tennis Tournament with this three-day tennis extravaganza! The theme of the weekend is 1973, the year of the inaugural tournament, and themed dress is encouraged for Friday's Cocktail Party.

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For the schedule and to register online, visit oceanreef.com/MGT.

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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

20 FRIDAY

AA Meeting

7:30am • Chapel Board Room
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AA Meetings

Tai Chi Class

7:30am • Member Fitness Center

Gameio Tennis Clinic

10am • Tennis & Games Center

Fit Camp

12pm • Member Fitness Center

Bridge Game: Educational F Game

1-4:15pm • Member Fitness Center

Come Sail Away: Bullseye Sailing

2pm • Card Sound Yacht Club

Golf Clinic with Dave Vihlen

3pm • Driving Range

POC Wine Tasting

7pm • Port O'Call

Live DJ

9pm • Burgee Bar

21 SATURDAY

Sailfish Classic Fishing

Tournament
All Day • The Reef

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members
Only)

Cardio Boxing Class & Yoga Nidra

Class
8am • Member Fitness Center

Cardio Tennis Clinic

8 & 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Croquet Lessons & Clinics with

Paul Fecteau
9am-2pm • Croquet Lawn

Guided Eco Kayak Tour

10am • Meet at Pool Desk

Sound Bath & Chakra Balance

11am • Member Fitness Center

Real Estate Open House Tour

2-5pm • The Reef

"She Said" (R)

4:30 & 7:30pm • Cultural Center

Cocktails

6-8pm • The Point (Members
Only)

Lighted Standup Paddleboard Tour

6pm • Buccaneer Island

22 SUNDAY

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members
Only)

Member/Professional Golf

Tournament
8-10am • Hammock Course

Mat Pilates Class

10am • Member Fitness Center

Gameio Tennis Clinic

10am • Tennis & Games Center

Guided Eco-Kayak Tour

10am • Meet at Pool Desk

Aqua Cardio Class

11am • Member Fitness Pool

Golf Clinic with Tom Gibson

3-4pm • Driving Range

"Tar" (R)

4:30 & 7:30pm • Cultural Center

Cocktails

5-8pm • The Point (Members
Only)

Reef Club Kids Open

6-10pm • RCK Clubhouse

23 MONDAY

Sweat Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Member/Professional Golf

Tournament
8:30am • Dolphin Course

Fresh Sustainable Flair: Chef Jared

Reardon
9:30am • Cooking School

Farmer's Market

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

Keys Children Foundation Be an

Angel Luncheon
11:30am • Town Hall

Women, Wickets, & Wine

3:30pm • Croquet Lawn

Vine to Table: Simply the Best

6:30pm • Carysfort Cooking School

Men's Card Night

6:45pm • Card & Games Room

AA Meeting

7:30pm • Yacht Club Room
Call 305-390-4983 for additional
AA Meetings

24 TUESDAY

Cycle Class

6am • Member Fitness Center

Master Swim Class

7am • Member Fitness Pool

LGA Weekly Event

8-10am • Hammock Course

Sweat Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Pickleball Cardio

8am • Tennis & Games Center

Strength Cycle & Vinyasa Yoga

9am • Member Fitness Center

Italian Series: Chef Betania Salles

9:30am • Cooking School

Inter-Club Pickleball Match vs. The

Racquet Club
11am • Tennis & Games Center

Golf Clinic with Tom Gibson

3pm • Driving Range

Potluck Gathering

6pm • Chapel Fellowship Hall

25 WEDNESDAY

Intercessory Prayer

8am • Chapel Board Room

Ladies Pickleball League

8am • Tennis & Games Center

Italian Series: Chef Betania Salles

9:30am • Cooking School

Gameio Tennis Clinic

10am • Tennis & Games Center

Golf Clinic with Dave Vihlen

10am • Driving Range

Mah Jongg, Canasta &

Backgammon Open Play
10am-4pm • Card & Games Room

Silver Fit Class

11am • Member Fitness Center

Stretch & Mobility Class

3pm • Member Fitness Center

Yappy Hour

4pm • Grayvik Animal Center

Gameio Tennis Clinic

4:30-5:30pm • Tennis & Games
Center

Men's Pickleball Night League

5:30-7pm • Tennis & Games
Center

"She Said" (R)

