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47th Annual Bag Room Open



2023 Bag Room Champion Zach Haynes, pictured with his father, Brian Haynes (left), and his caddy/mentor Bob Manzo (right)



Members came out in droves Friday and Saturday to support the Bag Room Open final matches. Photo by Don Bermant.



ANNUAL MEETING Wednesday, April 12 9 a.m. Town Hall

Ocean Reef's Annual Meeting of Equity Members will take place in Town Hall and will be streamed live via oceanreef. com/AnnualMeeting.

AROUND THE REEF

BURGEE JUBILEE

The highly-anticipated Burgee Jubilee kicks off next week with the Birth of our Club presentation on **Tuesday**, **April 11**, where you can listen to **Tom Davidson** and **Alan Goldstein** discuss the early years of Ocean Reef Club. Read more on page 3.



Card Sound Golf Club's Kyle Johnston, second place finisher, and his caddy/mentor Sally Newman.



J Guarch, new Bag Room Open Chair, presents the championship trophy to Zach Haynes.

Having Déjà Vu?

Zach Haynes Wins Bag Room Open...Again!

No, your mind's not playing tricks on you... and yes, Ocean Reef's First Assistant Golf Professional Zach Haynes did win the Bag Room Open for a second year in a row! Something that hasn't been done since Tommy Gibson in 2015 and 16. What a feat.

For 47 years, the Bag Room

Open has challenged golf professionals from Ocean Reef Club and Card Sound in a month-long, all-staff tournament with Member caddies, to answer the question: Who is the best golf professional on The Reef? On April 1, we got our answer as ORC's Zach Haynes and CSGC's Kyle Johnston took to the tee for the final round of the 2023 Bag Room tournament.

With over a hundred Members following the final match, Haynes emerged as Champion, and with that, received the now customary invite from **John** and **Mary Lee** to the Legends Invitational in Pebble Beach. In a special twist this year, the Lees graciously included an invite for the second place finisher in the event of a repeat Champion, as a way to give more pros the chance to enjoy the tournament. Good thing they did, because a repeat winner is exactly what we got!

As excited as Members were about Zach's back-to-back win, they were also excited to see Kyle reach the finals, as he's played in the most Bag Rooms of any professional since his

career at Card Sound began in 1994.

That being said, our Bag Room Champion is on a roll, having made it to the top two in 2021, before being declared Champion in 2022 and 2023.

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OR "See"



There's nothing like a day on the water. Chip Matthews captured this masterpiece while admiring the sunset on Card Sound.



Bonny Gothier shares the calm beauty of an Ocean Reef sunrise on her way out to fish the Bonefish Bonnies Flats Tournament.

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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To keep items safe and secure, only Club Associates are permitted in the area dedicated to Lost and Found.

After about 90 days, most unclaimed items are returned to the person who originally found or turned them in.



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

ORC MEMBERS - NEWS, VIEWS & TIDBITS

Memberabilia THE BIRTH OF OUR CLUB....

A Video featuring Founding Fathers — Tom Davidson and Alan Goldstein



by Joan Birsh

I'll bet there are new members of Ocean Reef Club, who don't know who **Alan Goldstein** and **Tom Davidson** are and what a significant part they played in creating Ocean Reef Club. That's like being a resident of an early American colony in 1776 and not recognizing John Adams and Alexander Hamilton.

Happily on Tuesday, April 11 at 4 p.m. at the Cultural Center, there's an opportunity to witness THE BIRTH OF OUR CLUB, a video presented by the Ocean Reef Historical Society that documents how history was made at Ocean Reef. The story is told by two men who helped make it – Tom Davidson and Alan Goldstein.

In their own words, Tom and Alan recount the challenge and complexity of arranging for the members to purchase Ocean Reef Club and the revolution and evolution of the Club that took place before and after the Buyout.

The video is the recorded version of the 2019 live show, sponsored by the Ocean Reef Historical Society and presented for only one performance to a sold-out audience at the Cultural Center. **Bob Schmetterer** (former Club Chairman) and his wife **Stacy Schmetterer** had the foresight and know-how to recreate a video recording of this memorable occasion, so that



Tom Davidson and Alan Goldstein at the original Birth of Our Club presentation

future OR members and those of us who missed it first time around, would have a chance to discover how the Ocean Reef Club was radically changed by the consuming personal efforts and the leadership of Alan Goldstein and Tom Davidson.

A review of The Birth of Our Club: Decade of the 90's: Revolution & Evolution

As your self-appointed, one-time-only video critic, I've awarded five stars to this interesting, informative, short video with plenty of historic photographs and some amusing quips.

In his opening remarks Bob Schmetterer, who serves as MC, quotes director Mike Nichols, who once said "History is written by whoever tells the best story." Clearly the story Tom and Alan tell is "the best".

I thought I knew all about the evolution of Ocean Reef Club, but on previewing this video, I realized that Shakespeare is right "the truth is in the details." And that is what Tom and Alan give us. Personal observations that bring to life the struggles and rewards of delivering a unique and thriving Club to the members and now owners of the ORC.

Happy Days and the Developing Storm....

Tom Davidson and Alan Goldstein both described Ocean Reef in the early 90's as a "happy place." The restaurants weren't wonderful (except, of course, for the always dependable Raw Bar). But there was a nice gym and an art league and people were friendly and neighborly... and the landlord was accommodating.

Although Ocean Reef was a club, it wasn't a member-owned club and once the developer acquired 100% of the shares, dues were raised by a hefty 50 percent. Two thirds of the members put their dues in escrow, the other third paid up in full. "Members were boycotting the Club and Neighbors weren't speaking to each other," said Tom. It was tempestuous times at Ocean Reef.

That political unrest at ORC in the early 90's was temporarily blown away, like most everything else at Ocean Reef, by a much bigger storm – Hurricane Andrew.

The description and photographs of the destruction at Ocean Reef and the herculean efforts of reconstruction are a high point of the video. Tom and Alan were on one of the first planes allowed into the area after the storm and though they never appear to seek credit for their accomplishments, it is clear that OR was lucky to have them.

Let's Make a Deal....

In the aftermath of the storm Alan and Tom, plus **Dick Farmer** and the other dedicated OR leaders, speculated that the owner might now consider selling his nearly decimated club at a reasonable price. Offers and counteroffers were made and a final price of 58 million with 90 days to show ability to pay was agreed on. "That was great," says



Alan, "Except we didn't have the money."

What follows is a flurry of inventive fundraising. Both Alan and Tom tell interesting and amusing stories of how they did it.

I don't think it is exactly a spoiler, if I tell you they raised the money and the membership bought the club. Everybody celebrated with a huge parade, nicely documented in the video with great photos.

Return to Happy Times

You know that this video has a happy ending because you are living in it – a beautiful, thriving Ocean Reef Club, which now includes (to name just a few): a Cultural Center, Medical Center, Town Hall, Library, Museum. These as well as a lot of other projects and improvements have been spearheaded by either Tom Davidson or Alan Goldstein and in many cases by both of them.

Let's have a resounding shout-out to Ocean Reef Club's Founding Fathers!

Last Word: On April 11 the showing of the video Birth of Our Club offers a rare opportunity to witness how the course of history of the Ocean Reef Club was radically changed in the 90's by two men – Alan Goldstein and Tom Davidson - who in 2023 continue to contribute their time and energy to our constantly evolving Club....Birth of Our Club is, not only informative, but also entertaining and often amusing. So don't miss it. By the way it's complimentary.

Let Us Entertain You



by Terry Baxter

VP of Food & Beverage Erwin Pals is intensely focused. Not only on food and beverage, but all the many aspects of Club dining that contribute to Member satisfaction. So of course, as AKA the Big Bopper, Erwin recognizes that music is a major factor in creating a welcoming ambience. That is why he personally mixes custom background musical tracks for each of our restaurants, and he has expanded the variety and frequency of live performances in our lounges.

Erwin and Chris Patterson. Executive Director of Food & Beverage, have worked with our talent booking agent, Arlene Areco, for many years. Chris says, "Arlene always finds artists who are trustworthy and talented. She is intimately familiar with Ocean Reef and the preferences of our Members." Erwin and Chris review Arlene's suggestions with the lounge managers to finalize the musical roster. It becomes an ongoing process; Nico DiPerna, manager of the Reef Lounge, and Philippe Babin, Clubhouse Maître D continuously interact with Members to solicit feedback.

The Reef Lounge feels more energetic and upbeat, but mellows over the evening (unless it is Saturday, where it finishes as a night club with Hal Roland). The CH Lounge is more elegant, with lingering sunsets and bar masters Walter and Mehmet. The music creates magic in both venues. The Reef Lounge is dark Monday night, but swing by the CH Lounge to enjoy pianist Britt Phillips. Britt has been a fixture for

many years on The Reef. She mixes classical, pop, movie themes, and the song you first danced to at your wedding. She is a virtuoso who plays with emotion and ease. On her break, Britt circles the bar to visit and seek Member requests. Philippe says, "Members love her. She has a big following and she knows all their favorite songs."

On Tuesday, CH Lounge is closed, but the Reef Lounge rocks with Jackson King. A fifth generation Floridian, Jackson grew up studying classical piano and bassoon and singing in the church choir. He began playing in dinner theaters in Miami and local bands and branched into Latin music. His band (the Judges Nephews) achieved a gold record in Brazil. Nico says, "Jackson's solo jazz piano and vocals are upbeat sing-alongs. He initiates lots of interaction with Members and welcomes requests." I particularly like his rousing Billy Joel covers.

On Wednesday the stars really come out: guitarist Juan Areco performs with violinist Jonny Mendoza in the Reef Lounge. Nico says, "There are no words that can describe Juan and Jonny." I'll try sensational. Juan Areco was born in Paraguay of Spanish and Guarani Indian descent and raised in a family of musicians. He began playing the guitar at age twelve and became a professional musician at the age of fifteen. Fortunately for us, Juan came to Miami to further his studies of Latin Jazz.

In 1994, Juan was asked to perform for President Bill Clinton and the 34 Latin American Presidents during the Summit of the Americas held in The Biltmore Hotel, Miami where he performs at the legendary Sunday Brunch. His music is a combination of diverse South American musical interpretations fused with the musical stylings and passions of flamenco, folk, afro-cuban, reggae, samba and jazz. Juan's partnership with irrepressible Jonny Mendoza



Britt Phillips



Jackson King



Juan Areco Trio



Leesa Richards

is a perfect match. Jonny's exceptional talent on the violin and warm personality make for magical entertainment.

Wednesday at CH Lounge is Leesa Richards and her piano accompanist Hector Ortie. Leesa has a beautiful and soulful voice just made for sultry jazz. Her performance as Mary Magdalene in the national tour of the Broadway musical, Jesus Christ Superstar, earned critical acclaim and happily brought her to our stage.

On Thursday evening, Britt appears at CH Lounge



Casandra and Lark Rodolfo Troncoso



Anibal Berraute



Pedro Alfonso



Hal Roland

and Leesa moves to the Reef Lounge. On Friday, Anibal Berraute, a classically trained Argentinean pianist and Grammy nominee, performs at CH Lounge with violinist Pedro Alfonso. Anibal and Pedro interpret all-time classic songs in an acoustical setting with piano and violin, creating an elegant and intimate atmosphere.

At the Reef Lounge on Fridays we have Rodolfo Troncoso and Casandra Lark. Their style could be called

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World Music fused with funk, jazz, and electronic sounds to create a sophisticated and lush sound -- edgy, and casually elegant. They have superlative harmonies and brilliant (I am running out of adjectives) guitar work. They have entertained us since 2019. I caught their set last week while enjoying Chef Michael's Lounge crab cakes. Terrific – both the music (sample: "Hotel California," "How to Love A Woman") and the crab cakes.

On Saturday night, Juan and Jonny add jazz pianist Gabriel Saientz to perform as "The Juan Areco Trio" at the CH Lounge. Along with Walter and Mahmet and the Lounge Lite Bites menu, the combination is a must. I can't go more than a week without the Foie Gras

Tochon, brioche, and quince jelly. Yikes.

Back at the Reef Lounge. the week also comes to a close with a flourish - the Hal Roland Trio. Hal Roland has a diverse and loyal public following. He is a seasoned musician and radio personality and has enjoyed performing for the Ocean Reef Members since 2020. Nico says, "You never know what Hal will bring; he's had brass horns, drums, synthesizers, you name it. He creates a party atmosphere where Members just want to get up to dance (and they do)."

But wait, there's more. Britt plays once again at the CH Lounge on Sunday nights. How lucky can you get? As you can see, it takes a lot of people to keep the special experiences flowing for Ocean Reef Members. So many thanks to our managers, performers, associates, and of course, to the Big Bopper.

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	Ocean Reef Lounge	CH Prime Lounge	
Monday	No Live Music	Britt Phillips, piano	
Tuesday	Jackson King vocals /Piano	CLOSED	
Wednesday	Juan Areco, Jonnya	Leesa Richards, vocals, Hector Ortie, piano	
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Thursday	Mendoza, Guitar/violin	Britt Phillips, piano	
	Leesa Richards, jazz	A 1 1 D	
Friday		Anibal Berraute, piano Pedro Alfonso, violin	
	Rodolfo Troncoso, guitar & Casandra Lark, vocals	Juan Areco Trio/ piano	
Saturday	,	Guitar/ violin	
	Hal Roland Trio/ band		
Sunday		Britt Phillips, piano	





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NEW LISTING

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5 BD, 6.5 BA | \$21,900,000 | 2308

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Update on Dolphin Re-grass Project

New start date: April 11



by Eric Bennett Director of Agronomy

As featured in last week's Ocean Reef Press, the re-grass of the Dolphin Course is beginning this month. We are using a similar process as we did in 2016 for the re-grass of the Hammock course and the Dolphin fairways in the summer of 2011. The chemical applications have varied, but the majority of the chemistries were the same. The first herbicide application will

take place on Tuesday, April 11, following our busy Easter weekend.

We have recently been asked some questions about the herbicides we will be using. Each of the chemistries we have chosen have a 12-hour re-entry period with the exception of one chemical that is labeled, "once dry". That is why we are asking Members and their pets to keep away from the Dolphin Course on the day of application, Tuesday, April 11. The following day, the course will be back to normal operation.

