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Happy Campers

The Club's Unique Summer Camp program just completed one of its most robust summers yet, featuring brand-new camps and expanded programming. The Reef is indeed teeming with happy campers! We'll let the pictures and numbers tell the story...

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Email orp@oceanreef.com and share your discoveries.

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Gotta Question?

I noticed this sign when I was driving into Ocean Reef the other day. What resurfacing improvements are they doing to Card Sound Road and will it cause delays when I head into Homestead?

Construction began in August on the Card Sound Road resurfacing project, a project by the Florida Department of Transportation, and involves milling and paving, installing striping, upgrading pavement markings, and improving safety signage on Card Sound Road from the east end of the Card Sound Bridge to the intersection of County Road 905, where you saw this sign posted.

Rest assured, the project is not expected to cause daytime delays on Card Sound as the bulk of construction will occur in the evenings, Sundays through Thursdays from 8 p.m. to 6 p.m. During this time, the road will be reduced to one lane, two-way alternating traffic, and illuminated nighttime flagging



operations will be utilized to guide traffic through the work zone. There may be some construction activities during the daytime, but they will not require a lane closure and should not significantly impact your drive time on Card Sound!

In case of a hurricane evacuation, construction will pause and all lanes will be open to keep traffic flowing safely and smoothly. Weather permitting, improvement work is expected to finish this fall.



EDITOR'S NOTE:

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



Dolphin Course & Marina Projects in Final Stages

Throughout the summer, the Club has kept you informed, through Ocean Reef Press articles, eblasts and more, on the progress of our two main summer improvement projects – the Dolphin Course re-grass and the Marina seawall. Thanks to the hard work and dedication from the Club's Golf Course Maintenance and Marina teams, as well as their respective construction crews, both of these projects are not only progressing smoothly, they are ahead of schedule. Below, we detail what is left to be done for these two projects before their projected reopening prior the start of season.

Dolphin Course Re-Grass

Since the project's beginning in April of this year, the Golf Course Maintenance Team has put significant labor into the re-grassing of the Dolphin

Course's 18 holes, doing so in three separate sets of six holes. Now that all of the holes have been grassed and sprigged and the grass is growing in on all sets of holes nicely, the Team is on to the detail work, focusing their efforts in the following areas:

Landscaping: While Dolphin Course landscaping has already improved over the past two years, there are more areas that will be updated and beautified. The team is focusing on the high-visibility areas that will bring a positive feel to the overall presentation of the Course for both players and non-players to enjoy.

Course Drainage: Course drainage is a challenge the Golf Course Maintenance Team will be working on combating in the coming weeks. Especially for the waste areas on the golf courses, which are typically low-lying areas. The Golf Course Maintenance Team will be working towards incorporating very large sump drains that should help with rainwater accumulation. These areas, being very low, will still be subject to King Tides.

Cart Path Work: The team will also be removing small sections of unused and unnecessary cart paths along the Dolphin Course, and will be replacing them with coquina. Simultaneously they will work with the Golf Staff to determine a handful of fairway and collar lines, with the goal of expanding shortgrass throughout the course.

Turf Health: Lastly, the Golf Course Maintenance Team will continue to work on the overall health of the turf throughout the Dolphin Course, including the greens and the new turf.

Members can look forward to the course reopening on October 30, just in time for season. For photos of the progress, visit www.oceanreef.com/DolphinRegrass.

Marina Seawall Project

The summer-long Marina seawall project continues to progress steadily, meeting all milestones necessary to have it completed and ready for Members come November. Thus far, the Fuel, D and E Docks have already been successfully replaced and are fully operational, with Marina

slip rentals open again for these completed docks.

The F Dock is also expected to be reinstated in the coming days. At this time, with all of its plumbing and electrical reconnected, land-based site work will be all that remains to be completed for this dock.

In the coming weeks, the construction team will also continue work on the north end of the Marina and H Dock will remain out of service during this time. With all of the sheet piling already installed, the remaining H Dock work includes concrete work and electrical reinstatement.

During the last few weeks of this project, crews will also conduct restoration work on the golf cart parking lot adjacent to D and E Docks. After the asphalt is complete, landscaping and site restoration work will follow.

The Marina Team continues to operate from the Dock Office daily from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The anticipated completion for this project is October 2023. To follow along with progress photos, visit www.oceanreef.com/MarinaSeawall.



View of the reinstated Fuel and D Docks as of August 25, 2023.



H Dock construction photographed August 17, 2023.



Hole 13, from the last set of six holes sprigged, are already more than 80% grown in. Photo taken August 25, 2023.



Hole 6, which was in the first set of six holes, is almost 100% grown in. Photo taken August 25, 2023.

A Road Rebuilt Through Everglades Restoration Brings New Life to Florida Bay

By Tom Davidson and Bill Nutt, The Everglades Foundation Board Members

Summer conjures up images of road trips, and about 90 minutes north of Ocean Reef is a road whose reconstruction is significantly benefiting Florida Bay. But that's a far cry from how it began a century ago.

In 1923, construction was initiated on the longest dam in South Florida to join the eastern side of the state to the western side. With completion in 1928, over 275 miles of pavement



Everglades Foundation Tamiami Trail bridges

connected Tampa to Miami, inspiring its name: Tamiami Trail. Although well-intentioned, the road cut across the Everglades, blocking the natural flow of water south from Lake Okeechobee to the Everglades and Florida Bay. The once continuous flow was replaced by an intermittent flow, causing flooding in the wet season, and overly dry conditions in the dry season.

In recognition of the consequences, Tamiami Trail was modified in the 1940s with culverts and small bridges across the roadway, but the Shark River Slough and Taylor Slough were still desperate for freshwater. The fishing industry in Florida Bay struggled, high salinity levels

became more common, and seagrass die-offs and algae blooms dominated the Bay.

New hope came in 1989 when Congress authorized the Modified Water Deliveries Project (or "Mod Waters"). It represented a major investment in the construction of canals, levees, and pumps to significantly increase the southerly flow of freshwater to the Everglades and Florida Bay region.

An additional 2.3 miles of bridging was completed in 2019, bringing 75 to 80 billion gallons more water south to Everglades National Park and Florida Bay annually. But more needed to be done. So, The Everglades Foundation, together

with the state of Florida, pushed to implement Phase II of the Tamiami Trail projects. Through the construction of 3.3 miles of bridges and elevating the 6.5-mile roadway between them, the flow of freshwater south to Everglades National Park and Florida Bay is expected to increase by 220 billion gallons each year.

As an estuary, Florida Bay faces unique issues. Without ongoing efforts to ensure the proper quality and quantity of freshwater flowing south from the Everglades, the bay cannot thrive. We are indebted to organizations like The Everglades Foundation for its relentless pursuit of a healthy Everglades.

For 30 years, The Everglades Foundation has been singularly focused on its mission to restore and protect America's Everglades through science, advocacy, and education. Learn more at EvergladesFoundation.org, and for information on how to join the Ocean Reef Advisory Council, please contact the Foundation's VP of Development Jodi Farrell at JFarrell@EvergladesFoundation.org.



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Greenberg Park Wins Design Award

By the American Society of Landscape Architects

By Rachel Hustus, ORCA Director of Communications

Corinne and Hank Greenberg Park, a beloved local oasis, received the distinguished 2023 Award of Merit from the Florida Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA FL). The coveted achievement was unveiled at the annual ASLA FL conference in Aventura, FL on July 28, 2023.

The award is a testament to the tireless efforts, innovative vision, and meticulous craftsmanship



Corinne and Hank Greenberg Park

invested in creating and developing Greenberg Park, which opened on December 23, 2019. This recognition signifies a milestone of excellence in landscape architecture, underscoring the park's harmonious blend of nature and design.

"We stand humbled and honored to accept this recognition from the Florida Chapter of the American

Society of Landscape Architects," said landscape architect Raymond Jungles, who ORCA contracted to design the beautiful space generously donated by Corrine & Hank Greenberg.

In celebrating this remarkable milestone, the Ocean Reef Community Association sincerely thanks landscape Architect Raymond Jungles,

landscape contractors Reef Tropical, BrightView, and Gardenscapes, Horticulturist Lisa Hammer, ORCA Board of Directors and staff, ORCA Design Committee (now known as the Building and Grounds Committee), and our community for their unwavering commitment to seeing the park to fruition. This prestigious accolade highlights our collective dedication to elevating our community landscape and enriching the lives of all who call Ocean Reef home.

