



the magnolia

June 2002

Get To Know Your Neighbors & Staff

Meet Your Manager - Bob Forgea

Bob comes to us with 24 years of experience in the golf business and has a Marketing & Sales degree. He started his career as a PGA Professional. Before joining Golf Management, Inc., he worked for Doral Golf Management overseeing properties throughout the country responsible for budgets and coordinating efforts with corporate headquarters. Bob joined GMI because of their growth in the golf management field.



Bob was born in Binghamton, NY and is married to Janet, an RN at the Orange Park Medical Center. They have two daughters, Jonna and Rachel, and one son, Jason and grandson, Shane.

Bob is excited about turning Magnolia Point into a first class golf and country club.

From Bob's Desk.....

May was a busy month and I'd like to thank all of you for supporting the club. Watch for more exciting and different events in the coming months.

Changes at the club continue both on the physical side and in personnel. As you can see, the newsletter has a new format and Susan Mitchell is now responsible for producing this – check out the "From the Editor" column.

We are also pleased to announce that Danna Hiler has accepted the position of Membership Director. Danna has an extensive background in this area and we are fortunate to have her join us at Magnolia Point. Look for exciting things to come from Danna in the coming months.

Don't forget your reservations for Father's Day, June 16th. Chef Bill and his staff will have a feast "fit for a king."

The golf course construction is moving right on schedule. The layout of the new holes looks great and I'm sure you are just as anxious as I am to get the holes open. In the next week, as part of our golf course improvement program, you will notice the tee on the new hole #1 will be resodded and hole #3 blue tee. Soon, we will have new 200-150-100 yardage markers and they will be raised up to allow you to see them from a distance.

New pipes are being installed for the use of reclaimed water on the golf course. Once the water is flowing, we will be able to irrigate at any time. With 27 holes (and water always a problem), this will help solve our future watering concerns.

MPLGA Elects New Leaders

Both the 18 Hole Group and the 9 Hole Group of the Ladies Golf Association have installed their new Board of Directors and appointed new chairwomen.

The Ladies 18 Hole Group 2002-03 Board Members:

President..... Marian Zanetti
Vice President..... Carolyn Hickman
Secretary..... Peggy Lewis
Treasurer..... Cary Hanley
Tournament Chairman..... Carole George
Past President..... Carol Sellers

The Ladies 9 Hole Group 2002-03 Board Members:

Chairwoman..... Dot Harmeling
Vice-Chairwoman..... Kathie Cardon
Secretary..... Val Flemming
Treasurer..... Mary Lee Thompson
Tournament Chairwoman..... Geri Isgan



Dot Harmeling (9 Hole Group), Marian Zanetti (18 Hole Group)

Dot and husband John moved here in January 1997 from Hauppauge, Long Island in New York. She is a former guitar teacher and loves music. Dot took up golf in 1998 and after only 3 years is heading the 9-hole group.

One month after Dot moved in, Marian and husband Rennie also relocated to Magnolia Point in February 1997 from Fairfield, New Jersey. Marian has been playing golf for 8 years and also enjoys tennis and is well-known for her needlework.

Good luck to all the ladies who have volunteered to run the Magnolia Point Ladies Golf Association for the 2002-03 season.

Chef Bill Arras.....

Thanks to all our members for joining us during the month of May for our Wednesday/Friday night dinners, Sunday Brunch and, of course, our wonderful Mother's Day Buffet. Looking forward to June, we are preparing more outstanding dishes for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Give Dad a treat on Father's Day!!!
And, don't forget our Friday night specials on June 14, 21 and 28.

Ideas are always welcome!

Happy Hour/Seafood Sizzle \$16.95++ Friday, June 7th

6-7pm Happy Hr/Dinner till 8pm

"Shrimp Tastie"-Fried-Boiled-Scampi
Scallops Saint Jacques
Mussels Meuniere
Blue Crab Boil & Crayfish
Bahamian Conch Chowder
Fresh Corn & New Potatoes
Chilled Fresh Apple Sauce
Creamy Slaw
Pasta Primavera
Complimentary Key Lime Pie

Add a grilled to order Angus Ribeye
Steak for \$2.99

Bar-B-Que Night \$9.95++ Wednesday, June 12th

6:00 - 8:00pm

Danish Baby Back Ribs
Mesquite Chicken
Smoked Beef Brisket
Baked Beans/Creamy Slow
Corn on the Cob
Texas Toast and more

Father's Day Buffet \$16.95++ Sunday, June 16th

11:00am - 2:00pm

"Dad's Favorite" - Steak 'n Eggs
Made to order Omelette Bar
Carved Prime Rib
Fresh Rainbow Trout
Center Cut Pork Chops
Country Style Ham Steak
With All The Yummy Fixings!

Southern Night \$9.95++ Wednesday - June 26th

6:00 - 8:00pm

Chicken & Dumplings
Sauteed Calves Liver, Bacon & Onions
Fresh Fried Catfish - Pot Roast
Collard Greens
Corn Bread and more

From Tee to Green

From Jeff Harris

Upcoming member golf events include:

Wed, Jun 12	Couples 9-hole Mixer and Dinner 4:30 Shotgun \$3.00 for prizes \$9.95++ Dinner
Sat, Jun 15	MGA Scramble Best Ball Tournament & Bar-B-Que 9am Shotgun \$25.00 entry fee
Sat, Jun 29	Buick Scramble 1:00pm Shotgun
Thu, Jul 04	Red, White, Blue/Silver Tournament and Cookout Men, Ladies, Mixed 8:30am Shotgun \$14.95++

For the MGA Scramble Best Ball, members may enter with a partner or the Pro Shop will pair singles. Each 2-man team will be paired by the Pro Shop to form 4-man teams. The two pairs each play a 2-man scramble and the 4-man team score is the best net score of the two pairs on each hole. Each pair will receive a course handicap that is the total of 50% of the lower handicap added to 25% of the higher handicap player, with strokes allocated as they fall on the scorecard. Sign-up now and support your Men's Golf Association!

Magnolia Point will host the First Coast Senior Golf Association on Monday, June 17th with a shotgun start at 8:30am. The course will remain closed for other play on this date.

The Oldsmobile Scramble is now called the "Buick Scramble". There are a few changes in the format. Check with the Pro Shop for details or at our website: www.magnoliapointmember.com.

Make plans now for our July 4th Red, White & Blue/Silver Tournament. Make your own team or be paired by the Pro Shop. Teams may be all men, all ladies or mixed. Check with the Pro Shop for details or go to our website.

Shotgun start is at 8:30am with a festive cook-out following. Entry is \$14.95 (++) and includes prizes and a meal.

See you on the tee!
Jeff Harris, Head Golf Professional

Join The Magnolia Point "HOLE-IN-ONE CLUB"

After each hole in one, all HIO members are charged \$3 on their next statement.

The player making the "hole in one" receives a credit of \$1.00 on their F&B account and a credit of \$1.00 for Pro Shop merchandise from each member of the HIO club, i.e. with 200 HIO club members, the winner receives \$200 for F&B and \$200 for the Pro Shop.

The third dollar will be used for an upscale cocktail party in late November to celebrate our hole-in-ones. Only HIO members with at least 6 months membership are pre-paid for the party. To join, stop by the Pro Shop and fill out a form. To cancel, call Karen in the front office. No payment is needed.

The ace must be made at Magnolia Point with at least two witnesses.

Sign up, take dead aim....and begin to look forward to the November party!

2002 Holes-In-One

Gene Hughson	#14	Jan 25, 2002
Jack Lewis	#6	Feb 8, 2002
Phil Roseberry	#5	May 11, 2002

Kids Corner

Do your kids or grandkids need something to do this summer? Check out what's available for them at the club:

The first of our Summer Junior Golf Clinics will be held Tuesday - Friday, June 18 -21 from 8:30 - 11:00am each day. Class size will be limited and is open to juniors 6 - 16. Cost is \$60 per child. Sign-up in the Golf Pro Shop.

Our Summer Junior Tennis and Swim Camps will run on a weekly basis starting Monday, May 27th (8:30am - 2:30pm each day). All ages and ability levels are welcome. Tennis clinics, games, swimming and lots of fun are included in the cost of \$75.00 per week. All weekly sessions are open. Call Jim Huber at 284-4106 to sign up.

For the swim team and swim lessons, call Karen Done at 291-1621.

“Court Report”.... Jim Huber

Mark your calendars for June's mixed doubles event on Saturday, June 22nd. Cost is \$2.00 per person for drinks and balls. Bring a “potluck”! All members are welcome to participate in this event.

Over the last few weeks, our league play came to a close and many players are looking to the future with optimism. Our expanded facility will allow us to add additional teams and fun events.

We are forming a FCTA Ladies “C” team (matches Tuesday AM) starting in September. We need more players, so if you are a beginner or have a USTA rating of 3.0 or less, you qualify!

Our Ladies “B” team in the FCTA is applying to play in the Interclub League.

For sign-ups or more information, call Jim Huber at the shop - 284-4106.

Remember, tennis is for everyone!!

Development Update

A lot is happening in our community and everyone has questions. We are coordinating with Montgomery Land Company to try to answer as many as possible. Here are a few of the things going on right now:

US17 Signage: The new Magnolia Point “Icon” will be a 24 foot pediment (similar to a lighthouse) on the corner of US17 and Harbor Rd. The land has been cleared, DOT permits obtained and the project is now in the bidding stage. Work will begin in 60+ days.

Harbor Road Signage: The signage at our front entrance was removed and will be replaced by an elaborate, landscaped wall. Work to begin in about 60 days.

Sales Center & Model Home Court: The stables and surrounding fences have been cleared for this purpose. The entrance will be just past the guard house to the left. The lakes, roads and utility installations should be complete in the next 90 days. Construction will then begin on the new sales center and model homes. The model homes will be sold when the development is built out.

Colonial Drive: The work on Colonial Drive (at the end of Clubhouse Dr) is for utilities for 12 large lots along Colonial between the new #1 and the old #2. These lots are for very upscale homes.

Mark Your June Calendar

02...	Sunday Breakfast/Lunch Buffet
06...	Swim Meet Away
07...	Happy Hour Buffet
09...	Sunday Breakfast/Lunch Buffet
12...	Women's Club Meeting 3pm
12...	Wednesday Dinner 6 - 8pm
12...	Couples 9 Hole Golf & Dinner
13...	Swim Meet at Magnolia Point
14...	Friday Dinner 6 - 8pm
15...	MGA Best Ball Scramble/BBQ
16...	Father's Day Buffet 11-2pm
18...	Poolside Party 6-9pm
20...	Swim Meet Away
21...	Friday Dinner 6 - 8pm
21...	Dining Room Closed for Lunch
22...	Tennis Mixed Doubles
23...	Sunday Breakfast/Lunch Buffet
26...	Wednesday Dinner 6-8pm
28...	Friday Dinner 6 - 8pm
29...	Buick Scramble Local Qualifying Tournament -1pm
29...	Swim Meet Away
30...	Sunday Breakfast/Lunch Buffet

Winners Circle

For a complete list, check our website.

MGA Breakfast Tournament - May 11

1st Place Stef Smigiel/Jamie Bellah

Saturday Sweeps - May 4

1st Place Gene Callahan/Gary Register

Pink Ball Ladies 9 Holers - May 2

1st Place Charlotte Beck/Lois Horn
Sandy Riddle/Dot Harmeling

May 9

Ladies 9 Holers - Low Putts

1st Place Diane Limongelli

Mod. Stableford Ladies 18 Holers

1st Place Carol George/Carol Lewis
Margaret Talbot/Pat Burnell

Women's Club Meeting

Wednesday, June 12th at 3:00pm is the date of the next women's club meeting. The program/speaker to be announced.

Prospective members should contact Jackie McCann at 284-3408.

Rules, Rules, Rules

As needed, we will review club rules and violations, such as:

1. No dogs on the golf course!
2. The club is closed on Mondays except the range and during special events. The pool is also closed.

A Note to Non-Members

We hope you enjoy receiving this issue of our the golf and country club newsletter. In January 2002, Golf Management, Inc. took over the management of the club. GMI has many years of golf course and country club experience. We invite you to come and check out our many changes and renovations.

At the beginning of each month, we invite you to pick up a copy of our monthly newsletter at the guard gate.

Be sure to check out our “Projects and Progress” column.

Projects and Progress

We will have a monthly update on all the renovations, “work in progress” and future projects.

Completed projects include:

Renovated Pool and Deck
★ New Marcite Pool Surface
★ Replaced Pool Tile
★ New Pump & Filter System
★ Restored Pool Deck

Dining Room Renovations
★ New Paint

Tennis Courts
★ Three New Clay Courts
★ New Paved Walkways
★ New Covered Area
★ Renovated Landscaping

Future projects include:

New 9-Hole Course opening in the Fall
Renovations to 18-hole course coming
Renovated and expanded “19th Hole”.
New Golf Pro Shop.
Renovated Tennis Pro Shop

Welcome New Members

Mark Arne	Individual Golf
Walt & Pat Tomlinson	Full Golf
Ernest & Michelle Cook	Clubhouse
Linda & Lowell Davis	Social/Pool
Michael & Marie Dooley	Social/Pool
Kathryn Dugger	Social/Pool
Guy & Sandy Fisher	Social/Pool
Robin & Jacqueline Gaddy	Social/Pool
Dale & Kim Hanson	Social/Pool

Water Aerobics

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 3pm. Bring a “noodle”, (2) liter bottles, and your sense of humor. Get some great exercise that's easy on the body.

From Karen Cummings, Controller

Great news! We are upgrading our hardware/software and will be up and running as of June 1st. With the new system, the administration, the restaurant, and the golf shop will all be on the same software and have the same membership information. This means more efficiency and accuracy when it comes to your monthly billing. Please bear with us as we install and learn the new software over the next few weeks.



As a member, you will notice two changes – (1) your restaurant receipts will be smaller in size (like the golf shop) and (2) for events, you will get two tickets (one for golf and one for the dining room).

If you haven't heard, I'm working from home now. Please feel free to contact me at 904-389-0516.

From the Editor's Desk.... Susan Mitchell

We hope you are pleased with the new layout and content of the newsletter. Over the summer months, we will be "tweaking" the layout and content of *"the magnolia"*. Both management and I welcome any suggestions you may have and questions relating to both country club projects and the new development of our community.

