



Moorestown Field Club

Newsletter

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A letter from the President, Matt Simeone

Matt Simeone

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Dear Members,

With this week's storm, it appears that Mother Nature has decided to share a winter with us after all. This weather brings to an end one of the longest and most intense periods of Member activity in the history of our club. Thankfully our team and our facilities were up for the challenge. I know many of you share my belief that having MFC available this last year was more important than ever.

We encourage all of you to attend our 2021 annual meeting on February 24th which will be conducted virtually via Zoom. We will send you additional notices and information on the meeting, and if possible, we would ask you to register in advance with Lisa to help us manage the event. For those who can not attend, we will have the full presentation from the meeting on the website.

I would like to make a special note and thank all the Members who volunteer their time to MFC. When you look around our club, you notice our new sign out front, our new Tennis awning, our new bocce courts, and the continuous series of volunteer managed, and in some cases volunteer funded improvements to our club. Their efforts, coupled with the very hard work of the MFC team, keeps our club relevant and vibrant for current and new members alike. And to those of you who would like to volunteer on behalf of our club, please reach out anytime to me or any of the other Officers or Board Members to discuss how your talents and time could be put to work for the benefit of all.

The team and Board are hopeful that we can reopen indoor dining in the spring, and that Members can enjoy our new bar and patio awning. As we manage the ever changing situation, MFC will continue to follow all State and CDC guidelines and operate in a safe and sustainable manner.

Please be sure to visit with George and Mike in the offseason to upgrade your equipment, apparel, and technique.. They do appreciate your visits when the facilities are closed and the days are cold.

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I would like to thank the Board and MFC team for their continued excellent stewardship, and we continue to manage our club from a position of strength.

The Board and MFC Team appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,

Matt Simeone

Board of Trustees, President



A letter from the General Manager/Superintendent

John Carpinelli

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Dear Members,

Happy New Year to everyone and I hope all of you have been able to stay safe in this COVID-19 year. I am confident that 2021 is shaping up to be a much better year and the Field Club is prepared to make your experience here extremely rewarding.

Many improvements have been made in the last several months including the rebuilding of some bunkers, the addition of 2 Bocce courts and the construction of a beautiful bar. All the new amenities will greatly enhance the opportunity to use the club to its full potential for all members, golf and tennis alike.

I am looking forward to opening of the food service also with expanded hours to include Wednesday night, Saturday, and Sunday until 6pm. Consistency will be key as we are sticking to these hours no matter what so you can plan your time here accordingly.

Bocce leagues will be formed and run from April until June and begin again from September until November. These leagues will be open to all members and will take place on Wednesday and Thursday nights. I am actively looking for volunteers to Chair a Wednesday night league and a Thursday night league so please contact me if you are interested. Bocce is an easy, relaxing game that can be played by all, so let's make it a huge success!

The golf course had a record number of rounds in 2020 due to 100 new members and the fact that because of the pandemic, people rediscovered their love for the game. I do not have an official count for tennis court rounds but Mike Perrone stated play was much increased this year. With this increased play comes wear and tear to our facility. Please be vigilant in taking care of the course and courts. Fix ball marks and divots especially in the winter when seed is not germinating in the soil, please do not throw cigarette butts on the ground anywhere around the facility and place your trash in a receptacle for pickup. All of these small tasks improve the appearance and playability of our gem of a club.

I will be posting some videos to the website with the correct way to fix ball marks, replace divots and rake bunkers. I know this seems obvious to most but it is amazing how many are repaired incorrectly so please check them out in the Members Only section of the website.

Tennis players it is my goal to have many of you to take advantage of our dining and bar services this year. I would love to see MFC become a more social club between the 2 sports.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve this great club and I really look forward to having a pleasurable year at MFC.

A letter from the General Manager/Superintendent

Bar Under Construction!



Fire Pit & Bocce Ball Courts



A letter from the Golf Pro, George Frake II

Golf Pro-George Frake II

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The course is finally getting a well deserved break and thoughts of warmer weather are becoming more realistic. We are 6 weeks from saying goodbye to Winter. We are going to hit the ground running this year and hope to see the club in full operation soon.

Golf Shop News

I am excited about the start of the season and the expanded selection of items in the golf shop. This roll out was to begin last year but the pandemic got in the way. New to the golf shop will be the Srixon and Bridgestone golf ball lines, AM&E Headcovers, Dorfman Pacific and Imperial Headwear and Maui Jim Sunglasses just to highlight a few.

You will also be able to play before you purchase with demo sets from Mizuno, Taylor-made and Callaway. Paired with the Mizuno Shaft Optimizer and Fitting System all of your fitting needs can be handled here. And I can always match or beat the box stores advertised prices.



Corporate Clothing and Accessories

Whether you need gifts for vendors or need to outfit your company I can assist. I can put your logo on all styles of clothing, hats, golf balls and just about anything you can think of. Clothing orders start at just 24 pieces with hats and accessories at 48 or 72. Contact me to discuss options and designs.

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GHIN Handicaps and Digital Profile

As part of the handicap system introduced last year everyone is required to create a digital profile. You should have received an invitation to create a profile. If you have not received this invitation via email please email the golf shop so I can confirm your email on file.

GAP Matches

Men's GAP Interclub Matches return this year and are scheduled for April 18th, 25th and May 2nd. These matches are played against area clubs placing 6 players at home and 6 players away in a match play format. Moorestown Field Club has 2 teams and your participation is needed. If you are interested in playing or would like more information please contact me.

Event Schedule

The 2021 schedule is currently being compiled. The March 1st newsletter will contain a completed schedule. Please stay tuned



A letter from Men's Golf

Senior Mens Group– Tony Casale

Email: Yahoo <acasale41@yahoo.com>

As of this writing there are two to three foursomes of seniors who continue to brave the weather and golf on Wednesday mornings. If you are so inclined to brave Old Man Winter please come to the first tee at 8:55 on Wednesdays. My praise to those who continue to play each week no matter the temperature.