911 Ceremony hosted by ORCA Fire Rescue

September 11th at 8:30 a.m. in the Cultural Center Parking Lot

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Harbour Green 11 | Canal Front
4 BD, 3 BA | \$7,995,000 | 2506

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Fisherman's Cove 28B | Canal Front
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4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$10,250,000 | 2541

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30 Halfway Road | Golf Course
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Pumpkin Cay 43A | Canal Front
3 BD, 3 BA | \$6,475,000 | 2524

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Angelfish Cay 25A | Canal Front
2 BD, 2 BA | \$3,500,000 | 2547

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Angelfish Cay 14B | Canal Front
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Residence Club C-119 | New Construction
1 BD, 2 BA | \$2,795,000 | 2536

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Golf Cart Safety takes Center Stage ahead of Labor Day Weekend

Golf cart safety in our serene community should be a year-round priority for everyone traveling our picturesque roads. However, as we countdown to Labor Day weekend, ORCA Public Safety encourages you to review and share essential cart operation guidelines with your loved ones and guests to ensure safe travels within our gates.

Golf Cart Registration & Speed Classification

Golf cart ownership includes the mandatory registration

of your private golf cart with ORCA Public Safety. Once you complete the quick and easy registration process, Public Safety provides a decal denoting the cart's speed classification. Fast carts reaching speeds of 18 mph or higher receive a red decal. Slow carts with a maximum speed of 17 mph receive a blue decal. To register your cart, visit www.orcareef.com/public/community/forms or simply call the Public Safety Member Services desk at 305-367-7343.

Operational Licensing

- Drivers 16 years and older can operate slow or fast golf carts as long as they have a valid state-issued motor vehicle license.
- Juveniles 12 years and older can drive slow carts only during daylight hours if they possess an Ocean Reef golf

cart license, which they must display using the lanyard provided by ORCA Public Safety.

- A golf cart learner's permit allows the holder of the permit to drive only with a licensed adult at least 18 years of age. Permit holders may only operate a slow cart (17 mph maximum) during daylight hours only. Additionally, they must wear the yellow lanyard issued when they receive their permit.

Navigating Golf Cart Operations

- Always ensure children are securely seated in the cart using seatbelts or car seats, and never allow them to ride on someone's lap.
- Please preemptively communicate left turns to passengers. This essential safety practice mitigates the risks of abrupt turns catching passengers off-guard. Passengers, particularly those facing backward, are urged to buckle up, as accelerations or turns can lead to ejection.
- Functional headlights and taillights are required features for all golf carts.
- As a reminder, the maximum speed limit throughout Ocean Reef is 25 mph with slower speeds clearly marked with signage.
- Ensure that you take your golf cart key with

you upon leaving the cart. This precautionary measure prevents others from mistakenly assuming the cart belongs to them.

- Always make it a point to use either your blinker or hand gestures to indicate your turns.

Charting Cart Paths

- Cart pathways serve as sanctuaries for golf carts moving at 17 mph or slower. Designated fast carts traveling 18 mph or more can use either roadways or designated cart lanes at the reduced cart path speed limit. Please adhere to the cart signage, all designated speed limits, and the directional symbols on each route.

Left-Hand Turns & Heading Straight:

- When making a left-hand turn or traveling straight at an intersection in a golf cart, all carts must merge into the car lane, including slow carts, to avoid potential accidents. Only use the cart lane when making a right-hand turn.

We appreciate your cooperation in promoting golf cart safety throughout the Ocean Reef community. Together, we can help ensure an enjoyable, accident-free holiday break.



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Cultural Center 2023-2024 Season Finalized

We are excited to confirm that the last piece to our season line-up puzzle is in place. Vince Gill and Amy Grant will be performing outdoors at the Cultural Center on Saturday, January 27.

Tickets will go on sale to Cultural Center Donors beginning November 1st and the rest of the Membership December 1st. Tickets can be requested at that time by emailing tickets@oceanreef.com or visit our website ORCulturalCenter.org late September.

- Shanghai Circus - Wed., Dec. 27
- Styx – Outdoor Concert - Sat., Jan. 6
- Top of the World: A Carpenters Tribute featuring Debbie Taylor - Thu., Jan. 11
- Human Nature - Sat., Jan. 20
- The Chamber Music Festival - Jan. 22 – 28
 - Anglers Club Soiree - Mon., Jan. 22
 - Chapel Soiree - Wed., Jan. 24
 - Card Sound Club Soiree - Thu., Jan. 25
 - Youth Concert - Fri., Jan. 26
 - Grand Finale Matinée - Sunday, Jan. 28
 - Vince Gill & Amy Grant – Outdoor Concert – Sat., Jan. 27
 - Ruben Studdard & Clay Aiken -



Vince Gill and Amy Grant will perform at the Cultural Center January 27.

- Thu., Feb. 1
 - David Foster & Katharine McPhee with Chris Botti - Tue, Feb. 6
 - Zoetic Stage Side by Side by Sondheim - Tue, Feb. 13
 - John Fogerty - Outdoor Concert - Sat., Feb. 17
 - Tommy James and the Shondells - Fri., Feb. 23
 - Lauren Jelencovich Cabaret - Thu., Feb. 29
 - Don Felder formerly of the Eagles - Sat., Mar. 9
 - The Mavericks - Sat., Mar. 16
 - Kyiv Virtuosi Orchestra - Sat., Mar. 23
 - David Brighton Space Oddity: The Quintessential David Bowie Experience - Thu. Mar. 28

Campus Series

- Dining with the Presidents
 - Brad Meltzer on "The Nazi Conspiracy: The Secret Plot to Kill Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill" - Thu., Jan. 18
 - Ken Adelman on "Regan at Reykjavik" - Thu., Feb. 8

- Jeffrey Engel on "Putin and the Presidents" - Thu., Mar. 7

Speaker Series

- Olaf Groth on "The Great Remobilization into the Cognitive Era of AI" - Thu., Feb. 22
- Dan Hudak on the 2023 Oscars – Sun., Mar. 10
- David Biello on "Climate Change" - Thu., Mar. 14
- Scott M. Moore on "China's Next Act" - Thu., Mar. 21
- Rosemary Gibson on "China Rx" - Thu., Apr. 4

Richmond Forum Virtual Series

- Isabel Wilkerson – "The Epic Story of America's Great Migration" - Wed., Jan. 10
- Joel Sartore – "Boarding the Photo Ark" - Wed., Jan. 31
- Liz Cheney - "Principles over Politics" - Wed., Feb. 21
- Dr. Anthony Fauci – "For the Greater Good" Wed., Mar. 20
- Nina Totenberg & Kimberley Strassel – "On the Docket" - Wed., Apr. 24

One Day University Virtual Series

- Wednesday, Feb. 7 – Dogs and Humans: Why Has This Bond Been So Long-Lasting
- Wednesday, Mar. 13 – Cryptocurrency, Blockchain, NFTs and Metaverse: Four New Concepts Explained
- Wednesday, Mar. 27 – Woodstock: How It Happened (and Why it Almost Didn't)

Food & Film

- North by Northwest - Mon., Nov. 27
- The Automat - Mon., Jan. 8
- Love, Charlie: The Rise and Fall of Chef Charlie Trotter - Mon., Feb. 5
- Sideways - Mon., Mar. 4
- My Big Fat Greek Wedding - Mon., Apr. 1

If you would like to be a Producer for one or more of our performances, we welcome you to do so with your tax-deductible donation of \$5,000. Please note that we cannot take any more Producers for Styx, Vince Gill & Amy Grant, and David Foster & Katharine McPhee with Chris Botti. If you are interested in becoming a Producer, email us at CulturalCenter@OceanReef.com for more details.

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Getting Ready For the Season!



by Rev. Dr. Bob Henley

It's the end of August. Our kids and grandkids are back in school already. We have a freshman and sophomore in college this fall – one in the west and one in the east. And our two teenage granddaughters – cousins we call the 'twins-ings' who share the same birthday one year apart – they are now driving the streets of Fort Collins

and the roads of Estes Park. Watch out Colorado!

Of course, this means we're in the process of closing the books on another summer. Hope yours has been a good one.

Many from Ocean Reef have continued to fill the Visa pages of their passports these past months. But we're mindful of our friends whose lives have been filled, not with visas, but instead with visits to the doctor or hospital. You're reaching out in concern and through your prayers means the world to them.

