



The Marco Men's Club Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Marco Men's Club!

December is here and it's my favorite month of the year! With the normally beautiful weather we enjoy and the holiday season upon us, this month ranks on top!

Now that November is behind us, I would like to thank Mother Nature and her El Nino son for keeping us out of harms way.

We did however, participate in some very enjoyable events in November, beginning with the Veteran's Day Picnic at Sarazen Park. Needless to say, our veterans should be proud of the inspiring performance given by the **Marco Strummers**, our hosts **Ed Crane, Dave Walsh, Bill Sullivan**, all of their helpers and our **special guests** who shared their war and post war experiences with us. Thanks to all who put together this special event. **Phil Kostelnik** hosted a Men's Only Luncheon at Cracklin Jack's, which served us a great lunch for the buck! Thanks **Phil!**

The Sock Hop what a fun event!

Bob and Carol Hopp put together a great party for us and the band was fabulous. Great job **Bob and Carol**, it was a real 50's blast!

Finally, the inimitable **Jerry Masters** took us on an extended tour of the Ringling Brothers estate in Sarasota. Thanks **Jerry**, for hosting a very enjoyable and interesting trip.

Looking forward to December, we invite you to attend the holiday events sponsored by the Men's Club. The attached fliers appropriately describe the events.

Joe Rad has arranged special reserved seating for Men's Club members interested in attending Porky's New Years Eve party celebration. The price is \$85.00 per person, which includes dinner, noise makers, dancing and music by Miles Loud. This is not a Men's Club sponsored event so if you are interested, contact **Joe Rad** at 642-0319 for further information.

Our speaker at the November General Meeting delivered a sobering message relative to the importance of CPR training. I too concur with his message and asked **Pat Thawley** to organize a training session in January for our members, and

especially their wives or significant others. Details are included in the attached flier. I encourage you to take the time to learn CPR in order to build a level of knowledge and confidence in assisting a loved one, associate or friend should an unfortunate incident occur.

Please join me in welcoming the following new members to our club:

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes to all our members and their families for a Happy Holiday and a prosperous New Year.

Joe Varano

"Everything is always okay in the end, if it is not, then it is not the end"



SAVE THESE DATES

The Event Planning Committee, chaired by Sr. V.P. Bill Sullivan, has put together a schedule of events through the end of the year 2009 and into 2010. Listed below are some of the events and dates that are already booked or will be booked.

2009

Fri. Dec. 11, 2009 – Living Christmas Tree @ 1st Baptist Church (booked).

Tues. Dec. 15, 2009 – Holiday Pops @ Naples Philharmonic (booked).

2010

Thu. Jan. 7, 2010 - 18th Anniversary Luncheon @ Forest Glen (booked)

**Jan. 10 –17, 2010 - MMC “Twenty First Cruise”. Eight Night Eastern Caribbean Cruise on Royal Caribbean’s “Independence Of The Seas”, sailing from Ft. Lauderdale with four Ports Of Call. St. Marten, St. Thomas, Puerto Rico and Haiti.
(Sold out)**

Sat. Jan. 16, 2010 - The Lippizzaner Stallions @ Gremain Arena (booked)

Wed. Jan. 27, 2010 – CPR Training @ MCB

Sun. Jan. 31, 2010 - Swamp Buggy Races

Sat. Feb. 6, 2010 – New Members Breakfast @ Forest Glen (booked)

Thu. Feb. 11, 2010 – Men’s Only Lunch @ Iron Rhino (booked)

Sun. Feb. 14, 2010 - MMC Sweetheart Ball @ Marco Island Hilton (booked).

Thu. Feb. 18, 2010 - “ The Jersey Boys” at Barbara Mann (Sold out)

Thu. Feb. 25, 2010 – Co-ed Lunch @ Konrads (booked)

Sun. March 14, 2010 – Broadway Musical @ Sugden (Matinee booked)

Mar. 14-28, 2010 -- MMC “ Twenty Second Cruise” Fourteen Night Cruise to So. America, Panama Canal and the Caribbean (Sold out)

Sun. May 9, 2010 – The Importance of Being Earnest @ Sugden (Matinee booked)

Sun. Nov. 21, 2010 Luau & Pig Roast Poolside @ Marco Hilton with “ Hot Damn”

CLUB NEWS

BRIDGE

Contact Dallas Schmidt @ 239-821-1935 for information and sign-up. Partners Bridge meets Friday nights and Men's Bridge on Wednesday afternoons.

Please telephone Joe Pucci at 732-5606 or e-mail him (jpucci11@embarqmail.com) regarding information on sick members..

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.

WANT TO SEE MORE PHOTOS? The editor encourages submission of photos of Men's Club activities to the Webmaster, Ed Crane(marcoman357@aol.com) We will publish those submitted in a timely manner.

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. Special thanks to Bob Hopp, mike holder and Sergeant at Arms.