For those accustomed to our summer aeration practices, the activity and noise will actually be less than normally experienced. Application will be done in a manner that will not impact plants and because the new grass will need more watering, the dust will be minimal. Our goal is to minimize any disruption to those homes neighboring the Dolphin Course, and to have the course in optimal playing condition by fall of 2023.

OUT & ABOUT



Luka, Grayson, Isabelle and Emi, grandchildren of Linda Jaikins, joined together for the Equity Easter Egg Decorating event. The cousins had fun decorating eggs, using stickers, and enjoying Easter donuts and fruit.





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ORCF 2023 Off Reef Community Grants Top \$2 Million

By Yurianna Mikolay, Executive Director Ocean Reef Community Foundation

Thanks to the Ocean Reef community's generosity, the Ocean Reef Community Foundation's annual grants program will provide more than \$2 million in funding to charities outside the gate for the first time. Support for the annual "Off Reef" grants first topped \$1 million in 2017 and jumped to more than \$1.5 million for the first time in 2021, just two years ago.

According to Grants Committee Chair Janie Sims, "This new record reflects the outstanding philanthropic spirit of the Ocean Reef community and our shared desire to help in surrounding communities."

The Community Grants program funds scores of worthy charities in the interest areas of Education, Youth, Health & Family Services, and Community in the Upper Keys, Homestead, and Florida City each spring. Including 2023 grants, the program will have awarded more than \$16.3 million since the Foundation's All Charities effort to consolidate fundraising in the Ocean Reef community began in 2008.

After months of careful vetting of applications by a Grants Committee of your peers, the Foundation's share of 2023 All Charities proceeds not reserved for larger Impact Fund projects will be distributed, combined with record donations directly to the Community Grants Fund, as follows:

Grants to Upper Keys, Homestead & Florida City Charities:

A Chance for Therapy

(ACT4Me)-Therapy programs for Homestead/Florida City children with neurological and genetic disorders -\$35,000

Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts-STEAM curriculum and live "Busy Bees Great Adventure" performance field trip for 7th graders in Homestead/Florida City Title I schools - \$15,000

Advocate Program-Financial assistance program for veterans - \$10,000

Alzheimer's Association-Expansion of Alzheimer's and dementia program to Keys - \$12.644

Autism Society of the Keys-Technology and therapy for autistic youth-\$10,000

Big Brothers Big Sisters-Expansion of youth mentoring program in the Upper Keys, Homestead/Florida City -\$20,000

Branches Florida City

- "Grow & Climb" teen leadership development and employment mentoring program-\$35,000
- "It's a Money Thing" Financial Education program for students and families-\$25,000

Bridge to Hope-Expansion of Homestead Healthy Food Distribution Hub services including food, nutrition education, access to health services, and career-focused computer literacy - \$25,500

Burton Memorial United Methodist Church

- Food Pantry: Refrigerated truck usage to enable pick up of perishable donations from local grocery stores and funds to purchase needed food items when not available by donation-\$19,800
- Child Development Center: Summer enrichment program-\$10,000

Camillus House-CHEER educational initiative to assist formerly homeless children in attending school and catching up with peers-\$15,000

Caring for Miami

- Project Smile Mobile Dental Unit visits for the Upper Keys, Homestead/Florida City-\$40,000
- Contribution towards a new, additional Mobile Dental Unit for expansion - \$25,000

Centro CampesinoComputers and curriculum

software for youth programs - \$26.800

Chapman Partnership-

Mentoring program at the Parent Institute at the Family Resource Center for families transitioning from homelessness-\$13,000

Chapters Health

Foundation- Community support and outreach services, including Valor program for veterans and first-responders, for the only non-profit hospice and palliative care program in Monroe County-\$50,000

Coral Shores High School

- Athletic Department Hardship Assistance Fund-\$15,000
- AVID college readiness program training for teachers-11,200

Cox Science Center &

Aquarium -Bringing the Science Passport educational program to Title 1 elementary schools in Homestead/Florida City and the Upper Keys-\$25,000

DMF Employment Opportunities-Employment initiative for individuals with intellectual and development disabilities-\$25,216

Domestic Abuse Shelter-Prevention programs for Upper Keys youth and training for key providers of youth services-\$10,000

EnFAMILIA-STEAM curriculum for youth program - \$6,500

Family Central-Expansion of the Benefits Enrollment Program to support vulnerable families in Homestead and Florida City-\$25,000

Feeding South Florida-Food delivery and distribution to six partner pantries in Homestead, Florida City and the Upper Keys-\$120,000

Florida Keys Area Health Education Centers (Keys AHEC)- In-school primary medical and dental services program in Upper Keys schools-\$50,000

Florida Keys Children's Shelter-Residential & Counseling Programs for at-risk youth-\$50,000

Florida Keys Healthy Start Coalition-Upper Keys Child Safety Equipment and Early Childhood Education programs-\$32,000

Florida Keys Outreach

Coalition-"Quick Assist" program to prevent homelessness-\$28,500

Florida Keys Soccer Club-Youth soccer league programs and equipment-\$10,000

Gang Alternative-To equip the expansion of FabLab Miami STEAM program to Homestead and Florida City youth at Phichol Williams Community Center -\$40,000

Genesis Hopeful Haven-

Camp Independence program for youth in foster care-\$40,000 (MATCH REQUIRED)

Girl Scout Council of Tropical Florida-To bring evidence-based Girl Scout Leadership Experience to 18 underserved Homestead/Florida City neighborhoods-\$12,000

Good Health Clinic-

Prescription assistance and medical supply program for Upper Keys residents-\$20,740

Greater Miami Youth for Christ- "Teen Indigenous

Leaders" development and employment mentoring program at West Homestead KIX-\$50,000

Greater Miami Youth
Symphony- Expansion of music lessons program to additional Homestead/Florida City schools-\$10,000

Guidance/Care Center-Towards rebuild of The Heron assisted living facility for Keys

assisted living facility for Keys residents with chronic mental illness-\$25,000

Guitars Over Guns

Organization-Music instruction programs and mentors for at-risk Homestead/Florida City youth-\$25,000

Habitat for Humanity of the Upper Keys-Towards building affordable housing units in Key Largo-\$35,000 (MATCH REQUIRED)

Health Information Project-

Peer-to-peer, comprehensive health education program at four Homestead and Monroe County high schools-\$25,000

Homestead Youth Arts

Center-Scholarships for "Advance Through Dance" afterschool program - \$10,000

ICU Baby-Comprehensive support for Upper Keys and

Homestead/Florida City families with babies in NICUs at Miami hospitals-\$22,925

Jacobs Aquatic Center— Restoration of the children's water feature area at Key Largo Community Pool-\$17,224

Jacob's Shoes—"Sole Necessities" program to provide proper-fitting shoes to disadvantaged Homestead/Florida City children-\$10,000

Key Largo School

- AVID college readiness program, college trips and teacher training-\$22,400
- Summer Recreation program for up to 300 pre-K through 5th grade students \$35,000

Keys Community Concert Band-Music mentoring for youth and Pops in the Park concert series-\$4,600

Kids 4 Kids USA – Red Cross Certified Water Safety Swim Program for children with disabilities-\$11,500

Kristi House-Emergency support for child-victims of abuse and sex trafficking-\$29,000

Ladies Empowerment & Action Program (LEAP)-

Expansion of the Incarcerated Women's Chance for Change Initiative-\$25,000

Mexican-American Council-

College & Career Readiness program for seniors from families of farm workers at Homestead high schools-\$34,200

Miami Diaper Bank-

Expansion of mobile diaper distributions to Homestead/ Florida City - \$12,500 (MATCH REQUIRED)

Miami Lighthouse for the Blind & Visually Impaired-Children's Vision Program for 800 in both service areas-\$10,000

Monroe Association for Remarcable Citizens

(MARC House)—Healthy shopping, cooking and eating nutrition lunch program for developmentally disabled adults-\$10,000

MUJER - Workshops and therapy for 60+ abused children and non-offending parents-\$50,000

Ocean Studies Charter School-"Science in the Field" program for marine sciencefocused K-8 school-\$23,651

PATCHES PPEC-Specially

equipped van to transport medically vulnerable children -\$42,500 (MATCH REQUIRED)

South Dade Women Veterans Alliance-Towards
SDVA Women's Initiative case
management and support groups
for female veterans-\$15,000

South Florida After-School All-Stars—After-school enrichment programs for 60 middle school students at two Homestead schools-\$10,000

South Florida Council of Boy Scouts—Scouting programs for disadvantaged youth in the Homestead area-\$20,000

Special Olympics Florida Monroe County-Continued expansion of sports training and competitions for Upper Keys youth with intellectual disabilities-\$22,000

St. Justin Martyr Catholic Church Child Development Center-Community Pavilion for outdoor community and school events and programs-\$26,099 (MATCHED BY THE PROTESTANT CONGREGATION OF OCEAN REEF OUTREACH COMMITTEE)

Star of the Sea Outreach Mission-Upper Keys Hunger
Relief Program-\$36,000

Start Off Smart

- Homestead Police
 Department Community
 Policing "Violence Interruption
 Strategy" campaign for youth and
 families-\$29,900
- Two Police Academy Scholarships for locals committed to serving in the Homestead Police Department- \$15,000

Take Stock in Children-College scholarships (matched by the Florida Pre-Paid College Foundation) for Upper Keys youth mentoring program-\$75,000

The ARC of South Florida

 Renovation of decadesold bathrooms at the ACE
 Academy school for children with disabilities in Florida City-\$45,200

The Children's Voice Chorus-To expand choral programs at Branches Florida City to additional children-\$10,000

The College of the Florida Keys-Cameras required to qualify testing lab as a Pearson Vue Testing Site-\$12,000

The Motivational Edge

Youth Engagement &
 Empowerment Program for at-risk youth-\$20,000

The Salvation Army

-"Pathway to Hope" social services and financial assistance program for Upper Keys residents-\$10,000

TIPS- Florida Keys Youth Basketball League-\$7,000

Touching Miami with Love (West Homestead Site)

- Youth development job training program-\$35,604
- Adult Literacy Empowerment program-\$25.535

United Way of Collier and the Keys-Upper Keys "Success by Six" School Readiness program-\$15,900

Upper Keys Baseball Development Foundation—

"Steady Bats" baseball program serving 75 youth-\$8,500

Veteran Sailing-Basic Keel Boat to Coastal Cruising Sailing Certification for active-duty military and honorably discharged veterans - \$10,000

Voices for Florida Keys Children-Children's Welfare Program to assist families through

Program to assist families through the 16th Judicial Court Guardian Ad Litem-\$11,000 Wellspring Counseling-

Program -\$26,000 YMCA of South Florida

Homestead & Upper Keys

Counseling Financial Aid

- Homestead After-school Program scholarships-\$20,000
- Key Largo Summer Camp and After-school Program scholarships-\$55,000

Total 2023 Community Grants: \$2,000,138

To learn more about the Community Grants program and/or 2023 Co-Investment Opportunities to complement partial and match grants, please email <u>foundation@oceanreef.</u> com, call (305) 367-4707 or visit our office in the Ocean Reef Business Center.





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APRIL 11-16

TUESDAY

APRIL 11 · 4 PM

CULTURAL CENTER

BIRTH OF OUR CLUB

PRESENTATION ON THE BIG SCREEN

THURSDAY
APRIL 13
ROCK THE BLOCK
PARTIES

FRIDAY
APRIL 14 · 7-10 PM
BLAST FROM THE PAST BEACH BASH
HERE COMES THE SUN
BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND
SOUNDS OF SOUL
MOTOWN TRIBUTE BAND

SATURDAY APRIL 15 · 6 · 10 PM

COUNTRY NIGHT ON THE RANGE

FEATURING: 20 RIDE TRIBUTE BAND **6:00PM**

LAUREN ALAINA 7:00PM

BRETT YOUNG

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AFTER HOURS PARTY IN THE FISHING VILLAGE RETURNS!

SATURDAY
APRIL 15 · 11 AM · 3 PM
FISHING VILLAGE
SPRING FLING SHOPPING EVENT

SUNDAY
APRIL 16 · 11 AM · 3 PM
FAMILY FUN AT THE FIELD

Saturday's Country Night on the Range is general admission seating. A dedicated seating area will be available for those who need special accommodations.



TICKET PRICING

All Inclusive Ticket (21+): \$225+ includes all food and beverage
Blue Ticket (21+): \$200+ Includes all beverage
Red Ticket (5-20): \$175+ Includes all food and non-alcoholic beverage
Ages 0-4: Complimentary

AT THE CULTURAL CENTER

10th Anniversary Celebration for Food & Film

By Christine Patton

It's a season full of milestones for the Ocean Reef community, and the Cultural Center celebrated one of its own on Monday night with the 10th anniversary of the Campus' Film Society Food & Film event. The film is the documentary "Roadrunner: A Film about Anthony Bourdain", and as always for the last ten years, the screening is preceded by a scholarly analysis of the film, it's direction and the stylistics of documentaries — then followed by a gourmet meal from chef Philippe Revnaud inspired by the film. And as is usually the case, the dinner is a sold out affair, with tables of regular attendees at the monthly meeting of the Film Society. How did we get to this point?

It was March 2012 when **Jody Steele** made a detailed



Christine Patton, Jody Steele and Vicki Goldstein

presentation to members of the Cultural Center Board about her idea of holding a film festival at Ocean Reef. A regular attendee of Sundance Film Festival in snowy Utah, she saw a good fit for the pleasures of films for the Ocean Reef audience and the attraction for filmmakers to the warm waters off Key Largo.

The Board wasn't eager to get the red carpet out for Hollywood, but Jody was a good salesperson, and she didn't give up easily. Her idea was very interesting to the movie buffs on the board, Vicki Goldstein and Christine Patton, and they started to work the options. We kept coming back to the educational content. We knew that Ocean Reefers were intellectually curious, and the need for scholarship took us to the University of Miami, where Jody introduced us to Christina Lane, chair of the Department of Cinema. Sparks flew when we met and talked favorite films and possible combinations. A Hitchcock festival was our first experiment, but it lacked a discussion period — how to allow members to have time to talk after the movie? Dinner, of course...and why not a themed dinner — based on the movie just screened? The Food & Film Society was born.