4:30 & 7:30pm • Cultural Center

26 THURSDAY

Cycle Class

6am • Member Fitness Center

Core Class

6:30am • Member Fitness Center

Men's Pickleball League

8am • Tennis & Games Center

9 Hole LGA, Ringer Day 1

8-10am • Dolphin Course

Cardio Tennis Clinic

9am • Tennis & Games Center

Mah Jongg, Canasta &

Backgammon Open Play
10am-4pm • Card & Games Room

Gameio Tennis Clinic

10am & 11am • Tennis & Games
Center

Farmer's Market

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

Bridge Lesson: Negative Doubles

3pm • Card & Games Room

Croquet Crocodile Cup

3:30-5pm • Croquet Lawn

Raw Bar Lobster Bake

5-9pm • Raw Bar

Backgammon at Waterside

6pm • Town Hall Waterside

Burgee Bar Karaoke

9pm • Burgee Bar

MOVIES

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**"She Said" (R)**

Fri. January 20 • 4:30PM & 7:30PM

Sun. January 22 • 4:30PM & 7:30PM

Wed. January 25 • 7:30PM

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CLUB SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper

J. McLaughlin If you are looking for something new to wear to the Keys Children's Foundation Luncheon (Monday 1/23), then J. McLaughlin is your "go to" place.... This popular Fishing Village store offers a wonderful choice of dresses, appropriate for a charity lunch or just a salad at the Palm Court.... I especially liked the *Hortense*, a lovely flowing polyester crepe number in a floral pattern of brown/blue and off white (\$248). Another favorite of mine was *Pansy*, a blue pull-over dress with white embroidery on the neck, sleeves and hemline (\$298). Both come in the fashionable midi-length.... My model **Pat Baxter** was very partial to McLaughlin's Gingham Collection. She is shown here in a long-sleeve, double-breasted gingham blazer (\$298) Matching *Ivy* pants come in the chambray/white color of Pat's jacket. And that is just one of a host of colors (e.g. hot pink, green, navy, coffee) available in these flattering pull-on Capri length pants. (\$168) Pat Baxter is a board



member of the Keys Children's Foundation, which provides financial support to non-profit organizations, that aid disadvantaged children in the Upper Keys. She is very grateful to J. McLaughlin for allocating shopping days (most recently during Vintage Weekend), when 15 percent of the store's profit on sales reverted to KCF. Note: *The Keys Children's Foundation "Be an Angel Luncheon" will take place on Monday, Jan. 23 at 11:30 in Town Hall. Guest Speaker will be Lauren Bush Lauren, entrepreneur, and philanthropist with focus on world hunger.*

by Joan Birsh

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Equity Member Only Night Monday

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Lobster Bake Thursday

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Sun. 12pm-Midnight

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Fri. & Sat. 5pm-12am

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Keep Your Head Still



"Tennis Tip"
by Ricardo
Martin, Tennis
Professional

It is important to remember to keep your head still when contacting the ball.

The main reason to focus on keeping a still head is that it helps us hit more shots in the "sweet spot". Keeping your head still during contact also allows

you to keep your balance.

If you are pulling away your head during contact, you will be miss-hitting the ball slightly. This results in a bad shot because the racket doesn't give the ball enough power. Hitting by only a few centimeters off of the center gives you 30 or 40 percent less power.

If we jerkily move the head at the moment of contact, we disturb our balance, which affects our ability to hit a good shot.

Next time you go on the tennis court, make sure to focus on this tip. I promise you will notice a positive difference in your game!

TENNIS RESULTS

Pro-Am Tennis Tournament • Sunday, January 15

1st Place: Enrique Montoya & Pro Igor Marcondes

2nd Place: Ralf Sellig & Pro Alex Henderson

1st Place Consolation: Tony Talebia & Pro Justin Touchstone

2nd Place Consolation: Gloran Roper & Pro Carolina Quevedo

"B" Level 1st Place: Bob Baer & Pro Ricardo Martin

"B" Level 2nd Place: Steve Rushmore & Pro Raul Quevedo

Men's "B" Night League • Monday, January 16

1st Place (tie): Bob Zoba, Dan Cohen, Aiden Carter

2nd Place (tie): John Averitt, Blair Bynum, Alex Mason

Tennis

Player of the Week

Anne Leake



Tournament with my partner, Pedro. We made it to the semi-finals by one point, it was so exciting!

What keeps you playing pickleball?
The fast pace and the strategy.

What is your favorite activity at ORC besides pickleball?

Cruising around with my babies V.V. (6) and Lisle (4) to all the beautiful events here at The Reef.

What are you most looking forward to this season?

Improving my game.

Favorite shot?

Swinging volley

Favorite pickleball player?

All my pickle people at ORC - I don't know any others.

When did you start playing pickleball and why?

I started when we moved here in May. My husband **Rudy** and I took a lesson. I fell in love right away.