September also means the fairways of the Dolphin Course are green and readying for play. The improvements to the Marina should be complete in time

for you to dock your boat for the season. And all the staff and associates are tidying up and ramping up, ready for the members to return in November.

Hopefully you're looking forward to setting some goals for the season. What a smorgasbord of opportunities we enjoy at the Club.

I'm sure the trainers in the Fitness Center or the doctors and physical therapists in the Medical Center all look forward to helping us maintain our good health and physical fitness. (It's a stroke of good fortune that the Medical Center is located so near the pickleball courts!)

The offerings from the Cultural Center, whether lectures or films or operas or concerts are sure to engage us intellectually and move us emotionally.

And of course, there is the social life. When we first came to Ocean Reef, I asked two friends what they did during the summer. I'll never forget their answer. They said, "We go home to rest!" We all understand their reply.

One of the rich aspects of life at Ocean Reef is the joy of life shared in community. We look forward to seeing one another at the 'welcome back' party.

But I've been at Ocean Reef long enough to know that while outwardly our life may look great, inwardly it's not always the case. Sometimes we want to carry our burdens alone. But sometimes there's another dimension to what's going on.

Our oldest son is an avid cyclist – both road and mountain. He calls his postings, 'My life behind bars!' The bicycles he owns would more than make a down payment on some of the condos here at the Club. He even built out a beautiful bike for his dad!

One of the things I've learned from him is the importance of the wheels – especially the hubs. In the

words of one writer, "Without them, you ain't going anywhere!"

You can have a beautiful carbon frame, pay for expensive rims, fit it out with top-of-the-line derailleurs, have the very best tires and great spokes. But if you don't take care of the hub, at some point, you're not going to enjoy the ride!

The hub of our lives is the spirit – the spiritual dimension of being human. For a variety of reasons, some legitimate and some lame, that is often the dimension of our lives to which we give the least attention.

In those moments when there seems to be something missing in life, perhaps that's a clue to pay attention to the hub – to the need we all have for a relationship with God.

One of the most brilliant people I ever met was the late Dr. Ronnie Cresswell. Ronnie was a brilliant chemist, highly regarded as a scientific leader nationally and globally. He was responsible for many ground-breaking drug discoveries.

As I sat with him one day, just weeks before his death, he looked at me and in his marvelous Scottish brogue said with such conviction, "Bob, I can't imagine how anyone can live without faith."

We have the Cultural Center to stimulate us intellectually. We have the Fitness Center to help us stay in shape physically. We have the Medical Center to care for us when we suffer illness.

The Ocean Reef Chapel and Fellowship Center is the place where we focus on the hub of life – that spiritual dimension of faith in and relationship with the living God.

This season, let me encourage you to consider finding your way into one of the four congregations that are the one community of the Chapel and Fellowship Center. You can learn more by visiting the website at orcchapel.org.

CHAPEL NEWS

SEPTEMBER 1 – 28

Ocean Reef Chaplain
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FRIDAYS

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

SUNDAYS

In-person Summer Service
10 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall, Volunteer Led

Online Worship Service

11 a.m., visit pccator.org to watch Series by Rev. Dr. Bob Henley

MONDAYS

AI-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

TUESDAYS

A Journey through the Bible: Teaching Series
10:30 a.m., Zoom - visit pccator.org for Zoom Link

WEDNESDAYS

Intercessory Prayer
8:30 a.m., Zoom - visit pccator.org for Zoom Link

Other September Events:

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15

Erev Rosh Hashanah
6 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Live Stream

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16

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

Rosh Hashanah
10 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Live Stream

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24

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N'hila
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THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

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Meet ORC Barbie & Her "Ken"



by Felicia M. Koretsky

Dozens of Barbie magazines began flooding **Jerry Herson's** office five years ago. He spent hours combing through hundreds of photos of her dazzling ensembles.

Puzzled by his newfound interest, his assistant asked, "Is there something you want to tell me?"

"I just love Barbie," he said, before clarifying. "My wife, not the doll."

The owner of Herson's Honda and Kia in Rockville, Maryland, and an Ocean Reef Member since 1979, Jerry was searching for a creative anniversary gift for his wife.

Unlike the fantastic plastic Barbie, she didn't need a Country Camper, but it gave him an idea. He ordered a Smart car and had his body shop, art, and paint teams, custom outfit every inch. Mattel granted Jerry approval to use its Barbie logo on the car's front license.

The result? A tickled pink Barbie.

The Name Barbie was Born at ORC Barbara Herson wasn't always Barbie. But when she met close friend Barbara Marks at The Reef 20 years ago, the two decided to avoid confusion by picking out different nicknames. At The Reef, at least 50 Members are named Barbara (a top 10 girl's name in the U.S. between 1927 and 1958). Marks went with "Babs" and Herson became "Barbie".

ORC Barbie does have a few things in common with the fictional figurine. She's beautiful and business savvy, exercises regularly, and has been known



Barbie and Jerry Herson with Coco.

to coordinate outfits with her toy poodle, Coco.

While in high school, she attended a pre-college program for pianists at the prestigious Julliard School. She graduated Boston University summa cum laude in psychology. Having a knack for reading people, she opened a successful employee placement service.

Obstacles are never an issue with ORC Barbie. When the duo was told getting insurance for their 85-foot yacht was contingent on having a captain onboard, rather than hire one, the Hersons hit the books. They each earned their 100-ton master captain's license.

How Barbie Met Jerry

Jerry and Barbie lived in the same high-rise in Bethesda, MD, for two years before meeting through a mutual friend. It took six years for her to accept his marriage proposal. Like the doll Barbie, she had never married. He had been down the aisle twice before. Turns out for Jerry, the third time really was the gold charm. The two share a similar zest for life, sense of humor, need for speed on the water, and were raised by depression-era parents who instilled the value of money and hard work.

Sharing the Spotlight

Long before the blockbuster Barbie movie was released, Reef Members, from young girls to grown men, stopped to pose

for photos next to Barbie's pink wheels.

"The car makes me happy," she says. "And it makes me even happier to see the joy it brings to others."

But Barbie isn't the only one in the spotlight. Jerry's unique style turns plenty of heads, too.

The 86-year-old, who more resembles Flash than Ken, is best known at The Reef for his *Purely Pleasure* "federal yellow" power boats, kayaks, motorcycles, and many gold trinkets.

A scrawny Jewish kid from a tough neighborhood in Washington, D.C., whose mother died when he was four, Jerry was easy pickings for local bullies. He fought back by getting strong, taking on arm wrestling, weight lifting, and karate (he has an 8th-degree black belt). At age nine, he started pumping gas at his father's family car dealership.

Things took a turn in 1968 when rioters in D.C. destroyed area businesses in protest of the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. The local economy plummeted. Shortly after, the situation worsened for Jerry. His father died unexpectedly and his first marriage ended.

Left broke, but not beaten, Jerry moved his dealership to neighboring Rockville, MD. Soon business began to boom.

Grateful to the state that helped make him a success, his favorite colors became that of its flag: yellow, red, black, and white. Each piece of gold he wears tells a different story. The dog tag around his neck was a gift from his wife. It reads, "If found, return to Barbie."

Barbie's ORC Dreamhouse

Several years ago, Jerry and Barbie got soaked walking off their boat during a storm. Jerry had been living on boats at Ocean Reef for four decades.

"Would you consider moving on land?" a drenched Barbie asked.

Never wanting to say no to his favorite doll, Jerry bought a property near the marina. They spent the next few years building their three-story dream house, complete with splash pool.

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Staying physical can be as simple as a 10-20 minute daily walk. You reap the benefits of being active and it’s also a great mental recharge. Make it a routine by setting aside



time each day for a walk.

Watch your diet and portion control. Be conscious of foods with high sodium, sugar and fat content. Prepared foods are convenient, but they are generally full of high sodium and fats. Make it a conscious choice to incorporate fruits

and vegetables in your daily meals and to maintain proper hydration.

Make the effort to engage socially-even if it’s as simple as a phone call to family or friends. A contributing factor to many illnesses is loneliness and depression, so it’s important to keep up social and community connections.

Check in with your emotions- feeling overwhelmed? Tired?

Our well-being is affected by daily routines as well as outside factors. Take some time to have a “me day”. Eat your favorite food, plan an outing or do whatever recharges you emotionally and take a moment to practice gratitude for the good things

in life.