Our first season, 2013-14 had 166 members and six films, starting with "Jiro Dreams of Sushi". That ingenious addition of dinner was a critical component, and Jody left nothing to chance. She went right to the top and engaged ORC's Chef Philippe Reynaud and Catering's Antonella Bruno. She gave them the film to preview, and encouraged thinking outside of the box for each evening's decor. Chef P started giving demonstrations — sushi rolling for the first night — and suddenly the monthly dinners were a soldout success. The meals were different from any menu on The Reef and the movies were different, too — a surprise, an education, and all shared with tables of friends. A tradition was born.

This season follows the same formula, and Luisa Bryan, chair of the Campus, assures Film Society members that it will continue. There is no end of movies with food themes, she says, and with a sell-out crowd every monthly Monday, there is no reason to mess with success. Jody will remain in place, recognized by her Campus colleagues and Food & Film fans, for her guiding the selection of films with her delicate sensibility for what interests the audience and inspiring delectable dinner fare from one of ORC's master chefs. Here's to another ten!

Celebration Goes On!

By Cynthia Weglarz, Dr. Frank Gudicello & Ron Sekura

Members and friends of the Ocean Reef ForgetMeNots and the Memory Corner Café will continue the celebration of the 75th Anniversary with a gatheringtime of 10:15 AM at the Fellowship Center of the Chapel on **Tuesday morning**, **April 18th.**

A mini-concert by the Oceanaires, accompanied by Annie Lebeaux, with themes from the movies will start the celebration.

Moving onto refreshments and creating a personal greeting card with help from the volunteer craft ladies, led by **Tricia Woodman**. April is National Greeting Card and Letter Writing Month, so please join us for this creative effort.

Your response is very important. RSVP either by phone to **Cynthia Weglarz** at 708-476-6350 or email to <u>cynthiaweg@icloud.com</u> so we know that you are coming. It is always fun!



FRIDAY, APRIL 7 & 14

Cornerstone Room - 6:00 pm Join us as we welcome Shabbat together as a community with a brief service.

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The 'Roots' of Easter



by Rev. Dr. Bob Henley

A groundbreaking television mini-series took the country by storm in the mid-seventies — Roots - *The Saga of An American Family*. The eight-part series was based on Alex Haley's novel, which was in turn, based on Haley's own family history.

Haley's story gave the modern audience a window into the brutal reality of slave experience. Like the hero, Kunta Kinte, people made in the image of God were forcibly abducted from their homes in Africa. After weeks in squalid conditions, shackled in the holds of slave ships, those who survived were sold on auction blocks into the bitter, unjust bondage of slavery.

Some of our founders wrestled with their consciences. They recognized their compromise on slavery was a malignant aberration from the values espoused in the constitutional documents they created and on which our nation is founded.

An Unintended Consequence

A positive unintended consequence of the series was that it sparked a growing interest in exploring the roots of our own familial histories. The mapping of

the genome in 2003 inaugurated a deepening interest. Our DNA provided access to detailed knowledge of our familial roots that could hardly be imagined half-century before.

Easter – The Roots of the Name

If you're like me, you have used the name Easter more times than you can count. But I wonder if you've ever taken the time to explore the roots of that English word? (If you don't enjoy philology, feel free to skip this part!)

Apparently, it was first used by a famous British monk, the Venerable Bede, who lived in the late seventh and early eighth century. According to religious studies scholar Bruce Forbes, "Bede wrote that the month in which English Christians were celebrating the resurrection of Jesus had been called Eosturmonath in Old English, referring to a goddess named Eostre. And even though Christians had begun affirming the Christian meaning of the celebration, they continued to use the name of the goddess to designate the season."

Easter - The Date

Setting the date of Easter took place several centuries prior, at the Council of Nicaea, in 325. Convened by the Emperor Constantine, the council's primary purpose was to attempt to resolve two conflicting views of the nature of Christ. The burning question concerned how to understand the relationship between his humanity and his acknowledged claim to deity.

Their conclusion is captured in the words of the creed that bears the name of their place of

meeting — The Nicene Creed.
The creed expresses the catholic faith shared by all Christians. It reads in part, "... And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of the same essence as the Father."

The council participants, understanding that the crucifixion of Jesus took place during the Jewish Passover, established the date for the celebration of Easter to concur with the annual celebration of Passover. They fixed the date for the first Sunday, following the first full moon of the vernal equinox.

Libelous Conclusions & Enriching Roots

The significance of their decision has had enormous implications – negatively and positively.

Negatively, the tie between the two events, Passover and Easter, has far too often been the basis for people who profess Christian faith to libelously label Jews, Christ killers. They are not. Full stop!

The Gospels, by contrast, recall Jesus' astounding public claim, saying, "No one takes it (my life) from me, but I lay it down of my own accord." He told his followers that he was laying down his life at the command of His Father, as

a demonstration of God's love for the world.

A positive outcome of joining the two is that it firmly roots the person of Jesus in the first-century Jewish culture of the Roman province known as *Palestina*. This understanding has led consequently to fruitful studies exploring the enriching Jewish roots of Christian faith, and to deeper, respectful interfaith dialogue and relationships between Christians and Jews.

The Easter Event – What's It All About?

Come and join us this Sunday, Easter Sunday, as we consider the roots of the Easter Event — the eyewitness accounts that gave rise to the almost unbelievable claim — the resurrection of Jesus from death and the grave.

The University of Miami Chapel Choir and Orchestra will be with us for the **Easter Sunrise Service on Buccaneer Island** that begins at 7 a.m., and an **identical service in The Chapel and Fellowship Center** of Ocean Reef at 10 a.m.

Come and join us as we add our voices to those of people of faith through the centuries who greet the morning with the declaration, "He is risen! He is risen indeed."

CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP CENTER NEWS

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

Rosary Prayer Group

8:15 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

AA Meeting

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

Good Friday Catholic Mass

3 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Hilley, Celebrant, Communion will be distributed.

Jewish Shabbat Service 6 p.m., Chapel Cornerstone Room

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

No 4 p.m. Catholic Mass

Rosary Prayer Group 8:15 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

Easter Sunrise Service 7 a.m., Buccaneer Island

Easter Worship Service 10 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary

Easter Catholic Mass

12 p.m., Town Hall, with Fr. Hilley, Celebrant

MONDAY, APRIL 10

Al-Anon Meeting

9 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

AA Meeting

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

Potluck Gathering

6 p.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

Intercessory Prayer

8 a.m., Chapel Living Room

Episcopal Service

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Men's Community Book Study 8 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall



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Each gives with open hands and heart Every gift can be kept and shared Eternal teaching leads to growth

Longing for peace, healing, good thoughts Look for togetherness that God loves Lean together, give support, and share

> By Mary Zwirn Member since 1995

Rules Reminder:

Buccaneer Island

- Swimming is permitted only during open hours of the pool.
- Children under 12 years of age are permitted to use the pool facilities only if accompanied and supervised by an adult.
- Glass objects, drinking glasses, beverage coolers and sharp objects are not permitted in the pool area.
- Lounge chairs left unoccupied for more than 30 minutes will have the items cleared, to be made available for use by your fellow Club Members.
- No pets are allowed in the pool area.
- Bathing suits that provide full coverage are required.
- Athletic-style tank tops permitted for men
- No frayed or cut-off jeans/shorts
- Bathing cover-ups, as well as footwear, must be worn in all areas away from the beach and pools on Buccaneer Island.
- All swimmers must wear bona fide swimming attire. Cut-offs, dungarees and Bermuda shorts are not considered appropriate swimwear.

The Club's standards of dress are required for all Members and guests over 12 years of age.







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NEWS FROM THE MEDICAL CENTER

The Mind Body Connection of Walking

Walking...the simple healthy activity we sometimes forget to make a priority! Walking isn't just for weight loss or heart health, and although that's a great reason for those daily walks, there are multiple other reasons walking benefits us and there are different ways to do it.

Think about the type of walking that works best for you. Maybe you're more apt to walk if you are in an airconditioned environment - indoor malls are a great, safe way to walk. Treadmills, at the gym or at home, are another way to keep cool while walking.

When the weather is



beautiful, walking outside has many benefits that indoor walking doesn't have. Nature lifts our spirits, clears the mind and provides a little vitamin D as well.

Try Mindful Walking

Focus on your walk as an intentional activity and try to eliminate distractions.

Physical activity is one way to get into a mindful state and is associated with decreased levels of anxiety and depression. If you carry a cell phone, switch it to silent mode. If you are technically minded and want to track your fitness progress, an iPhone can record your steps on the Health app, which comes preloaded on most iPhones, or you can download a similar application on most mobile phones.

Opt for walking routes that don't obligate you to chat with neighbors. This is your time to quiet the mind. Pay attention to your breathing, your strides and the sounds of nature around you. Remember that your balance and your gait can change with aging. Pay attention to lifting your feet to avoid tripping and falling and be aware of uneven ground

and pavement changes.

There are other, not as obvious, benefits to daily walking besides helping to maintain a healthy weight and cardiovascular health. Walking helps arthritis, Type 2 diabetes, bone loss, high blood pressure, kickstarts the immune system, stimulates the digestive system, strengthens muscles, improves sleep and can delay the onset of varicose veins.

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April 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11

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Jorge Cuello April 12

April 13

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Jill Waibel 305-279-6061 May 9

Endocrinology Jeremy BleicherMay 1, June 5, July 10, Aug 7

PILATES IN PARADISE

Heberto Valdes April 7

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Gynecology Jason James April 13, May 11, July 6

Jila Senemar May 2, June 13, July 11

Holistic Medicine

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April 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27

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May 9

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Ophthalmology Bascom Palmer 786-530-2289 April 21, 25

Zach Segal April 18, May 16

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April 21, May 19

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Orthopaedic Sports Medicine

Michael Swartzon April 7, May 5

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Derek Papp
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Sophia Masri April 14, May 26, June 6, July 14

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LEFT:

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BOTTOM LEFT:

Gina Kaplan and Rummy.

BOTTOM RIGHT:

Kamela Krouskos and her fourlegged friends.





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Decade of the '90s: Revolution & Evolution

Tuesday, April 11 at 4 p.m. at the Cultural Center Complimentary

View the video recording of the 2019 Historic Night when first and second Ocean Reef Club Chairman, Tom Davidson and Alan Goldstein discuss the early years of Ocean Reef Club and the challenges and rewards of the member buyout.



Alan Goldstein and Tom Davidson



FARMER'S MARKET SCHEDULE

Don't miss the last Farmer's Markets of the season on Monday, April 10 and Thursday, April 13.

MONDAY, APRIL 10

Jerry's Here Farm Fresh
Le Petit Pain • Pasta Amore
r.f. Orchids • Harvey's BBQ
La Montagne Des Saveurs
French Cheese • Kool Treats
Mediterranean Delight &
Cure Skin • Salsa y Sabor
Lomelo's Meat & Seafood
Gemita's Kitchen
Stoney Crab Claws

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

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Harvey's BBQ
Bon Appetreat • Kool Treats
Gemita's Kitchen
Stoney Crab Claws



Whether dog bed, hamper, flower basket, purse or beach bag, John's Jungle at the Farmer's Market has beautiful and reasonable baskets created in Ghana and whose proceeds go toward feeding and housing the entire Village!

Library Corner



by Susan Bohan

The following are some recent interesting books of fiction from relatively new or little-known authors that have garnered praise from the publishing world:

"A Spell of Good Things" by Ayobami Adebayo – 2 families caught in the struggle between have and have nots in modern Nigeria

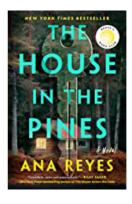
"The House of Eve" by

Sadeqa Johnson – set in 1950's Philadelphia delves into the choices made by 2 different women in an engrossing and emotionally wrenching way



"The Snow Hare" by Paula Licharowicz – a riveting family journey full of regrets and passions with eventual acceptance of choices made a lifetime ago

"I Have Some Questions for You" by Rebecca Makkai – a thriller that touches on many current topics while exploring an old murder in a New



England prep school
"The House in the Pines"
by Ana Reyes – a compelling

mix of psychological thriller and dark fairy tale in a debut novel that weaves fragile friendships with memory loss

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Made With Love Hats



'Spa Notes" by Jillian Barron, The Spa Director

Summer is just around the corner, and as we can all feel the sun and the heat getting stronger, it is more important than ever to seek out some shade during the hottest parts of the day. For those who frequently visit us at the Spa, you know how much we love our wide brim hats, and we love that so many members like to wear them to shield some of the harmful effects from the UV rays. We are so excited to share with you, our newest handmade hat line that just arrived!

Made With Love SNV Hats is the creation of designer Simone



Custom Ocean Reef Burgee embroidered hat from Made With Love. available in the Spa.

Nadine Valmé. Pursuing her passion in creating fashionable, comfortable, and unique designs has always been her dream. After over thirty years in the fashion industry, Nadine is dedicated to sharing her vision and style with others and now with all of Ocean Reef as well! She says that her inspiration for her designs comes from her many travels and experiences around the world, from the mountains of Machu Picchu to the beaches of Santorini. She says the beach is

her happy place, and is proud to say that she is a mix of Jamaican and Chinese heritage, a mother of four and a grandmother of 7... and counting! Her motto is to Live, Love, Laugh, and you can definitely see this in her beautiful designs that tell a story. Nadine was excited to custom design our very own hat just for Ocean Reef with a hand embroidered Burgee just for you, our members!

Her designs can be seen in exclusive resorts such as Atlantis, Kamalame Cay Bahamas, Ritz Carlton Turks & Caicos, Saba Rock Resort in the British Virgin Islands, and The Shore Club Turks & Caicos. All materials used are natural and handmade including the dyeing of the yarn with which they are embroidered with. They are so well made, you can see and feel the quality immediately.

Stop by the Spa to check them out! Currently we have a limited quantity available. In addition to the customized Burgee hats, we have other beautiful designs from Made With Love as well,

and just in time for Easter!

UPCOMING SPA EVENTS Makeup Class – Wednesday, April 19, 10am-4pm (call for appointment)

Maria Gamboa, one of our Makeup Artists and Estheticians, will be hosting a makeup class at the Spa. She will show you how to apply your favorite products from Jane Iredale and Luka Cosmetics to accentuate your best features. We are offering a special rate of \$95 for this 1-hour session. Please call the Salon & Spa at 305-367-6506 to book your appointment today.

