



The Marco Men's Club Newsletter September 2007

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

August 2007 was a sad month for the Marco Men's Club. We lost three of our long standing members, Fred Heidings, Norm Roberts our sergeant-at-arms, and Fred Tonney. Please remember these members in your thoughts and prayers. I am proud to say that the Men's Club was very well represented at each funeral. The men were very active members of our club and they will be sorely missed.

On a lighter note, summer is almost over and the "snowbirds" will be trickling back to our paradise and we welcome them back with open arms. Our membership now stands at 524 resident members and 32 non-resident members. Our finances are in good shape, Ed Eastwood, our treasurer reports in July we had income of \$4,365.83 and expenses of \$6,161.28 leaving us with a bank balance of \$28,802.04

On August 9, Bob Hopp assisted by his wife Carol hosted a coed luncheon at Guy Harvey's. Thirty-Nine members and their wives were treated to great food and excellent service. Thanks Bob for hosting this event.

On August 13, Bob Gaffney assisted by his wife Kris hosted a coed dinner at Fitzgeralds in Naples. Kris did her usual great job of making up the food selection cards. They were so neat I understand several people saved them. Fifty Five members and their wives were treated to a fabulous meal and a fun night, we even had entertainment. Thanks Bob you did an outstanding job.

Bingo, scheduled for August 15 was cancelled. We are hoping to resume bingo on September 19 so all of you bingo players send your check to Tom Traeger who will be hosting this event. Remember we need 50 people to sign up for this event.

On August 18, Joe Varano hosted a day on the Big "M" Casino. Fourteen members attended and they all had a great day but I understand there were no big winners. Unfortunately, I did not attend this event but had I been there, there would have been at least two winners, me and Maryann. Thanks Joe.

On August 24, Merle Otto hosted a coed dinner at one of our favorite restaurants, Konrad's. Seventy two members and their wives were treated to an excellent meal. Thank you Merle, great job hosting this event.

On August 30, Dick Siska hosted a men's only lunch at Porky's. We had twenty four members attending. Porky's did their usual fine job. The food and service were excellent. Thanks Dick.

At this time, on behalf of your board of directors, I would like to thank all of the hosts for the August events. Your participation is greatly appreciated. I also want to remind the membership that these hosts put a lot of time and effort into hosting our events. So please look over the fliers and send your check to the host of the event that you would like to attend. Also, if you want to suggest an event that we do not have on our list of coming events, contact Fred Stavola our senior vice president of activities.

For Tom Traeger's sake

GO STEELERS

Joe Cassidy



*We express our sincere sympathy
to the families of Fred Heidings,
Norm Roberts, and
Fred Tonney, Men's Club mem-
bers who passed away in August.*

CLUB NEWS

BRIDGE

Contact Dallas Schmidt @ 394-3352 for information and sign-up. Partners Bridge meets Friday nights and Men's Bridge on Wednesday afternoons.

COMPUTER CLUB

Contact Steve Ehrhorn @394-5861 or sehrhorn@Comcast.net. Computer Club meets the third Wednesday @10:00 AM at the Community Room at Marco Community Bank. This is an informal round table discussion group. Beginners, experienced and in-between are all welcome. Reservations are not required. Just show up.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Thanks to the guys who set up the room this month: Chairman Gerry Gibbons, Mike Levine, Gene Stillwell, Phil Kostelnik, Fred Wojcik, Erwin Stegmaier, and Joe Rad.

CRUISING

The 2007 Cruise is to Southeast Asia and China, October 15th through November 2nd. (20 days and 18 nights)

Six countries will be visited including Thailand, Malaysia, Vietnam, Taipei, Japan and China. Ten ports of call include Bangkok, Singapore, Ho Chi Minh City, NhaTrang, Okinawa, Hong Kong, Taipei, Shanghai, Nagasaki, and Beijing. Contact Cruise Director Bob Marks for additional information. **SORRY, SPACE IS SOLD OUT FOR THIS CRUISE.**

NEW YEARS CRUISE

"5" Nights, Western Caribbean Cruise on Royal Caribbean's 5 Stars, Navigator of the Seas. Port of calls: Cozumel, Mexico and Belize City, Belize. Departs 12/31/08. Returns 1/5/09. 226 people have received confirmed reservations for this cruise. Cruise details with reservation form on MMC web site or please contact Bob for assistance or reservations .