You can reach me as follows:

Snail Mail:	1731 Colonial Dr.
Email:	MagPtNews@aol.com
Fax:	529-7227

Magnolia Point Marlins & Guppies

It may still be spring, but summer has arrived at Magnolia Point. With the warm weather, the newly renovated pool opened early and the "Marlins" Swim Team is hard at work!

Coach Karen Done, along with assistant coaches Josh Delk and Jon Cornett, have been working with the kids from 4 to 7pm every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The "Guppies" (ages 6 and under)



The Magnolia Point "Guppies"

practice from 4 to 5pm and the "Marlins" practice - 5 to 7pm. As soon as school lets out, there will be additional practices.



The Magnolia Point "Marlins"

The team still has openings and you don't need to be a member of the club. If you are interested, call Karen Done at 291-1621. Also call Karen if you are interested in swim lessons.

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July 2002

Our Head Golf Pro – Jeff Harris

Jeff is a local boy, born in Jacksonville and raised here in Clay County. He began playing golf at a young age and has spent the last 36 years loving the game! Jeff turned pro in 1983 with a position at the Ravines. In 1984, he moved to Timuquana CC and worked under Bob Duval for 3-1/2 years. Jeff has many fond memories of watching David Duval develop from his teenage years to a PGA touring pro while they practiced and played together at Timuquana.

On the personal side, Jeff is married to Sammie and has a 21 year old son, Ian. Jeff plays the guitar, loves music (almost as much as golf) and even has a recording studio in his home.



Jeff has been our pro for 14 years. His goals for Magnolia Point golf are to continue upgrading the facility, tweak events every year, and generally “improve on what I did last year.” Jeff considers our club a “gem in the rough” and believes (after all the improvements) it will be regarded regionally as one of the finer golf clubs and courses.

A New Face - Dee Hiler

If you have seen a new face around the clubhouse, it's probably Dee Hiler, our new Membership/Marketing Director. Dee's job is to bring in new members, recruit banquet business, add new activities for members to enjoy, and handle member relations and services. Increasing our membership will enable the club to provide a first class experience at a reasonable cost.



Dee comes to us with 14 years of experience as a Membership Director. She previously worked at Marsh Landing, Eagle Harbor, Jacksonville Golf & CC and Fleming Island.

Dee moved to Jacksonville in 1983 from Dayton, Ohio. She is the Mother of 5 grown children and 9 grandchildren.

Stop by Dee's office, introduce yourself and say hello. Her door is always open and she welcomes your ideas, comments and suggestions.

The Dynamic Duo - Our MGA Leaders

Chuck Hanley and Jack Lewis are the co-chairmen of the Men's Golf Association. Both moved here three years ago.

After selling his business in Saratoga, NY, Chuck and wife Cary (a retired 3rd grade teacher) became Magnolia “snow birds”! Chuck started playing golf while in graduate school at the Univ. of Missouri and was quickly hooked. He frequently tries to qualify for USGA State/National events and has finished in the Top 10 in several of NY's Amateur categories. He was also the Low Amateur in the NY Open and is a member of the Edison Club Hall of Fame. His goal this year is to qualify for the US Senior Amateur.

Beyond golf, Chuck and Cary are enjoying their first grandchild (Charlie, born May 12 and already has his first set of golf shoes). Son Kyle (a Director at Disney) and wife Kim recently moved to Orlando from LA.

After deciding to retire early, Jack and Peggy Lewis moved here from Cleveland Ohio. They had lived in Ponte Vedra and knew Magnolia from their friends Ernie and Sandy Flanders. “This just seemed like the right place for us.”

Jack started playing golf in high school and then played a little small college golf. Competitive golf is something Jack still enjoys and feels it helps show him “where and how my game needs to improve.”

Jack and Peggy have two daughters, two grandchildren and two golfing son-in-laws. Reading and good movies occupy their “spare time”.



Chuck Hanley and Jack Lewis

Both Chuck and Jack would like the MGA to be seen as an association that offers events that are fun and challenging, that allows new and old members to meet, and one that offers an opportunity to play the game with all skill levels. They also wish for the MGA to be the conduit to help make golf an even better game at Magnolia.

From The Manager

The May pool party was a huge success. The band played an extra hour to accommodate our “singing” members who put on quite a show. Needless to say, we were all disappointed when the June party was rained out. The next one will be scheduled for August when more members are in town and the band, Sass N Brass, is off their road trip. Watch for the date of the August pool party.

A lot of work is being done on the golf course to make your rounds more enjoyable. The new #1 and the old #3 tees have been resodded. The trees on both of these tees have been cut back to allow for sun and air flow to keep the grass alive. By the time you read this, the new fairway yardage markers should be installed. We will be cutting back some of the teeing surfaces. By making the tee larger, the grass will turn brown for about a week and then return as good as new. Over time, the tee boxes have gotten smaller and we will bring them back to their original size. New hole #2 will have bunker faces next to the green resodded.

In July, the “Birthday of the Month Club” will be introduced. During the month of a member’s birthday, their dinner will be free. What better way to celebrate your special day with family and friends and best of all, a free dinner for you!

With the summer here and many of our members away, we are discontinuing the Sunday breakfast starting in July. We will still serve Sunday Brunch from 11:00 - 2:00. The Sunday Breakfast will return in the fall.

Dee Hiler has started as our new Membership Director. Her job is to bring in new members and help recruit banquet business. If you know of a potential member, give Dee the person’s name and phone number and watch her work her magic!

In an effort to keep the course in good shape, we ask that you do not use the course as a short cut between home and the pro shop. This will reduce the traffic and wear on the grass. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bob Forgea, Club Manager

Tee to Green

Upcoming golf events include:

July 4th Red, White & Blue/Silver Tournament. Make your own foursome or be paired by the Pro Shop. Teams may be all men, all ladies or mixed. The format is the Best Two Balls of Four (men receive 90% handicap, ladies 95% handicap). Men will play 6 holes each from the Red, White and Blue tees while ladies will play 6 holes each from the Red, White and Silver tees. The team will record the best two net scores on each hole. Shotgun start at 8:30am with a festive cook-out following golf. Entry fee of \$14.95 ++ includes prizes/dinner.

MGA members may sign up now for the **MGA Best Two Balls of Four Tournament** on Saturday, July 13th. Enter with an MGA partner or allow the Pro Shop to pair you. The Pro Shop will form teams of 4 players. Both twosomes in the foursome play better ball STABLEFORD SCORING from the white tees. The team will record each twosome’s best ball on each hole and total the two scores for the team score. Breakfast will be served from 7:30am, shotgun start at 9:00am, \$25 per player.

The course will be open for limited play Friday morning, July 26th and closed in the afternoon for the **Clay High School Blue Devil Classic**, a fund raiser for the athletic department. Entries are available at the Pro Shop for those interested in supporting this worthy cause. The shotgun start is at 1:30pm. We will host the final round of the **Clay County Golf Classic** Sunday, July 28th. The course will open for play after 2pm.

A Junior Golf Clinic will be held on July 9 - 12 (Tue-Fri) from 8:30am – 11:00am each day. It is open to juniors ages 6 – 16 and the cost is \$60 per child. You may sign-up in the Pro Shop 269-9315.

Men should mark your calendars now for the **MGA Member-Member** scheduled for August 3 & 4 with a practice round on Friday the 2nd. Sign-up and details at the Pro Shop.

Jeff Harris, Head Golf Professional

The Summer Slowdown!

“Green’s speed” is both controversial and misunderstood. Several factors influence the green’s speed – height of cut, turfgrass

variety, fertility, greens construction, and the environment.

Height of cut (HOC) is the most obvious factor. Winter over seeded greens can be kept at a much lower HOC because the bermuda grass base is dormant and will not be damaged by the lower HOC. We mow as low as .095 for special events (i.e. the member-guest tournament) and at .110 for normal maintenance. During the summer, bermuda will not tolerate these heights when actively growing. It will not only be scalped, but mutations (large yellowish circles) will appear. This is evident now and the HOC has been adjusted at .130.

When originally planted, the bermuda grass on our greens was the best available. Newer cultivars can be maintained at a lower HOC and some newly constructed courses use these. To maintain consistency from green-to-green, it is not practical to use the newer grasses on our new construction.

Fertility is another factor that will influence the speed. The more fertile the greens are, the slower the speed. Examples of this is when the grass is recovering from aerification and during the spring transition from winter to bermuda grass. Inherently, bermuda also has a much higher fertility requirement than winter grass. Thus, slower speeds.

Greens construction also plays a role in speed. A green that drains properly will provide a much better growing medium for the turfgrass. This makes for a healthier, deeper-rooted grass that will better tolerate a lower HOC. “Deep-tine aerification” aids in drainage and root growth. Our greens are deep-tine aerified twice annually.

Environmental factors (i.e. temperature and length of daylight) influence speed because of their effect on the growth of the grass. An actively growing green will be slower than a dormant one. Obviously, the sun and day length, along with warmer temperatures, contribute to the growth rate of the greens.

Hopefully, I have answered some of your questions and concerns. As you can see, it is not as simple as lowering the HOC to provide a faster speed.

Mike Sbarro, Golf Course Supt.

“Good News” From Executive Chef Bill

Beat the heat and the summertime blues of your kitchen! Join us in July for “house specialty” meals.

Lite-n-Healthy cooking is easier than ever before with the chef’s “Healthy Heart” menu – low in fat, salt, sugar, and cholesterol. There will be special soups, salads and entrees as well as special pricing!

Remember – Quick, Delicious and Affordable – now that’s a sound idea!

Reservations are requested.

Fourth of July

Family Pool Buffet **Adults \$6.95++**
11:00 - 3:00pm **Kids \$3.95++**

Dogs, Burgers &
Bar-Be-Que Chicken
Chips, Corn on the Cob
Watermelon

Friday Night Buffets

July 5 & 26
6:00 - 8:00pm

Thursday Night Specials

July 18 & 25
6:00 - 8:00pm

Thursday & Friday Nights will feature an a la carte menu, featuring Blue Plate Specials and the Chef’s du Jour.

July Hors D’oeuvres and **\$9.95++**
Happy Hour
Friday, July 19th***
Happy Hr 6-7pm/Dinner until 8pm

Wings – Poppers – WonTon
Carved Angus Top Round Sandwiches
Shrimp Flambe’ and Pasta

**Note the change in date for July’s
Happy Hour!**

Don’t Forget Lunch!

Lunch is served in the dining room on Tuesday - Friday from 11am - 2pm. Order from the menu or try our buffet. Lunch is also served in the 19th Hole Tuesday through Saturday.

Welcome New Members!

Keith & Teresa Alligood	P/S
Kris & Pat Blackwell	P/S
Kay Bobo	P/S
Ted & Dawyn Boyer	Golf
John Boutwell	P/S
John Breakfield	P/S
Greg & Jan Buchanan	P/S
Joe & Rebecca Cooksey	P/S
Bob & Sandy Gay	P/S
Michael & Rebecca Griffen	P/S
Robert & Anne Hartwig	P/S
Joe & Alice Kerrigan	P/S
David Lichenwalner	P/S
Eddie & Louise McCallon	P/S
Thomas Murphy	Golf
Tom & Becky Neal	Golf
David & Mae Roth	P/S
Bert Shipley	P/S
Lowell & Willette Steely	Golf

Women’s Club Meeting

The next meeting of the women’s club will be held on Wednesday, July 10th at 3:00 in the clubhouse. Guest speaker to be announced.

All club members, residents and property owners are invited to join the club. Call Jackie McCann (284-3408) for more information.

Want the Latest News???

Sign up for club updates on the latest events and happening via email. You can either go to:

www.MagnoliaPointMember.com

and click on “Sign Up for Email” and enter your name and email address. All other information requested is optional. You can also register by sending an email to:

MagPtNews@aol.com

We respect your privacy, so be assured that your email address will NEVER be given out. Nor will we send you any “junk mail”!

Thank you in advance for signing up for club email!!!

Mark Your Calendar

03...	Ladies “Drop In” Tennis
04...	Red, White & Blue/Silver Golf Tournament
04...	July 4 th Family Pool Buffet
05...	Friday Night Buffet
07...	Sunday Brunch
9-12	Junior Golf Clinic
9-11	Junior Tennis Tournament
10...	Ladies “Drop In” Tennis
10...	Women’s Club Meeting
11...	Away Swim Meet
13...	MGA Best Two Balls of Four Golf Tournament
14...	Sunday Brunch
17...	Ladies “Drop In” Tennis
18...	Home Swim Meet at 4pm
18...	Thursday Night A La Carte
19...	Happy Hour & Buffet
20-22	Junior Tennis Tournament
21...	Sunday Brunch
24...	Ladies “Drop In” Tennis
25...	Thursday Night A La Carte
26...	Limited Golf Play (am only)
26...	Friday Night Buffet
26...	Tennis Mixed Doubles
28...	Sunday Brunch
28...	Limited Golf Play (after 2pm)
31...	Ladies “Drop In” Tennis

Kids Corner

Don’t forget the little ones --

Weekly Summer Junior Tennis and Camp includes tennis instruction, swimming, games and more. Call the tennis shop - 284-4106.

The next Summer Junior Golf Clinic will be held July 9 - 12. Call the golf pro shop for more information or to sign up - 269-9315.

Don’t forget to bring the kids to the Fourth of July Poolside Buffet. The bar-be-que will be served from 11am - 3pm. Kids are only \$3.95++.

Swim lessons may be arranged by calling Karen Done at 291-1621

Sunday Brunch

Brunch is served every Sunday from 11:00am - 2:00pm. The Sunday Breakfast has been canceled until fall.

“Court” Report

Summer Tennis and Swim Camps:

Our successful swim/tennis camp will continue throughout the summer. Sessions are on a weekly basis (Monday - Friday from 8:30 - 2:30 pm). Each session includes tennis instruction, swimming, tennis games, and pizza on Fridays. Cost per week is \$75.00.

Ladies' Tennis Teams:

Congratulations to the Ladies B team and team captain Mary Jo Beefelt for their entry into the prestigious interclub league. With 3 new courts and the efforts of the ladies, we were accepted into the league which fields 7 doubles teams. Any player interested in ladies doubles this summer is welcome to join us every Wednesday at 8am. No sign up is necessary and everyone is welcome.

