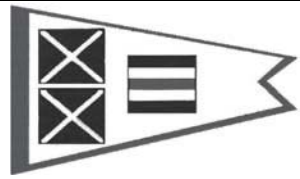


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To quote Bob Dylan "The Times They Are a-Changin'". Gov. DeSantis has said that we are now at Stage 2 of the Phase One reopening of our state from this Corona Virus-19 pandemic. He reminded us that we should continue to follow CDC guidelines regarding social distancing and other appropriate measures such as wearing face masks in public, especially, when coming into contact with others. Now restaurants and businesses are able to open to 50% capacity. This means that our club is able to contact establishments in order to schedule some social activities. This is a work in progress.

Unfortunately, during recent contact with the United Church of Marco we were informed that we would not be able to hold our meetings in Dissiler Hall at the present time. Their Board of Directors had just met and decided to continue their policy regarding outside groups using their facilities. However, in discussion with Rev. Mark, he recommended that we contact the church again in October, just prior to their next board meeting and perhaps there may be a change in policy moving forward. Presently, we are looking to other venues that may allow us to have a general membership meeting sooner than October.

The Board of Directors is exploring various options for club activities for the next few months. Theatrical and professional sports events are still not available. We have begun sponsoring our golf leagues on Mondays and Fridays. Please see the Golf News in this Newsletter for contact information regarding participation. Dates are being finalized for our annual Hurricane Ball, Halloween Party, Holiday Luncheon, New Members' Breakfast and Sweethearts Ball. Watch your e-mail for e-mail blasts from constant contact regarding these events as well as any other activities that become available.

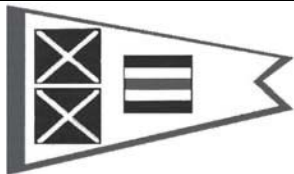
Ray Seward has agreed to continue as Senior Vice President for the club for May, June, July and August. This allows us to maintain continuity and help the new members of the board to become better acquainted with their roles during these trying times. Ray, along with recent Past President **Jeff Dywan** and I recently spent time at the club's storage locker evaluating the items that were there. We were able to eliminate unnecessary and worn out material. Our hope is to keep what is necessary and relevant and in so doing reduce the cost of storage.

Finally, as a physician and your president, I ask all of our members to continue to follow CDC guidelines regarding Covid-19. The economy, restaurants, businesses and recreational areas are beginning to open up. We all want to get on with our lives. We are not accustomed to be

separated from our families, friends and our normal activities. However, there is still no cure for this disease and we are the age group who are most vulnerable. As far as I know, none of our members have contracted the virus or succumbed to the disease. Let's keep it that way.

Stay safe and healthy,

Jerry Swiacki



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COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY CLUB

Contact **Charlie Erker** at 239-259-8054

Or charles.a.erker@gmail.com.

Computer/Technology Club typically meets the 3rd Thursday at the Community Room at The Mutual of Omaha Bank at 10:30 a.m. This is an informal round table discussion group. Beginners, experienced and in-between are all welcome. Reservations are not required. Just show up. Meetings are suspended until further notice due to lack of meeting space because of Covid-19.

INVESTMENT DISCUSSION GROUP – This is a gathering where opinions are valued, facts are appreciated and experience is not necessary, but prized. An open and broad discussion of topics relating to investment raised by those present is conducted. The discussion group meets at 1:30PM on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Community room at the Mutual of Omaha Bank (next to Ace Hardware). However, our May meeting was held under a tree behind the bank because of Covid-19 restrictions Contact **WARREN UHL** Ph: 727-247-5167. Meeting status will be through an e-mail blast the week before the meeting.

TRAVEL DISCUSSION GROUP - The Travel Discussion Group meets at 10:00AM on the 1st Wednesday of every month in the Community Room at the Mutual of Omaha Bank (next to Ace Hardware). This is a gathering of people that want to talk about and share travel experiences. Open discussions will be encouraged. Contact **SILKY SULLIVAN** (marcosilky@yahoo.com or 393-9125). Meetings are suspended until further notice because of Covid-19 restrictions.

BOCCE BALL



Bocce balls stopped rolling when the Marco Island Parks Department stopped allowing us to use their equipment for our league at Mackle Park.

We were having a great time until the Coronavirus 19 pandemic shut us down. We plan to resume normal activity in the fall. Watch for appropriate e-mail blasts. If you have any questions contact **Warren Uhl** at 727-247-5167 MMC.BocceLeague@gmail.com

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to the guys who set up the room. We look forward to our next general meeting. Chairman **DEREK MULLINDER**, **JERRY DEFIBAUGH**, **RICH CARLSEN**, **DON LALLY** AND **DON KOPPEL**. To volunteer, contact **DEREK MULLINDER** (derek.mullinder@comcast.net or PH: 642-0565).

MMC HATS AND SHIRTS

Contact or see **Don Lally** or **Rich Carlsen** at the General Meeting to order MMC hats or Polo shirts.