Lastly, keep your brain engaged. Cognitive decline is often a part of aging but doesn’t have to be. Read, start a journal, reinvent yourself with a new hobby. New interests and being socially active help to keep us mentally sharp.

It’s never too late to start a healthy aging plan!

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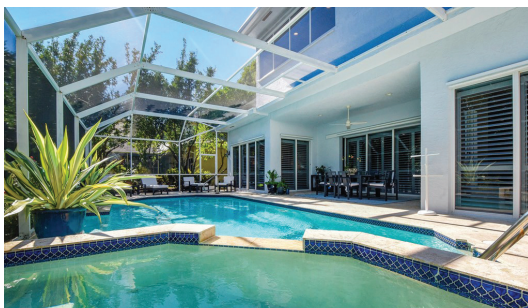


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A Cool Lunch



by Jody Steele

Recently, on another hot afternoon, we headed out on our golf cart and ended up at The Grill Room at the Clubhouse. The view of the Dolphin Course was lovely, the service staff totally welcoming, and the menu just perfect for a summer lunch. We felt pretty happy sitting at a comfortable table in the AC and taking in the whole ambiance.

After being seated by Marisol Perez, Manager of The Grill Room, we ordered a cold beverage and perused the menu. Brian, our delightful server, pointed out the summer favorites being Tuna Nachos, the Chicken Sandwich with



The Grill Room team

Swiss cheese and bacon, Brady's Wrap with crispy, buffalo chicken, and the delectable Watermelon Salad. I chose the Chicken Sandwich blackened and my husband enjoyed the Clubhouse Burger with caramelized onions. We really were so content and did not want to leave, so we ordered the Key Lime Pie for dessert.

This lunch was so delicious that we actually went back the next day to do it all again. We also took note of the popular

drinks. Kiley, the Grill Room bartender, shared that the summer hits were the Hole in One Lemonade, the Mulligan Mojito, the Match Play Margarita, and the Tee Time Transfusion—great names and refreshing beverages.

After a short golf game or just a cart ride around The Reef, The Grill Room for Members Only is open for lunch from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday and Thursday through Sunday. It is cool and delicious.

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October 27 – 29

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Camp Chefs Extraordinaire!

By Jody Steele

The Advanced Chef for a Week Camp students demonstrated some extraordinary skills at their own "Iron Chef" competition for the second year in a row at Ocean Reef Summer Camp. This challenge followed an entire week of the students preparing lunches focusing on different daily cuisines in the Cooking School. Chef Betania Salles was proud of her young chefs as they prepared an entire entrée for a panel of judges using cooking skills they learned throughout the week.

The July program started off with students developing knife skills and learning kitchen safety procedures such as how to peel, dice, slice, and chop. Focus on working together as a team in the kitchen was



Advanced Chef for a Week Campers Matthias De Bedout, Wynn Massey, Billie Celentano, Charlotte Hood, Jack Massey, Philippe De Bedout

another integral part of the cooking class experience. Daily menus included sushi, another of classic Latin dishes, one day of Italian, and for the first time, a day of gluten-free recipes. All of these classes inspired the student teams to design their own menu for the final-day competition.

Congratulations to the student chefs that prepared such delicious dishes as shrimp ceviche, cheese ravioli, and filet mignon. The judges were all impressed and

Chef Betania was especially pleased with not only the delectable entrees, but also the cohesive group that showed their respect for each other and pride in their accomplishments.

Look for tasting the winning entrees at Waterside this season on two separate occasions and watch the Summer Camp Schedule for 2024 to register your young chef for a professional cooking experience.



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New to the Summer Camps Program: Art League Camp

By Susan Bohan

This summer Ocean Reef had a full schedule of camps for both kids and adults. It was 11 weeks of sailing, tennis, pickleball, exploring, golf, cooking, acting and so much more. New to this busy schedule was Art League Camp. Held on afternoons in July, most of the participants were aged 8 to 11 with Instructor Marika Browning and a few members of the Recreation team as well.

The following are just a few of the comments written down by the attending artists (no editing) which will

provide a good idea of the fun had by all:

"I had a ton of fun! Hopefully I can do it next year!"

"This week's art camp was truly amazing and I have something nice about all of the projects completed."

"The project we did was the color combination. We mixed colors and had to make a design on the plate. What I did was a turtle swimming in the ocean with coral, a crab, some rocks and some seaweed on the bottom and some sand. And I really liked how my turtle came out!"

"I loved all of the art projects."

"On Thursday we made our own fishes. We used jewelry, shells, and other interesting art objects. The coolest part of all the fish part was that we could put whatever we wanted on our fish."

"The camp was super fun in doing all the cool art projects



Ocean Reef's first ever Art League Camp.

where I got to use my creativity....coming to art camp made my summer better."

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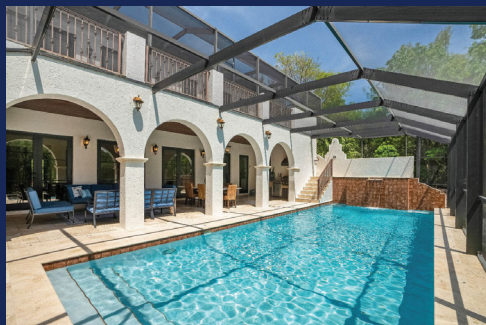
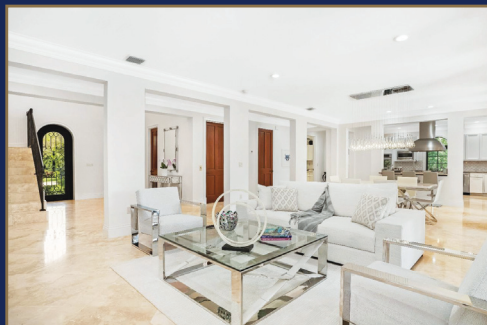


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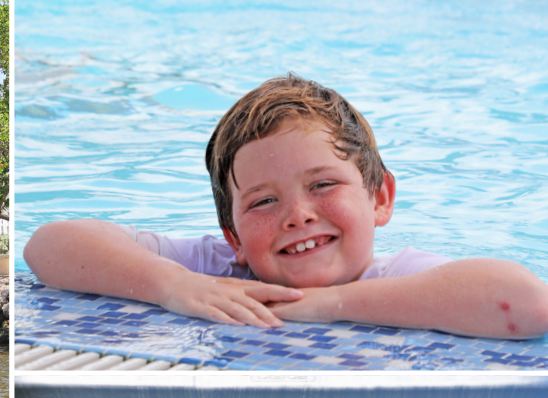


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Art League Book & Lecture Series



by Susan Bohan

The Art League has recently announced its upcoming selections for its Book and Lecture Series as well as the Members who will facilitate the open discussions. Each takes place at 4pm in the Main Gallery on the date indicated. So if you have already finished your summer reading list it might be a good time to begin one of the following. You do not have to be an Art League Member to attend. The discussions are lively and the opinions diverse!

NOVEMBER 15
"The Art Thief: A True Story of Love, Crime, and a Dangerous Obsession" by Michael Finkel

True crime story about the love of art leading to a notorious life of crime.

- Facilitated by Deborah Geller

JANUARY 17
"The Queen of Dirt Island" by Donal Ryan

Love and pride and its staying power within three generations of women.

- Facilitated by Max Brown

FEBRUARY 21
To be determined

- Facilitated by Rev Bob Henley

MARCH 20
"Demon Copperhead" by Barbara Kingsolver

A "lost boy" of Appalachia's unforgettable journey to maturity. The 2023 Pulitzer



The Art League lost one of its most prolific Instructors this summer. Veronica Gutierrez taught Stained Glass, Mosaics, Fused Glass and many kids classes as well as contributing her time to many Club celebrations throughout her 22 years here. Members will miss both her talents and friendship. Many of her pieces will remain on sale in the Gallery throughout the year.

Prize winner.

- Facilitated by Linda Salisbury

APRIL 17
"Who is Maud Dixon" by Alexandra Andrews (re-scheduled from previous date)

An ambitious woman, a reclusive writer and a tragic accident mix to create mayhem.

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OUT & ABOUT



August Ann Huston went shopping in the Fishing Village and even talked mom, Amy, into getting a matching Lilly dress!



Matt Ryan's kids surprised him for his birthday by setting up a blind tasting at Port O'Call. There to assist Matt (pictured left), were Bob Briggs, Larry Johnson and Kevin Cassidy.