Trunk Shows

Friday, April 7 & Saturday, April 8, 9am-3pm – **Zoe's Empire Apparel & Accessories Trunk** Show

Tuesday, April 11 9am-3pm -Irresistibles Jewelry Trunk **Show**

Saturday, April 15 9am-3pm -Aura Headpieces & Jewelry **Trunk Show**





BUNNY HOP PRE-REGISTRATION

12-4pm · Pool Desk

FISH FRY & BINGO

6-6:30pm Seatings · Marlin Beach Enjoy a delicious dinner and an exciting game of BINGO at 7:00pm. Adults: \$58++pp; Ages 5 - 11: \$29++pp; Children 4 & under: complimentary Reservations: 305-367-5931

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

BUNNY HOP 5K FUN RUN

Registration: 7:30am Race Start: 8am Business Center Parking Lot Prizes for division winners. \$25 per person includes a t-shirt. Details: 305-367-5962

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Departs: 1pm

5-10pm · Town Hall Waterside

MEN'S TENNIS SINGLES

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

9am · Tennis & Games Center

EASTER CART PARADE

Business Center Parking Lot

Dress your golf cart in its Easter best

for this annual parade! Awards given

Details: 305-367-6583

Line-Up Begins: 12:30pm

out prior to departure.

Details: 305-367-6516

Stop by to participate in complimentary activities the whole family can enjoy.

STARLIGHT DINNER BUFFET

6-8pm Seatings · Carysfort **Ballroom**

Live music and mouthwatering menus bring Club friends and neighbors under the stars for a night to remember. Adults: \$58++pp; Ages 5 - 11: \$29++pp; Children 4 & under: complimentary Reservations: 305-367-5931

GRAND EASTER BUFFET

6:00 to 8:30pm Seatings Ocean Room

Enjoy an elegant buffet with delicious, freshly-caught seafood and unique flavors from waters around the globe. Adults: \$125++pp; Ages 5 - 11: \$40++pp; Children 4 and under: complimentary.

SUNRISE SERVICE

6:45-8am · Buccaneer Island Celebrate the holiday at our traditional Faster Service on the beach

EASTER BASKET DELIVERIES

6-10am

The Easter Bunny will make his rounds on The Reef, delivering beautiful baskets to Members' homes! (Night Offer April 8 after 8:00pm) \$85++ per basket.

Reservations Required: 305-367-6516

EASTER BUNNY BREAKFAST & BRUNCH

7:30-9:15am • Palm Court 9 & 11am · Carysfort Hall

The Easter Bunny himself hops from table to table as families enjoy a delicious Easter morning breakfast. \$55++ Breakfast/ \$75++ Brunch Reservations: 305-367-5931

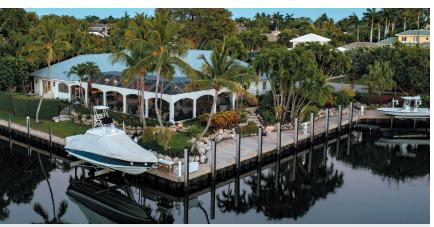
EASTER EGG HUNT

10:30am Sharp! · Buccaneer Island Children will be divided into age groups to search for colorful eggs filled with fun surprises Details: 305-367-6516



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8 Cinnamon Bark Lane | Golf Course | 4 BD, 4 BA | \$7,745,000 | 2480 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252 | marylee@oceanreefclubsir.com



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32 Bay Ridge Road | Central Location | 3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,650,000 | 2498 Marcy Aultman | 305.522.0582 | marcy@oceanreefclubsir.com



Residence Club | New Construction 117 | 2BD/2.5BA | \$3,550,000 | 2221 | PH5 | 2BD/2.5BA | \$3,450,000 | 2243 Brad Millsap | 305.367.2027 | bradmillsap@oceanreefclubsir.com

OPEN HOUSE TOUR

Saturday, April 8th | 2pm – 5pm

Featuring homes listed for sale throughout Ocean Reef, the tour includes properties from golf course homes to waterfront condominiums.

Stop by either of our offices for a map of all properties.

To schedule a private showing of any of our homes, please contact our office. 305.367.2027

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AT THE CULTURAL CENTER

Great Decisions

It's a Wrap

Join us on Wednesday, April 12 at 5 p.m. at the Cultural Center for the last installment of the Great Decisions virtual lecture series, where Dr. Jeffery Morton will be providing an update on the eight Great Decisions topics covered in previous lectures. Additionally, Professor Morton will review recent global developments that fall outside of these topics. This complimentary lecture titled "It's a Wrap" promises to



be an insightful and informative conclusion to the series.

Your support of the All Charities Weekend strengthens entities, like the Cultural Center, that enhance Ocean Reef Club's Unique Way of Life and enables the Ocean Reef Community Foundation to provide for thousands in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City. Call 305-367-5996 to learn more.



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Complimentary

View the video recording of the first and second Ocean Reef Club Chairman, Tom Davidson and Alan Goldstein discuss the early years of Ocean Reef Club and the challenges and rewards of the member buyout.

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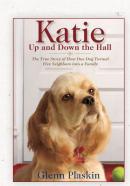


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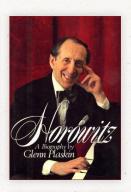
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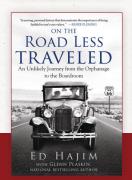
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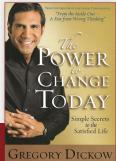
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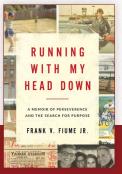












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MEMBER NEWS



Bridget Burns, daughter of Helen and Pat Burns, married Nihja White on November 5, 2022 in a beautiful Ocean Reef celebration on Buccaneer Island.



Only at Ocean Reef would the engagement celebration of legacy member Carly Adams, turn into a game show! Fiancé Michael Garvis of Minnetonka, MN and NYC, proposed to her at Greenberg Park. The two will marry at the Sleepy Hollow Country Club on June 10th. Carly, from Woodside, CA and NYC, is the oldest daughter of Tom and Thayer McKenzie.

Spring Break for a Little Blue Heron



by Harold Brewer

For Florida, immature Little Blue Herons' spring break time is when they are in the process of changing their first-year feathers into those of an adult. From first-year all white gradually into the deep blue that signifies adult status for the remainder of



Immature first year Little Blue Heron

their lives. As young birds, the Little Blues are often misidentified as Great Egrets, Snowy Egrets or Cattle Egrets. Before or shortly after the end of their first year they will be completely re-feathered into deep, almost iridescent, blue.



Adult Little Blue Heron

Look for these springbreaking white and blue birds around the ponds of our golf courses. It's only possible to see them in this special outfit this time of year. And if you are lucky you might also see one of the beautiful solid blue adults as well.

Say Hello to the HiNOTE Personal Communication App



Dot.calm" by Jane Silverman Berman

Every now and then I come across a phone app and think now why hasn't someone invented this before?

The HiNOTE Personal Communication app www. hinote.com is my latest favorite app – transforming dull boring black and white texts into stylish and meaningful messages and greetings you can personalize with monograms and clever graphics.

23 billion texts are sent each day worldwide, with more people using their phones for texting than phoning. Surprisingly, the only personalization



HiNOTE turns your plain, boring texts into something personalized!

options for everyone's favorite communication tool has been tiny overused emojis, hard to find animated GIFs, personal avatars, or memes.

The free HiNOTE app changes all that. Inviting a friend for Lunch or Cocktails? Sending an invitation or Thank You Note? Just swipe through the colorful bespoke images and formats by well-known interior decorators, fashion designers, celebrities (and even Emily Post) to create "communication as individual as you are." My favorites? Try the clever Photo Frames when sharing photos, elegant Monograms for a professional



look, and witty Messaging Essentials and Cheeky Notes to add some fun to your messages.

The easy-to-use app shows you

step by step: click on an image to customize the template; then the red circle with a pencil icon to write your own message, change the font or color, or upload a photo. I like the pre-made messages like "Checking In", "Lunch?," "Running Late," "Thank You," and "Please Join Us." Tap the heart on each image to save to your favorites folder.

To send: tap the arrow in the top right corner to text, email, print, or post on your social media and brighten up your texts and the life of your friends. HINT: I always delete the https://hinote.com line at the bottom of the message before sending or posting. Now text some fun!

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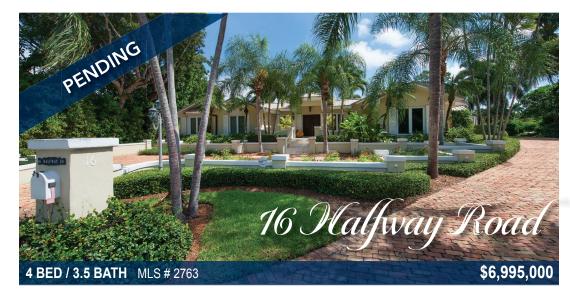
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Recycling at Ocean Reef



by Jim Leenhouts

Ocean Reef Club operates a Solid Waste Department under the direction of Israel Salgado that exceptionally well serves Ocean Reef residents and other Club sources in the removal of solid waste. This service is provided three times per week for trash (garbage) and recycle pick-up of once per week for subsequent transportation to the Monroe County recycling station, located eight miles south of Ocean Reef, for further classification, processing and



Solid Waste Associate Ivan Hernandez and Director Israel Salgado showing off their recycling truck and 64-gallon bins.

transportation. These are the second steps in the noble process of converting waste into raw materials. Ocean Reef waste and recycle pick-up service does not require the common inconvenience practiced in other communities of placing and replacing containers at the curb with unintended spillage

or scattering from animals or fast golf carts in the walking lanes. Pick-up is usually at your garage area.

The first step that sends Ocean Reef recyclable waste to the appropriate final user occurs within each private Ocean Reef household, restaurant and business – the readers of this article who make the decision, "Is this waste in my hands recyclable, garbage or something different?" The classification can change as wastes finds new uses.

The combination of such an active, informed public and an excellent pick-up service would be the delight of many communities. Comments from Members directed to Israel Salgado are especially welcome.

So, What Can We Recycle?

At the present time, the Solid Waste Department collects the following waste categories:

The following are recyclable:

- Cardboard (please break down boxes and fold flat to save space)
- Newspaper
- Letters and envelopes
- Cans (rinsed of food) label left on is OK
- Plastic containers (rinsed of food)
- Glass (rinsed of food)
- Aluminum waste and cans

The following may be recyclable, first call 305-367-5992 for pick-up:

- All paints
- All liquids
- All oils
- E-waste (electronic equipment) Also watch for special days for community-wide pick-up locations.

The following are NOT recyclable:

- Garbage (food waste, diapers, diaper waste). Must be bagged for pick-up
- Shoes
- Clothing
- Chemicals
- Wastes generated by contractors and landscapers should be removed as generated by each.
- The time lost returning to households by the Associates of the Solid Waste Department who must recollect the weekly recycle donations that were not set out in time for the initial collection attempt. Consider determining when your Associate will likely be in your area to timely set out your trash or recycling.

Read page 45 of your 2022 ORCA phonebook for basic information.

IN HONOR OF EARTH DAY... E-WASTE COLLECTION & DOCUMENT SHREDDING

Tuesday, April 18

Members are invited to stop by the Field at Four Corners from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and drop off e-waste.

What can you bring?

For E-Waste recycling, you can bring monitors, computers, televisions, telephones/cell and land, FAX machines, printers, copiers, DVD/VCR players, radios, speakers, discs, cassettes and, other electronics. Paper shredding services will also be available at the same time and used clothing, furniture and household items are welcome as well.



Downsizing Discoveries

By Heather Campbell, Member since 2002

Have you ever thought of downsizing from your current home? For many, this idea causes a lot of anxiety. But releasing yourself from your too big house, extensive arrival and departure rituals, and "honey do" lists does not have to be overwhelming. Recently, my husband and I assessed our 20 years of upsizing at Ocean Reef and as new empty-nesters, decided to take the plunge. We downsized dramatically and are happy in our new two-bedroom condo at the Residence Club. We actively tested our theory that the greatest value in Ocean Reef comes from just being at Ocean Reef. What surprised us is how downsizing made

us even more aware of and thankful for the bounty of resources here.

When we were trying to decide if we should sell our house, we evaluated which rooms of our home we used daily, weekly and seasonally. We talked about how we wanted to be spending our time over the next five years and considered the needs of our two springer spaniels. Instead of being busy around the house, we both hoped for more time to get outside, play sports, fish, and attend lectures at the Cultural Center. We noticed that since getting dining reservations had become easier, we were rarely entertaining at home and had also enjoyed being guests at elegant private parties in several of the flexible-use rooms at the Residence Club. We also knew we could rely on Ocean Reef Catering to help us host larger events in beautiful spots like the

roof-top patio above the Dockmaster's office. The walking paths, the Dog Park and the Grayvik Center are all convenient and well-equipped to keep our pets happy and healthy.

Once we had a moving date, we limited how much culling we would do each day and made sure to reserve time for the activities we enjoy at Ocean Reef, because Betty Friedan was right: "Work expands to fill the time available." We set small goals, like sorting the cleaning supplies or the shoes instead of tackling entire rooms at time. Also, because we had a work-play plan, we were even able to recruit a friend to take a "working vacation" and help me reorganize my wardrobe and the kitchen. We relied on Habitat for Humanity, the Salvation Army, and the REEF TAG SALE Facebook group to recycle (and even sell) what

we no longer needed.

Now that we have moved, we still hang out in the kitchen, the den and on the patio, but we are enjoying more time for fun. We are taking advantage of the gym, the restaurant, the spa, the screening room, and the pool at the RC and for quiet time away from home, we head to the library, Greenberg Park, The Point, or the porches in the Fishing Village and at the Clubhouse. For the few times we've had more than two guests this season, everyone has been happy to have rooms at the Inn, which, as an added bonus, were also a better value than comparable lodging in Key Largo. We're also happy about how efficiently the Marina splashes our 31' Contender when we want to use it, and now that we no longer own a big house with a dock, we have time to get out on the water.

Smaller place, bigger life.