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

CRUISING

"SORRY SPACE ON BOTH CRUISES SOLD OUT"

EIGHT NIGHT-CARIBBEAN

CRUISE

*MMC "TWENTY FIRST" CRUISE
-JANUARY 9 TO 17, 2010
ROYAL CARIBBEAN'S "5 STAR+ INDEPENDENCE OF THE SEAS"
ST. MAARTEN. ST. THOMAS.
PUERTO RICO AND HAITI*

FOURTEEN NIGHT-SOUTH AMERICA-CHILE CRUISE

MMC TWENTY-SECOND CRUISE-MARCH 14-28, 2010

CRUISING SOUTH AMERICA, PANAMA CANAL AND CARIBBEAN

SEVEN PORTS OF CALL ON CELEBRITY'S "INFINITY"

SANTIAGO CHILE..... LA SERENA CHILE..... ARICA, CHILE..... LIMA, PERU ,,,,, CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA

110 PASSENGERS RESERVATIONS CONFIRMED

*Marco Men's Club expresses its
Sincere Sympathy to the Family
of Ken Coffey whose wife ,Patsy,
passed away on November 20.*

GOLF NEWSby **Al Vacio**

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. Now, getready for the holidays. Maybe Santa will bring some of you a new golf game. I know I could use one. The weather has been great and the golf even better. We are now playing at Hibiscus, and it is in the best shape I have seen it in 6 years. Call the monthly coordinator to sign up. Check our website for info.

November In-House Tournament Results:

Flight I	Flight II
1. Ron Bales -----67	1. Tom Green -----62
2. D. Goslee -----69	2. Greg Glynn----- 67
3. M. Callinan----70	3. Bill Horton-----69
3. B. Hayward----70	

SANDBAGGER OF THE MONTH: I have been trying to rip Bales, but there is always someone else

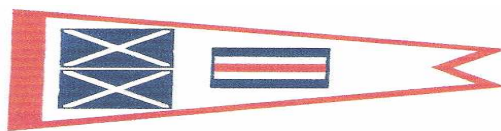
Who keeps me from it. Now we have a guy who plays with a blue flag on his cart (signifies a disabled player), walks to the green very slowly, complains about how badly he is playing and shoots a 62. No, it is not a typo. I said 62. Well, I don't know what the Jersey Boys could do to **Tom Green**. He's had more replacement surgery than a cadaver at Harvard Medical School. They will probably break his blue flag. However, the Jersey Boys have a few names on their list. Be ready guys. They could be tapping you on the shoulder. You have been shooting low and collecting some greenbacks off our guys. They are: **Bob Vassolo 62** twice plus a \$100 winning ticket at the Fall Tournament; **Harry Weathers 64** and of course **"Shoeless Bob Hansen" 65**. Bob recently came to the golf course and forgot his golf shoes. **Vassolo** with all his winnings had several pairs of his golf shoes in the trunk. He let **"Shoeless Bob"** pick a pair. It's a good thing "Shoeless" didn't forget his jock.

GOLF TIP: Turn "Slices" into "Power Fades" Slicing is caused by several things, mostly basics. They are: Grip, swing path, set up and alignment, or a crappy golfer whose uncoachable. Sorry but for the latter I have no answer. First check your grip. The "V's" of your hands should align up and point towards your chin or right eye (right handed). Your swing path should not be an out-to-in swing (across your body) or a casting move. The set up and alignment is very important. Have someone stand behind you on the driving range and have them check your stance and alignment. Your feet could be aiming right (thinking this could keep you from coming across the ball) and your shoulders aiming way left. For a power fade, try setting up with your feet square and your shoulder square. Aim slightly left and swing smoothly with tempo and keeping your balance. Good luck!

GOLF JOKE OF THE MONTH: One day an Irishman, who had been stranded on a deserted island for over 10 years, saw a speck on the horizon. He thought to himself, 'It's certainly not a ship.' As the speck got closer, he began to rule out even the possibilities of a small boat or a raft. Suddenly there strode from the surf a figure clad in a black wet suit. Unzipping the top of the wet suit stood a drop-dead gorgeous blonde! She says to him, "Tell me, how long has it been since you've had a good cigar?" "Ten years," replied Irishman. With that, she reached over and unzipped a waterproof pocket on the left sleeve of her wet suit and pulled out a fresh package of cigars and a lighter. "And how long has it been since you've had a drop of good Bushmills Irish?" "Ten years," replied Irishman. Trembling, the castaway replied, "Ten years." "Hearing that, the blonde reached over to her right sleeve, unzipped a pocket there and removed a flask and handed it to him. He opened the flask and took a long drink." 'Tis the nectar of the gods!" shouted the Irishman. "Tis truly fantastic!!!" At this point the gorgeous blonde started to slowly unzip the long front of her wet suit, right down the middle. She looked at the trembling man and asked, "And how long has it been since you played around?" With tears in his eyes, the Irishman fell to his knees and sobbed, "Oh my goodness! Don't tell me that you've got golf clubs in there, too!"

That's all folks. Hit 'em straight.

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