How many years have you been a Member at ORC?

7 years.

What is your favorite pickleball memory?

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by William Hinkebein, ORC Croquet
Chair

Three-Wicket Tournament

On January 13, the first of two three-wicket tournaments was held. Coach Jim Morton came to the croquet lawn to get things organized and rolling. All participants' names were written down and pulled from a hat, thus creating the two-person doubles teams. Teams being formed via this blind draw creates excitement and allows play for partners who may have never played together.

By 1:15pm, the double-elimination tournament began. Just as the name implies, being a three-wicket event, a team wins by just gaining two wickets. Thus, winning that very first wicket is a huge advantage. As the games unfolded, one team won all their games, reaching the championship finals. This was the team of **Adelaide Jared and Mike Love**. Eventually, one team emerged from the consolation bracket to gain the right to play against Jared and Love. This was team **Judy Wilson and William Hinkebein**.

The tournament came down to one final, hard-fought



William Hinkebein, Adelaide Jared, Mike Love and Judy Wilson...the final four of the Three-Wicket Tournament.

wicket. After several clearing shots, it was finally settled by a nice 8-foot score. Congrats to winners Wilson and Hinkebein.

The next Three-Wicket Tournament will be held on **February 19**. Call the Tennis & Games Center (TGC) at 305-367-6583 to sign up.

Crocodile Cup

The first round of the Crocodile Cup was held January 12. The teams for these games are drawn out of a hat on-site before each and every game. To qualify for the final four sessions, one must play in at least one of the first three sessions. Qualifying rounds, all on Thursdays, are on January 12, 19 and 26. For those who participated in one of the first three sessions, the final four sessions are Thursdays, February 9, 16 and 23. Then the grand final and awards is **Sunday, February 26**. All sessions begin at 2pm.



Coach Paul Fecteau giving a rules clinic.

Saturdays With Coach Paul Fecteau

USCA-certified referee and championship player Paul Fecteau is giving lessons on Saturdays 9am-2pm.

Paul has been with us for two Saturdays now and all are very happy with this effort. He has taught us the finer points of aiming and shooting, court strategy, and the details of the rules. The last hour of Coach Paul's time the last two weeks has been a rules clinic (1-2pm). Sign up for a lesson or clinic by calling the TGC. Coach Paul will NOT be available on February 4 or March 11 and 18. The TGC will bill participants accordingly. Coaches Justin Romero and Jim Morton are also available for lessons.

Beginners Clinic

Conducted by Coach Justin Romero, Mondays, 2:30-3:30pm: Justin will teach the basics and do a walk-through of a game. This is for beginners only.

Women, Wine & Wickets

3:30-5pm on the following Mondays: 1/23, 2/6, 2/20, 3/6, 3/20 and 4/3.

Ladies just show up and play....and enjoy a glass or two of vino on ORC. No sign up necessary.

21st Annual ORAC Challenge Invitational

Friday & Saturday, March 17 & 18. This annual event is the major competition between Ocean Reef and Anglers Club. Players must live at

their respective club to play for that club team. Example: Player William Hinkebein can only play for Team ORC since that is where he lives. **Leslie Phillips** can only play for Anglers Club since that is where she lives. This is an invitational event so to be on Team ORC, one must be invited by the ORC ORAC Committee to play. Only 12 ORC players can participate. Team Ocean Reef will be selected in the next few weeks by the committee. The way to qualify for Team ORC is to place first or second in any of the main croquet events on the schedule. So far, the following players have qualified for the 2023 Team ORC by placing first or second in the Fall Singles Tournament, Winter Doubles Tournament or Three-Wicket Tournament #1: **Carol Blackburn, Kendall Hendrick, Laura Hendrick, William Hinkebein, Alan Thomson, Judy Wilson and Mike Love**. It is understood that any of the qualified invited team members might not be available for the March 17-18 dates of the ORAC Challenge. Thus, the committee will adjust.

Upcoming events to reach qualification:

- Jan. 27, The Judy Ladies' Singles Tournament
- Feb. 10, ORC Doubles Club Championship
- Feb. 19, Three-Wicket Tournament #2
- March 3, ORC Singles Club Championship

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Joint Effort Pays Off



by Christine Patton, Rod & Gun Club

Rod and Gun Club members collaborated with the Bonefish Bonnies to spend a morning out cleaning debris from the mangroves in front of Buccaneer Island, and really brought in a haul! Almost 30 people came out and declared it a most rewarding way to spend the morning.