Our Ladies C team has joined the FCTA League with Tuesday matches starting in September. Any player with a USTA rating of 3.0 or less is welcome to join the team.

Junior Sanctioned Tournaments:

We will host two junior tournaments in July (9 - 11 and 20 - 22). Come watch great junior tennis. Don't forget to reserve a court during these busy days.

Remember: Tennis is for Everyone!

July Monthly Mixer: Friday July 26th at 6pm. A “potluck” with a \$2/person fee for drinks and balls. Play will be limited to the first 10 teams entered.

Tennis Tip: Last Ball in Play...

Remember, in a close match, the player who is able to keep the last ball in play will usually prevail. Even if the last ball you hit back in a heated exchange is a weak, non-offensive shot, it is better than missing the ball outright. Going for a winner is risky and low percentage. So, remember, don't be afraid to hit a defensive lob or a counterpunching shot.

For any further information, court

reservations or to sign up for an event or our summer camp, call the tennis shop at 284-4106.

Jim Huber, Head Tennis Pro

Development Update

Here are the only questions submitted along with Montgomery's response:

Guard House: Will it be moved to the front of the property? No, the guard house will stay in its present location.

Harbor Road: Will anything be done to “spruce up” Harbor Road from US 17 to our front entrance? No, but Montgomery will work with the city/county to keep the roadway better maintained.

Country Club Sign at the stop sign at Colonial & Muirfield: The plan is to remove the sign and create a “golf vista” across the golf course.

Monthly Reminders . . .

- Trail fees must be paid whenever you ride in a golf cart on the course. It makes no difference whether the cart is privately-owned or club-owned. Both the driver and the passenger are required to pay trail fees.
- *MPG&CC Policy*

- Residents' garage doors must be kept closed except when in use. - *Magnolia Point Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Easements, and Restrictions*

Temporary Course Ratings

We have a new course rating in effect until the new 9 is officially open. At that time, we will rerate the entire 27 holes.

Men's Blue Tees	Course Rating 72.0 Slope Rating 139
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Men's White Tees	Course Rating 69.8 Slope Rating 128
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Men's Forward Tees (Red Tees)	Course Rating 66.5 Slope Rating 123
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Ladies' Red Tees	Course Rating 71.7 Slope Rating 128
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Ladies' Silver Tees	Course Rating 69.4 Slope Rating 126
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Many thanks to Carolyn Hickman, Carole George, Marian Zanetti and Marie Plourde for their many hours and efforts for performing this temporary rating.

Winner's Circle

9 & 18 Hole Groups

May 16 - Closing Day Scramble

1 st Place	Rosemary Kramss Nancy Nettuno Celia Sohm Margaret Talbot
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June 15 - MGA Best Ball Scramble

1 st Place	Tom Forrest Ron McDivitt Jim Cornelius Mitch Timberlake
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Duplicate Bridge Results

May 23

First Place	Nancy Kominos & Iris McDivitt
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June 13

First Place	Tom & Joanne Montzka
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9-Hole Ladies Ringer Tournament Final Results

First Flight

- Front Nine: Leslie Gulick
- Back Nine: Erin Love
- Eighteen: Marilyn Kessler

Second Flight

- Front Nine: Donna Laycock
- Back Nine: Donna Laycock & Marilyn Maloney
- Eighteen: Donna Laycock

Third Flight

- Front Nine: Coral Nettuno
- Back Nine: Coral Nettuno
- Eighteen: Coral Nettuno

Hole In One

Bob Harmon
Hole #5 (old #2)

From The Editor

Many thanks for your compliments on the June newsletter. We are always open to suggestions, comments, and questions.

I can be reached as follows:

Email:	MagPtNews@aol.com
Fax:	529-7227
Mail:	1731 Colonial Drive

Many Thanks To The Rileys

Under the guidance of Jeff Harris, Mike Sbarro and with final approval by McCumber Golf, Toby and Marguerite Riley along with Harold Mitchell have undertaken the job of planting new trees on the golf course. The cost of planting is being underwritten by Van Royal. When placing the trees, the Rileys are taking into account the concerns of property owners who live on the course and do not want their views obstructed. Toby has worked on this project for the past five years.



In addition to the planting, the Rileys can be seen around the course mulching and watering the new trees. If you see any trees lose some or all of their foliage, this is a natural occurrence. Some trees might be lost in the transition, but most should survive. Thanks to the MGA for donating over \$200 worth of mulch.

Exercise Made Fun and Easy

Although she claims to be strictly an amateur, Caryl Marshall has been leading the water aerobics class here for over ten years. The members meet every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 3pm at the pool. The only equipment needed is two empty one liter plastic bottles and a "noodle". Water aerobics is an easy way to exercise with little stress on the body.

The routine includes 10 minutes of water walking (includes arm exercises); at the side of the pool in chest deep water, 20 minutes of leg and back stretching. Then, they head to the deep end and with noodles for support, do 15 minutes of bopping around to music. Following this, there is a 5 minute slow down in the shallow water. If you hear laughter around the pool in the afternoon, it is probably the aerobics group!



Water is a forgiving medium reducing joint compression. Benefits include strength and flexibility. It is designed to improve cardiovascular fitness, burn calories and increase your endurance.

If you are interested in joining (and it's not limited to women), just come out. You may also contact Caryl by phone (284-8760) or email (CandAMars@aol.com).

Caryl and the class participants send "many thanks to Bob Forgea and his staff for the gorgeous condition of the pool. We are so pleased to see clear, sparkling water and the neat appearance of the pool area." Caryl also complimented our new lifeguard, Calvin

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A Familiar Face - Our Course "Super"!

For years, I have passed Mike Sbarro on our roads not knowing his name or job. We always wave hello, but it was only recently that I met our "Golf Course Superintendent".

If you don't already know it, a golf course superintendent is really a "jack-of-all-trades." He is part scientist, environmentalist, horticulturist, personnel manager, instructor, meteorologist and accountant. Course conditions depend on so many factors, some can be controlled, and others cannot. And working with Mother Nature is a constant challenge.



Mike Sbarro

On a personal note, Mike is from Mars, Pa. and moved to Florida in 1984. He has an Associate of Science Degree in Golf Course Operations from Lake City Community College, well known for their golf course program. Mike has been at Magnolia Point since 1992. Prior to that, he worked at various courses around Jacksonville and for the Arnold Palmer Golf Management Company. Check out Mike's column each month as he tries to educate us on "golf course management".

Ladies 9-Hole Champion - Leslie Gulick

Meet Leslie Gulick - this year's Ladies 9-Hole Champion! Leslie recently retired from a 40-year career as a registered nurse, but her avocation was sports.

Although her college sports were restricted to stethoscope, scalpel, and needle, she was voted most-athletic in high school, where her varsity sports included basketball, volleyball, tennis (she was the So. Florida doubles champ), and fast-pitch softball

as a pitcher. On that note, she taught her younger brother how to throw, and he went on to pitch for the Baltimore Orioles. Leslie is also an outstanding bowler, having won more than 40 bowling trophies in the Jacksonville area.

Ten years ago her husband, Roy, persuaded her to add golf to her repertoire, and she became serious about it when they moved to Magnolia Point in 1995. She



Leslie Gulick

plays regularly with the 9-hole ladies group and runs their season-long Ringers Tournament. Leslie's enjoying tennis again, too.

Most Improved Lady Golfers

The Ladies Golf Association (both the 9-Hole and 18-Hole Group) presented awards at their year-end luncheons.

The "Most Improved" golfers from each group were Rhonda Gaskamp (9-Hole) and Karla Petraglia (18-Hole).

Both Rhonda and Karla are relative newcomers to Magnolia Point!

Rhonda is from Kansas City, Mo. and came here via Los Angeles, CA., Houston, TX and Atlanta, GA. She moved to Magnolia Pt. with husband, Jim when he transferred to Jacksonville in May 1999.



Rhonda Gaskamp and Karla Petraglia

Rhonda has only been playing golf since last September when she retired from American Express. She will "officially" retire on August 14, 2002. Rhonda and Jim enjoy both water and snow skiing and are avid boaters with a keen interest in all water sports.

Karla hails from Rochester, NY and moved to Magnolia Point with husband, David, as most of his family is in the State of Florida. Lucky for us, Jacksonville was as far south as Karla wanted to live as she enjoys the change of seasons.

Although Karla has been playing golf for eight years, this past year was her first full season. Living in upstate New York only allowed for playing golf three to four months a year. When not playing golf, Karla enjoys painting and cross stitch as well as caring for Teo (an African gray parrot) and two kitties.

Other 9-Hole Ladies to receive awards included "Birdie Pins" to Barbara Syzmanski (#3), Marilyn Maloney (#14) and Helen Wagner (#11). Marilyn Kessler was the winner of the "Putting Contest".

Other 18-Hole Ladies Awards included:

Putting Contest	Iris McDivitt
Ace of Aces	Mary Jo Beefelt
Partners Better Ball Match Play	Ann Burden/Donna Hirsch

Members breaking 100:

Hyun Coffman	97 on 11/29/01
Pat Mills	92 on 12/11/01
Karla Petraglia	94 on 04/11/02
Gloria Lucas	99 on 03-07-02

Members breaking 90:

Laura Branch	90 on 11/30/01
Maddy Harmeling	88 on 11-29-01

Most Chip In's - 7

Participation Award - 27	Phyllis Boyd
Special Award for Eagle on #8	Mary Jo Beefelt
Special Appreciation Award	Cindy McManamon
	Mary Burnside

Tee To Green

Golf in the Florida summer heat can take its toll on players in more ways than one. You should be well hydrated, a process that should begin as early as the evening before a round in the oppressive heat common this time of year. If you begin a round even slightly dehydrated, chances are you won't be able to drink enough fluids during the round to catch up and replenish the necessary fluids lost due to heavy perspiration. As a result, your muscles are less elastic, which leads to poor flexibility and loss of coordination. This is also a prime condition for injury since you're more likely to force movements from a restricted range of motion. It's always a good idea to spend five to ten minutes doing some light stretching before a round to get your muscles and joints 'warmed up' and ready for the swing motion. The hot weather can give players a false sense of looseness and flexibility.

I've noticed that the summer heat can also cause players to become impatient and irritable, sometimes making poor course management decisions. This really becomes a factor when having to wait on a slow group! If there's ever a time to play 'ready golf', the summer is it. The game is more enjoyable when played in 4 hours or less, particularly in the heat.

Tips for picking up the pace are mostly common sense and include being prepared to play when it's your turn. In stroke play, one player can play when another is away, so long as everyone is aware that a stroke is being played and no one is in danger of being hit. When reaching the proximity of the green, you can let one player off to chip or putt while the other parks the cart on the path to the side or behind the green. In a group of four, two players can be playing while both carts are being parked. This can save a couple of minutes each hole. When reaching the tee of a hole, the player with the honor should play right away and score keeping or getting a drink should be done while someone else is playing a stroke. Remember, the key to enjoyable golf in the summer heat is keep it moving!

Jeff Harris, Golf Professional

Upcoming Golf Events:

MGA Member-Member - Sat/Sun - Aug 3/4

Both Rounds - 8:30am Shotgun Start. BBQ lunch following Saturday's round. Friday, Aug. 2nd - Optional Practice Round Event - 1pm Shotgun

Format: Four Ball Stroke Play (Better Ball of Partners) flighted by the combined handicaps of partners. Partners are allowed a maximum of 12 stroke differential in course handicaps or higher handicap will be adjusted. One Low Gross Team award and several Net Team Awards. Entry \$25 per player.

Labor Day Flag Tournament - Mon Sept. 2nd

9:00 Shotgun Start. Make your own foursome. Individual stroke play format: Add your handicap to par (72) to establish your score quota. The object is to finish 18 holes with strokes remaining, playing out the remainder of your strokes beginning on hole #1. You place your flag where your last shot comes to rest. The person farthest around the course wins. Mens and Ladies divisions. Poolside Luncheon Buffet included.

"It's Not As Easy As It Looks!"

Weeds in turfgrass are one of the biggest challenges faced by the golf course superintendent. They are the most visible problem and one of the most difficult to control. It is very easy to see a weed and say, "why doesn't he spray this?" I just wish it were that easy!

There are three basic types of weeds: grassy, broadleaf, and sedges. There are no magic potions to control all of them. What kills one, may not kill another. To complicate matters, it usually takes more than one herbicide application to kill them. Most weeks require a "follow-up" in 7 - 10 days from the initial treatment.

There are two types of herbicides: selective and non-selective. Selective herbicides effect weeds without killing desirable species. Non-selective (such as RoundUp) kill whatever they are applied to.

I use a combination of two herbicides that I have found through experience offers the broadest spectrum of control. This combination will cause a temporary discoloration to the bermuda grass. This is similar to chemotherapy for cancer patients - sometimes the treatment makes the patient (turfgrass) ill as it kills the cancer (weeds). This discoloration will disappear in a few days. We try to spray a few holes at a time because if you miss the follow-up treatment, you are back to square one!

Spraying must also be coordinated with mowing. Weeds must be mowed first. Rainfall can also undo a lot of work should it rain before the chemicals have had sufficient drying time. This can make the treatment ineffective.

So, the next time you ask, "why doesn't he spray this?" remember, "it's not as easy as it looks!"

Mike Sbarro, Golf Course Superintendent

Chef Bill's Corner

August Should Be Spelled "HOT"

So, let's cool off with chilled soup and salad 'n sandwich combos at a sizzling luncheon price of \$5.00! Featured will be ice cold gazpacho with crabmeat and fresh fruit postage. You have a choice of salad or 1/2 sandwich of the day.

Many thanks to all who joined us for the 4th of July cookout - it was a blast! We will do the same on Labor Day with a poolside luncheon buffet featuring ribs, chicken, burgers 'n dogs. And yes, potato salad, slaw and pasta salad. The price will be \$7.95++ for adults and \$3.95++ for kids.

I have lots of "good eats" planned for dinner this month. We will be open every Thursday and Friday night plus a special on Wed., August 14th. Beat the traffic and heat -- dine with us!