KEYS CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION



Grant presentation to the Community School Pool Program at Jacobs Aquatic Center. This exciting project will enable all Kindergartners at Key Largo School to participate in learn-to-swim classes before the schoolyear ends. Thank you Ocean Club Members for supporting this new Keys Children's Foundation grant to help the local community in this lifesaving endeavor. Pictured from left are members of the Keys Kids Swim Committee Amiee Volland, Dr. Tana Bleser Carson, Dr. James Bollini, and Jennifer Kunkowski, and KCF President Jody Steele.



Keys Children's Foundation Board Member Vicki Puckett-Goldsmith presents Grant checks for Needy Fund and Food Pantry programs at Coral Shores High School to Andy Dutton, Assistant in Counseling.



The Keys Children's Foundation is proud to support St. Justin Martyr Pre-School with a Grant check. Pictured are Fr. Stephen Hilley, Pastor, and Jody Steele, KCF President, with students.

SEND US PHOTOS OF YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S BURGEE JUBILEE BLOCK PARTY!

Submit them to by Monday, April 17 to be featured in the Ocean Reef Press.

When Only the FINEST Will Do!



121 MARINA 208 4BD/4.5BA | CANAL FRONT | \$9,000,000

This 3,650 a/c sq. ft. second floor residence features four bedrooms, four full and one half baths. Perfectly positioned steps away from the sea wall. The contemporary kitchen is designed with Italian cabinetry by MiaCucina, stone countertops, Sub-Zero® and Wolf® appliances, an integrated espresso/cappuccino maker bar area with Sub-Zero® wine coolers. The master bath features double vanities, separate water closet and a deep soaking tub. Large walk-in closets provide ample space in the master bedroom. Entertain guests on the 656 sq. ft. terrace that features a summer kitchen with waterfront views. Roll-down sunshades provide privacy and protection. This condominium is complete with Smart Home technology and high-speed internet access and Wi-Fi. For added convenience the laundry room houses a full-sized washer and dryer. Two car parking spaces and one golf cart space is designated per residence. Electrical vehicle charging stations can also be found at each car parking space. Residents of 121 Marina can also take advantage of first-class amenities such as 750' marina frontage with 10 boat slips, junior Olympic pool with lap lane, fitness center and Beacon House!





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Academy Students Excel at Model United Nations



by Jody Steele

The Academy at Ocean Reef recently participated in the Model United Nations Conference in Miami. Nicky Laak, Middle School Social Studies teacher and Library Media Specialist, coached the students and shared the accomplishments of the Academy students in this prestigious competition.

All of the students attending prepare for this event for weeks and this year there were 266 students from 17 schools. Each student is required to assume a role of a UN delegate. The students then worked with partners to develop valuable research material, debate strategies, public speaking techniques, and diplomacy skills. Through this lengthy process, they develop resolutions to solve world issues.

All of this preparation began earnestly in December of 2022 and included a practice conference at the University of Miami. Twelve Academy students spent weekdays and even weekends getting ready for this competition. They were serious about taking on this challenge.



Model UN students Edward Brown, Kathryn Asman, Felicia Wiegand, Natalie Blackburn, Reilly Johnson, Valerie Gabriel, Breeana Abrue, Kameron Holman, Ryan Hassett, Ozzy McGee, Jack Sperling and Jack Massey

The results were amazing! Sixth grade students Edward Brown and Jack Massey won an award for Best Position Paper for the UNICEF Committee that debated the topic of access to education as delegates for The Republic of India. Their paper emphasized the fact that 17 million children in India do not go to school. They proposed a resolution that other major countries form an alliance to establish schools in India.

Kameron Holman (Grade 8) and Valerie Gabriel (Grade 7) acted as the delegation for India in their second year of participating in the Model UN Conference. They won Honorable Mention in the UN General Assembly Division for their work in reaching a resolution on Sustainable Development Goals with outstanding participation in debate and writing.

All of the twelve students from the Academy at Ocean Reef succeeded in passing resolutions as sponsors or signatories. It is impressive to note that not only were



Valerie Gabriel and Kameron Holman

the students exemplary in their performance at the Conference, but they are all eager to return next year and take on the UN challenge once again.

Congratulations to the students and their teacher for attaining this level of excellence in a major academic competition.

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DENISON ALUMNI REUNION

Denison alumni – please join us for a reunion on **Monday, April 10**, 2023 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the home of **John** '57 and **Connie Taylor** '58. Hosted by **Pat Shouvlin** '73 and **Anne Taylor** '86.

Location: 9 W. Snapper Point, Ocean Reef Club



7 FRIDAY

AA Meeting 7:30am • Chapel Board Room Call 305-390-4983 for additional AA Meetings

Tom & Teddy Trunk Show 9am-5pm • Member Fitness

Stir-Fry Guru Class 9:30am-12:30pm • Carysfort Kitchen

Tennis 105 Tournament 11am • Tennis & Games Center

Rod & Gun Club Sporting Clays 10am-3pm • Card Sound Range

Balance like a Pro Class 4pm • Member Fitness Center

Bunny Hop 5k Pre-Registration 12-4pm • Pool Deck

Come Sail Away: Bullseye Sailing 2pm • Card Sound Sailing Club

"Avatar: The Way of Water" 5pm • Cultural Center

Floating Restorative Aerial Yoga and Sounds Bath Class 5pm • Member Fitness Center

Fish Fry & Bingo 6-6:30pm • Marlin Beach

Teens Only! Beach Bonfire 8pm • Buccaneer Island

8 SATURDAY

Bunny Hop 5k Fun Run

8am • Business Center Parking Lot

Cardio Boxing Class & Yoga Nidra Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Bunny Hop 5k Run

8am • Business Center Parking Lot

Tennis Ladies' & Men's Singles **Club Championships**

9am • Tennis & Games Center

80's Step Aerobics Class 9am • Member Fitness Center

Lululemon Trunk Show 10am-2pm • Fishing Village

Dancing Through the Decades

11am • Member Fitness Center

Maui Jim Trunk Show 11am-3:30pm • Buccaneer Island

Easter Cart Parade

12:30pm Line-Up, Departs at 1pm Meet at the Business Center Parking Lot

"Avatar: The Way of Water" 5pm • Cultural Center

Family Fun Night 5-10pm • Town Hall Waterside

Starlight Dinner Buffet 6-8pm • Carysfort Ballroom **Grand Easter Buffet**

6-8:30pm Seatings • Ocean Room

Teens Only! After Hours at the Reef Rec Room

10pm-12am • Reef Rec Room

Reef Club Kids Open 6-10pm • RCK Clubhouse

Lighted Standup Paddleboard Tour 7pm • Buccaneer Island

Teens Only! After Hours at the Reef

Rec Room 10pm-12am • Reef Rec Room

9 SUNDAY

Easter Basket Deliveries 6-10am • Around the Reef

Easter Sunrise Service

7am-12pm • Ocean Room

6:45-8am • Buccaneer Island Ocean Room Easter Breakfast

Easter Bunny Breakfast & Brunch 7:30-9:15am • Palm Court 9 & 11am Seatings Carysfort Hall

Easter Worship Service 10am • Chapel Sanctuary

Easter Egg Hunt! At Buccaneer

10:30am • Buccaneer Island

Easter Catholic Mass 12pm • Town Hall, Fr. Hilley, Celebrant

"Avatar: The Way of Water" 5pm • Cultural Center

10 MONDAY

Tai Chi Class

7:30am • Member Fitness Center

Beach Yoga Class 8am • Buccaneer Island

Pickleball Cardio 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Cardio Tennis Clinic 9am • Tennis & Games Center

MGA Closing Day 9am • SG Dolphin Course

Lululemon Trunk Show 9am-5pm • Member Fitness Center

Farmer's Market

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

Fit Camp 12pm • Member Fitness Center

Tri-Fit-Ca Class 1pm • Member Fitness Center

Core & Restore Class 1pm • Member Fitness Center

Sound Bath & Tea Class 5pm • Member Fitness Center

Men's "B" Night Tennis League 5:30-7:30pm • Tennis & Games

11 TUESDAY

Rock & Roll Shakti Yoga 8am • Member Fitness Center

LGA Closing Day 8:30am • SG Hammock Course

Rod & Gun Club Sporting Clays 10am-3pm• Card Sound Range

The Birth of Of Our Club: Decade of the '90s: Revolution & Evolution 4pm • Cultural Center

Gameio Tennis Clinic 4:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

Reef Rec Room Open 5-10pm • Reef Rec Room

Men's Pickleball Night League 5:30-7pm • Tennis & Games Center

Potluck Gathering 6pm • Chapel Fellowship Hall

12 WEDNESDAY

Tai Chi Class

7:30am • Member Fitness Center

Intercessory Prayer 8am • Chapel Living Room

Sweat Class & Reformer Pilates

8am • Member Fitness Center

Funky Fun Flow Yoga & Silver Fit Class

10am • Member Fitness Center

Deep H20 Workout Class 10am • Member Fitness Pool

9 Hole LGA Twilight Wine Night 3:30pm • SG Dolphin Course

Self-Defense Class 4pm • Member Fitness Center

"Avatar: The Way of Water"

6:30pm • Cultural Center

13 THURSDAY

9 Hole LGA Closing Day 9am • SG Hammock Course

Dancing Through the Decades Class

10am • Member Fitness Center

Gameio Tennis Clinic 10 & 11am • Tennis & Games

Rod & Gun Club Sporting Clays 10am-3pm• Card Sound Range

Hacking Your Health Span Class 3pm • Member Fitness Center

Member Fitness Awards 5:30pm • Member Fitness Center

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The Birth of Of Our Club: Decade of the '90s: Revolution & Evolution

Tues., April 11 • 4pm Complimentary View the video recording of the first and second Ocean Reef Club Chairman, Tom Davidson and Alan Goldstein discuss the early years of Ocean Reef Club and the challenges and rewards of the member buyout.

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CLUB SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper

r.f. Orchids.... One of the things I like best about Easter is the beautiful orchid plant from **r.f.** that I usually receive from my son Andrew.... I believe that an orchid is truly "the gift that keeps on giving". If you need proof, just check out the abundance of glorious blooms attached to trees all over Ocean Reef. Many of them started out as plants purchased from r.f. Orchids, the little Fishing Village shop, which for many years, has been the go-to place for OR members looking for the perfect gift or for a flower arrangement for their homes.... r.f. is owned and operated by Robert Fuchs and Michael Coronado and serves as the sole outlet for plants and flowers from their renowned Homestead nursery. Robert Fuchs is an orchid expert with over 1000 prize winners to his credit. Some have been named for prominent OR members like Adelaide Skoglund, Marlene Boll and Martha **Kavanaugh**.... In recent years, r.f. has maintained a stall in Ocean Reef's popular Farmer's Market, which is open Monday and Thursday during



the season. The wonderfully helpful Elizabeth Bainea (pictured), is at the Farmer's Market every week, not only to sell plants and flowers but to offer advice on how to care for them. Elizabeth learned to love flowers growing up at her grandmother's farm in Romania. Working for r.f. gives her an opportunity to share her passion for beautiful plants and flowers with her customers.....Last Word: Easter is two days away, time enough to order an orchid or flower arrangement as an Easter gift.... I really hope my son Andrew gets this message. by Joan Birsh

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April Fool's Day with The Oceanaires

It was "Hot Hot" for The Oceanaires, flash-mobbing the restaurants on April Fool's Day. This year continues their tradition of bringing joy, laughter, and cool moves to the Ocean Reef community on April 1st. Some of the words they sang to whistling, cheering diners and staff members are...

"Ole Ole Ole Ole

Feelin' Hot Hot Hot

Ocean Reefers, all around us, feelin' hot hot hot We see you drinking, what are you thinking, feeling hot hot hot" -Sherley Newell, Member since 1987



The Oceanaires, from left, Barbara Pearson, Esther Lerner, Carol Cameron, Janet Reynolds, Eileen Mullray, Sherley Newell, Cynthia Weglarz, Denise Bermant and Helen Emmert

Celebration of the Easter Show... Tonight!

by Susan Bohan

All are welcome to join in the Celebration of the Easter Show tonight, April 7, 5 to 7pm. The works completed by your fellow Members in the past year are on display in this final Art Show of the season. There will be libations and lite bites while you marvel at what they have created in photography, painting, sculpture, basketry, pottery, needlepoint, sewing and so much more.

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SPORTS

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Mills-Metcalf Series Race Day #3/Bull's & Eye's

By Currie Wooten, CSSC Vice Commodore

Last Saturday, the Bullseye sailors were treated to a new format for our race. **Dan Harding** conferred with his Race Officers, **Jay Beatty** and **Shirley Shumway**, and decided to run an America's Cup triangle. The winds were great and the race started on time as we had an agenda to get back to Bakers Harbor for our monthly hot dog luncheon!

The race started with a windward leg to the 1st mark and then a starboard reach with spinnaker to the 2nd mark of the triangle, a port reach with spinnaker to the 3rd or downward mark of the triangle, and a windward trek to the



CSSC members enjoy the new tiki hut.

finish line at the committee boat. Everyone was figuring the format out and dealing with spinnaker jibing on the reaches during the first race when the race committee added another twist. After the 3rd mark we were headed to a new upward leg back to the 1st mark again and then a downward leg with spinnaker to the finish line. If we hadn't already checked our spinnaker after stowing it after the 2nd and 3rd leg, as we would need it again for our last



Jim Lampman showered sailors with Easter packages of Lake Champlain Chocolates.

downwind leg, then we would find out our troubles! Our last race was also a changeup. We went to the 1st mark of the triangle and then 2nd and then back to 1st mark and then to a downward finish. It was all good and fun and the race committee and auxiliary boats kept us all in line and we had plenty of winners!

In The Bulls division, the team of Gary Sayia and Paul Magno came in first, second place was Jim Lampman and Ted Castle, third place was Chris Streit and Clarke Moody, and most improved was George Lucas and Meg Lucas Selling.

In the Eyes Division, Tom Austin and Peter Askew came in first, Jennifer Forelli and Jim Barker came in second, and Glenn and Anne Gormley came in third. Most improved was Frank Schneider and Tim Sheehan.