Ocean Reef Club provided double and single kayaks and kits for collection — water, gloves, and trash bags and, most importantly, disposal of the pile of trash — and



Almost 30 people came out to the recent Rod & Gun Club and Bonefish Bonnies joint kayak cleanup.

the nimble kayakers were able to nose into the mangrove for the inevitable flotsam and jetsam that gets hung up in there. But the added assistance of bigger collection boats — garbage scows? — provided a valuable backup that enabled the kayakers to offload their findings and to keep extracting debris until a vast

pile was amassed.

Analyzing the collection, the usual objects were found: rope, netting, anchor buoys and lines, but **Kathy Weiland's** toilet seat won the prize for "Most Unusual" and the wooden pallet was certainly the largest object. Two types of plastic wrapper were prevalent, and they were passed on to the Club, though it's likely that they were washed up from the Atlantic. Participants said they were amazed at the impact of a mere 90 minutes of work. It's a start — come and join the repeat on **February 9**.



Phil French and his boat full of collected junk.

swear by his ability to improve results. For private or small group lessons on Wednesday, email **Carmen Sferrazza** at carmen@asi-group.com and also know that Pablo will be at the range giving "impromptu" advice and lessons if requested every Thursday and Saturday for the next few weeks.

Did You Know??

The Friends of John Pennekamp have partnered with View Into The Blue to design and install an underwater camera system adjacent to a section of the coral reef system located within the park. Go to pennekampfriends.org and sign on for 24-hour access to a live feed of marine activity! It makes a great screen saver...

Don't Forget

Fish of the Month — Kingfish and Wahoo for January — a \$50 gift certificate to the RGC member or guest who brings in the largest specimen to be weighed on the MarineMax scales any day this month.

BONEFISH BONNIES

Bonefish Bonnies Fishing 101

New Bonefish Bonnies attended "Fishing 101" hosted on Catchin' Z's by Board Member **Jodi Zifferer**. Jodi, as chairperson of the Bonnies' Tournament Committee, led the class and was assisted by Captain Tucker and Tackle Master Andres.



Instructor at the Range is a Hit!

Activity at the recently refurbished Range is humming, with attendance at the Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday open days (10am-3pm) at all-time highs. Over 100 people, 50% women, have enjoyed the wide range of techniques available — trap, skeet, five-stand — and the newly comfortable facilities. For info plus directions, go to RodandGun.org or call the Range Master at 856-491-0409. Now the Rod and Gun is pleased to offer private and group lessons with our new instructor, Paul Montealegre (better known as Pablo). Starting January 26, Pablo will have the range for coaching on Wednesdays, but can be available other times by appointment. Pablo comes by way of Houston, where he ran the Escopeta Shooting Academy, and is a world-record holder over the last ten years. He is also an enthusiastic, supportive and effective teacher, who has quickly won over a group of Rod and Gun members who



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10 Fitness Tips to Start 2023



"Fitness Focus"
by Luis
Bracamonte,
Director of
Fitness &
Wellness

Fitness can significantly improve through focus, consistency, and a proper understanding of what works. Here is some practical advice to make your time in the gym more effective and efficient:

1. **Prepare your body for each exercise.** Start slow and light before progressing to faster-pace movement and heavier resistances for each body part and muscle group you exercise.

2. Complete and balanced fitness programs **include strength, conditioning, flexibility, and mobility components.** The focus of each workout can be different, but these components should all be developed every week.

3. **The harder we workout, the more time we need to spend in recovery sessions,** such as massage and stretching, to avoid overuse injuries and to reduce general fatigue. Ice and compression also play an essential role in recovery. Ask our fitness staff for our new Normatec compression system.

4. **High-intensity workouts create the best results but also increase injury risk.** To balance your program, include moderate to low-intensity workouts between your high-intensity and heavy lifting workouts.

5. **Consistency is the most critical variable in the fitness equation.**

6. Dehydration causes fatigue, so **stay adequately hydrated throughout your workout and the day.** Dehydration also increases cravings and leads to poor food choices. The foods we



Member Fitness hosted this fun Fit Camp class for Megan Orgel's bachelorette party.



Reformer Pilates Class with Masha Volt. Member Fitness is currently hosting 7 Reformer classes and over 100 small private group sessions per week.



Stretch and mobility classes are every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 3pm with Robbie and Tuesday at 4pm with Casey.

eat provide the type of energy our bodies and brains operate on.

7. **A massage gun should be as ubiquitous as a toothbrush.** Have one at home and use it every day.

8. **It is ok to workout and be active every day.** Our bodies perform better when they move often and are pushed to improve. Avoid being sedentary and embrace an active lifestyle.