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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

1 FRIDAY

- Strength & Cycle Class**
8am • Member Fitness Center
- Pickleball Open Play**
8:30am • Tennis & Games Center
- Everglades Alligator Farm Tour**
8:45am • Meet at Nature Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
9am • Tennis & Games Center
- Zumba Class**
9am • Member Fitness Center
- Vinyasa Yoga Class**
10am • Member Fitness Center
- Silver Fit Class**
10am • Member Fitness Center
- Gameio Tennis Clinic**
10am • Tennis & Games Center
- Holiday Happenings**
3-6pm • Inn Lobby
- Raw Bar Lobster Bake**
4-9pm • Raw Bar
- Reef Rec Room Open**
5-10pm • Reef Rec Room
- Cocktails**
5-8pm • The Point (Members Only)
- Labor Day Dolphin Tournament Anglers' Meeting**
5:30pm • Burgee Bar
- Reef Club Kids Open**
6-10pm • RCK Clubhouse
- Teens Only! Beach Bonfire**
8pm • Buccaneer Island
- Live DJ at The Burgee Bar**
9pm • Burgee Bar
- Teens Only! Reef Rec Room Open**
10pm-12am • Reef Rec Room
- 2 SATURDAY**
- Danish & Coffee**
7-10am • The Point (Members Only)
- Sweat Class**
8am • Member Fitness Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
8am • Tennis & Games Center
- Labor Day Dolphin Tournament**
8am Lines In • 3pm Lines Out
- Pickleball Open Play**
8:30am • Tennis & Games Center
- Tennis Blow Out Sale**
8:30am-5pm • Tennis & Games Center
- Reformer Pilates Class**
9am • Member Fitness Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
9am • Tennis & Games Center
- Dancing Through the Decades Class**
10am • Member Fitness Center

- Gameio Tennis Clinic**
10am • Tennis & Games Center
- Guided Eco Kayak Tour**
10am • Meet at Pool Desk
- Blow Out Labor Day Sale**
10am-5pm • Fishing Village
- Junior Tennis Clinic**
11am • Tennis & Games Center
- Reef Rec Room Open**
2-10pm • Reef Rec Room
- Cocktails**
5-8pm • The Point (Members Only)
- Reef Club Kids Open**
6-10pm • RCK Clubhouse
- Party in the Park at Four Corners**
8-10pm • Field at Four Corners
- Live DJ at The Burgee Bar**
9pm • Burgee Bar
- Teens Only! Reef Rec Room Open**
10pm-12am • Reef Rec Room

3 SUNDAY

- Danish & Coffee**
7-10am • The Point (Members Only)
- Tennis Blow Out Sale**
8:30am-5pm • Tennis & Games Center
- Reformer Pilates Class**
9am • Member Fitness Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
9am • Tennis & Games Center
- Reef Club Kids Open**
9am-1pm • Reef Rec Room
- Beginners Sailing Clinic**
9:30am • Meet at the Pool Desk
- Mat Pilates Class**
10am • Member Fitness Center
- Gameio Tennis Clinic**
10am • Tennis & Games Center
- Guided Eco Kayak Tour**
10am • Meet at Pool Desk
- Kids Fishing Tournament**
11am • Meet at Reef Club Kids Seawall
- Aqua Cardio Class**
11am • Member Fitness Pool
- Beginner Pickleball Clinic**
11am • Tennis & Games Center
- Maui Jim Trunk Show**
11:30am-3:30pm • Buccaneer Island
- Guided Standup Paddleboard Tour**
1pm • Meet at Pool Desk
- Reef Rec Room Open**
2-10pm • Reef Rec Room
- Cocktails**
5-8pm • The Point (Members Only)
- Reef Club Kids Open**
6-10pm • RCK Clubhouse

- Holiday Dinner Buffet & Bingo**
Reservations from 6-6:30pm
Bingo at 7pm • Carysfort Hall

4 MONDAY

- Sweat Class**
8am • Member Fitness Center
- Pickleball Open Play**
8:30am • Tennis & Games Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
9am • Tennis & Games Center
- Reef Club Kids Open**
9am-1pm • Reef Rec Room
- Silver Fit Class**
10am • Member Fitness Center
- Fit Camp**
12pm • Member Fitness Center
- Online Bridge Game**
1pm • To Register: <https://www.bridgebase.com/>
- Men's "B" Night Tennis League**
5:30-7pm • Tennis & Games Center

5 TUESDAY

- Master Swim Class**
7am • Member Fitness Pool
- Sweat Class**
8am • Member Fitness Center
- Pickleball Open Play**
8:30am • Tennis & Games Center
- Vinyasa Yoga Class**
9am • Member Fitness Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
9am • Tennis & Games Center
- Gameio Tennis Clinic**
10am • Tennis & Games Center
- Zumba Class**
10am • Member Fitness Center
- Aqua Cardio Class**
11am • Member Fitness Pool

- FIT Camp**
12pm • Member Fitness Center

6 WEDNESDAY

- Strength & Cycle Class**
8am • Member Fitness Center
- Pickleball Open Play**
8:30am • Tennis & Games Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
9am • Tennis & Games Center
- Funky Fun Flow Yoga**
10am • Member Fitness Center
- Silver Fit Class**
10am • Member Fitness Pool
- Gameio Tennis Clinic**
10am • Tennis & Games Center
- Intermediate/Advanced Pickleball Clinic**
11am • Tennis & Games Center
- Online Bridge Game**
1pm • To Register: <https://www.bridgebase.com/>

7 THURSDAY

- Master Swim Class**
7am • Member Fitness Pool
- Sweat Class**
8am • Member Fitness Center
- Pickleball Open Play**
8:30am • Tennis & Games Center
- Cardio Tennis Clinic**
9am • Tennis & Games Center
- Vinyasa Yoga Class**
9am • Member Fitness Center
- Cultural Center Museum Open**
9am-4pm • Cultural Center
- Gameio Tennis Clinic**
10am • Tennis & Games Center
- FIT Camp**
12pm • Member Fitness Center

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CLUB SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper

UNEXPECTED..... Every dedicated shopper spends a fair amount of time cruising the aisles for the pleasure of “just looking.” On one of my browsing (not buying) excursions, I discovered some interesting surprises.... Check out the little photos opposite. There is something unusual about each of them – possibly their locations or buyers’ appeal....

1. The picture on the top is the artistic rendering of *Pastel Mabi* (\$595). It is from **MarineMax Ship Store**. No surprise there. What I found unusual was not the location but how many large and beautiful aquatic prints are for sale at MarineMax. They cover an entire wall. More like a mini art gallery than a store for fishermen.... **2.** In the photo below **Ruth Perfido** wears the beautiful *Everglades Print* top from **J. McLaughlin** (\$178). What’s unusual about this design is that the Everglades Foundation verified that the flora and fauna depicted, accurately reflected the Everglades environment. Also unusual – 15 percent of the sale price of this top is allocated to the Foundation.... **3.** The *Makala* Ukulele shown here (\$69.95) is from (you would never guess) – **Sandpiper**. Nice to have musical accompaniment to that vast array of attractive mini/maxi dresses available in this popular Barracuda Lane store.... **4.** Where did those cuddly stuffed animals come from? Not Wynn’s or the Gift Shop or Sandpiper or Dockside Living or the Burgee Shop (they all carry toys for little kids). The *Playful Pets* pictured here (\$24.99) are from **PakMail**. Pretty convenient to be able to buy a present for a grandchild



and mail it immediately.... **5.** The glamorous V-neck Maxi (\$388) is from **Abode** in Barracuda Lane. I know, you thought it was a Home Furnishing store. So did I, but in addition to furniture, pillows, lamps, etc. – Abode has a fine assortment of women’s apparel.... **6.** In the left-hand corner of the illustration there is an adorable dress, perfect for any little Reef girl (*BEABO* \$92). I’m including it as “unexpected” because you can look for this item in the **Burgee Shop’s** new Last Call sale room. Here you can find kids and adult items, as well as selected merchandise from the Golf and Tennis Shops. This Burgee Shop innovation offers a 40% discount on everything! Open daily from 9am to 5pm...Happy shopping.

by Joan Birsh

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Lunch Wed.-Sun. 12-4pm (Serving inside the Ocean Room)
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Wed., Thurs. & Sun. 6-9pm • Fri. & Sat. 6-10pm
(Serving inside the Ocean Room)

The Ocean Room

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Dinner Closed for Summer

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Lunch Monday 11am-4pm

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Fri. & Sat. 7am-10pm

Reef Hut

Lunch Mon.-Fri. 11am-4pm
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Reef Eats

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Burgee Bar

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Lunch Sun. 12-5pm

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The Academy at Ocean Reef is Back

By Jerome Murphy, Academy Head of School

Following a quiet but busy two summer months, The Academy at Ocean Reef is excited to open its doors on Tuesday, September 5th to welcome all of our children back for the 2023-2024 school year! While the school building has been relatively quiet over the summer - we so miss the din of laughs and shrieks accompanying our kids' presence - we have been busy preparing for an exciting school year ahead.