MEDITERRANEAN GREEK ISLES CRUISE

June 9 to 22, 2008 14 Days/12 Nights Cruise visiting 5 countries... Spain, France, Italy, Greece and Turkey with 9 parts of call: Barcelona, Spain; Nice, France; Florence, Italy; Rome, Italy; Mykonas, Greece; Ephesus, Greece; Santarini, Turkey; Athens, Greece; and Naples, Italy.

Cruise details with reservation form on Club Web Site.

SICK BAY

We wish Wayne Boose best wishes for his continued recovery from bypass surgery.

DO YOU KNOW NEWS OF MMC MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK OR WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES?

Please telephone Joe Pucci at 732-5606 or e-mail him (jpucci11@comcast.net) regarding information on the above.

WANT TO SEE MORE PHOTOS?

The editor encourages submission of photos of Men's Club activities. We will publish those submitted in a timely manner.

See Fred Wojcik (389-0300) to order shirts and hats, at meetings.

GOLF NEWS

by Al Vacio

The golf is going strong for summer play. We are getting about 6 or 7 foursomes on Mondays. Fridays are still producing some great courses by our coordinators. Sign up with the following coordinators if you are interested. Family members and guests are welcome. Mike Mueller had an outstanding round of golf the week before our in-house tournament. He shot a gross 75, net 63. Mike tried to tell us he shot his age, but, he still had 3 holes left to play.

Golf Coordinators:

September:

Mondays -----Ron Bales -----389-5587

Fridays

Sept 7 -----Bob Hansen -----394-7775

Sept 14 -----Al Vacio -----393-0995

Sept 21 -----Mike Mueller-----394-2629

Sept 28 -----Dave Pettit -----642-6741 (Eagle Creek CC)

Oct 5 -----Al Bozzo -----389-0037

Oct 12 ----- Ron Bales -----389-5587

Fred Heidings Memorial Fall Golf Tournament:

Our fall tournament has been scheduled for October 24, at The Glades Golf and CC. We are naming this tournament in honor of Fred Heidings who was one of our charter golf players.

The format will be a 4 man scramble, with a shotgun start at 8:30 am. Coffee and donuts will be served starting a 7:30 am. Price will be \$60 for members and \$65 for non-members. Sign up early to insure yourself and/or your guest a spot. It really is a fun tournament.

Fall Golf:

We have finalized our golf commitment with Hibiscus Golf Course. We will begin our league play on MONDAYS, starting November 5th. There will be no frequent player cards to purchase. We will get a discount of \$20 off their rack rate of \$95. (\$75) Our first tee time will be at 7:30 am. Hibiscus has just finished their new clubhouse, and it is very nice. They have a full dining facility, so if we wish to have breakfast or lunch, they will be able to accommodate us. Try to get by and see the new clubhouse. They should be open by Sept. 1.

August In-House Tournament:

Congratulations to the following golfers for their fine play on a very windy day. However, we have unanimously, "random selected", Harold Boston for drug testing. It is just a coincidence that his name was picked out of a hat. His "It's Unbelievable" score on a rough day for golf, took a lot of power. However, Al Vacio wins the "Sandbagger Award for August". (Believe me, no one wants to win that award.) Ron Bales kept his score, but have you noticed that, ever since Bales has kept Al's score and Al wins, Bales has a new golf club in his bag. Maybe...???...Nah!

Flight 1

Flight 2

Flight 3

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| 1. Al Vacio 68 | 1. Bob Boland 70 | 1. Jack Enfield 73 |
| 2. Gerry Collins 69 | 2. Harold Boston 71 | 2. John Spizuoco 75 |
| 3. Joe Pucci 71 | 3. Bob Hayward 72 | 3. Shuji Uchiyama 75 |

Golf Tip of the month:

INTERMEDIATE TARGET (This is used to align yourself with your target.)