9. **Work on weak areas every day.** Weak areas are old or recent injuries that can flare if we ignore them. Keep chronic pain at bay with range of motion

exercises, strengthening hip and shoulder stabilizers, increasing core strength,

regular massage, and stretching.

10. **Work on becoming more aware.** Be aware of your posture, your movements, your breath, muscle tension, etc. Awareness is developed through focused and regular introspection. Listen to your thoughts, sensations, perceptions, and emotions and how each connects. Nothing is more effective in fitness and life than improving our internal dialogue and the mind-body connection.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sound Bath & Chakra Balance with Elisabet Stadelman Wednesday, Jan. 21, 11am

Chakras are the center of energy and are distributed all over the body. They accumulate and distribute energy throughout the body. Through the sound bath, we help in the process of harmonization of those centers and improve their functions.

Importance of Sleep, Rest & Recovery With Hannah Whistler Wednesday, Jan. 28, 3pm

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A Great Week For Our Golf Associations



"From the Gold Tees" by Michael Leone, Director of Golf

LGA Member-Member

Our marquee Member-Member began January 10 with 50 teams all with one common goal, to be Member-Member Champions. This event is sought after by all and it was only fitting that we had the largest field size in recent history. To win this Championship, a team must play their "A" game for an entire week. Nine teams did just that coming out on top of their flight following the 5th match of the week. After all of the

results were in, it was time for these nine teams to tee it up in our Alternate Shot Shootout. Only one team could come out on top.

Stellar play continued into the shootout as a par could only get you into a chip-off with six other teams. After our flight winners demonstrated their short-game talents in the chip-off, four teams headed to the second shootout hole. It always comes down to the putter. After a classy chip by **Cindy Baird**, **Staci Berry** came in clutch sinking a 10-foot birdie putt to advance her team to the final hole. The other team to join them on the final hole was a familiar one, **Hillary Smith** and **Heather Post**. It was déjà vu for them as they found themselves in the same position they were in one year ago. Our defending champions were one hole away from their second consecutive Member-Member title.

The scene was set on the 9th Hole of the Dolphin Course

with all eyes on our final two teams. Berry led the way almost hitting the flagstick with her tee shot while Smith played a perfect pin-high shot (like she has been there before). The team of Berry and Baird found themselves in the back bunker, but Baird played a fantastic bunker shot giving her team a chance. After a few phenomenal shots by both teams, the steady play of Smith and Post carried them to a title defense.

Congratulations to our 2023 Member-Member Champions, Hillary Smith and Heather Post!

9 Hole LGA

More than 50 ladies tested the Front Nine of the Hammock Course in last week's 9 Hole LGA Scramble. Every player teed off and the team took the best drive. Each player then hit from that spot, and this process was followed until the ball was holed. This fun format takes teamwork and strategy. Congratulations to the team of

Carol Schafer-Yates, Carolyn Sheehan, Carter Rountree and **Tania McCann** for winning with an impressive score of 27. Great playing!

LGA Beat the Pro

Thank you to all 70 LGA members who came with the goal of "beating the pro" last Tuesday. There were plenty of wonderful scores and many great shots, with tough pins and fast greens, but this was no match for two of our participants in the Closest to the Hole contest. On hole 9, with the pin nestled up on the water's edge, **Maria Wardwell** flagged it knocking it to 7'11". The bunkers guarding the hole on the 11th were no match for **Joan Del Papa** as she used the green contours perfectly with the ball ending up 7'1" away. Our Golf Professional was lucky enough to come out on top this time, but he knows the LGA members will be back in full force next week!



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A Look Back At a Great Weekend of Golf Instruction & Learning



"Swing Tip"
by Derek
Swoboda,
Director of
Instruction

Some of the world's greatest golf instructors, Mike Adams and Metedeconk National Director of Instruction Kelan McDonagh, spent time at the ORC Academy of Golf with our Director of Instruction, Derek Swoboda.

Participants learned a new way

of involving their own bodies and biomechanics to help create more efficiency in their golf swings. The basis is that not everyone is built the same way, so we should all swing according to our individual ways of movement.

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To take a look into a few of the things we were able to do, here are some photos.



ORC Director of Instruction Derek Swoboda (left) and ORC Golf Instructor Stef Shaw (second from right) with Mike Adams and Kelan McDonagh, Director of Instruction at Metedeconk National in New Jersey.



Derek Swoboda instructs Tom Yates on how to properly use the ground and finish all the way to his left side.



Mike Adams explaining how the grip works for each individual and grip style.