Our "Special Night" Menus include:

Friday, August 9th -- 6 - 9pm **\$10.95++**
Poolside Southern Style Fish Fry
 (Grilled Chicken available)
 Hush Puppies - Creamy Cole Slaw
 Corn on the Cob - Bliss Potato Salad
 Corn Bread
 Ice Cream and Key Lime Pie

Wednesday, August 14th -- 5:30-8:00pm **Adults - \$6.95++**
Spaghetti Nite Buffet **Kids - \$3.95++**
 White Clam & Marinara Sauce
 Homemade Meatballs
 Garden Salad - Garlic Bread
 Carrot Cake

Friday, August 16th - 6:00-8:00pm **\$19.95++**
Happy Hour/Surf-n-Turf Buffet
 Happy Hour 6-7pm/Dinner 6-8pm
 Carved Angus Steamship Round
 w/Brandy-Horseradish or natural au jus
 Flambe' Shrimp Scampi
 Caesar Salad and Russet Potato Bar

Thursday/Friday Night Menus Include:

All You Can Eat Soup & Caesar Salad Bar (included with all entrees)

Grilled or Blackened Shrimp, Chicken or Fish Du Jour
 Beef Tenderloin Tips Bourguignonne
 Saute' Shrimp Scampi
 Chicken Julienne Alfredo
 Grilled or Blackened Fish Du Jour or Atlantic White Shrimp
 w/Black Beans/Rice
 Steak Du Jour or Chicken Breast Topped w/Fresh Tomato/Lime Salsa
 Magnolia Fish & Chips - Fried Grouper w/Fried Potato Chips
 Filet Mignon Tornadoes of Beef w/Sauce Diane
 Plus Nightly Specials

Iced Tea, Soda or Coffee \$1.50 with unlimited refills

Mark Your August Calendar . . .

01 Thursday Night Dinner, 6-8pm
 02 Friday Night Dinner, 6-8pm
 02 MGA Member/Member Optional Practice Rd, 1pm
 03 MGA Member/Member Golf Tourney, 8:30am
 04 MGA Member/Member Golf Tourney, 8:30am
 04 Sunday Brunch, 11-2pm
 07 Ladies Drop-In Tennis, 8am
 08 Thursday Night Dinner, 6-8pm
 09 Friday Night Poolside Buffet with Music, 6-9pm
 10 Tennis Adult Mixer, 8:30am
 11 Sunday Brunch, 11-2pm
 14 Ladies Drop-In Tennis, 8am
 14 Women's Club Luncheon, 12-2pm
 14 Spaghetti Night Buffet, 5:30-8pm
 15 Thursday Night Dinner, 6-8pm
 16 Friday Night Happy Hr & Dinner, 6-8pm
 18 Sunday Brunch, 11-2pm
 21 Ladies Drop-In Tennis, 8am
 22 Thursday Night Dinner, 6-8pm
 23 Friday Night Dinner, 6-8pm
 25 Sunday Brunch, 11-2pm
 28 Ladies Drop-Tennis, 8am
 29 Thursday Night Dinner, 6-8pm
 30 Friday Night Dinner, 6-8pm

Welcome New Members!

J. C. & Shirley Bennett Clubhouse
 Anthony Larry (15)
 Arnold Dunham & Deborah Forrester Tennis
 Cory Dunham (15)
 Sonny & Debbie Firth Pool/Social
 Douglas (13), Joy (19)
 George & Kaye Frye Tennis
 John & Jodie Graves Pool/Social
 Mike & Carol Hallam Clubhouse
 Chris (21)
 Charlie & Deborah Jones Pool/Social
 Charlotte Jones (13), Erica Laird (19)
 Joey & Sherrill Thigpen Golf

Don't Forget Lunch!

Lunch is served in the dining room on Tuesday - Friday from 11am - 2pm. Order one of Chef Bill's specials from the menu or try the buffet. Lunch is also served in the 19th Hole Tuesday through Sunday.

Sunday Brunch

Brunch is served every Sunday from 11:00am - 2:00pm.

Dinner Reservations Requested, But Not Needed!

“Winners Circle”

Hole In One
Evans McCann
#14
173 yds - 6 Iron
16 July 02

July 4th Mixed Golf Tournament
1st Place Danny Hamilton
Team Stef Smigiel
Bill Walker, Sr.
Gary Register

July 13th MGA Tournament
1st Place Oscar Vargas
Team Evans McCann
Van Royal
Mel Bryan

Duplicate Bridge
Results from June 13
1st Place Tom and Joanne Montzka

Results from July 11
1st Place Mary Jakeman/Jack Hickman

Women's Club Meeting

A luncheon at the clubhouse on Wed., August 14th from noon - 2:00pm will replace the monthly meeting. Chef Bill will be serving his “signature” trio salad. \$12.20 includes tea/coffee and a fruit muffin as well as tax and tip.

Make your reservation by dropping your check in the envelope at Gisela Ferrell's home, 3683 St. Andrews Ct.

Duplicate Bridge

For the month of August, the Duplicate Bridge League *passes*. Bidding resumes on Thursday, September 12.

Check the September newsletter for information on all the bridge groups playing at the club.

In the meantime, if want to play next month or need further information, call Jim Smith, Duplicate Bridge Director, at 284-2246.

Speed Limit - 25 MPH

News From Accounting

There are many questions regarding the Orlando address on your pink envelopes. The reason: we use a bank “lockbox” to deposit our funds. Your payment goes to a post office box that is opened and deposited by our bank. They send us a copy of your check for us to post to your account. This saves time and money! You are more than welcome to drop your payment at the administration building.

The first month of changing to a new computer system went as expected. We did have problems, but are sorting them out. Please bear with us. If you and your spouse are avid golfers, you received two June statements. This was to keep your “tournament earnings” separate. We call these earnings a “credit book”. If you received two statements, but would prefer a single one, let me know, we may be able to change it back.

Are you trying to load up on the frequent flyer air miles? Many of us are! If you prefer to pay your monthly statement by credit card, we have a solution for you. With your next statement, a form will be enclosed that will allow your credit card to automatically be charged on the 5th of each month. You will still receive a statement. This form must be completed, signed and returned to our office – verbal requests cannot be taken. If there are any adjustments to be made to your statement, they will be reflected on the next month. Turn your forms in before August 31, in time for the August billing.

As always, if you should have any questions, please feel free to call me at 904-389-0516.

Karen Cummings, Controller

Congratulations to Evans McCann

Evans McCann hit a “hole in one” on #14 with a 6-iron (173 yards) on Tuesday, July 16, 2002.

“Hole In One” Club Party

The date has been set - the “Hole In One Club” party will be held on Friday night, November 22nd.

All HIO club members of record as of July 1, 2002 are invited to attend the party – at no cost! Guests of club members will pay a fee to attend.

The menu and guest fees will be announced at a later date.

Plans are to make this a “must” social event at Magnolia Point!

If you are not a member of the Hole In One Club, you can join by signing up at the Golf Pro Shop and be an “invited” guest for next year's event. The cost to join is a fee of \$3.00 each time a member makes a verified hole in one on our course.

Frequent Dinner Cards Available

Dee Hiler, Membership Director, has your “Frequent Dinner Card”. After you have nine (9) dinners at the club, your 10th will be free. Couples may share one card to fill it up faster!

If you attended the Happy Hour and Dinner on Friday night, July 19th, you received your card with your tab.

Pick up your card today!! Dee's office is opposite the golf pro shop.

August Birthday???

Don't forget, the club's “Birthday of the Month” offer.

If a member has dinner at the club during the month of his/her birthday, their dinner will be free. Don't forget to tell your server!

Water Aerobics

Water aerobics continue every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 3pm at the pool.

"Court Report"

Summer Tennis and Swim Camps: Our successful swim/tennis camp will continue through August. Sessions are on a weekly basis (Monday-Friday from 8:30 - 2:30pm) . Each session includes tennis instruction, swimming, tennis games, and pizza on Fridays. Cost per week is \$75.00.

August Monthly Mixer: Saturday, Aug. 10th at 8:30 am. A "potluck" for a \$2/person fee (for drinks and balls.) Play will be limited to 10 teams. Lets get involved.

Summer Tennis: In spite of the hot weather, positive things have been happening at the tennis courts. The Men's Senior League has been very active on Tues/Thurs mornings and their Friday league matches have been well attended. Our ladies pick up practice on Wednesdays at 8:00am have consistently had 12-16 ladies. Our Junior camps and tournaments have had a large number of participants in the months of June and July.

Doubles Tennis Tip: Remember, when playing doubles - less is better. Since doubles is played at the net, there is less time to react and get into position. Try to shorten your strokes to improve your winning percentage. This strategy applies to volleys, half volleys, and approach shots.

For further information , court reservations, or to sign up for an event or summer camp, call the tennis shop at 284-4106.

Jim Huber, Head Tennis Pro

Development Update?

Our "connection" at Montgomery Land is on vacation, so we have no update this month. You have probably noticed more machine work has been performed at the corner of Harbor Road and US 17. Perhaps work will begin shortly on our new "icon". Look for new updates in the September issue.

Contact your editor if you have any questions on the new development!

Monthly Reminders

- Golf course tee times may be made one week in advance.
- MPG&CC Policy
- All of our golf holes, regular and practice, are closed on Monday for maintenance.
- MPG&CC Policy
- Golfers must register their private golf carts. Privately-owned golf carts may not be used on the golf course unless they display a valid registration sticker.
- MPG&CC Policy
- Privately-owned golf carts driven on our streets require both liability insurance and a licensed driver.
- MPG&CC Policy

From The Club Manager

The rains have finally arrived! With the course is so wet, please avoid driving down the middle of the fairways and obey the cart signs. The tees on the new #1 and the old #3 are just about ready to open for play. From a playing standpoint, this will make a big difference on hole #1.

Mark your calendar for Friday night, August 9th for another Poolside Dinner. The band, Sass N Brass, will be back by popular demand!

Don't forget to pick up your Frequent Dinner Card from Dee in the membership office. You ask what the card is: you pay for nine dinners and the tenth one is FREE. That's right, FREE! When you fill your card, stop by and pick up another. It's our way of saying "thank you" for using the club.

The construction on the new holes is moving right along. Cart paths are being laid down and the shaping of some holes is finished. We will be grassing several holes in the coming weeks, so please stay off these new holes. It will allow for better coverage if no one walks on the new grass.

In the coming week, locks will be installed on the course restroom doors in an effort to keep them cleaner and to stop the vandalism. Stop by the pro shop to pick up your key.

With the heat of summer, don't forget to drink plenty of fluids and what better way to do this than to support your beverage cart girls! The cart has a wide range of drinks and snacks for your convenience.

We hope all our out-of-town members are having a great summer – we can't wait for you to return.

Bob Forgea, Club Manager

Women's Club Membership Drive

The Magnolia Point Women's Club membership drive continues during the month of August. The club is open to all residents, country club members and property owners at Magnolia Point. The ladies meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the clubhouse. Dues are only \$10.00 per year.

For further information, call Jackie McCann at 284-3408.

Voter Registration Update

The deadline to register is Monday, August 12th, to be eligible to vote in the Primary Election on September 10, 2002.

According to the County Line section of the Times-Union, registered voters of Magnolia Point will be voting at MPG&CC rather than at the Magnolia Layne Shopping Center.

New voter registration cards will be mailed soon.

From the Editor

The changes to the member website have been delayed. The original developer of the site cannot be reached and he is the only one with the "password" to make changes to the design. In the meantime, you can still register your email address to receive weekly updates, menus, etc. from the club.

If you prefer, just send me an email at MagPtNews@aol.com and include your name and email address. Don't be left out of the loop – let us keep you informed of what's going on!

If you have any suggestions (including ideas for articles), please contact me as follows:

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By Fax: 904-529-7227
By Mail: 1731 Colonial Drive

Many thanks for all your support!

Susan Mitchell, Editor

Support Madylen's Flowers

Joe Russo, owner of Madylen's, is providing complimentary flowers to decorate our clubhouse. Madylen's, a local Green Cove business, is a full service flower shop including Teleflora for out-of-town deliveries.

August 9th Poolside Dinner & Music



Karaoke Singers at May 21 Poolside Dinner

If you missed the May 21st poolside dinner, you missed a great time! Great food - music - dancing - karaoke singing!

The event will take place again on August 9th with music by Sass 'N Brass. Bring your favorite song title as they have a repertoire of over 500 songs.

Check Chef Bill's column for the menu. Cost is only \$10.95++ and \$1.00 drafts! The event is open to not only members, but all residents of Magnolia Point. Look in the clubhouse for the poster of all the photos from the May 21st party.

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Jim Huber - Head Tennis Professional

We are lucky to have Jim Huber as our tennis pro as he has a very strong background in the sport. He was born and raised in South Bend, Indiana and took up tennis at an early age. As a junior player, he was ranked and active in the Mid-Western National Tournaments. Jim's college tennis was highlighted by his No. 1 position at Taylor University in central Indiana. He compiled an overall record of 45-5 and was a consistent top national finisher. Jim received All Conference and All District honors and won numerous college tournaments representing Taylor.



Jim Huber, Tennis Pro

After graduating from Taylor with a BS degree, Jim directed tennis programs in New Orleans, Orange Park and Jacksonville. He then came to Magnolia Point in January 1987. Jim has also coached the Clay High School boys tennis team for the past 12 years and was named the 2001-02 Conference Coach of the Year.

Jim married his wife, Nina, in 1993. Nina is a life-long resident of the Jacksonville area and serves as a Judicial Assistant for the Duval County courts.

With the addition of three more tennis courts (for a total of 7), Jim looks forward to expanding the tennis program. He now has four teams playing league tennis as well as a junior program.

Men's Tennis League Begins in October

There are two men's tennis teams and both are looking for additional players. The teams play in the Jacksonville Senior Men's Tennis League and with matches played on Friday mornings starting in October. Marcel Beauregard is the captain of the Red Team (C division) and Jack Bartow is co-captain. Mike Williamson is the captain of the White Team (B division) with Ray Jenner as co-captain.

Both teams are still looking for a "few good men"! If you are interested in playing on either team, contact Jim Huber at the tennis shop or either captain.

Ladies Leagues Start in September

There will be two ladies teams playing league tennis this coming season - an Interclub B2 team and an FCTA "C" team.