The most important part of our day was coming back from the races to big juicy hot dogs cooked on the grill by our wonderful chef, Vanna Cheng, and the food and condiments were nicely setup by the wonderful nooners crew, Pam Cook, Cynthia Weglarz, and Marlene Whiteley. We had a great showing of members who quickly devoured the food and enjoyed reliving the race under our new Tiki Hut, expertly

supervised by Chuck Cook.

This Saturday is our last and final race of the series and season. With Easter on Sunday, the Easter Bunny appeared early as **Jim Lampman** showered us with Easter packages from his Lake Champlain Chocolates - delicious colorful egg shaped chocolates with all sorts of fillings!

CSSC may not have any more races but there are more gatherings, as we will have our Awards Dinner at Angler's Club on Tuesday, April 11 at 6 p.m. Then there will be a gathering of sailors on Wednesday the 12th and Thursday the 13th, to help take off the masts, take the sailboats out of the water and load them on trailers to be stored for the next season. Our trusty cart will be iced and filled with refreshments. Last but not least, there will be one more Waterside get-together on Thursday, April 20, at 6 p.m.

Check out our new website cardsoundsailingclub.
com, which Priscilla Pilon
has been instrumental in organizing and coordinating with various groups within the club. Members will be using this full time next season, so please login and try it out. It also provides great information to anyone who is interested in our club and who would like to join us.

MEMBER NEWS





Cate DeSousa, granddaughter of Ed and Barbara DeSousa, was first introduced to the Ocean Reef Bunny Hop 8 years ago, sparking a love for running cross country and track and field. On the left, she is pictured running the Bunny Hop in 2015, where she placed first in the women's category at age 10. Cate is now a senior in high school committed to the University of Virginia to continue her athletic and academic career. On March 5, 2023, Cate won her first state championship with a personal record, bringing her to number 5 in the country for the 3200m. Congratulations Cate and good luck at UVA! Your friends at Ocean Reef Club continue to cheer you on. And to all you running the Bunny Hop this Saturday, don't worry... Cate won't be there, so you still have a chance!

Fun **Conclusions** to Bonefish Bonnies' Season



by Sarah A. Cart

Under blue skies and white puffy clouds, 13 angling Bonefish Bonnies set out early on Monday, April 3, to compete in the organization's 2023 Flats Tournament. By 8:50 a.m. Bonny Gothier had the day's first fish, a tarpon, to the boat, and Laney Hinkebein clocked the tournament's last, a snook, at 3:12 p.m.; in between, **Kym**



Carol Andrews, Capt. Mike Makowski and Heather Post are all smiles upon taking first place in the Bonefish Bonnies' 2023 Flats Tournament on

Read had the thrill of landing her first tarpon.

The contest's seven competing boats were after bonefish, permit, tarpon, snook and redfish, and managed to bring in in a total of 18 fish over the course of the day. That evening, multiple winners were honored at the Awards



Second place in the Bonefish Bonnies April 3 Flats Tournament went to the team of Bonny Gothier, left, and Esther Vasquez, right, shown here being congratulated by tournament co-chair Jeannie Schiavone.

cocktails held on the Sailfish Patio at Carysfort.

Taking first place was the team of Carol Andrews and Heather Post with Guide Mike Makowski on the platform.

Bonny Gothier and Esther Vasquez came in second under the guidance of Wess Thompson; and taking third was Laura Zausmer, who fished solo as she was guided by Augie Moss.

Other upcoming Bonnie adventures:

"Tight lines!" to the crew of lucky Bonnies headed to Abaco Lodge on the Marls, Abaco Island, Bahamas, this weekend. They will be some of the first anglers to enjoy the newly reopened lodge that was destroyed by Hurricane Dorian in 2019. Congratulations to the Abaco Lodge and all their guests on this new beginning.

And planning many months ahead, Past President Mona Brewer hopes a few Bonnies will join her on a fall adventure to the heart of the Minnesota Driftless area in that state's Lanesboro to fish for native brook trout and wild browns. Registration is through the Fly Fishers International (FFI) Upper Midwest Council. For more information, interested Bonnies should contact Mona at mona@monabrewer.com.



Laura Zausmer was guided by Capt. Augie Moss as she fished solo and reeled her way into third place.

Looking forward

The Bonefish Bonnies are women interested in fun, friendship and sharing the joy of fishing, no matter the level, technique, or location. Membership is open to all dues-paying women of Ocean Reef and Key Largo Anglers Clubs and their mothers, daughters or granddaughters. The season typically runs from early November through April, with occasional summer fishing trips elsewhere, and the group will be celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2023-2024.

Membership dues are usually collected in the fall, although the group is always open to, and delights in, welcoming new members whenever their interest inspires them to join. The season typically begins with an opening luncheon in mid-November, with dues forms available at that time in the drawer below the Bonefish Bonnies case in the Reef Treats lobby or via the organization's website, www. BonefishBonnies.com. Various events and classes are priced separately on a pay-as-you-go basis.

For additional information, check the Bonnies Bulletin Board in the Reef Treats lobby or reach out via BonefishBonnies1@gmail. com.

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The Dive Shop at The Reef Conservation Efforts & New Program Offerings

By Jesseca Dale, The Dive Shop at The Reef

The Dive Shop at The Reef, located in the Fishing Village, is excited to share some of their newest environmental restoration and dive shop offerings. Member-owned since 2018, **Lisa** and **Kevin Cassidy**, alongside co-owner and manager Jesus Gudino, and their son **Henry Hittle**, have worked to grow the conservation programs and reef exploration offerings. We invite you to learn more about what is new at The Dive Shop!

First off, Coral Nurseries are one of many approaches to help save the reefs. Over 90% of our barrier reef has declined in the past 40 years. The reduction has severely affected ecological diversity which has a cascading effect to the Keys way of life. Our barrier reef provides beauty, economy, and culture that is deeply rooted to our surrounding marine ecosystem. In response to the dramatic loss in corals, the Florida Keys is now leading the world in coral reef restoration.

NOAA and partners have developed a strategic decadeslong approach to restore reef sites in Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. Carysfort Reef is the first of the 7 iconic reef sites along the Florida Keys. Coral practitioners such as Coral Restoration Foundation (CRF) and Reef Renewal International both have established coral nurseries at Carysfort Reef. This practice allows trained divers to harvest corals from the nursery and outplant directly to the reef. The Dive Shop takes pride in our collaboration efforts. This



Ken Nedimyer and Member James Wilson at Carysfort Nursery.

spring the shop has donated a boat and crew for CRF's annual Coralpalooza, the largest reef restoration event. On the 10th of June, dive shops across the keys will simultaneously be outplanting corals.

The Dive Shop also has the privilege to work alongside Ken Nedimyer to help restore our local reef. Ken is recognized worldwide as the father of reef restoration. He founded CRF and now is the upper Keysbased director of Reef Renewal Foundation International. The shop's staff, and in the near future ORC members/guests, will be able to take part in restoration efforts. For now, snorkelers and divers have an option to see the coral nursery during a passive visit. Guests and Members will see firsthand the emergency action coral practitioners are taking to help save the world's most diverse ecosystem often referred to as the "lungs of the ocean."

How Can You Get Involved?

As The Shop expands its conservation efforts, we are also expanding our trip activities. Daily excursion provides education and a way for community members to give back. Upon reservation request, weather and crew availability, you now can choose: Guided snorkel fish ID tour, marine debris cleanup dive, fish count snorkeling, fish count diving, and passive snorkeling and diving visits to Reef Renewal Coral Nursery.

The Dive Shop aims to create a positive impact to the reef through community education

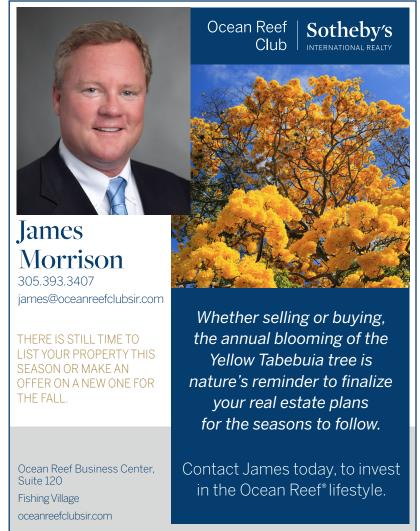
and hands-on involvement. We are excited about the new activities provided and grateful for the partnerships created. It is an honor to be collaborating with Reef Renewal International, CRF, the National Marine Sanctuary, REEF and soon Project Hiu. We hope to only grow our programs as we work with more community members. If you are interested in booking an excursion please send us an email at info@ thediveshoporc.com or by calling 305-367-3051.



Kris Sarri, ex-president and ceo of National Marine Sanctuary, at Turtle Reef marine debris cleanup.



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Lightest Wind Conditions of the Season on the Pond

By Windsor D. Coffin, CSMYC Commodore

With the exception of the previous Sunday, this past Sunday continued the run of light wind conditions on the Pond. But unlike those past Sundays where the wind was light, this past Sunday was the lightest of them all. Were it not for the occasional puff of air, there is no question we would not have even set up our East Coast 12 Meter model yachts for racing. It was as close to calm conditions as you could get without it being considered calm.

With such light winds like the air we saw last Sunday, it can be extremely frustrating



The fleet waits for the wind. Photo by Windsor Coffin

for any sailor. You are entirely at the mercy of the conditions around your sailboat at any given time. Many times those conditions can be different for a boat that is within a few feet of where your boat is. Such is the unpredictable nature of light air sailing. Certainly every sailor had a bit of good luck and a bit of bad luck on the day. As Joe Robillard keenly pointed out that each boat spent time at the front and at the back at some point during the racing day. But, in the end, someone had to show a little more luck and skill to navigate through the conditions than the rest. Over

the course of the five races that we were remarkably able to run. that sailor who was able to take top honors on the day was Al Mast. Second place was quite interesting in the fact that it was the first time in my time with the CSMYC where we've seen three different sailors tied on points. With the tie breaker of his two race wins applied, Joe Robillard took second place on the day. Third, by virtue of his one race win, was Jim Seale. Despite the fact that yours truly, Windsor Coffin, was the third member of that three-way tie I didn't have any race wins on the day which relegated me to

fourth.

The forecast for Easter Sunday looks like more of the same light air conditions with mostly sunny skies. Sounds like a perfect day for the sailors to enjoy Easter Sunday off from model yachting with family and friends. Model yacht racing at Buccaneer Island will resume on April 16.

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 10:00 AM. 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.

On behalf of all the members of the CSMYC, Happy Easter!



Having Déjà Vu?

Zach Haynes Wins Bag Room Open...Again!

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Could a three-peat be in Zach's sights for 2024? Here's what he has to say:

When did you start playing golf and where'd your interest come from?

I grew up around golf. My grandparents were avid players and they took me to junior camps starting at the age of 5. I began playing competitively as a sophomore in high school and was lucky to have some success in junior golf, which allowed me to play at the Division 1 level at University of Tennessee at Martin.

As the reigning champ, did you change anything about the way you practiced or played the tournament this year?

Not really, I just knew what part of my game needed to be in good shape to have the best chance at winning again. In golf, learning and bettering yourself and your game is a continuous process, no matter how many times you win. Each and every time I play the Bag Room, I learn more about how to be patient in the matches. Eighteen holes is a long time and there is no need to push anything.

Did you still have nerves, despite winning in 2022?

Oh yeah, Bag Room Open matches are some of the most nervous I have ever been on the golf course. This year though, the nerves were of a different kind. I had the target on my back and after experiencing the win once before, I wanted it even more this year. Thankfully through my experience, I've learned to accept the nerves and use them as a way to focus and execute the shot at hand.

What impact did Bob Manzo have as your mentor and caddy?

Having **Mr. Manzo** by my side truly helps to elevate my game. He is a fantastic player himself, which gives me more confidence having someone to talk things through in the moment. He is also a calming

influence in the matches. I owe a lot of my success to him!

How did your dad manage to score an invite to Legends Invitational with you?

My dad surprised me by showing up at Ocean Reef for Championship Weekend! When the Lees heard this, they generously invited my father to join us. The Legends Invitational is special so it will be a treat to experience it together.

How does the Bag Room Open differ from other golf tournaments?

The Bag Room is a perfect example of Ocean Reef's "Unique Way of Life." This event is unlike anything a club professional experiences. Nothing is more exciting than turning down 14 fairway to a sea of carts lining the fairway and green. Winning the Bag Room Open, or even just one match, is special, but the support from the Membership brings it to a whole different level.

J Guarch, in his first year

as Bag Room Chair, agreed. During the awards ceremony, he said, "Each and every year, this tournament gets fantastic Member support, both in kind and in spirit. It's absolutely heartwarming to be a part of and I'm proud to witness every member of the Golf staff, whether or not they swing a club, benefit from this Member commitment."

In addition to thanking all who played a role in making the Bag Room possible, Guarch extended a very special appreciation to two exceptional individuals:

"Jody and Michael Betz - I proudly present to you the Hank Award for the countless years you've dedicated to making the Bag Room Open the wonderful, memorable tradition we know and love today. I am honored to stand in your wake as Bag Room Chair."

For a fantastic recap of the Bag Room Finals, created by ORC Pro David Larger, visit oceanreef.com/BagRoomFinals.

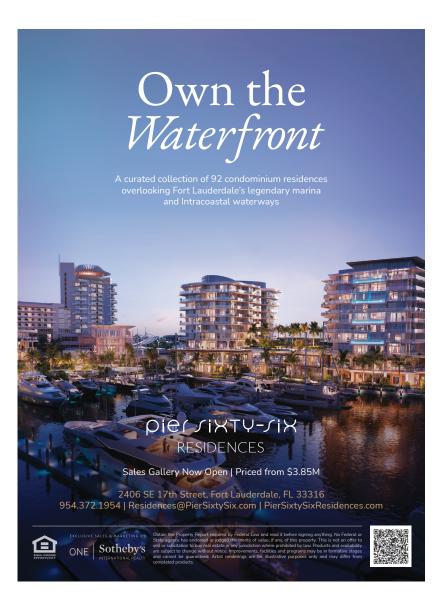
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Celebrating Season-Long Successes



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

The end of the season is a busy time in Golf – with the Bag Room Open and many of our season-long challenges coming to completion. Below are just some of the things we've been celebrating.