GOLF SCOREBOARD

9 Hole LGA Weekly Event Thursday, January 12

1st Place: Carol Schaffer-Yates, Carolyn Sheehan, Carter Rountree, Tania McCann

2nd Place: Carol Cameron, Susan Disanto, Cathy Totonis, Susie Hassett

3rd Place: Kathleen Metzman, Charlotte Drinkwater, Kristine Voulgaris, Rachel Kelley

Closest to the Hole: Susan Hirschbiel (#6)

Longest Drive: Kathleen Metzman (#5)

Flight Three Champions:

Carol Andrews & Maggie Parker

Flight Four Champions:

Kathie Markel & Lori Young

Flight Five Champions:

Cindy Baird & Staci Berry

Flight Six Champions:

Mary Lou Krause & Barbara Pearson

Flight Seven Champions:

Christine Langley & Susan Scott

Flight Eight: Laura Reed & Britta Garcia

Flight Nine: Patty Davidson & Ellen Burke

LGA Member-Member Tournament

January 10, 11, and 13

Flight One Overall

Champions: Hillary Smith & Heather Post

Flight Two Champions: Mona Brewer & Angela Berman

LGA Beat the Pro

Tuesday, January 17

1st Place: Barbara DeSousa

2nd Place: Valerie Rich

3rd Place: Katherine Weiland

Closest to the Hole: Maria Wardwell (#9), Joan Del Papa (#11)



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Elon Musk Lands on Jupiter

By Fiona and Randy Woods, USCG Auxiliaries with the Ocean Reef Flotilla

Whatever you think about Elon Musk, there is little doubt that his SpaceX Starlink satellite communications package is transformative for mariners cruising remote locations.

Last summer we acquired a Starlink (<https://www.starlink.com/>) bundle of joy aboard our exploration vessel, Jupiter, to provide data and voice connectivity when navigating the wilderness waters of British Columbia and Southeast Alaska. Cellular and wifi data is only occasionally available near larger settlements of the Pacific Northwest and is often of poor quality. Our older KVH sat data and voice system was absurdly



The curiously rectangular Starlink antenna is robust and self-adjusting.

expensive and awkward to use.

We ordered and quickly received a Starlink RV set-up which cost \$600 plus \$135 per month for fast and unlimited data, which charge can be suspended when not needed. The Starlink unit is not "marinized" as such but is robust and can be installed easily on a rail or stanchion with PVC pipe and hose clamps.

We opted to have our boatyard in Sidney, BC engineer a permanent installation on Jupiter's electronics mast.

Starlink's rectangular antenna with its flat top and convex underside appears strange on a yacht but has proven to be secure underway and in high winds. The top of the antenna can be heated to melt snow and ice and the bottom acts like an inverted wing creating low air pressure below, forcing the unit down onto its mounting. The motorized antenna continuously seeks satellites while we seek adventure along ragged shores and deep inlets.

Locate a chase for the 75-foot

power and data cable from your on-deck antenna to the Starlink router inside and plug it into to a 120-volt outlet and you are shaking hands with the world! With an HDMI cable we tied Starlink into Jupiter's local wifi router, an umbilical connection to any wireless device or vessel component.

Our Starlink system includes everything we desired: fast and reliable voice and data service, working-from-home ability, zooming kids or grandkids or, better yet, face timing technicians at the boat yard to evaluate equipment failures, getting medical advice, or downloading the thrilling mini-series: *Coast Guard Florida, Season 1*.

It is said: "be careful what you wish for!" We might soon miss those tranquil weeks off the grid. And the most important communications device aboard Jupiter continues to be our VHF radio tuned to Channel 16.

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7th Annual CSSC/NYYC Invitational



by Bill
Reynolds,
Card Sound
Sailing Club
Commodore

For several days, organizers anxiously watched weather apps and forecasts hoping that all the advanced technology wouldn't prove correct. Unfortunately, current forecasting is pretty accurate and high winds and cool (cold) conditions prevailed and caused the 7th annual Card Sound Sailing Club/New York Yacht Club Invitational to be canceled for the third time in the history of the event.

In the beginning, former ORC Board Chairman and



Card Sound Sailing member **Bob Schmetterer** realized that Ocean Reef Club and New York Yacht Club have 70-some members in common and thought that a winter retreat to Ocean Reef would be a benefit to both clubs. The weather aside, it has become a great event. Card Sound members were invited to a Friday

evening welcome cocktail party on the upper deck at Town Hall. Complimentary drinks combined with sailors always culminates in a fun event. Albeit chilly and breezy, the welcome was warm and the brief conversation about the 2024 America's Cup Challenge was very interesting and exciting.