New member, Roxanne Assar, is the "C" team captain with matches played on Tuesday mornings beginning September 10th. Mary Jo Beefelt is the "B" team captain with Lisa Hurt as co-captain. Matches are played on Wednesday mornings starting on September 4th.

If any ladies are interested in playing league tennis, there are openings on both teams.

Ladies Year End Tennis Awards

This past season, the Ladies B team finished just a few points out of second place. At a year-end gathering, Captain Susan Mitchell handed out both team and individual awards.

The doubles team of Judy Williamson and Marian Zanetti received the "No. 1 Doubles Team Award" for an undefeated season. The team of Hyun Coffman and Ada Mennuti received the runner-up award for finishing in second place with a 11-1 match record. Individual awards went to Hyun for winning 92% of her matches during the year and Sandy Flanders for winning 88% of her matches.



Back Row: Marian Zanetti and partner, Judy Williamson
Front Row: Ada Mennuti and partner, Hyun Coffman

It's no wonder these two doubles teams won so many matches this past season - they have a total of 96 years of playing experience between them!

Tee to Green

September golf events include our popular Labor Day Flag Tournament on Monday the 2nd. You can make your own foursome or the Pro Shop will pair you. The format for this event is individual stroke play with a twist. Instead of deducting your handicap from your gross score, you add your course handicap to the par for the course (72) which gives you a stroke quota. When you've played your last stroke, you'll plant your flag in the ground where your ball comes to rest. The object is to play as many holes as possible. With any luck you'll have some strokes left to play after completing 18 holes, and if you do you'll proceed to hole #1 and try to advance as far as you can. We'll have separate divisions for ladies and men as well as proximity prizes on the course. The event will shotgun at 9:00am and will be followed by a poolside cookout. The \$20 entry fee includes prizes and cookout.

The Men's Golf Association is holding a Breakfast Tournament Saturday, September 14th with breakfast served from 7:30am and a shotgun start at 9:00am. The format is a two-man team SIX-SIX-SIX. Six holes will be played at Better Ball of Partners, six holes played in a 2-man scramble and six holes in a Chapman format. All play will be from white tees with one low gross award and several net awards. The \$25 entry fee includes all prizes and breakfast.

Need some help with your short game? Sign-up for our Short Game Clinic Saturday, September 21st from 9:30am – 11:30am. We'll cover fundamentals of putting, chipping, pitching and sand play as well as tips on playing trouble shots from rough and poor lies. Cost for the 2-hr clinic is \$20.

Golf Tip... A great way to improve the balance in your swing is a simple yet effective drill that you can do indoors without a ball, that is if you have high ceilings!! Take a middle iron from your set and make multiple practice swings with your eyes CLOSED. Concentrate on feeling your swing from the ground up, that is to say you should become aware of the back swing pivot on the back leg (right leg for right-handed player) and the follow through motion around the left leg. Hold your finish for a moment with your weight solidly balanced on your left leg and your chest facing a point well left of your imaginary target.

Jeff Harris, PGA Golf Professional

Ladies Golf Association

The Ladies Opening Scramble is scheduled for Thursday, September 5th with a 9:00am shotgun start. Members of the LGA 18-hole and 9-hole groups will be teamed together in ABCD pairings for this season opener.

Congratulations to all the members of the "Ladies Summer Golf Team." Summer team play has been a big success and Magnolia's team qualified for the finals by placing first in their area which included six teams. Success continued with a WIN in the first play-off match, but unfortunately the team lost by one stroke in the semi-final. Again, congratulations to all the ladies who participated.

From the General Manager

If you missed the August pool party, you have one more chance to join the fun on October 4th. Come join your friends and neighbors sing and dance the night away!

With the season fast approaching, please make reservations for all dinners and events. Try to make them as early as possible so we can plan the food and staff to better serve you.

Grass has been planted on the of the new golf holes. If you go out and look, please stay on the cart path at all times. The sprinkler system is set to come on often during the day and night. The pressure from these sprinkler heads can cause you great harm, so please be careful. If all goes well, we hope to be playing on these two holes by November.

If your company or business is looking for a place to hold their company Christmas Party, why not suggest our club. There are still some good dates open, but they are filling up fast.

To all our northern members, welcome home!

Bob Forgea, General Manager

Golf Course Restrooms

Don't forget your key to the restrooms before you tee off. And, ***please be sure the doors are locked after their use.*** Workers have gained access to the restrooms because the locks were not secured.

Tennis "Court Report"

Ladies Teams: The ladies are very enthusiastic about the upcoming league season. We have successfully added an FCTA C team and the B team has been accepted into the Interclub League. Matches for both teams will begin in early September.

Mens B Practice: Our men's "B" team practices every Thursday evening at 6:30pm. The practice is informal and all players with a USTA rating of 3.0 or higher are welcome.

Junior Tennis Clinics: After school tennis clinics for the kids will begin in the next couple of weeks.

Tennis Tip: If you want to win at tennis, the key is to watch the ball. This simple concept is often ignored by club level players. Focusing on the ball will result in a better centered hit and, consequently, a better shot. It also requires less effort to hit a ball that is in the so-called "sweet spot" of the racket.

Monthly Mixer: This month's mixer will be on Sunday, September 22nd at 5pm. The cost is \$2.00 per person to cover drinks and balls. This is a potluck event and all players are welcome. Sign up will be limited to the first eight teams.

If you have any questions, call me at 284-4106.

Jim Huber, Head Tennis Professional

Beginner Yoga Classes

Beginner Yoga classes will start Monday, September 9th. Find out why the ancient practice of Yoga has become the hottest fitness news. Practitioners include golfers Annika Sorenstam and Jesper Parnevik to senior citizens.

This class will be aimed at those who have never practiced Yoga and will start with gentle stretching and breathing exercises. Classes start on Monday, Sept. 9th from 8 - 9 AM in the clubhouse dining room. Bring a towel and a belt or tie. Wear comfortable clothes and don't eat at least an hour before class. Give it a try!

Intermediate Yoga classes will be held every Wednesday morning from 8 - 9:30am starting on Sept. 11th in the clubhouse. If you have any questions, contact Ann Burden at 529-7155.

Bridge at Magnolia Point

The new bridge season begins in September with three different groups meeting to play cards.

Duplicate Bridge League

The Magnolia Point Duplicate Bridge League plays at the clubhouse on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 7 PM. The fall season begins on September 12. To join in the fun and bidding, contact Jim Smith at 284-2246 or Roy Gulick at 284-2296.

Couples Social Bridge

Couples Social Bridge starts on Thursday, September 5th in the clubhouse at 7:00pm Sharp. This group plays on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. Players take turns each month in organizing the play. For the month of September, couples should reserve their place by phoning Lamar or Janet Meadows at 284-6108 prior to 4:00pm on September 3rd. Check your newsletter or Channel 62 each month to see who is in charge.

Ladies Monday Bridge

On the last Monday of each month, two ladies host a bridge party at the clubhouse. They provide coffee and water/tea--also breakfast treats/dessert bars. Players bring a bag lunch. Play is from 10am to about 2pm. The next Monday bridge date is September 30th. Each month the "hostess" job rotates. If you have questions, call the "General Know It All" Caryl Marshall at 284-8760.

Welcome New Members.

Charles and Marian Franson Clubhouse
Tim and Cindy McLane Tennis

Montgomery Update

Boat Storage: The boat storage area is closed to any new entries and the entire area will be eliminated in 24 - 36 months.

US 17 Signage: Work is beginning on the signage fronting on US 17 and Montgomery anticipates completion within 90 days.

Harbor Road Signage: The front entrance sign and wall will be constructed in conjunction with the US 17 icon.

Model Home Court: The model home court is ready for model home construction.

Monthly Reminders

- The Club's golf, tennis, swimming, and clubhouse facilities are for the exclusive use of dues-paying members and their guests. Residents who are not members of the club are denied the use of any of the club's facilities at any time, including practice golf holes and driving range. If those residents want to use the club's facilities, then they should become a member.
- MPG&CC Charter
- You must have a daily registration ticket to play the golf course, including our practice holes. Our golf marshals are empowered to enforce this. Before proceeding to the first tee, you must check in at the Pro Shop.
- MPG&CC Policy

- Men must wear collared shirts on the golf course and in the club house.
- MPG&CC Dress Code
- Men should remove their caps in the main dining room of the clubhouse.
- MPG&CC Dress Code

Membership Directory

In the next few months, we will be publishing a Membership Directory to include all members. Your September statement will contain a survey requesting information to be included in this directory. If you do not want any more than your name and address published, be sure to mark the appropriate boxes on the survey sheet.

The directory will be distributed to all members and will include your name, spouse, address, home phone, business phone and your email address. The additional information requested, i.e. your birthday, children's names and ages, will be used strictly in our new member "point of sale system" for use by the Club only.

Don't forget to stop by my office if you haven't picked up your frequent dinner card. After you have nine (9) dinners at the club, your 10th will be free. Couples may share one card to fill it up faster!

Dee Hiler, Membership Director

Chef Bill's Corner . . Cooking in Sept!

By popular demand, the Luncheon Buffet will return this month. It will be served daily Tuesday thru Friday 11am - 2pm. Included will be soup, salad, veggies, a starch and two main dishes. Price is \$7.95++.

Due to the large "thumbs up" response to our "come as you are" spaghetti night, there will be another casual dining night on September 25th. This will be a return engagement of the "all you can eat" spaghetti buffet with the addition of Italian sausage with bell peppers and onions.

During October, look for the "Chef Specials" as suggested by members for the Thursday and Friday night dinners. When you dine with us in September, fill out a quick "favorite dish" card. We will do the rest during the month in October.

We will be open for dinner every Thursday and Friday night with the Happy Hour and Buffet on Friday, September 13th. We have upgraded the buffet to include Alaskan snow crab legs, shrimp, mussels and conch chowder.

Our "Special Night" Menus include:

Friday, Sept. 13th - 6:00-8:00pm **\$15.95++**

Happy Hour/Surf-n-Turf Buffet

Happy Hour 6-7pm/Dinner 6-8pm

Carved Angus Steamship Round w/Au Jus & Horseradish

Steamed Alaskan Snow Crab Legs

Farm Raised Fried Catfish

Spring Mix Garden Salad

Peel and Eat Shrimp

Mussels Meuniere

Bohemian Conch Chowder

Veggies & Starch

Coffee/Iced Tea

Wednesday, Sept. 25th - 5:30-8:00pm **Adults - \$8.95++**

Spaghetti "All You Can Eat" Buffet **Kids - \$3.95++**

White Cream Sauce w/Fresh Littleneck Clams

Italian Marinara Sauce

Grilled Italian Sausage w/Bell Peppers & Onions

Homemade Meatballs

House Garden Salad - Garlic Bread

Carrot Cake

Thursday/Friday Night Menus Include:

All You Can Eat Soup/Caesar Salad Bar (included with entrees)

Grilled or Blackened Shrimp, Chicken or Fish Du Jour

Beef Tenderloin Tips Bourguignonne

Saute' Shrimp Scampi

Chicken Julienne Alfredo

Grilled or Blackened Fish Du Jour

Atlantic White Shrimp w/Black Beans/Rice

Chicken Breast Topped w/Fresh Tomato/Lime Salsa

Magnolia Fish & Chips - Fried Grouper w/Fried Potato Chips

Filet Mignon Tournedos of Beef w/Sauce Diane

Plus Nightly Specials

Iced Tea, Soda or Coffee \$1.50 with unlimited refills

Mark Your September Calendar . . .

02	.....	Labor Day Pool Side Cookout
02	.....	Mixer Golf Tournament
05	.....	Ladies Golf Assoc., Opening Day Scramble
05	.....	Thursday Night Dinner
05	.....	Couples Bridge
06	.....	Friday Night Dinner
09	.....	Beginner Yoga Classes Starts
11	.....	Intermediate Yoga Begins
11	.....	Ladies B Team Home Match
12	.....	Thursday Night Dinner
12	.....	Duplicate Bridge
13	.....	Happy Hour/Bufferet
14	.....	MGA Breakfast Tournament
18	.....	Women's Club Meeting
19	.....	Couples Bridge
19	.....	Thursday Night Dinner
20	.....	Friday Night Dinner
21	.....	Short Game Golf Clinic
23	.....	Women's Club Day Trip
24	.....	Ladies C Team Home Match
25	.....	Ladies B Team Home Match
25	.....	All You Can Eat Spaghetti Buffet
26	.....	Thursday Night Dinner
26	.....	Duplicate Bridge
27	.....	Friday Night Dinner
30	.....	Ladies Monday Bridge

Labor Day Pool Side Cookout

Celebrate Labor Day with us at a pool side cookout on Monday, September 2nd. The luncheon buffet will feature ribs, chicken, burgers 'n dogs, potato salad, slaw, and pasta salad. The price is \$7.95++ for adults and \$3.95++ for kids. Make your reservations early!

Don't Forget Lunch!

Lunch is served in the dining room on Tuesday - Friday and on Sunday from 11am - 2pm. Order one of Chef Bill's specials from the menu or try the buffet. Lunch is also served in the 19th Hole Tuesday through Sunday.

Make Your Reservations Early!

In order to serve you better, please make your dinner and special function reservations early by calling 269-9276.

Have an Email Address???

We still building our database of member email addresses. If you want to keep informed, send your email address to:

MagPtNews@aol.com

“Winners Circle”

“Career Low”

Brad Lucas - 70
14 August 02

MGA Member - Member

August 3 & 4 2002

Low Gross Champions

Jim Murray–Tom Murray 69-68- 137

Low Net Champions

Dan Rourke–Steve Ferrell 60-64- 124

Masters Flight

1st Net

Collins Terry – Alan White
64-63- 127

2nd Net

Evans McCann – Oscar Vargas
67-61- 128

US Open Flight

1st Net

Richard Burman – Tony Seago
64-65- 129

2nd Net

Jim Gaskamp – Tom Yaun
64-67- 131

British Open Flight

1st Net

Steve Ferrell – Dan Rourke
60-64- 124

2nd Net

Jamie Bellah – Mitch Timberlake
61-65- 126

PGA Flight

1st Net

Ron Jerin – Fred Talbot
63-65- 128

2nd Net

Jim Burris – Gary Hoagland
61-65- 132

3rd Net

John Harmeling –Danny Tippet
67-66- 133

Jim Smith – Frank Mitchell
64-69- 133

August 10 - Saturday Sweeps

Jim Gaskamp - Al Kenney

August 17 - Saturday Sweeps

Patchett, Seitzinger, Steely, Axelrod

Jack Wise, III Honored

Congratulations to Jack Wise who recently accepted membership in The National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Phi Sigma Theta National Honor Society.