Hands-On Learning with Field Studies Programs

In terms of school programs planned for the year ahead, we are excited to enter year two of our Field Studies program, a program that allows our students, Kindergarten through 8th grade, to engage in over 20 off-campus, hands-on learning activities.

Partnering with organizations like MOTE, Coral Reef Restoration, Island Dolphin Care, to name a few, we are excited to provide our students with real-



The 2023-2024 school year's Academy staff.

life experiences aligned with our curriculum of study in each grade level. Not to be outdone, we look forward to providing our 2- to 4-year-old student population with "field trips" to several of our local ORC organizations like Public Safety, Nature Center, and the Medical Center. The Academy is also excited to offer a Learn to Swim program for our 2- to 4-year-olds throughout the school year.

Continued Partnership with SUCCEED

The Academy is delighted to continue our relationship with SUCCEED, an organization that provides Speech/Language and Occupational therapy services, including screenings, to any Academy student in need. As part of our increased focus on student support services offered at The Academy, we are excited to have our School Counselor, Jamaica

Angelillo, and Director of Student Support Services, Jaren Evans, working with our teachers and partners from SUCCEED to best support our children both in and out of the classroom.

Unique After-School Sports Offerings

We look forward to partnering again this year with our fantastic ORC Recreation Department to provide our children with an array of wonderful after-school sports and activities including, Pickleball, Tennis, Golf, Basketball, Sailing, Soccer, Dodgeball, Capture the Flag, and Flag Football. If you're between 6 and 14 years of age, it doesn't get any better than this! We are grateful to have such solid leadership in ORC's Mic O'Keeffe and Chris Nelson for providing our students with a fun and healthy lineup of after-school activities.



New soccer goals installed as part of the recess area renovation.

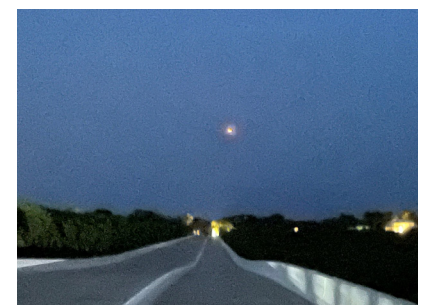
Academy Facilities Improvement

From a school facilities standpoint, after replacing the school building's roof this summer, we just completed the resodding and beautification of our recess area and I know our students will be excited to see their new playground when school starts!

With only a few days remaining until the start of school at The Academy, I can't wait to welcome back our children with a smile and a homemade chocolate chip cookie!

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OFF THE REEF



Left: Anthony and Ileana Davide shared a wonderful experience they had this summer while visiting Mackinaw Island in Michigan, when they bumped into a staff member named Mikhael Gilling who also works at Ocean Reef in season at the Grill Room. They expressed that Mikhael took care of them, gave them a tour of the property and could not have been more helpful - a great asset for Ocean Reef Club.

Middle: It's an Ocean Reef reunion! The Blackie, Bozzeman, Forelli, Guarch, Johnson, Noyes, Olmert and Woodman families all got together in Beaver Creek, Colorado last month.

Right: These pictures may look familiar if you saw Charles DeLuca's featured in the June 23 edition of the Ocean Reef Press. Well, the apple doesn't fall far! These photos from the June 23 Space X Falcon 9 rocket launch from Cape Canaveral were taken by Karen Ficalora, DeLuca's daughter, when he took her to Sunrise Cay Bridge to view their first launch together.

End of Summer Skincare, Fragrance & Spa Specials



"Spa Notes" by Jillian Barron, The Spa Director

This summer many of our Spa Associates have been going through a rigorous training schedule to prepare for season! Our estheticians and massage therapists will be ready to showcase our new 2024 skincare and body treatments, and we are all extremely excited about all the services we have to offer come November 1.

In the meantime, we are doing something that is almost never done! Through September 20, take advantage of our summer skincare special on all of the following lines:

- Biologique Recherche - 35% off
- Babor - 60% off
- Valmont Skin Care & Fragrance - 35% off

The holidays will be here before we know it, so grab a fragrance and body lotion gift set from Valmont, or our fabulous skincare ampoules

from Babor, or moisturizer from Biologique! Some of our personal favorites and bestsellers that you may want to try if you have not yet had the opportunity include:

Biologique Recherche

Try it and see why this French skincare line has such a "cult" following and loyal users:

- **Crème Elastine** – lightweight smoothing treatment to reduce appearance of fine lines, wrinkles and boost hydration.
- **Gel ADN Silkgen** – ideal for any skin type, especially skin exposed to hot climates, this moisturizing fluid enriched with antioxidants has a gel consistency that preserves moisture levels, leaves skin silky smooth, rehydrated and radiant.
- **Crème Hydravits** – instant & long-lasting hydration, promotes cell renewal to regenerate and recharge skin with energy.
- **Fluide Serum VIP o2** – shields skin from pollution, combats oxidative stress, gives skin an instant boost, radiant glow and brighter complexion.
- **Serum Silk Plus** - helps create a protective barrier to prevent the effects of free radicals, great for sensitive skin and gives skin a silky feel leaving your complexion matte & radiant.
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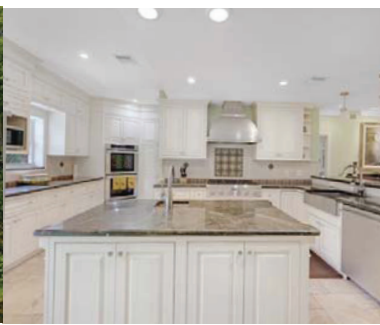
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LGA Reunites in Wisconsin



“From the Gold Tees” by Michael Leone, Director of Golf

Continuing the tradition of experiencing great golf and developing wonderful friendships, our summer trip with the ladies to Wisconsin was a memorable one. We had participants in the group flying in from all over the country along with **Guida Fernandes** coming in from a short flight from Canada. It is always a treat to get out of the heat and reunite with the phenomenal members of our LGA.

To kick off the trip, we went from the plane to the “Baths” course. This wonderful Par 3 course prepared us for taking on the tough test of the Straits Course later in the week. The pot bunkers combined with the firm, fast greens provided impressive and formidable challenges. The “Baths” is comprised of 10 vastly different holes ranging from 50-175 yards. We had a wonderful time carrying our own clubs and sharpening the short games before the week of golf.

Our only travel day away from the Kohler property was Day 2 with a trip to Sand Valley. As you arrive to the property, you quickly realize that Sand Valley is aptly named. It is in the heart of central Wisconsin with beautiful sand dunes surrounding the area. After the long walk up and down the dunes, we were equally relieved and excited to get back on the bus to give our



2023 LGA Whistling Straits group



Zach Haynes and his LGA Members



Thankfully, none of the golf balls took a bath at the “Baths” Par 3 course



After battling the Straits Course, the group needed a cold beverage



Delicious Italian Dinner at Stefano's



The final get together included a wonderful four course meal

legs and feet welcomed rest.

Every day as friends bonded and relationships grew stronger, we teamed up to battle on the Kohler Golf Courses. We often split the group in two for a fun day of competition with Team Zach versus Team Mike. Even though Team Zach prevailed more days than Team Mike, I chalked it up to Zach's local

knowledge as key, his previous position before joining us at Ocean Reef was Assistant Golf Professional at Whistling Straits. We were fortunate enough to play Whistling Straits, Irish Course, Blackwolf Run River Course and Meadow Valleys. However, no doubt Whistling Straits is truly special and the favorite of the group. The layout of

the course with natural dunes up against Lake Michigan is breathtaking.

It was sad to see everyone disperse at the airport, but it is exciting knowing that we will travel together again next summer. The real question is, “where is our next destination”?!?!