SICKNESS AND BEREAVEMENT

Sadly, during the month of May we mourned several friends/family.

On May 5,2020 **Kathleen Marie Sullivan**, daughter of Bill and Carol Sullivan passed away after a long progressive illness..

On May 22,2020 Club member **Perry Wetmore** passed peacefully at his home on Marco.

On May 26,2020 long time active member of the Club, **Clint Bunke** passed away.

Our thoughts, prayers and condolences go out to all the families.

Please telephone **Lou Makris** at 781-258-0456 or email loumak42@aol.com regarding information of illness or death of members, their spouse, and immediate family. **Lou** will notify the MMC board.

CRUISES

THE MARCO ISLAND MEN'S CLUB "47th"
CRUISE

**AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, MARCH 6-
MARCH 18, 2021**

"FIFTEEN DAYS...THIRTEEN NIGHTS.
VISITING "8" PORTS OF CALL ABOARD
CELEBRITIES 5-STAR SHIP "SOLSTICE"--

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND, TAURANGA, NEW ZEALAND....
NAPIER, NEW ZEALAND.....
WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND...
CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND.....
DUNEDIN, NEW ZEALAND.....
DUSKY SOUND.....DOUBTFUL SOUND
MILFORD SOUND.....
SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

"2" NIGHTS AT SYDNEY'S AMORA "5" STAR HOTEL. "2" FULL DAYS MMC PRIVATE SYDNEY TOURS. FLYER CONTAINS CRUISE/TOUR ITINERARIES, COST, FREE PERKS. CURRENTLY 86 GUESTS RECEIVED CONFIRMED STATEROOMS WITH THE GROUP.

A SMALL NUMBER OF STATEROOMS WITH AIR ARE AVAILABLE IN GROUP WITH ORIGINAL PRICES.

Celebrity opened operations and is currently accepting new reservations. Their plans are to have ships with Caribbean itinerates sailing June 12, and entire fleet sailing other itineraries, no later than October 1st. Celebrity made no changes in our groups Australia/New Zealand sailing. Celebrity is implementing changes within all their ships to insure and improve safe conditions for their guests. Once we receive details, we send booked guests the information. In the event conditions not safe for travel or cruising and Celebrity cancels the sailing, guests receive two new options:
A full cash refund of funds paid Celebrity or a future cruise certificate for 125% credit good on any cruise of guest choice sailing through 2021.

*Regards,
Bob Marks*

[Please contact bobmarksmi@hotmail.com-](mailto:bobmarksmi@hotmail.com)
239-642-0370
for additional Cruise information.

Speakers Calendar

Peter Piro, Program Director

Update on Speaker's Schedule

Given the disruption caused by the Virus, this is an update on guest speakers for the coming year.

Geoff Fahringer: Situation Awareness

He is ready to go as soon as we begin monthly meetings.

Dr. Al Tatarius: Stress Management

Will be available when he returns in October.

Proposed speakers:

Craig Keeling: Nuclear Armament

Dr. Kames Faremouth: Medicinal Marijuana

**Darcie Guerin: Understanding Finances (more specifics
to come)**

This is all tentative given start-up date and their schedules.

Peter Piro

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Golf News

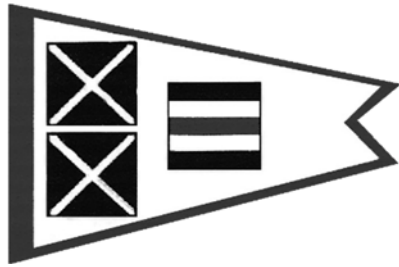
Bob Winterhalter, Golf Chair
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First, I would like to thank **Ron Kelly** as the Friday “traveling team” coordinator for May, and **Frank Sroka** the Monday coordinator. The beginning of reciprocal season is always a challenge, but near impossible this year with most golf clubs imposing a “Members Only” position. Hopefully, several courses will start accepting us in June. To further compound the situation, many of you have delayed your return up North, creating record turnouts for May. Wait lists were initiated and my regrets for those of you left out!

June Monday’s are being coordinated by **Tom McCullough** at Lely for \$55 plus tax. If you have not received his email blast and want to play on Mondays please email him at tamccullough@comcast.net. June Friday’s will be organized by **Mike Mueller** at mikemfla@icloud.com.

MMC GOLF COORDINATORS SUMMER 2020

July	Monday	Bob Vanderselt	bvanderselt@stomaventures.com	314-378-0516
	Friday	Ron Bales	rpbmi@comcast.net	239-389-5587
August	Monday	Bob Boland/F.Sroka	rboland@comcast.net	239-595-8780
	Friday	Jeff Dywan	j.j.dywan@gmail.com	219-718-9615
September	Monday	Al Bozzo	dralboz@aol.com	239-389-0037
	Friday	Bob Winterhalter	robertswinterhalter@gmail.com	239-389-0825
October	Monday	Tony Tomassone	tonytom_52@msn.com	610-937-2324
	Friday	Steve Billmyer	stevenjb@centurylink.net	360-378-4194



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