Jack will be honored this fall at a campus ceremony at Florida State University. Jack was President of the Class of 2001 at Clay High School and also served as captain of the academic team and co-captain of the tennis team. He is the son of members Jack and Sherry Wise.

Brad Lucas Shoots Career Low Score

Brad Lucas had a career low round of 70 on Wednesday, August 14th. Included was an eagle on the 308 yard Hole #1 using his driver and 9-iron. From there on, Brad could do nothing wrong!!!

Celebrating your Birthday in September???

Don't forget, the club's "Birthday of the Month" offer. If a member has dinner at the club during the month of his/her birthday, their dinner will be free.

Don't forget to tell your server!

Women's Club Meeting Date Changed

With the anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy falling on the second Wednesday in September, the general meeting of the women's club has been moved to the third Wednesday, September 18th from 3 to 5pm..

The program will be "Artificial Flower Arranging." Barbara Rothchild will share some of her secret tricks of the trade by demonstrating a silk orchid arrangement.

The follow-up day trip to Freeze Dried Florals will be the following week on Monday, September 23rd.

“A Necessary Evil!”

With over 150 acres of turfgrass to maintain, it is impossible to mow the course without interactions between golfers and the maintenance staff. Usually, this is not a major problem, but there are occasions when it can be. We can minimize these incidences if both golfers and employees use some discretion and common sense.

Obviously, if every mower were to be shut down and all movement stopped for every golfer, very little would get done during the course of a day. Maintenance staff are instructed “mow unless someone in close proximity is hitting a shot or you are in danger of being hit by a golf ball.” Many times, maintenance equipment is too loud for employees to hear a golfer yelling “fore” or he may be moving away from the golfer and be unaware of his presence. It takes only a few seconds for the employee to “clear” the golfer.

The most dangerous situation for an employee is mowing a green and having balls hit onto the it. It is sometimes necessary, usually during wet conditions, to mow greens in the afternoon. If this is the case, we try to reverse the mowing sequence to minimize the inconvenience to any particular golfer. If you encounter this situation, please use a little discretion. The flag stick will be out if someone is mowing a green. Since It only takes a few minutes to mow a green, please allow the employee to finish. After all, you are going to benefit from the green being mowed. If you do not want to wait, please get the employee's attention and he will replace the flag stick and step aside for you. No one hits onto a green while there are golfers putting out. A maintenance staff employee will be hurt just like a golfer if he is hit.

There are more situations like this, but the procedure is basically the same. No one wants to injure anyone and very few of us are skilled enough to know exactly where all of our shots are going. There would be no golf without the maintenance staff and no maintenance staff without golfers. That makes us a “necessary evil” to each other.

Mike Sbarro
Golf Course Superintendent

Swim Team Receives Awards

The Magnolia Point Marlins concluded their season with a trophy presentation after a pizza party at the pool. All of the swimmers received a trophy and the following received special honors:

High Points:

17 - 18 yrs Boys	Joshua Delk
17 - 18 yrs Girls	Brittany Done
15 - 16 yrs Boys	Landon Paschal
15 - 16 yrs Girls	Hattie Higginbotham
13 - 14 yrs Boys	Cole Taylor
13 - 14 yrs Girls	Lauren Spratley
11 - 12 yrs Boys	Brendan Love
11 - 12 yr Girls	Amanda Corbin
8 & Under Boys	Cody Eubanks
8 & Under Girls	Shannon Love

Spirit Award	Bailey West
Most Improved	Brendan Love
Most Dedicated	Taylor Davis
Most Versatile	Emily Buchanan
Coaches Awards	Victoria Boyer and Jon Cornett

Many thanks to Karen Done for her many hours of coaching the team along with assistants Joshua Delk and Jon Cornett. A special thanks to the Swim Team Board for their volunteer work. Board members were Gay Corbin, President; Erin Love, Vice President; Amy Williamson, Secretary; and Andrea West, Treasurer.

All three of the "Love" kids received awards. Brendan and Shannon scored the most points in their age group and Tucker was the "most social".

Athleticism comes naturally in their family as their Granddad Brendan McCann was a player for the New York Knicks as well as the Executive Director of the Empire State Games, which is the Olympic competition for New York State athletes.



Brendan, Coach Done, Tucker, Shannon

Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs

The Food Pantry's major expense is the purchase of canned meat, vegetables, fruit and peanut butter. The women's club is sponsoring a "canned food drive" beginning on Friday, Sept. 13th through their meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 18th.

You can drop your donations in the dark green plastic containers (with "Food Pantry" sign) at the club entrances.

In the past, the residents of our community have been big supporters of this worthwhile organization and all donations are very much appreciated.

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October 2002

Executive Chef Bill Arras

How many of you know we have a celebrity in our midst? Chef Bill Arras is well-known in our area, but also has been given national recognition on both television and in print!

"Chef Bill" was born in St. Louis, Mo., but moved to Clay County in 1976 when his parents relocated to this area. He attended Lakeside Middle School and Orange Park High School where he was active in sports. He continued his education at FCCJ and UNF.

Chef Bill is a graduate of Advanced Classes at the Culinary Institute of America in New York. He also trained overseas to expand his knowledge base in the culinary arts. He worked and trained in such exotic places as the Siani Desert in Egypt, in Tel Aviv, Israel on the Mediterranean, and in Kavala, Greece.

When he returned to the states, he went to work for Club Continental and was their Executive Chef for 13 years before moving to Eagle Harbor. At Eagle Harbor, he helped design their kitchen and clubhouse and was their Executive Chef for three years.

Chef Bill has been the featured guest chef on numerous television shows on HGTV. He has also been featured in both Bon Appetit and Country Inns magazines. Twice, he has been named the Head Executive Chef for the Cowford Ball, Jacksonville's annual gala event to benefit breast cancer.

On the personal side, Bill is married to Nancy and became a proud papa in June with the birth of his son, Wil. He is also proud of his two stepkids, Aimee and Adam.



One of his "gourmet" creations!



"Chef Bill"

Chef Bill - "Goodbye Summer!"

Some good stuff is coming in October – goodbye summer, hello fall and cooler temperatures (we hope!). Scheduled for October is our Happy Hour and Pool Party on October 4. Sass N Brass will again provide the live music and song. We have canceled Thursday dinners, but are adding two Saturday night dinners on the 12th and the 26th.

Thanks to all the diners for making our Friday night such a success. We are expanding our hours and serving dinner until 9PM on Friday night. Please make your reservations early!

Halloween Party Open to All Residents

Don't miss the fun and come show off your costume at the club on Halloween! Start your "trick or treating" with your first stop at the clubhouse to enjoy a pizza dinner and kid's costume contest. Pizza will be served from 4:30 - 6:00pm. The costume contest will have winners in the following categories:



Most Original - The Ugliest
The Scariest - The Funniest

Open to all residents of the community. Cost \$2.50 for kids and \$3.50 for adults. Call today for reservations at 269-9276.

October 4 Poolside Buffet & Happy Hour

Make your reservations now for the Friday, October 4 Happy Hour and Poolside Buffet! Back by popular demand is Sass N Brass providing live music and song. There will be dancing and karaoke too. Space is limited. Check out the menu on the back of the calendar – \$16.95 for the buffet and \$1.00 drafts!

November 1 Happy Hour & Tailgate Party



Tailgate the night before the Florida/Georgia game at our monthly Happy Hour and Buffet.



Wear your favorite team's colors or shirt – you don't have to be a Gator or Bulldog! The menu will be emailed and appear in next month's newsletter. Make your reservation NOW - call 269-9276.

Tee to Green

Jeff Harris, Head Golf Pro

With the cooler weather approaching comes the transition from the native Bermuda grass greens to putting surfaces over seeded with a variety of cool-season grasses such as rye and bent grass. This is done primarily to provide some protection for the dormant Bermuda grass from foot traffic and freezing temperatures, and to provide the desired green color that is absent once the native grass goes dormant for the winter.

Every year about this time, I make a conscious effort to 'transition' my putting stroke to allow for the faster, smoother greens that we'll experience during the winter months and into the spring. Because the winter grasses have a finer texture and can tolerate lower mowing heights, we normally see considerably faster greens with much less influence from grain than the same greens in the summer.

Putting successfully on greens that reach speeds of nine to eleven feet on the stimp meter requires a putting stroke that is long and fluid with emphasis on even tempo and good rhythm. Address the ball with a posture that is tall enough to let your arms hang long from the shoulders so you can create a swinging motion from the shoulders exerting almost no influence at all from the wrists and hands. Feel as if the putter swings back and through the ball at the same speed rather than any effort to accelerate through impact. This will help in developing the correct pace on your longer putts.

Here's a drill to help you develop the feel of great rhythm and tempo in your putting stroke. Take three balls to the practice green and place them where you can putt to three different holes that are approximately ten, twenty and thirty feet away. Put the shortest one first and progress to the longest each time with your eyes on the target instead of the ball. As you stroke each putt, count to yourself: ONE – TWO. Begin your backstroke on ONE and impact the ball on TWO, keeping the tempo of your counting identical regardless of the length of the putt. Obviously, your stroke will lengthen as the length of the putt increases, but the important thing is to maintain the same TEMPO. With a little practice, your putts will begin reaching the hole with the correct pace and you'll eliminate those frustrating three-putt greens!

Charity Golf Tournament October 13

Magnolia Point is hosting the 21st Annual Charity Golf Tournament benefitting the Children's Haven on Sunday, October 13. Registration starts at 8:30 with a shotgun start at 9am. Consider entering this worthwhile event or becoming a sponsor. The individual golfer contribution is \$125 which includes the banquet. Information is available in the pro shop.

Club Championships - Oct. 5 & 6

Sign up now for the club championships to be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 5 and 6. Divisions include Mens Regular, Mens Senior (55+), Mens Super Senior (65+), Ladies 18 Hole and Ladies 9 Hole. The entry fee of \$25.00 includes a Sunday Bar-Be-Que.

Golf dates to remember

Oct. 02 - Children's Miracle Network Charity Tournament, a shotgun start at 9:00am. Course closed until about 1:00pm.

Oct. 13 - Children's Haven Charity Golf Tournament, shotgun start at 9:00am. Course closed until about 1:00pm.

Oct. 14 - Overseeding of Greens

Nov. 15 - Ping Demo Day

Nov. 16 - MGA "Las Vegas Invitational BBQ" Tournament

Membership News Dee Hiler, Membership Dir.

Thank you to all the members who have returned their survey for the new membership directory. If you have any changes, please complete your form and return it to the Membership Office. We will include all members in the directory with their name, address and phone number. If you do not want your phone number published, please indicate this on your form. The target date for compiling the directory is late November for distribution after the first of the year.

A new "Rules and Regulation" booklet is now available. It includes our hours of operation, staff telephone numbers, and members of the Board of Governors. Stop by my office and pick one up.

The frequent dinner card has become very popular – eat 9 dinners and receive the 10th one free. If your card indicates an expiration date of 10/02 – that means October 31, 2002. You must have your card with you when you dine and be sure to have your server initial it before you leave.

Welcome New Members!

Alan Duke
Doug & Leigh Jones

Individual Golf
Pool/Social

"Hole-In-One Club" Party!!!

All members of the Hole in One Club are invited to the first annual "Celebration Party" to be held on Friday, November 22 at the club. Members of the HIO as of August 1, 2002 come free and may bring one guest. The guest charge is \$15.00.

The selected hor d'oeuvres include ice cold shrimp, teriyaki wings, flambee parafalle pasta with a shrimp garnish as well as a carving station with a steamship round of beef served with champagne dijonnaise. Entertainment will include a piano player featuring Broadway show tunes and other traditional favorites.

Call the club with your reservation (and guest count) as soon as possible - 269-9276.

“Court” Report

Jim Huber, Head Tennis Pro

Ladies Interclub B Team: Magnolia’s ladies B team started the season with a rain out after a long drive to St. Augustine on September 4. On September 11, the ladies lost 6-1 to a strong Orange Park CC team. Magnolia winners were Ros Arnold and Erin Love in the #two position. Thanks to Mary Jo Beefelt for all her hard work as team captain.

Ladies FCTAC Team: Led by captain Roxanne Assar, the team played their first match at the Arlington YMCA. The team split 2-2 with Catherine Gambill/Kim McCoy and Thresa Oliverio/Terry Newman winning their matches.

Men’s Senior Team: The team captain, Marcel Beauregard, will field one team in the men’s senior league this fall. Any senior man interested in doubles team play should call me. Matches are played Friday mornings starting in mid-October.

Junior Tennis Clinics: After school junior clinics are available for kids ages 6-17. The clinics are for all abilities and the cost is \$6.00 per child and parents should see me for more details.

Adult Monthly Mixer: The next mixer will be held on Friday, October 18 at 4pm. This will be a “potluck” event and limited to 12 couples. The cost is \$2.00 per person. Call the shop for more information or to make your reservation.

Clay High Fund Raiser: We will host a Clay High fund raiser on Saturday and Sunday, November 23 and 24th. This is a 2-day event for 16 members (eight ladies and eight men) playing with a Clay High tennis player. The cost will be a donation. Balls, drinks and a Saturday lunch will be provided. See Jim for details.

Duplicate Bridge News

Results of the Duplicate Bridge Competition held on Thursday, September 12, 2002, are:

1st Place.....Allen Jernigan and Ralph Patterson
2nd Place.....Roy Gulick and Jim Smith
3rd Place.....Brad and Gloria Lucas

Twenty-two people participated in an exciting evening of competition. This session kicked off the Fall tournament. "We have room for additional players, so if you would like to join us, call me," said Jim Smith, who may be reached at 284-2246, or email smithjwlr@aol.com. Smith continued, "We are all about fun at the tables and play the second and fourth Thursdays each month, so don't hesitate."