Summer Bag Room Open Competition



“From the Gold Tees” by Michael Leone, Director of Golf

As summer’s end nears and we prepare for our Members’ return this fall, the Golf Team would like to recognize a couple of individuals who have been working very hard for us here at Ocean Reef in the summer months.

Daniel Stamey and Nick Damon are PGM Students who are serving internships here at Ocean Reef Club. Both of these young professionals have done a fantastic job and have grown immensely during their tenure here.

As many of you know,



Pictured from left to right is Dragos Alexe, Nick’s caddy, Nick Damon, Ferris State University Intern, Jay Guarch, Daniel’s caddy, and Daniel Stamey, NC State University Intern.

the highlight of any Golf Professional’s season at Ocean Reef Club is the Bag Room Open. Although these two will not get to experience it in its entirety (not this year at least!), we decided to reward them with a Bag Room Open of their own!

On Tuesday, August 1, our two PGA interns teed it up on the Hammock Course for our first ever Summer Bag Room Open! We were glad to have some spectators out there to support this duel and we saw some quality of golf to top it off.

Nick and Daniel traded blows on the 9 holes each gaining an advantage on the

other. With 5 holes remaining, Daniel held a 2-up lead on Nick as they made their way to the 14th hole. Although Nick was able to put the pressure on Daniel in these few holes, Daniel’s 2-up lead held through 17 and the match ended 2-up.

We want to acknowledge each of these young professionals for their hard work this summer and wish them the best of luck in their careers. If we are lucky enough, we will see them back at Ocean Reef Club in the future!



Daniel Stamey was born and raised in Raleigh, NC. He is a Sophomore at NC State University, majoring in Sports Management. Daniel’s first internship was at Salem Glen Golf & Country Club and he will be managing the outside service team at Lonnie Poole Golf Course when he returns to NC State in the fall. His career aspirations are to become a Director of Instruction at a top 100 facility with a membership similar to ours at Ocean Reef Club. Daniel’s goals for the next 6 months are to qualify for the NC State Jones Cup team, win a PGM Tournament and make the dean’s list each semester.



Nicholas Damon was born and raised in Highland, MI. He is a sophomore at Ferris State University, majoring in Business Management. Nick grew up playing golf at Prestwick Village Golf & Country Club. He comes from a family of PGA Professionals and has always had a passion for the game. His career aspirations are to become a Head Golf Professional and oversee a private club in Michigan. Nick’s goals for the next six months are to serve on the executive board of the PGA Program, run for election to become president of the committee and shoot an under-par round of golf in competition.



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Does Your Driver Have Enough Loft?



“Swing Tip” by Derek Swoboda, Director of Instruction

Many have often thought that less loft equals more distance. Under perfect circumstances with high swing speeds, this may be correct. What if we add in positive and negative attack angles? What happens when swing speed is slower vs. faster and why does that matter? This week, we will explore the reasons you may be playing the wrong loft in your driver.

Attack Angle Defined

Attack angle is the up or

down movement of the club head at the time of maximum compression. Attack angle is measured relative to the horizon.

Why is Attack Angle Important?

In order for you to optimize your driver, we will need to find the proper loft. Finding the proper loft can change based on what your attack angle is. For example, if you have a positive attack angle, you will need less loft. If you have a negative attack angle you will need more loft.

Comparing the Tour Stars

If Justin Thomas has an attack angle of +4, while Brooks Koepka has an attack angle of -4, they should not use the same loft driver. To accommodate his positive attack angle, Justin uses a 9.5 degree driver allowing him to maximize his distance. Brooks uses 10.5 degrees of loft to compensate for his downward attack angle.

Although Brooks has 10.5 degrees of loft on his driver, his

launch angle (angle the golf ball flies off the club) is 9.5. This creates a lower more piercing ball flight. While swinging the driver 121 MPH, he is able to produce 320 yards of total distance.

Meanwhile, Justin Thomas has a 13.7 degree launch angle with very minimal spin on the ball allowing him to hit the ball high, increasing his distance that way.

While swinging the club at 117 MPH, he is able to produce 317 yards of total distance.

How is this possible with swing speeds that are 4 MPH different? Loft and attack angle have allowed each of these superstars to maximize their potential.

In order to maximize your potential, schedule a Trackman session today!

GOLF OFF THE REEF



South Florida temps did not deter these Ocean Reef golfers from venturing up the coast to High Ridge Country Club and Pine Tree Golf Club for two days of great golf ending with a celebration of fine wines, outstanding Italian food at Mario's (Dave's favorite) and of course bragging rights with a lot of laughs! Pictured: Dave Adams, Dragos Alexe, Rick Chambers, Ricky Fortis, Zach Haynes, and Wicho Hernandez.

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Hammock Course Maintenance Schedule

In addition to the regular golf course maintenance being done this summer to the Hammock Course, the Dolphin Course is closed for the duration of the summer for re-grassing. To accommodate golfers this summer, the Hammock Course will alternate opening and closing nine holes at a time so players can always play a 9-hole round or 18 holes by completing the nine holes twice. The closure schedule is as follows:

Back 9 Closed:
September 1st

Front 9 Closed:
September 4th – October 1st

Hammock Course 18 Holes Open for Play
September 2nd, 3rd, and 4th

Driving Range Maintenance: During the summer season, the Driving Range will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, excluding Tuesdays. The Driving Range will be closed on Tuesdays from 12 to 4 p.m.



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OFF THE REEF



He chases birds. She chases fish.

Mona and **Harold Brewer** enjoyed a wonderful first time visit to Iceland driving some 2500km across the country to pursue both of their passions. Mona is pictured with a big brown trout caught while fishing in the Laxa River, one of many impressive catches while there. Harold shared these three photos (clockwise from top) of a Red-throated Loon with her young chick, a Black-tailed Godwit in flight, and a Horned Grebe on its nest.

Hearing Loss and OTOTOXIC MEDICATIONS



Ototoxicity refers to drug or chemical damage to the cochlea of the inner ear, which is responsible for hearing. The inner ear is so sensitive to changes that certain medications can cause hearing loss, tinnitus, or balance issues.

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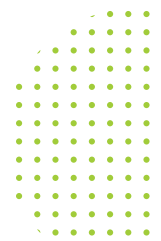
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While pain relievers such as **Advil**, **Aleve**, and **Tylenol** are okay to take in moderation, daily consumption could potentially lead to hearing loss.

If you take any take medications that can affect hearing, contact **Kendall Audiology & Hearing Aid Center** today at **(305) 574-9565** to schedule a hearing screening!



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Ocean Reef Partners With Tennis Ventures for Trips to the Australian Open & Wimbledon

Wimbledon 2024:

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“Center Court” by Justin Romero, Director of Racquet Sports

For tennis enthusiasts and travelers alike, the prospect of witnessing the world’s most prestigious tennis tournaments, the Australian Open and Wimbledon, is a dream come true. Imagine not only attending these iconic events but also doing so in the lap of luxury, with every detail taken care of. This dream is turned into reality by Tennis Ventures – a premier provider of all-inclusive trips that promise an unforgettable experience combining the thrill of world-class tennis with top-notch travel accommodations. Many Ocean Reef Club Members have taken these trips in the past and rave about how well they are done. Previous trips have included Wimbledon, Italian Open, and the French Open.

The All-Inclusive Package

Tennis Ventures offers a unique and comprehensive package, from securing coveted tickets to arranging seamless travel and accommodation, they go the extra mile to create an experience that is both immersive and luxurious. The

all-inclusive package entails:

1. Prime Tickets:

The heart of Tennis Ventures’ offering lies in securing the best seats in the house for both the Australian Open and Wimbledon. Attendees get to witness breathtaking matches featuring tennis legends battling it out on the grand stage.

2. Luxurious Accommodation:

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3. Exclusive Access:

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4. Fine Dining and Hospitality:

The all-inclusive package includes gourmet dining experiences, often curated by renowned chefs.

5. Cultural Exploration and Tennis Playing/Clinics:

Recognizing that travel is also about cultural immersion, Tennis Ventures often includes city tours and excursions to iconic landmarks, private superyachts in Sydney, and allowing attendees to soak in the local culture and history alongside their tennis adventure. There are also many days of tennis playing clinics throughout the trip at iconic venues with certified USPTA Coaches.