Stand behind the ball and draw an imaginary line from your target through the ball. Pick a spot about 5 or 6 feet in front of your ball (a bare piece of grass or a divot mark or anything you can see clearly). Take your stance, and use that mark as a target to align yourself to your distant target. That mark is your Intermediate Target. This can be used on any shot or putt. It helps you to focus and gives you the confidence that you are aligned at your target correctly. This can be used on short putts of 4 or 5 feet. Instead of focusing on the hole, pick out a spot about two feet in front of the ball and putt to that spot as if it was the hole. Now all you have to do is, hit it a little firmer so it can travel to the hole. If you roll the ball over your spot, and the speed is right, those 4 or 5 foot putts should be no problem.

Note: Watch the Pros on television, and you will see them do this routine everytime they step up to hit their ball.

Next month's golf tips will cover Uneven Lies (uphill, downhill and side-hill lies).

Golf Joke (given to me the other day, at the meeting, by P.K.)

GOLF'S WORST FOURSOME:

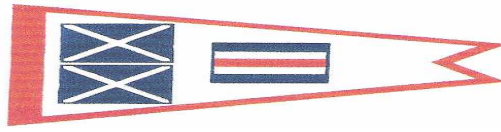
1. Monica Lewinski
2. O.J. Simpson
3. Ted Kennedy
4. Bill Clinton

Why, you ask?

1. Monica is hooker
2. O.J. is a slicer
3. Ted can't drive over water
4. Bill can't remember which hole he played last.

Well that's all folks, hit 'em straight.

Al



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YOUR MMC WEB CONNECTION

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SEPTEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS

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|---------|-------|---|-----------------------------|----------|
| Sept 6 | Thurs | Board Meeting@ Marco Community Bank -9:30 A.M. | Joe Cassidy | 642-1491 |
| Sept 7 | Fri | Coed Dinner @ La Grotta's | Ed Eastwood | 289-4630 |
| Sept 13 | Thurs | General Meeting at Mackle Park -10:00 A.M. followed by Coed Lunch @ Capri Fish House | Ken Boston | 393-3495 |
| Sept 15 | Sat | Broadway Palm Theater Matinee <i>I Love You , You're Perfect, Now Change</i> | Fred Stavola | 389-1724 |
| Sept 19 | Wed | Bingo@ Marco Yacht Club | Tom Traeger | 394-0154 |
| Sep 27 | Thurs | Hurricane Ball @ Hideaway Beach Club | Tom Traeger | 394-0154 |
| Oct 4 | Thurs | Board Meeting@ Marco Community Bank -9:30 A.M. | Joe Cassidy | 642-1491 |
| Oct 11 | Thurs | General Meeting@ Mackle Park -10:00 A.M. followed by | Mel Daly | 389-2028 |
| Oct 17 | Wed | Bingo@ Marco Yacht Club | Joe Cassidy | 642-1491 |
| Oct 20 | Sat | Octoberfest @ German American Social Club | Fred Stavola | 389-1724 |
| Oct 24 | Wed | Fred Heidings Fall Golf Tournament@ Glades Golf and CC | Al Vachio | 393-0995 |
| Oct 25 | Thurs | Coed Dinner @ Bayview in The Esplanade | Ed Eastwood | 389-4630 |
| Oct 31 | Wed | Halloween Dinner/Dance @ Everglades Seafood Depot | Bob Gaffney | 394-2153 |
| Nov 1 | Thurs | Board Meeting@ Marco Community Bank -9:30 A.M. | Joe Cassidy | 642-1491 |
| Nov 8 | Thurs | General Meeting@ Mackle Park-10:00 A.M. followd by Coed Luncheon@ Nene's | Fred Stavola | 389-1724 |
| Nov 13 | Tues | Coed Picnic at Sarazan Park | Ed Eastwood | 389-4630 |
| Nov 27 | Tues | Bingo@ Marco Island Yacht Club | Joe Cassidy | 642-1491 |
| Nov 28 | Wed | Concert by Loi@ United Church of Marco | J. Oxborough | 389-0701 |
| Nov 29 | Thurs | Coed Luncheon@ Joe's Crab Shack | Merle Otto | 775-1125 |
| Dec 31 | Mon | MMC Landlubbers New Years Eve Party @ Blu Fusion | Joe Rad and Fred Stavola | 642-0319 |