Couples Social Bridge

Gloria and Brad Lucas will be in charge of the October social bridge group that will meet on October 3 and 17 in the clubhouse at 7pm. Call the Lucas' at 529-7583 if you are interested in playing.

From the General Manager

Bob Forgea

It's hard to believe October is here! Many of our members are returning home and the staff looks forward to seeing everyone and making this “season” a new experience for you. With that in mind, let's kick off the season with our kid's Halloween Party on October 31. There will be pizza party and a “costume contest” for the kids with prizes. This event is open to all residents of the community. Call the club to reserve your spot.

You will notice some discoloration of the grass for the next several weeks as weed killer is being applied. With the summer rains, most of the weed killer applied was washed off or diluted. As the rain slows down, we will go after the weeds very aggressively along with fixing the ruts made from greens equipment and golf carts.

The two new holes are on schedule and doing well. Our target for the opening date is November 1 if Mother Nature cooperates. We have started on the “cart path repair project.” Please obey the directional signs that will be posted until this work is completed.

Please make your reservations for Friday night dinners as early in the week as possible. This helps us to staff better and, in turn, gives you better service.

A Word about Golf Carts

Mike Sbarro

Golf Course Superintendent

Revenue from cart fees is essential to the operation of all golf courses. Unfortunately, golf carts are one of the most detrimental influences on turfgrass (especially during wet conditions) and during winter dormancy. It is *extremely* important to obey all directional signs and routing. Magnolia Point provides specific routing directions on all holes during wet weather. It is unfortunate that some golfers fail to comply with these guidelines. A common practice is to travel the “off side” rough and then either cross the fairway or travel behind the green to return to the cart path. This causes obvious rutting and compaction that may not be obvious, but is very harmful.

We prefer to allow play on all 18 holes whenever possible, but it is becoming increasingly difficult to do so. It is very rare that we close down or allow play only on the “Magnolia Nine.” Please remember – IT'S YOUR GOLF COURSE!

PS: I'm often asked “what can we do to help out?” The most helpful thing that golfers can do to help is to simply follow Magnolia Point's rules and guidelines.

Ladies Bridge, Monday, September 30

The ladies' bridge will be this Monday, September 30 at 10am in the clubhouse. If you are interested in playing, call Kaaren Tague (284-8974) or Lora Kindig (529-1286).

October's bridge play will be on Monday, the 28th.

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From the Editor

Susan Mitchell

Email: If you haven't sent us your email address, you are missing out on all the latest news and reminders of club events! Just send a message to MagPtNews@aol.com and asked to be included in our announcements. Be assured that we respect your privacy and your email address will only be used by the club and not distributed to anyone. To take this a step further, all emails are sent as a "blind copy" so your address is not even passed on to other members.

Remember, we are open to all suggestions – this is your newsletter. Contact me if you have any ideas for articles or have an event or news or you would like share with our members. You can reach me at the above email address or call me at home, 529-7215.

Development Update

US 17 Signage: Montgomery Land is not dismantling the Magnolia Point sign on the corner of US 17 and is not responsible for the damage. They are looking into a temporary solution to the problem as they expect to have their new sign completed in the next 30- 45 days.

Model Home Center: Construction on models in the new model home center should begin in the next 30 days or sooner. There will be several builders displaying their models and American Homes will be the first to begin construction.

Planning a Special Celebration?

Don't forget the club is available for private parties to celebrate special occasions including birthdays, anniversaries, and holidays. Chef Bill can prepare that special meal for you and your guests. Sit back and relax and leave all the details to our staff! Many dates are available, so book your special night by calling Dee Hiler at 269-9276.

A sample of one of Chef Bill's gourmet meals: French-cut chicken breast stuffed with Duxelle of Mushroom, topped with garlic rosemary au jus, angel hair, buttered pasta with broiled lobster tails, matre di hotel butter pencil thin asparagus with roasted red bell pepper hollandaise sauce.



Canceling Thursday Dinners and Adding Two Saturdays Nights

Due to a lack of interest, dinner will not be served on Thursdays at the clubhouse.

At the request of members, we will be open for dinner on two Saturday nights in October – the 12th and the 26th. The menu will be prime rib and crab legs for \$16.95.

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Holidays at the Club

The holiday season is just about upon us and the staff has been hard at work planning special holiday events for both the members and their kids and/or grandchildren.



The complete menu for each event is on the back of our November calendar page.

Reservations are required and should be made as soon as possible as these are very popular events.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner November 28

On November 28, the club is serving a traditional Thanksgiving dinner including "Tom" turkey and honey/mustard baked ham. There are two seatings available at 11:30am and 2:00pm. Price is \$14.95++ for adults and \$7.95++ for children 10 and under. Make your reservations now!



Breakfast with Santa!! December 7



Members are invited to bring their children or grandchildren for breakfast and a memorable morning with Santa.

Breakfast will be at 9:00am followed by Santa arriving by Fire Truck. Check your December newsletter for menu and price.

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New Year's Eve will be celebrated at the club with a gourmet dinner, music and dancing. The cocktail hour will begin at 8pm with dinner served at 9pm.

Entertainment will be provided by the group "Island Mood".



Happy Hour & Tailgate Party November 1

This month's Happy Hour and Buffet follows the "Opening of the New Holes" golf tournament and is a "Tailgate Party" the night before the Florida/Georgia game.

Show off your favorite football team colors/shirt! Remember, you don't have to be a Gator or Bulldog! Check out the menu on the back of the November calendar. Call for reservations NOW!

Halloween Party Open to All Residents

October 31

Start the night off with your first stop at the clubhouse to enjoy a pizza dinner to be served from 4:30 - 6:00pm. A costume contest for the kids will have take place about 5:30. The contest will include the following categories:



Most Original - The Ugliest
The Scariest - The Funniest

Halloween Pizza Dinner open to all residents! Cost \$2.50 for kids and \$3.50 for adults. Call for reservations at 269-9276.

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The only way our staff can properly plan each dinner and event is to have required reservations

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Section 17 of the U.S.G.A. Handicap System manual recommends one of two methods be used to establish the correct handicapping of holes: **Section 17-1. Discretion of Committee** or **Section 17-2. Allocation Based on Scores**. The latter was used to establish our stroke allocation several years ago for the original 18-hole course. Last May, we had to make adjustments when we began playing the temporary course using the "Discretion of Committee" method. We have again made changes for the new course routing effective November 1. I hope the following helps everyone better understand why holes receive their respective stroke allocations.

When using the Allocation Based on Scores method, the Committee collects about 200 hole-by-hole scores of a group of players (Group A) with Course Handicaps not exceeding 8 strokes for men and 14 strokes for women. The scores for each hole for Group A are averaged as are the Course Handicaps of the group. The Committee then collects 200 hole-by-hole scores of a middle- to high-handicapped group of players (Group B). The average of the Course Handicaps of Group B should be 15 to 20 strokes higher than the average for the players in Group A. The scores for Group B are averaged for each hole. The difference in the average score for each hole is determined by subtracting Group A from Group B and these differentials are listed in order 1 through 18. The hole ranked number one is the hole on which the higher-handicapped player most needs a stroke. However, there are other criteria to be considered. For example, the U.S.G.A. recommends that allocating low-numbered strokes to holes near the end of each nine be avoided, so that players receiving strokes will have the opportunity to use these strokes before either nine or 18-hole matches are decided.

When following the "Discretion of Committee" method, many of the same criteria are considered as well as yardage factors and common sense regarding the difficulty of hazards, etc. The U.S.G.A. recommends that odd-numbered strokes be assigned to the holes on the first nine, and the even-numbered strokes to the holes on the second nine. This format equalizes, as nearly as possible, the distribution of handicap strokes over the entire 18 holes, and makes matches more equitable. It is also recommended that lower-numbered strokes not be allocated to the first and second hole of a course in the event that a hole-by-hole play-off is necessary.

Hopefully, this will help answer some of the questions that arise concerning the handicapping of our holes. There's more to it than meets the eye!

by Jeff Harris, PGA Golf Professional

Tennis "Court" Report

Clay High Fund Raiser: We will host a Clay High fund raiser on Saturday and Sunday, November 23 and 24. This is a 2-day event for 16 members (8 ladies and 8 men) who will be partnered with a Clay High tennis player. The cost will be a donation and include balls, drinks and lunch on Saturday.

Ladies B Team: Under the direction of Mary Jo Beefelt, they have played five matches. After two close losses, they defeated Selva Marina 7-0 in an away match. Way to go ladies!!

Ladies C Team: The team has had one early season win and one loss. New member, Roxanne Assar, is this year's captain.

Mens Senior Team: The men's 55+ league opened their season on October 11 at home against a strong YMCA team. Marcel Beauregard, team captain, looks forward to a strong showing in the senior RED division. All senior players are welcome to join our practices/open play on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8am.

Junior Intermediate Team: Our junior team has won two early season matches against Timuquana and San Jose.

Junior Tennis Clinics: After school junior clinics are available for kids ages 6-17. The clinics are for all abilities and the cost is \$6.00/day per child. Parents should see me for more details.

If you are interested in league play, the Clay High fund raiser, private lessons or clinics, call the Tennis Pro Shop at 284-4106.

Jim Huber, Head Tennis Pro

Upcoming Golf Events

November 1- Grand Opening of New Holes Event – Best Two Net Balls of Four (80% handicap), Make you own team. \$10 entry includes prizes, \$1 drafts and 2 for 1 drinks in 19th Hole following golf. Shotgun Start 12:30pm.

November 16 - MGA Breakfast Tournament & Annual Election of Officers. Las Vegas Invitational (see bulletin board for details). Breakfast/Meeting 8:00am, Shotgun at 9:00am.

November 20 - Clay County Fire Fighters Charity Tournament – Shotgun Start at 12:30pm. See the Pro Shop for details and entry forms.

Fall 2002 Governor's Cup: Format: Mixed Couples Match Play, Four-ball 90% handicap. Teams seeded into a 32-team match play bracket by order of combined handicaps of partners. Single elimination. The schedule of play is as follows:

Match 1: November 12 - November 24
Match 2: November 26 - December 8
Match 3: December 10 - December 29
Match 4: December 31 - January 12
Final: Saturday, January 19, 2003

\$30.00 per team entry fee includes prizes. The deadline for sign up is November 10.

Overseeding the Greens

The overseeding process is a 3-step process: application, germination and establishment.

Seed is applied using broadcast spreaders with a light top dressing over it. The sand helps with the “seed-to-soil” contact and to maintain moisture.

After the seed application, germination begins with the soil being kept moist. This is accomplished by frequent, light irrigation cycles called “syringing.” The frequency and duration is determined by weather conditions. Generally, greens are syringed 8 - 12 times per day for about one minute and lasts about 7 - 10 days.

The third phase is establishment. On about the eighth day, the greens are mowed and must be maintained at a higher “height of cut.” If not, the overseed may be lost either to wear or bermuda grass competition. During this time, the “green’s speed” will be slow. The new grass is very similar to a baby - it cannot be treated like an adult! There is no set timetable for this establishment period, but it is generally 4 - 6 weeks depending on the weather. If we have a hot or warm November, establishment will be slower because of the bermuda grass competition. Cooler weather means less stress and faster establishment.

Please be patient! During this establishment time period, just like humans, juvenile grass grows much faster than mature grass. So, the reality is that reduced heights of cut during the establishment period will NOT provide better putting surfaces, but will only create other problems.

Thank you for your patience and I look forward to another year of outstanding winter greens!

Mike Sbarro, Golf Course Superintendent

Front Gate Security Issues

We have new guards currently being trained in the security procedures at the front gate. It would be very helpful if all residents would call the gate to leave the names of anyone (guest or worker) visiting your home. Security measures are being tightened.

New Residents: If you are a new resident, be sure to give the front gate your name, address and phone number. If they don’t have your phone number, they cannot call you when you have a guest coming through the front gate. Also, you can give the guards a list of your regular visitors and/or workmen.

New “Open House” Rules: Patric Penn, manager of the HOA, wants everyone to know there will be no more open houses without the guards having the names of those coming through the gate to view a home. This new rule applies not only to all realtors, but to “by owner” sales. All showings will be by appointment only.

If an “open house” is advertised in the paper or by signage and the gate does not have the name of the prospective buyer entering, they will be turned away by the security guards.

From the Desk of the General Manager

Welcome back to all our members who were away this summer!

We have a full calendar of events planned for the upcoming months. Starting November 1, the two new holes will be open and we will kick off the opening with a golf outing followed by the monthly Happy Hour & Dinner Buffet, the Florida/Georgia Tailgate Party. Wear your team colors and have a great night!

Now is the time to make your reservations for Thanksgiving, the Member Holiday Dinner and New Year’s Eve. Don’t wait until the last minute and be left out! Also, don’t forget “Breakfast with Santa” for the kids. As you can see, the next two months are full of things to do. Sign up now!

Hats off to Mike Sbarro and his crew for their hard work this summer. Between the rain, construction and other interruptions, they got the two new holes finished on time. I’m sure you will agree, it will be great to be back on our normal hole routing.

The remaining holes are scheduled for completion next summer around July. We look forward to having 27 holes to play on!

With the opening of the new holes, the other four holes can be used for practice, but please check in at the Pro Shop first.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Bob Forgea, General Manager

Welcome New Members!

Juan & Mary Anstett	Clubhouse
Henner & Petra Borgstaedt	Family Golf
Scotty & Sandy Clark	Family Golf
Charles & Ingrid Davis	Clubhouse
Chris & Beverly Fahey	Clubhouse
Chad & Kim Goforth	Junior Golf
Leo St. Laurent	Individual Golf
Alan Stevenson	Individual Golf
Brian & Elizabeth Woodruff	Family Golf

Homeowner Association Drop Box

There is a “drop box” for the Homeowner’s Association on the exit lane at the front gate. It is a wooden box next to the “Passes” mailbox and can be used for homeowner association payments (no cash please) and for suggestions.

Do you have a new neighbor?

If so, please call Nancy Nettuno (529-7577), chairwoman of the Magnolia Point Women’s Club Hospitality Committee.

The committee welcomes each new resident and presents them with a basket of goodies and information on our community and area.

New Announcement Board

There is an announcement board for club events at the front entrance. To use it, please call Dee Hiler at 284-0286.