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Tennis Ventures offers a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for tennis aficionados to attend the Australian Open and Wimbledon in the most spectacular way possible. Their all-inclusive packages combine the thrill of watching world-class tennis with the extravagance of luxury accommodations, tennis playing clinics, exclusive access, fine dining, and cultural exploration. By taking care of every detail, from tickets to travel, Tennis Ventures ensures that attendees can focus solely on creating memories that will last a lifetime.

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Tips for Playing Doubles and Cardio Tennis Games



“Tennis Tip” by Jose Vacabustamante, Assistant Tennis Professional

Tip 1: Be prepared

Before entering the tennis courts, make sure you have the basics in your tennis bag. Have one to two racquets with you. If you have one racquet, make sure the strings are in good condition. You can check the condition of your strings by inspecting where the main and cross strings intersect. Make sure that the main strings are not eroded beyond halfway. You will need to replace the

strings if they are.

In addition to that, it is advisable to bring sunscreen due to the high UV concentration during the summer. Additionally, consider carrying an extra one or two over grips to counteract excessive humidity that can make your grip slippery. Lastly, stay hydrated by drinking water every break you get. Consistently adhering to these practices will not only benefit your body but also enhance your overall game performance.

Tip 2: Breath in and out

When you start pushing yourself in cardio games and drills, make sure to be aware of your breathing. We often resort to mouth breathing, leading to increased fatigue and a signal from our body to cease activity. I suggest starting your breathing when you prepare your stroke and exhaling when you hit the ball. Lastly, make sure to have

your body positioned to react quickly to sudden movements and anticipate the ball’s trajectory.

Tip 3: Playing smart

When playing doubles, always make sure to look around for loose balls on the court. You want to be aware of your surroundings, but also proactive and aggressive. It is better to keep moving and poaching on every ball that passes the net. Once you get a chance to get the ball to the net, always treat the first volley as the ticket to win the point. The most mistakes happen when people make contact with the ball and try to put it away and miss it. That first contact volley shot should be placed and wait for the ball to come back weaker or create a forced error on your opponents.

Following these simple tips will help you prepare for any tough situations on the court and you will enjoy the game more and more.

TENNIS RESULTS

MEN’S “B” NIGHT LEAGUE RESULTS

Monday, July 31
Max Tower

Monday, August 3
Randy Furshman

Monday, August 7
Tyler Massey

Monday, August 14
Robert Lopez

Monday, August 21
Tyler Massey

Monday, August 28
Bill Sport

Ocean Reef Italian Trip Summer 2023



by Jim Morton, Tennis Professional

This summer a group of 12 Ocean Reef Members traveled to Italy on a tennis trip. The trip started in Rome where the group watched the Italian Open and participated in clinics at a club in Rome. Among the highlights of Rome was getting a private tour of the Vatican during the evening. From Rome, the group traveled to Florence to tour one of the most beautiful cities in the world



Tri-club tournament competitors, from left to right, Helena Morton, Kevin Fish, Sandra Fish, John Breaux, Amy Olmert, Tony Olmert, Jim Morton, George Blaha, and Mike Rich.

all while enjoying incredible food and wine. While in Florence our Ocean Reef players competed in a tri-club tournament against

a California Club Del Rio and a group of international players. The tournament consisted of Men’s Doubles, Ladies’ Doubles and Mixed

Doubles matches with Ocean Reef’s team winning the most matches to clinch the win. It was our first international victory for our tennis team.

Tennis

Player of the Month

Bobbie Watson



Who is your favorite tennis player?

In the absence of the Fed, I would choose Carlitos Alcaraz. But I love the entire field of newbies now appearing on the Tennis Channel.

What is your favorite thing about playing tennis at ORC?

The variety of clinics, tournaments, and Pro-Ams. Also the A, B and C level league play in winter. Shall I go on?

How old were you when you started playing tennis?

I played at the bottom of the ladder in both high school and college. I forgot about it for decades and picked it up again when I started living at the Reef.

What is your favorite tennis shot?

Drop (Mic).

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Mastering the Fundamentals



“Fitness Focus”
by Luis Bracamonte,
Director of Fitness & Wellness

Time is a precious commodity. Time spent exercising and moving increases the number of activities we can choose from, adventures to take on, sports to play, and the intensity of the moments we experience in everyday life. To get more out of your workouts and prepare your body to move better and move more, it is wise to spend time mastering basic movement patterns such as the squat, lunge, hinge, push, pull, carry, and rotation. Regardless of training

experience, strength and conditioning workouts should include exercise from all of these patterns. Resistance training with free weights or body weight is in most cases superior to training and developing these basic patterns. Here is a list of exercises for each category:

- **Squat:** front squat, back squat, sumo squat, split squat, goblet squat, rear foot elevated squat, single leg squat and jumping squat.

- **Lunge:** step back lunges, front step lunges, walking lunges, side lunges, diagonal lunges and jumping lunges.

- **Hinge:** deadlift, single leg deadlift, bridge, hip thrust, swing and good mornings.

- **Push:** push-ups, barbell or dumbbell chest press, barbell or dumbbell shoulder press, incline and decline chest barbell or dumbbell variations

and cable chest and shoulder presses.

- **Pull:** pull-ups, dumbbell or barbell rows, seated row, lat pull down and TRX or bar inverted rows.

- **Carry:** farmer's carry, suitcase carry, overhead carry, rucking, goblet carry and bear hug carry.

- **Rotation:** cable chop and lift, rotational medicine ball throws, landmine press with a twist and woodchops.

We recommend two or more strength and conditioning

workouts per week. The workouts should include exercises from all of these basic patterns. Mastering the fundamentals allows us to increase movement complexity and intensity with a lesser risk of injury and an increased potential for better performance. Use your time in the gym wisely and enjoy your time outside the gym to the greatest degree possible.

To learn more about how you can maximize your time in the gym contact us at 305-367-5820 to schedule a consultation with one of our ORC Fitness Specialists.

FITNESS OUT & ABOUT



Bill Henneberry kicked off his 75th birthday celebration with his daughter Farrell and a session with M3 at the Member Fitness Center.

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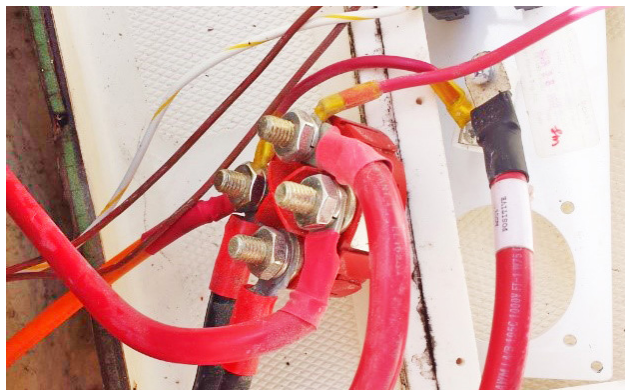
That Funny Feeling...



by Robert Broton, Flotilla Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary-Ocean Reef

Excited to get out on the boat, I flipped the battery switch to the 'on' position. Yet, I noticed something odd. The battery did not have that familiar "click". I tried it a few more times, still no click. A funny feeling came over me and I felt that something was wrong. Looking over the boat electronics, everything was functioning normally so I proceeded on the trip. Little did I know how significant that moment would turn out to be.

Upon returning from my mission and completing



Batteries exposed with large copper blocks

the motor flush, I turned the battery off as usual and left. While standing on the dock, I heard the VHF communications. How could this be? I was certain I had turned off the battery, which should have turned off the radio as well. I re-boarded the boat and jiggled the switch until the radio turned off. I reached the conclusion that a small spring or ball responsible for creating the familiar click had failed. Given that the vessel was only 18 months old, I didn't consider it a major issue and that I could fix it on my

own.

Fortunately I was at home port, allowing me to head to the house to order a new part. Later I dismantled the battery switch panel. To my horror, the entire switch had broken in half, leaving the full battery current from both batteries exposed and sprinkled with large copper blocks that were part of the switch. One good wave and this failure had the potential to expose my crew and myself to total failure at sea as well as a possible fire hazard from the battery short-circuiting.



I contacted the manufacturer, Blue Sea, and they admitted this is a known product defect that had already been rectified. They assured me that a replacement switch would be provided at no cost. Additionally, I contacted the Boat Manufacturer, suggesting they issue a service to alert their dealers about this potential issue.

This experience served as an important lesson – a reminder that when something doesn't feel right, don't go.



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Bridge Tip of the Week

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