For sailing enthusiasts, the America's Cup is an event we look forward to. The New York Yacht Club is historically integral to this event and is the Challenger as American Magic in Barcelona in September and October of 2024. The syndicate is beginning development and testing in Pensacola currently with the AC 40 class hydro foiling boats and will build the challenger AC 75 with data from the AC 40's. You can find more on americanmagic.com, americascup.com, americascup.com or nyyc.org.

Saturday proved the forecast to be correct and racing was

called off. However, everyone was a winner as the luncheon went off in wind-protected Baker Harbor green. Normally, only the sailing victors receive awards but due to the cancellation, all of the NYYC participating skippers received coveted caps, as did CSSC members who donated the use of boats and to volunteers recognized by CSSC/NYYC event organizer **Chris Streit**. Members **Windsor Coffin**, who almost single-handedly made sure boats were prepared and rigged to race, and **Chuck Cook**, harbor master, deserves special recognition.

Highest recognition is due especially to **Dan Harding** who has managed the event from the beginning and Chris Streit who accepted the baton this year.

Hopefully we will find a new weather chairman and next year we can offer a more robust race report.

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Unpredictable Winds on the Pond



by Windsor D. Coffin,
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Commodore

As we all know, last weekend was quite chilly for the Florida Keys. There is just something about temperatures in the 50's down here that seems so much colder than the same temperature up north. Whether it's just psychological or a product of the higher humidity in the Keys, who knows. Both are likely true. But, it wasn't the temperatures that caused frustration for the Card Sound Model Yacht Club sailors last Sunday, it was the wind direction and the fact that the



Jim Seale keeping a keen eye on racing his EC12. Photo by Erin Coffin.

wind would come and go in waves.

Anytime we have winds from the north or the northwest, the buildings of Villa Cay and the Inn come into play. As Commodore, I try the best I can to set a course based on the wind direction. However, when you have winds coming from nearly all directions it makes the course set a little tricky and you just have to hope for the best. At the very least, all the sailors have to deal with the same course and conditions. Coming out on top and winning the day where, at times, a

boat could have experienced multiple different types of sailing conditions on a single leg was **Al Mast**. Al was back to his wily self on this day after the previous Sunday's rare off form showing. Second place and a single point adrift of Al was, yours truly, **Windsor Coffin**. When Al is on his game, you simply cannot make mistakes and I made a big mistake in race four by misjudging a mark rounding in a gust of wind. Rounding out the top three was **Jim Seale** who, week to week, continues to improve his race craft. Finally, another shout out goes to **Lynne**

Mast who once again came out to oversee Race Committee. Her help has been very much appreciated by all the sailors, and especially **Erin Coffin** who usually pulls "double duty" by racing and Race Committee.

Early indications are for much warmer southerly winds this coming Sunday and perhaps a little on the gusty side, which always makes racing interesting...and tons of fun!

The Card Sound Model Yacht Club races every Sunday (except Easter Sunday) until the end of April at "the Pond." So, swing by the Buccaneer Island Lagoon if you are curious or have questions. Racing begins at 10 a.m. Our sailors are always willing to discuss our racing model yachts and, for interested sailors, there are even a few currently available for sale here at Ocean Reef. If you would like more information about our model yachting club and our EC12 model yachts, please contact me, Windsor Coffin, at csmyc12@gmail.com.



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The Ocean Reef Yacht Club held their Blessing of the Fleet and Fleet Review at The Point last Thursday, January 12. There were 140 people in attendance on 12 boats. The boats were blessed by **Emilie Wierda** and received acceptance from Commodore **Don Bermant** and Vice Commodore **Sarah Cart**. Many of the boats competed for prizes by arranging an interesting display and or skit.



Emilie Wierda blessing a boat in the Fleet while Commodore Don Bermant, Vice Commodore Sarah Cart and Commodora Denise Bermant look on approvingly.



M/Y Godspeed with its crew of seafarers get blessed.



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by Gregg Van Dyke,
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of Card &
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We have a busy week coming up in the Card & Games Room. Lots of things for you.

Pick Up Games

Canasta Pick Up Games will be starting Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Come over between 12 and 1 p.m. Just show up and we will put games together like we did pre-Covid. If you need to learn or brush up on your skills, lessons are available Thursdays at 12:30 p.m., or just stop in and watch. This is a wonderful way to meet people.