*** 2002 Club Championships ***

The Club Championships were held on October 4 and 5 with the results as follows:

Men's Championship Division:

Club Champion - Tommy Murray 75-75-150

Second Place - Steve Sgroi 78-80-158

Third Place - Matt Rudolph 81-78-159

Men's Regular Division:

Club Champion - Ron Mullis 83-80-163

Men's Senior Division:

Senior Club Champion - Stef Smigiel 82-76-158

Second Place - Bud Vandiver - 79-82-161

First Net - Chuck Hanley - 77-84-161 (143 Net)

Second Net Manny Axelrod 92-81-173 (145 Net)

Men's Super Senior Division:

Super Senior Club Champion - Joe Thill 79-80-159

Second Gross - Toby Riley 83-81-164

First Net - Jim Smith 83-88-171 (139 Net)

Second Net - Lowell Steely 90-94-184 (142 Net)

Ladies Division:

Ladies Club Champion - Celia Sohm 89-87-176

First Net - Carolyn Hickman 96-95-191 (149 Net)

Second Net - Joanne Montzka 91-89-180 (150 Net)



Tommy Murray, Ron Mullis, Celia Sohm, Stef Smigiel, Joe Thill

“Hole-In-One Club” Party!!! November 22

Members of the “Hole in One Club” are invited to the first annual “Celebration Party” to be held on Friday, November 22 at the club. Members of the HIO as of August 1, 2002 come free and may bring one guest for \$15.00.

Hor d’oeuvres include ice cold shrimp, teriyaki wings, flambee parfalle pasta with a shrimp garnish as well as a carving station with a steamship round of beef served with champagne dijonnaise. Entertainment will include a piano player featuring Broadway show tunes and other traditional favorites.

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happy holidays to all

“Breakfast With Santa” Open to All Members & Residents Saturday, December 7

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The breakfast buffet will start at 9am with a traditional menu of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, french toast fingers, hash browns, fruit, juice and coffee. The cost for kids is \$4.95++ and they can bring their parents along for \$8.95++ each.

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Frequent Dinner Cards

Frequent dinner cards cannot be redeemed at the Member Holiday Dinner or the New Year’s Eve Gala. But, don’t forget your card, so you can have it initialed and receive credit toward your free dinner.

Holiday Dinner Cancellations

24 hours notice must be given for any cancellations to the Member Holiday Dinner or the New Year’s Eve Gala. Your account will be charged if this policy is not followed. If you are unable to keep your reservation, you can always have another member take your place.

Luminary Night at the Club - December 15

While touring the community, be sure to stop by the club for some holiday cheer with friends and neighbors.

The club will be open between 5 - 8pm with happy hour drink prices and complimentary hors d’oeuvres.

Tee To Green

With Christmas just around the corner, be sure to stop by the Pro Shop and let us help you with your gift list. We have the new Foot Joy golf shoe line in stock with a wide range of styles and sizes, plus lots of new apparel items, clubs, golf bags and more.

Beginning December 1st through Christmas, we will offer 20% off on all apparel items including golf shoes!

Don't miss our **Holiday Sidewalk Sale** on Saturday, December 7th from 8:00am until 5pm! You will find awesome deals on clubs, bags, apparel and more!!

And don't forget, a great Christmas gift idea for the golfer on your list is a gift certificate for golf lessons. A series package of six half-hour lessons with PGA Professional Jeff Harris is just \$180.

The golf course is in great condition as we enter the winter months with the greens and tees overseeded with cool season grasses. Since the native Bermuda grass in our fairways will be dormant this time of year and will turn off color with the advent of frost and freezing temperatures, please take extra care to drive you golf carts in the rough whenever possible and cross the fairways at ninety degrees. Carts should remain on the paved paths on all par three holes and around all tees and greens. Damage from cart traffic this time of year will not heal until the growing season begins in late spring. It's your course, thank you for helping our maintenance staff in keeping it beautiful.

Golf Tip... You can add some significant yardage to your drives this time of year by taking advantage of the faster fairway conditions. By that, I mean the grass is less plush than during the summer months and you should realize more roll if you can control your trajectories with your driver. I normally make a conscious attempt to lower my trajectory under these conditions and maximize the roll by making a couple of minor adjustments in my set-up. First, you should be thinking about a draw (a right to left shape for a right-handed player) whenever practicable. The drawing tee shot always rolls more than a fade or slice. To achieve this shot shape, I will drop my right foot back a few inches creating a slightly closed stance. This will promote a lower and more inside takeaway of the club on the backswing. In the downswing, I make more of a conscious effort to deliver the clubface to the inside quadrant of the ball with my head well behind the ball. This promotes a more shallow angle of attack of the clubface to the ball and a faster release of the hands which helps to square the clubface at impact, creating a lower launch angle and lower trajectory. This type of shot should hit the ground running and add some valuable distance to your drives.

We have a new staff member in the golf shop. If you haven't met Mike Corcoran, stop by and introduce yourself. Mike is retired after serving 28 years in the Navy and comes to us from Windsor Park and the Standard Country Club in Louisville, KY.

Best wishes to you and your family for a safe and happy holiday season!

Jeff Harris, Head PGA Professional

Welcome New Members!

Henner & Petra Borgstaedt	Full Golf
Scotty & Sandy Clark	Full Golf
Chuck & Ingrid Davis	Clubhouse
Chris & Beverly Fahey	Clubhouse
Alan Stevenson	Individual Golf
Brian & Elizabeth Woodruff	Full Golf

From The Membership Office

Annual renewal contracts for personal carts will be sent to all golf members with your December statement.

Please complete the entire form and return it to me before the end of December. The last page needs to be fully completed to receive a new decal. Cart renewal fees will appear on your January statement.

We had a very successful Halloween Party for the kids and look forward to having them for "Breakfast with Santa" on December 7. We plan to have more activities for the children to enjoy in the future.

Dee Hiler, Membership Director

Holiday Tea & Boutique - December 11

The women's club invites all the ladies at Magnolia Point and their guests to their 2nd Annual Holiday Tea and Boutique on Wednesday, December 11. This year, the event will be held from 4 - 7pm and is free to all.

Vendors will be selling a wide variety of items and there will be lots of new things to buy. If you are interested in being a vendor, contact Coral Nettuno at 529-8205 or Joyce Berry at 529-7775. Vendor fees are 5% of the sales which go to benefit the club's local charities.

Refreshments will be served and there will be door prizes and a raffle.

No reservations are needed! Just come and enjoy!

“Court” Report - Tennis News

Ladies B Team: Our Ladies B team results have consistently improved since the beginning of the season. The team has come close to winning many times and did take a 7-0 victory from the Selva Marina team. Captain Mary Jo Beefelt looks forward to more wins in the second half of the season

Mens Senior Team: The mens 55 and over team won a 3-0 decision on Nov 1 at home against a strong Marsh Creek team. Magnolia had lost their last team match against this opponent, so after the victory, spirits were high!! You are invited to join our seniors open play on Tues/Thurs at 9am.

Ladies C Team: Our Ladies C team has had many team wins in the early season action and has been ranked as high as 2nd place in the FCTA league. Our best wishes go out to Captain Roxanne Assar who is moving to the beaches!!

Junior Team: In three outings, our junior intermediate team is unbeaten. Junior members include Scott and Mike Hickson and Laila and Salah Assar. There are no matches scheduled in December. Let's win the league championship!!!

Jim Huber, Head Tennis Pro

Cooler Temperatures are Here!

Cooler temperatures and shorter days have finally arrived! Being a Yankee, this is a very welcome time of year for me. Not only is it more comfortable, but the growth rate of the grass has slowed down. This allows our maintenance crew to get “caught up” with other projects. The clubhouse grounds have been mulched, new cart paths are being backfilled, and other “eyesores” are being addressed.

We will replace several plants and shrubs at the clubhouse and upgrade the landscape on the course. The #5 fairway that was damaged during the lake renovation will be sodded prior to it's reopening this spring. To help keep the water in the lake, we have made it deeper and lined it with clay.

We will have a busy winter with golf course construction on both the old and new holes. McCumber Golf is scheduled to rebuild the traps on our “original 22” and finish the last four of the new holes. The new cart path installation should begin shortly.

If all goes as scheduled, we will see some significant improvements in the coming weeks.

Mike Sbarro, Golf Course Superintendent

From the General Manager

The staff and I wish everyone “Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year.”

If you haven't made your reservations for the Member Holiday Dinner or the New Year's Eve Gala, don't waste any time as both events are quickly filling up.

There are many projects in progress around the clubhouse as well as on the golf course. Flowers are planted in spots where you haven't seen them before. During the winter months, Mike's crew will be fine tuning many other areas. Overall, I hope you agree that the club looks better than it has in quite a while. We want everyone to be proud of being a member of Magnolia Point.

Many thanks to all of you who played in our “Opening of the New Holes” golf tournament. We had a successful event and everyone had fun. We delayed the opening of holes 6 and 7 to eliminate the extra wear and tear while they are maturing. By waiting until spring, the new holes will be in better shape in a shorter period of time.

Congratulations to one of our youngest golfers, 9 year old Liam Cullinane (grandson of members Jean-David and Edith Roulet). Liam had an eagle 2 on our par 4, #1 hole using his driver and 5-iron to sink the shot.

And, congratulations to the Clay High golf team who made it to the Regional Finals! Team member, Chase Mills, shot a 68 to win the Individual Championship at the Districts. Kudos to our members who work with the boys – Stef Smiegel, their coach, and Bob Staniforth, the assistant coach.

Bob Forgea, General Manager

Women's Club Selling Luminary Kits

Let's light up our community on Sunday, December 15 at 6:00pm. The women's club is selling luminary kits at \$5.00 each. Each kit contains the makings for 10 luminaries to be placed 3 feet apart in front of your home. All proceeds from the sale fund the club's charities that include the Food Pantry and the C E Bennett Elementary School.

All residents should have received an order form that includes the name and phone of their block captain. If you have not received your form, please contact Coral Nettuno at 529-8205 or Joyce Berry at 529-7775.

The deadline for orders is December 1. Luminaries will be picked up at the clubhouse on Saturday, December 7 from 9am to 3pm.

Member Holiday Dinner

December 13, 2002
\$39.95++ per person

Cocktail Hour ~ 6:00 - 7:00
Dinner Served Promptly at 7:30

Baby Leaf Spinach Salad
with Warm Apple Smokey Bacon
Dressing
accompanied by Plum tomatoes,
Diced Egg & Shiitake Mushrooms

Baked Seafood Stuffed Lobster
and
Grilled Filet Mignon Bearnaise

Twice Baked Montrachet Potatoes

Long Stem Baby Carrots & Snow
Peas

Desserts
Kahlua Chocolate Mousse Yule Log
and
Christmas Raspberry Puree Yule Log

New Year's Eve

December 31
8:00pm - 12:30am
Dinner ~ 9:00pm

\$99.00++ per couple

Creamy Maine Lobster Bisque

Sliced Beef Steak Tomatoes, Hot
House Cucumber
and Buffalo Mozzarella
garnished with Spring Mix Lettuces,
Purple Basil and Chive Vinaigrette

Trio of Roasted Beef, Veal & Pork
Tenderloin
au natural Dime-Glace

Oven Roasted Herb Mushroom
Potatoes

Blanched White & Green Asparagus
with Rosy Red Hollandaise

Flambé Bananas Foster
Cherries Jubilee

Winners Circle

HOLE IN ONE

Cissy Lorch
at Oakbridge Club
#8 - 136 yards - 11 Wood

CAREER LOWS

Frank Mitchell
78 on Nov 12

Ernie Flanders
78 on Nov 15

EAGLE TWO

Liam Cullinane - Hole #1

SATURDAY SWEEPS

Oct 26

1st Place Osbey Sayler/Ton Yaun

Nov 02

1st Place Jack Graves/Stef Smigiel
Richard Burman/Ken Jolley

Nov 09

1st Place Gary Hoagland/Al Kenney

LADIES 9 HOLERS

Oct 24

1st Place Geri Isgan

Turkey Derby Oct 17

1st Place (Flt 1) Kathie Cardon

1st Place (Flt 2) Coral Nettuno

1st Place (Flt 3) Myrna Kissinger

Turkey Derby Oct 31

1st Place (Flt 1) Margaret Groff

1st Place (Flt 2) Pat Tippet

1st Place (Flt 3) Charlotte Hales

Turkey Derby Overall Winner
Pat Tippet

LADIES 18 HOLERS

Eclectic - Oct 17 & 31

Champion Hyun Coffman

Tee to Green - Oct 24

1st Place Hyun Coffman/Gloria Lucas
Marian Zanetti/Laura Branch

Jack & Jill - Nov 14

1st Place Karen Seitzinger
Don Burden

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

11-14-02 Results:

North and South:

1st Joanne & Tom Montzka
2nd Nancy Kominos & Iris McDivitt
3rd Bill Allenson & Bill Anderson

East and West:

1st Rich Fortson & Ed Szymanski
2nd Mary Jo & Neil Beefelt
3rd Petra Borgstaedt & Tisa Evans

Current standings on Tournament:

1st Tom Montzka (Tie)
Joanne Montzka (Tie)
3rd Allen Jernigan (Tie)
Ralph Patterson (Tie)
5th Ed Szymanski

Bridge in December

Don't forget the bridge at the club in
December:

Mon, Dec 02 - Ladies Holiday
Luncheon & Bridge - 10am
Hostesses:

Thur, Dec 05 - Social Bridge - 7pm
Hosts: The Montzkas - 284-4686

Thur, Dec 12 - Duplicate Bridge
Call Roy Gulick (284-2296) or Jim
Smith (284-2246) for more
information.

Breakfast w/Santa

Saturday, December 7
9am

Kids \$4.95++
Adults \$8.95++

Breakfast Buffet
Scrambled Eggs
French Toast Fingers
Bacon, Sausage
Hash Browns

Fruit
Juice & Coffee

Halloween at the Club for the Kids!
Some of our Costume Contest Winners



To All Our Members:



Happy Chanukah

To our members who begin their celebration at sundown on
November 29

Froehliche Weihnachten!

Merry Christmas

Happy New Year!

*From the Entire Staff
at Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club*

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