LGA Keys Cup

121 days ago, the 2022-23 Keys Cup Bracket was released and matches began. The Keys Cup is the LGA's season-long individual match play event where 43 players looked to outlast their opponents in each match.

After 5 rounds of matches, only Lynne Demmerly and Anne Marie Peretz teed off as our final two looking to hoist the Keys Cup Trophy. Peretz got off to a blazing start making the turn with a 3 up lead, but Demmerly battled back to get within one. Peretz continued her steady play, and with a par on 16, closed out the championship match with a 3&2 victory.

MGA Chairman's Cup

The 2022-23 Chairman's Cup featured Brad Williams and Joe **Hertzman** in this season-long, singles match play competition. Williams came firing right out of the gate with a birdie on the first hole and a quick, 1-up lead. The two swapped blows back and forth from there, until a couple of nice up and downs on Holes 15 and 17, where Hertzman was able to hold off Williams and claim the 2023 MGA Chairman's Cup, finishing the match 2 up. Both players can walk away with their heads held high as the



LGA Keys Cup Champion, Anne Marie Peretz

quality of golf was high and very entertaining.

LGA Carysfort Cup

In this season-long competition, LGA members began their quest for the coveted Carysfort Cup on opening day. The Carysfort Cup represents the player that consistently brings her "A" game on Tuesdays and participates throughout the entire season. Points are accrued each week by participation and placing in events. After a season consisting of 28 rounds of competition, the top 30 players in the Carysfort Cup standings teed it up for one final day to see who would be crowned the Carysfort Cup Champion. This year's Carysfort Cup Champion posted an outstanding round of 62 on the final day. Congratulations to Cherie Henn.

Burgee Cup

The 2022-23 MGA Season has been full of great golf, competitive camaraderie and record numbers. The seasonlong Burgee Cup final awards not only the players who have consistently played great golf throughout the entire season, but also those that play their best when it matters most.

New this season was adding a second round to this seasonlong championship. Making this championship two rounds truly added to the suspense of the competition. Following round 1, **Dick Satterfield** managed to put together the only under-par score of the day and jump all the



MGA Chairman Cup Champion, Joe Hertzman

way up from 8th place and into the lead. Although his position changed, there was still plenty of golf to be played and a chance for the rest of our competitors to change the narrative.

Round 2 of this 36-Hole competition was played on the Hammock Course. Players going out in front of Satterfield needed to put up some low numbers in order to gain position and climb the leaderboard. Andy **Timmerman** was back into his mid-season form and put together an impressive round of 72 (70 net) to gain back 6 positions. Although Satterfield played an exceptional round, shooting a 74 in round 2, Timmerman's point lead coming into the event was too great to overcome. Congratulations Burgee Cup Champion Andy Timmerman.

Bag Room Open

Every year the support from the membership is overwhelmingly positive for the Bag Room Open. As a staff, we cannot thank all of you enough for your ongoing support. We would like to highlight J and Delia **Guarch** for the outstanding job they did in their first year as the tournament chairs, John and Mary Lee for giving both 1st and 2nd place professionals the opportunity to play in the Legends Invitational at Pebble Beach, Scott Heffner for his continued role as the "Voice of the Bag Room Open" and for taking on the responsibilities of the birdies and eagles pool,



Burgee Cup Champion, Andy Timmerman

Michael and Stacey Lahey

for welcoming all participants to their home for the firstever Bag Room Open Bracket Reveal Event, and last, but not least, our 2023 Hank Award

recipients **Michael** and **Jodi Betz** for all the time they put into turning the Bag Room Open into the professional staff's most memorable tradition at Ocean Reef Club.

For the Championship Match we had two Bag Room Open veterans: Zach Haynes and Kyle Johnston battling it out for this year's title. After 8 birdies were made between these two great professionals, Haynes capped off the event with a par on the 16th hole to win the Bag Room Open for the second year in a row. In the third place match, David Sandberg took on first-year contestant Jordan Sanyshyn. Sandberg came out on top with a 1 up victory on the 18th hole. Congratulations to all four professionals on a well-played Bag Room Open.

Golf Shop Easter Egg Sale

We hope everyone will be spending time with family and friends over the Easter Weekend, as well as enjoying the Masters! Stop by the Golf Shop for our Easter Sale on Saturday, April 8th and Sunday, April 9th. All merchandise in the Golf Shop will be eligible for the sale. Pick out as many items as you like and select one lucky egg from the basket to apply that discount to your entire purchase.

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Ocean Reef Club



GOLF SCOREBOARD

LGA Club Championship Wednesday, March 29

Club Champion: Nancy

Vamvakas

Club Champion Runner Up:

Jo-Ann Titley

Net Club Champion: Britta Garcia Flight 1 Winner: Cynthia Egan Flight 2 Winner: Joan Flippin Flight 3 Winner: Joan Hession Flight 4 Winner: Hope Fortis

Flight 5 Winner: Lynne Demmerly

9 Hole LGA Best Six Results Thursday, March 30

First Place: Currie Wooten Second Place: Bettina Schottland Third Place: Beth Joyner, Dale Schuble, Carol Schafer-Yates, Michele Welch Closest to the Hole: Susan Reichardt (#17) Longest Drive: Currie Wooten

LGA Keys Cup Champion Saturday, April 1

Champion: Anne Marie Peretz Runner Up: Lynne Demmerly

MGA Chairman's Cup

First Place: Joe Hertzman Second Place: Brad Williams Final Four: Rick Chambers, Joey

Burgee Cup Final Results Tuesday, April 4

Champion: Andy Timmerman First Place Net: Andy Timmerman Second Place Net: Geoff Noyes Third Place Net: Tony Rodriguez First Place Gross: Richard Satterfield Second Place Gross: Joev Rivera Third Place Gross: Scott Heffner

Carysfort Cup Tuesday, April 4

Champion: Cherie Henn Second Place: Christine Langley Third Place: Hillary Smith First Place Gross: Angie Berman Second Place Gross: Jo-Ann Titley Third Place Gross: Suzanne Grandis

Join Fellow Members on a Kalos Golf Cruise

by Michael Leone, Director of Golf

Over the years, Ocean Reef Club has organized private charter Kalos Golf cruises made up primarily of members and selected friends, which turns out not only to be a great way to travel, but a wonderful way to get to know fellow members.

Based on the success of last September's French Riviera cruise, we have arranged for an Iberian Peninsula Golf Cruise in September 2024.

Whether your preference is to golf or to tour, or a little bit of both, this itinerary has something for you. Along with Card Sound Golf's David Sandberg, we will play some of the finest courses in the region and touring highlights include an ideal balance of culture, history, and culinary tours in Lisbon, Seville, Valencia, and Barcelona.

If you are interested in joining us, feel free to contact me or reply directly to Kalos Golf at 919-942-3464. Several members who sailed in 2022 have already registered for this trip, and we are looking forward to seeing all of you join us in Portugal and Spain in 2024.

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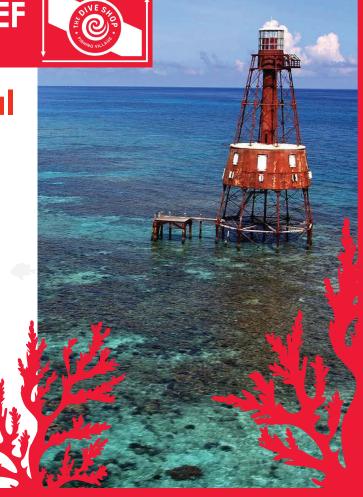
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Greenside **Bunker Play**



"Swing Tip" by Derek Swoboda, Director of Instruction

How do we achieve efficiency out of our green side bunkers and what is the best way to escape these difficult situations? What clubs should we use? How should our stance be? What should our club face look like at address? Let's give you a few simple steps to hitting the perfect bunker shot time and time again.

Step 1:

Set the club face first! Before you do anything, you need to set your club face in the direction you want the golf ball to fly. There is not a necessity



to open the club face if you are using a golf club with plenty of loft on it. The usual amount of loft on your club would be 54 degrees or more. If that is the case, it is not necessary to open the club face a large amount.

Step 2:

Set your feet second! After you set your club face, your feet are going to be set just a bit wider than your usual stance width. IF you open your club face, your feet need to be just a bit open as well. If your club face is square,

you will not need to open your stance at all.

Step 3:

Move the ball forward in your stance! The intention of a wellplayed bunker shot is to hit behind the golf ball on purpose. How far behind? I like to look 1 inch behind the ball and use a full swing and follow through. When you hit a proper green side bunker shot, you will see the sand from your shot land on the green.

TENNIS RESULTS

MEN'S "B" NIGHT **TENNIS LEAGUE**

Monday, April 3

First Place: Andy Hofmann & Tyler Massey Second Place: Alex Rogers & Victor Benoit Third Place: Lee Johnson

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Final Club Championships of the Season



Center Court" by Justin Romero, Director of Racquet Sports

While pickleball and tennis are two very different sports, they share many similarities. Both require quick reflexes, excellent hand-eye coordination, and a strategic mind. And whether you're playing mixed doubles pickleball or singles tennis, the ultimate goal is always the same: to have fun, stay active, and enjoy the thrill of competition.

Mixed Doubles Pickleball Club Championships

One of the highlights of the pickleball season is the annual mixed doubles club championships. This year 30 teams competed across three flights to earn their right to be called Club Champion. Play started on Saturday with round robin play. In each A, B, and C flights the top four teams made it to the semifinal. The semifinal was played



A Flight Finalists Kelsey Kershner and Ron Roscia and Champions Jackie and Joe Urbinati



C Flight Finalists Marylee and Jeff Mokris and Champions Emma and Austin Glass

Kershner & Ron Roscia B Flight - Caki & Andrew Watkins defeated Charlotte Drinkwater & Todd Doolan C Flight – Emma Glass & Austin Glass defeated Marylee Mokris & Jeff Mokris

Up next is the final Tennis & Games Center Club Championship of the season. The Ladies' and Men's Singles Tennis Club Championships, with the finals set for Saturday, April 8th at 9am. In the Men's A Flight, the semifinal is yet to be played, so at press time the final match can be between anyone! (See

the bracket on page 49). For the Ladies A Flight, their final is set between Kathleen Metzman and Yalin Murdock. In the Men's B Flight, **Bob** Baer awaits the winner of Rick Capps and Greg Hogarth. Good luck to all players and let the finals begin!

Upcoming Events 105 Tennis Tournament TODAY Friday, April 7th

Bring-A-Pro Tennis Tournament April 21st & 22nd

End of Season Tennis/Pickleball Round Robin & Dinner Tuesday, April 25th



following round robin play and the matches were thrillers. The winners of the semifinals earned the right to compete in the finals on Championships Sunday. Call it fate, call it luck, call it anything you'd like, but the coolest thing about the tournament was all winners in **Singles Club Championships** the A, B, and C flights shared

A Flight – Jackie & Joe Urbinati defeated Kelsey

the same last name.

TENNIS TIP OF THE WEEK

How to **Prepare Your Shot Early**



by Carolina Quevedo, Tennis & **Pickleball** Concierge

Early preparation is essential to solid contact and good control. In tennis, hitting the ball late is one of the most common mistakes. You cannot hit the ball cleanly if you are off balance or in a rush. As soon as you see the direction of the ball, remember to turn your shoulders sideways and move your racquet perpendicular to the net. Move your hips, shoulders, arm, and racquet as a unit to keep your elbow and wrist under control. Do not delay your movement because you are unsure if it is a forehand or a backhand shot, instead, try selecting a shot quickly. Remember, the earlier you prepare your shot the more time you will have to set up your feet, maintain your body balance, and start a smooth, controlled swing.





B Flight Finalists Charlotte Drinkwater and Todd Doolan and Champions Caki and Andrew Watkins



C Flight Semifinalists Pete Shields and Barbara Olcott

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Tennis Players of the Week

The Ford Family



What do you enjoy about tennis at The Reef? Sarah: I love doing something with our family

that everyone enjoys...and that also gets our heartrate up! I've also loved the relationships that we have built with the pros.

Calvin: I love being outside, being active, and seeing something that our kids really love to do. Like my wife, I have also really enjoyed getting to know the awesome staff at the Tennis & Games Center!

Eli: Games and rallying!

Nell: All of it!!

What else do you enjoy doing at The Reef?

S: Taking walks and golf cart rides with our family. **C:** Exploring the various

pockets The Reef has to offer - swimming, walks, and just spending time together as a family.

E: Swimming and golf cart rides.

N: Golf cart rides, swimming...everything!

What's your go-to Reef Treats order?

S: Mango gelato with Swedish Fish.

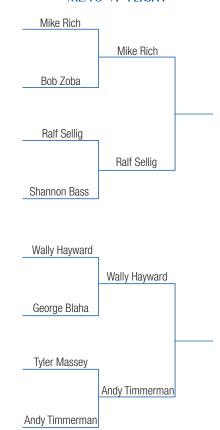
C: Strawberry cheesecake gelato.

E: Mint chocolate chip OR chocolate with gummy bears.

N: Cookie dough ice cream.

SINGLES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

MEN'S "A" FLIGHT



Watch the finals Saturday, April 8 at 9 a.m. at the Tennis Center!



WWW, End of Season Party & The Ruffing Award

By William Hinkebein, ORC Croquet Chair

Hard to believe that's its already April. The ORC season passes quickly. It's been a fantastic year for Ocean Reef Golf Croquet.

Women, Wickets & Wine (WWW)

It gives me great pleasure to address the end of the season Women Wickets and Wine Golf Croquet Monday night events. The final official WWW was April 3. The WWW this season has been quite popular and well attended. While ORC provides the vino, it's the outstanding croquet gals of Ocean Reef that provide



The official Women, Wickets and Wine may be over, but the fun is not. The croquet gals will continue to meet Mondays from 3:30 p.m. until dark.

the fun, camaraderie and competitive play.

I would like to congratulate each and every one of you on your incredible achievements throughout the season. The level of skill and sportsmanship that has been on display has truly been a joy to witness.

I want to extend my thanks to Justin Romero and the Tennis & Games staff and to ORC Golf Croquet Committee Secretary Carol Blackburn for their efforts in ensuring the smooth running of this event. Without their dedication and commitment, none of this would have been possible.