Mah Jongg Pick Up Games

are also available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Upcoming Special Events

An Evening of Bridge in the Ocean Room will be held on **Monday, February 27** and An Evening of Canasta in the Ocean Room will be held on **Monday, March 13**. For both, play will start at 4:30 p.m. followed by wonderful dinners in the Ocean Room.

I am also excited to announce that Patty Tucker will be coming to Ocean Reef on **Thursday, February 16**. She will be teaching "Learn Bridge In A Day." This is a course to teach people the beginnings of how to play bridge. Sign up early for this so you don't get left out by calling 305-367-6609.

Men's Texas Holdem Poker Tournaments

The Men's Texas Holdem Poker Tournament was held Monday, January 16. Congrats to the

winner -**Fred Flippin!** Second place went to **Joe Murphy** and third place to **Paul DiMaura**.

January Schedule

The January Card & Games Room schedule is out. Grab one from the Card & Games Room. Of note on the schedule:

The next Men's Poker Nite will be **Monday, January 23** at 6:45 p.m. Please come by 6:30.

Bridge lessons are available on any subject you are having trouble with Tuesdays and Thursdays after 3 p.m.

The next Canasta Lesson available on Thursday, starting January 26 at 12:30 p.m. They are complimentary and an easy way to learn a new game. Once you learn it you have it for life.

I will do Backgammon at Waterside **Thursday, January 26** at 6 p.m. Backgammon lessons are available in the Card & Games Room on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Call to let me know you are coming. I have backgammon games that you

may check out and take home to practice.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday are all Live Duplicate Bridge Games starting at 1 p.m.

Reminder from the ACBL: Be Scent-sitive!

Some people have an extreme sensitivity to fragrances (colognes or perfumes). Many ACBL clubs, units and districts have adopted policies that prohibit players from wearing fragrances.

Because duplicate bridge requires players to be in close proximity to each other, individuals who suffer from fragrance-related reactions cannot avoid those who are wearing them. Among the commonly reported symptoms are intense headaches (indeed, fragrances can frequently be a trigger for migraine sufferers) or breathing-related problems. Please, if you're going to play in a club, don't wear cologne, perfume or scented lotions.

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Monday, January 9, 2023

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2. Nancy Grote - Kathy Bahl
3. Chloe Beatty - Jay Beatty
4. Judie Berry - Denny Morgan

Section A East-West

1. Suzy Heilpern - Beverly Platner
2. Sam Wardwell - Charles Simms
3. Dorothy Kemp - Bessie Connelly
4. Garret Sayia - Carolyn Fovel

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Section A North-South

1. Jay Beatty - Adelaide Jared
2. Rosalie Svete - Pat Henry
3. Dedie Nutt - Gail Yoh
4. Mary Zwirn - Mel Zwirn
5. Charles Simms - Jeff Schumer

Section A East-West

1. Beverly Platner - Brian Platner
2. Molly Morgan - Pamela Harding
3. Suzy Heilpern - Sam Wardwell
4. Ann Petersen - Hollis Petersen
5. Paula Davidson - Carolyn Fovel

Friday, January 13, 2023

Section A North-South

1. Nancy Grote - Patty Kent
2. Suzanne Sayia - Garret Sayia
3. Rosalie Svete - Molly Morgan
4. Mary Zwirn - Mel Zwirn

Section A East-West

1. Ann Petersen - Hollis Petersen
2. Susan Mann - Cynthia Comenos
3. Beverly Platner - Dorothy Kemp

Canasta Score: High Hand

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BRIDGE TIP

Responding to 1NT with 5-4 in the Majors

When partner opens 1NT, the idea is to see if you have a fit in the Majors. This is done by using Stayman and Jacoby Transfers. But what happens when you have 5-4 in the Majors? This is where a series of bids would show your shape to the NT Opener.

10+ HCPs (Smolen Convention)

With 10 or more points, you want to go to game. Use Stayman first (2♣) to find a 4-card major fit. Then if partner bids a major, simply raise it to the 4-level. If partner denies a major (rebid 2♦) then use the Smolen Convention to find a 3-card fit with your 5-card major (since partner denied the 4-card major in either of your majors)
Smolen Convention: Used

to show partner 5-4 in the Majors and game going values. Start with Stayman. Then if partner denies a 4-card major, jump to the 3-level with the shorter major (which partner does not have). Partner will go to game with a 3-card fit or simply bid 3NT. The idea behind this convention is to have the stronger hand play the hand.

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	
3♥!	= 5 spades and 4 hearts		
Pass	4♠	or 3NT	
West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	
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Pass	4♥	or 3NT	

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Marina Slip F-29 | 2406 | 70' | \$2,150,000

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