To all the players, I want to express my admiration for your continued play and determination. This is a testament to your character and passion for the game. I also want to acknowledge the spirit of fellowship that has been on display throughout the season. The friendships that have been forged and the bonds that have been strengthened are a testament to the power of sport to bring people together.

As we come to the end of this season, let us remember the lessons that we have learned both on and off the lawn. Let us carry the spirit of sportsmanship, the commitment to excellence, and the love of the game with us into our everyday lives.

I wish you all the very best in your summer endeavors and look forward to seeing you back on the lawn for the next WWW....next Monday!

Next Monday?

Yes, while the official season calendar shows the final WWW was April 3, the croquet gals will continue to play on Mondays 3:30pm-dark as the spring and summer continue. All girls are welcome to come play whether you are a beginner or

a long time player.

Other than our regular ongoing Open Play on Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays 2-5pm, which will continue, there is only one scheduled event left on the official croquet calendar.

Season-Ending Pizza Party, The Ruffing Award

Tuesday, April 11 is the season-ending Open Play and Pizza Party, beginning at 3pm. We can play croquet and ORC will provide pizza and soft drinks for all. BYOB if you want to bring your own beverage.

Also, this will be a special night as The Ruffing Award will be handed out to a most distinguished and deserving individual. You will not want to miss its presentation.

What is The Ruffing Award?

This is an honorable award given to a person(s) who has given so much to the ORC croquet community. To receive a Ruffing Award is a very special achievement. The award recognizes outstanding contributions which have enhanced the overall experience of our croquet life at ORC. The Ruffing Award is so named in honor of our great croquet friends and leaders Joan and Art Ruffing, who are longtime ORC and KLAC members who helped build the croquet community. They've volunteered countless hours in creating, organizing and leading the croquet activities. Joan and Art have taught hundreds of people the croquet game at ORC, KLAC and their northern clubs. They are pillars of the croquet community upon whose shoulders we stand. In honoring an individual with this special award, we also honor the Ruffings themselves.

Tuesday April 11, 2023 Schedule:

3pm Open Play begins 4pm Pizza delivery 4:30pm The Ruffing Award presentation



Closure Notices Mark the Change in Seasons



by Christine Patton, Rod & Gun Club

It's April and suddenly there is a shift — it may start with Daylight Savings Time, but it continues into many of the outdoor activities, both social ("When are you going up north?") and natural ("Did you hear that bird call?"). Some activities wind up quietly, while others come to a crescendo, with tournaments and trophies.

For the Rod & Gun, it's both: the Shooting Range will be closing on **April 22**. It's been a great season, with a new instructor, Pablo Montealegre, and improved facilities attracting a record-setting number of shooters. With bow and pellet ranges, and shotgun skeet, trap and five-stand, it is the best facility in southern Florida, and next year will come sooner than we know, but for now it will close down.

springtime and all that entails.

Permit spawning season
officially starts on April 1,
and the Florida Fish and
Wildlife Commission has
issued a CLOSURE of the

In the fishing world, it's

spawning waters including all of the Florida Keys and Biscayne Bay from April 1 to August 1 (See Bulletin).

That ruling impacts the Rod & Gun Club's **Pick Any Three Days** fishing tournament, running from March 1 to April 15. Currently, the Offshore category of sailfish has **Carmen Sferrazza** as leader, after his epic single day of 21 sails; in the Flats category, where permit

are no longer included with the Bonefish, Tarpon, Snook, the leader is **Steve Woodsum**, who racked up an amazing 6,600 points in three days! Tough targets to beat, but there you are...

Meanwhile, as the weather warms up, being out on the water proves to be the best place. Breezes moderate the temperature and clothing is designed to keep you covered and cool. If you are feeling competitive, the **Fish of the Month** for April is Cobia and Tuna, open to all ORC members and their guests. Bring your entry to MarineMax Tackle Shop for official weighin and win the gift certificate and bragging rights. A day on the water is never wasted.

PERMIT SEASON CLOSED APRIL 1

Permit spawning season closure inside the Special Permit Zone

The spawning season closure for permit inside the Special Permit Zone in south Florida started April 1. This closure includes all state and federal waters south of Cape Sable on the Gulf coast and south of Cape Florida on the Atlantic coast including all of the Florida Keys and Biscayne Bay south of Rickenbacker Causeway.

Permit will reopen inside the Special Permit Zone on Aug. 1. For more information on recreational permit regulations, visit MyFWC.com/Fishing and click on "Saltwater Fishing," "Recreational Regulations" and "Permit, Florida pompano, African pompano."

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An Action-Packed Week at Member Fitness



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

The season is winding down, and as expected, the Member Fitness schedule is packed all the way to the end. Take a look at our list of special events and mark these dates in your calendar:

80's Step Aerobics with Hannah Whistler

April 8; 9am in the Fiesta Room

80's Step Aerobics is a fun mix of cardio, muscular strength and endurance for a total body workout targeting all major muscle groups. All lycra and leg warmers are welcome.

Rock & Roll Shakti Yoga with Hannah Whistler April 11; 8am

This fun blast from the past vinyasa flow will help the good times roll through our souls. Moderately paced flow with deep core and balance work incorporated.

Core & Restore with Fitness Therapist Moorey-Margaret Myers (M3)



Learn real life ways to defend yourself at home, in your neighborhood, and on the road with Beth Bielat's Self Defense Class on Wedneday, April 12, 4 p.m. at the Member Fitness Center.

April 10; 1pm in the Yoga Room

Core sculpting utilizing Pilates, yoga and balance training to strengthen abs, obliques and the back followed with a restorative stretch to release muscle tension and soreness. Zero impact strength and stretch class.

Sound Bath with Tea with Elisabet Stadelman & Bailey Forsythe April 10; 5pm

Enjoy the pleasure of feeding your senses with the heavenly sound of Tibetan bowls and the flavor of a delicate tea in this hour and a half event. \$50

Self-Defense with Beth Bielat April 12; at 4 pm

Beth Bielat has trained for over 50 years, is a 7th-degree black belt in Isshin Ryu Karate, and is co-founder of Hanzatsu Ryu, an advanced Martial Arts System. All are welcome, however, young children should not attend this class. Ageappropriate private and group sessions are available.



Trainers Matt Clynne, Hannah Whistler and Blanca Siles motivate members to keep pushing during the plank challenge.

Barre Sculpt with Fitness Therapist Moorey-Margaret Myers (M3)

April 12; 1pm in the Yoga Room

A strength workout utilizing bodyweight based off of time-tested ballet methods that sculpt long lean muscles, followed by a relaxing stretch and myofascial release. This zero-impact workout is appropriate for all ages and abilities. No dance experience necessary.

Hacking Your Healthspan & Achieving Optimal Health with Matt Hopkins April 13; 3pm

Matt Hopkins is the owner of Miami's Healthspan studio, featuring whole-body cryotherapy, red light therapy, hyperbaric oxygen therapy, cocoon longevity pod, infrared sauna, IV therapy, PEMF therapy, and regenerative therapy. In this complimentary lecture, Matt will talk about the

latest non-invasive strategies in recovery science to tune back the dial of your biological age, increase performance and longevity and manage pain.

Member Fitness Center Awards April 13; 5:30pm

Join the Member Fitness Center team as we celebrate members' efforts throughout the season. A complimentary open bar and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Floating Restorative Aerial Yoga & Sound Bath with Fitness Therapist Moorey-Margaret Myers (M3) April 14; 5pm in the Fiesta Room

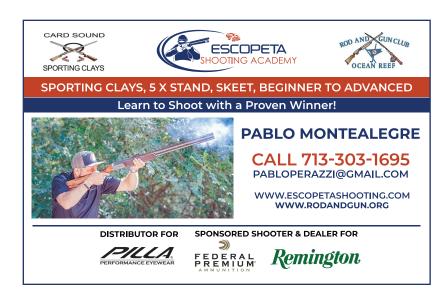
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by Gregg Van Dyke, Director of Card & Games

I will be away from the Reef starting Friday, April 14th and returning Tuesday, April 25th. I will be playing in a bridge tournament in Gatlinburg, TN. David Babcock will be directing in my absence.

Ladies' Poker Nite

The Last Ladies Poker Nite of the season was held Thursday, March 16th. We had a great party with hors d'oeuvres, cocktail and prizes were spread out to over 30 ladies. Thanks to the recreation

dealers for making this event happen and run smoothly.

Poker Nites

Next regular Men's poker game will be Monday, April 10th. We will have the NCAA Basketball championship on TV.

The Men's Texas Holdem Poker tournament was held Monday, March 20th. Harvey Bundy was the Winner. Second place winner was Richard Tomkins. Third place winner was Phil Heilpern. These gentlemen beat a tough field.

Pick Up Games

I am hosting Canasta Pick Up Games on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Just show up at the Card & Games Room between 12 and 1 p.m. and we will put games together. 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 12:30 to 4 p.m.

March Card & Games Schedule

- Bridge lessons are available on any subject you are having trouble with Tuesdays and Thursdays after 3 p.m. I will be doing lessons on how to fill out the Convention Card on Tuesdays this month at 3
- Patty Tucker held a wonderful seminar." Learn To Play Bridge In A Day" was successful. If you missed it, you missed a great chance to use a game you can play for a lifetime from one of the best teachers around. I will be doing Thursday Morning lessons at 10AM to let you practice what you have learned.
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Jongg Club Championship will be played Thursday, **April 13th** starting at 9am and finishing by 1pm.

- Monday, Wednesday, & Friday are all Live Duplicate Bridge Games starting at 1pm. April will be Club Charity Games. These pay extra points for you. Need 4 tables or more.
- Backgammon lessons available on Friday Mornings at 10:30am. Please call 367-6609 and let me know you are coming. I have backgammon games that you may check out and take home to practice.
- Beginners Canasta Lessons available on Thursday, April 13th at 12:30pm.

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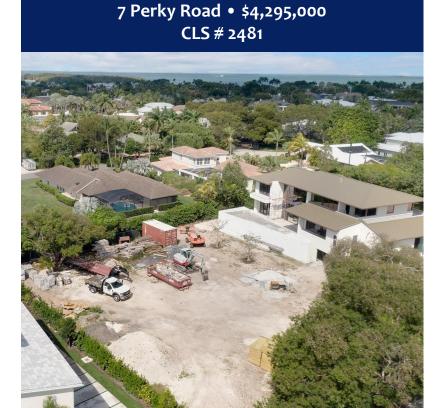
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BRIDGE TIP OF THE WEEK

Attacking notrump contracts

By Gregg Van Dyke, Bridge Director

When considering an aggressive opening lead, your best approach is to be hungry but not greedy and hopeful but not foolhardy. Keep this advice in mind:

Don't shoot for a top on opening lead. If there's an "obvious" lead that will be the field's choice, go with it and give yourself an opportunity to make good defensive decisions later in the hand when you have more information.

Be realistic about partner's possible hands and don't set your sights too high. If the success of a risky lead requires partner to have a perfect

but unlikely holding in the suit, look for an alternative, especially if the opponents' auction hasn't shown extra strength.

A deceptive lead will burn you more often than the opponents, as partner is usually paying closer attention to your lead than declarer is. A "dishonest" card may fool declarer about the layout of that suit, but he won't mind the temporary confusion if your lead talks partner into blowing a trick.

There's an old bridge adage that advises, "Lead from nothing, get nothing", and that should be your expectation with most passive leads. Your main goal is to do no harm, not to establish tricks. When considering a passive lead, keep this advice in mind:

When in doubt, choose a safe, passive lead if the opponents

have struggled to a game contract. If they've bid strongly to game, you may need to find specific cards in partner's hand to beat it, so there's more incentive to take a risk and lead away from an honor.

Don't choose a passive lead solely because you're superstitious about your holding in a suit that offers a better attack. "Every time I lead the queen from QJxx, dummy hits with K10x and declarer has the ace." If the auction tells you its right to lead that suit, do it.

Avoid going overboard with the give-them-nothing strategy at match points. If others holding your cards will be leading from their KJxxx suit to 3NT, don't try to out-think them by choosing a "brilliant" lead from your xxx suit. Like other unusual leads, going passive when you know the field will be aggressive is a gamble

that rates to lose in the long

A top-of-nothing lead should promise at least a two-card sequence. From 9873, lead the 9. From 9643, you'll want to retain the 9 (it could be a winner), so lead the 6 (second-highest). Your partner will see that two low spot cards are missing from the first trick, which should help him determine that you're leading from an honor less suit.

A lead from xxx should be your last choice, especially to a suit contract. This is the most difficult lead for partner to read. If you lead low, partner will think you have an honor. If you lead the middle or top card, it may look like a doubleton. The exception is if partner has bid the suit, in which case you should lead low (unless you've already shown three cards by raising the suit).



WEEKLY BRIDGE RESULTS

Monday, March 27, 2023 Section A North-South

- 1. Nancy Grote Elizabeth Coleman
- 2. Rosemary Jones Kay Meinhardt
- 3. Amy Salisbury Dorothy Kemp
- 4. Ted Fowler Joyce Fowler
- 5. Marjorie Smith Barbara Besse

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1. Ann Petersen - Hollis Petersen

- 2. Joanne Wills Adelaide Jared
- 3. Susan Mann Cynthia Comenos
- 4. Rodman Patton Ron Besse
- 5. Suzy Heilpern Beverly Platner

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 Section A Howell Movement One Winner

Joyce Fowler - Ted Fowler
 Pat Richwagen - Charles

Simms

- 3. Barbara Besse Marjorie Smith
- 4. Betsy Caldwell Cynthia Mitchell

Friday, March 31, 2023 Section A North-South

- Adelaide Jared Pamela Harding
- 2. Cynthia Comenos Nancy Grote
- 3. Joanne Wills Kay Meinhardt
- 4. Mary Zwirn Mel Zwirn

Section A East-West

- 1. Rosalie Svete Pat Henry
- 2. Gail Yoh Deborah Nutt
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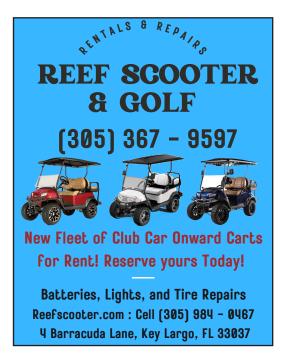






















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