Keep in mind that April and Opening Day is only a few months off. The past season was fun and successful albeit very strange season. We not only survived but had fun in the process We are looking to have a enjoyable and full 2021 golf season. We welcome all golfers 60 years of age and older and of all abilities.

Please look of information regarding the Seniors Men League in future newsletters re. the 2021 season.

Remember : MASK UP, STAY SAFE and STAY WARM!

See you on the first tee!



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A letter from Men's Golf

Men's Golf– Tim Casale

Email: timc52478@yahoo.com

My monthly newsletter is in memoriam to my friend Dave Higgs. Dave passed away on 12/24 after complications from a brain aneurysm. In the thirty years that my family has been members of the club, my parents and I could not recall a member of his young age, and so active in the club, passing away too soon like this. It made me think about all of the wonderful things that Dave Higgs meant to so many people. If you didn't know Dave Higgs, I want to let you know a little about who he was through some stories from his friends and family:

So who was Dave? Dave was the guy who loved his family. He loved when he got to bring his family to the club for breakfast, especially Mother's Day, which he did every year. His son Tommy and son-in-law Pat Tadley eventually became members of the club, and Dave made sure to introduce them to absolutely everyone so that they felt as part of the club as he did and to show other members the pride he had in his family.

Dave was the guy whose family meant everything to him, but who also considered the guys he played golf with his "Field Club" family. It was hard to not have the two "families" become intertwined. Hosting Sunday dinners was a Higgs family tradition and practically every week the first hour would consist of a detailed play by play of his round and usually some of his teammates' rounds that day. He just couldn't get enough of it.

According to his son Tommy, Dave lived for Saturday and Sunday mornings and the group of guys he got to play with. He was the guy with the slick back silver hair who could be seen strutting around the first tee, chipping and putting, always raring to get going and was quick with a "What's going on brother?"

Dave was the guy that everyone loved to play golf with. He embodied the perfect mixture of competitive and collegial. When I found out I was paired up with him, I not only knew we would have a good chance to win, but I knew we were going to have a fun day out there.

Dave was the guy that was so easy to talk to. He was quick to compliment and encourage others about their golf game, and even quicker with a snappy comeback. On his good days he was a chipping master and could carry a team; on his bad days he was hard on himself, would bemoan the game and only make himself work harder so that he was better the next time out.

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Dave was the guy whose success in golf was never more evident than this year, as his handicap was the lowest it had ever been in his life.

Dave was the classic “in between” guy for GAP matches, whose handicap fell right in between the two teams, often playing some matches on Team 1 and some matches on Team 2, even in the same year. It never mattered which team he played for, he just wanted to compete and represent MFC and hopefully get to play some nice golf courses.

Dave was also the guy that played in all the men's golf events. He loved the competition and the camaraderie of being part of our club.

Dave was the guy that would meet Tommy for a quick 9, usually after dinner, 2-3 times a week and cherish the father/son time they had. Dave was also the guy that loved to strategize with Tommy about his weekly golf league matches. He called Tommy before each match to prepare and after every match to see how it went.

Dave was also the guy who won two out of the last three Member Guest titles, one with each of his sons. This October he won the shootout with Tommy and in 2018 he was triumphant with his youngest son Pat. He told his sons that these were two of his proudest days on the golf course, ever.

Dave was the guy that somehow scored a Greenwood Cup partnership with our 9 time club champion Doug Dreby. Although they came close, reaching the semifinals and finals on multiple occasions, they never won the title... and I'm not sure whose fault that was.

Dave was also the guy who stepped up and drained a fifteen footer for par and a share of the win in what would end up being his final round. I will never be so happy to have tied a match in my life. It will forever make me smile as I remember that putt clinking against the flagstick and falling to the bottom of the cup. I know that if he had another opportunity, Dave would have made that putt again and again.



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Those of us who knew him best will always talk about him and I'm sure that often it will make me sad...Dave being gone. The place that we call a "second home" will be a little more drab and empty because he is no longer there. We will tee it up again, like we always do, first ones off in the morning, but a round won't go by that I won't think about Dave and just miss my friend.



A letter from the Tennis Pro Mike Perrone

Tennis Pro Mike Perrone

Email: mptopspin@yahoo.com

Spring League to begin in April

It's time to start thinking Spring league tennis. This year it does look like the league will continue and MFC will field three teams - the most of any club in South Jersey. Please begin to think if you need someone to partner with and making sure if committed to play you can make almost all seven weeks of play beginning at the end of April. Mike will send an email out to everyone detailing what you need to do to play. If you are a new member and are interested please contact Mike to get you on the team list.

Warm Winter

So far winter has cooperated with some slightly above seasonal temperatures therefore allowing some great wintertime drills and play. We will continue outdoor play as long as there is snow no courts. Our courts are very well wind blocked so temps in the 30s and sunny feels very playable.

Warm weather upcoming programs events to get excited about.

- Ladies Spring League
- Ladies Summer League
- Member guest day
- Monday Wednesday arranged doubles play
- Tuesday Night high level mixed doubles
- Wed Night high level drill
- Mixers
- Club Tournament

Tips from the Pro

Stay Quiet Under Duress

Ok this means when you miss a shot it's probably better not to announce to your opponents why you missed. For example: the sun blinded me, I hate slow balls, my leg hurts, etc. The more information your opponent knows about you the more they will use it to their advantage. They will lob more when you're facing the sun, hit more slow balls to you, and run you more if they think your injured. So... better to just suck it up and let your racket do the talking.

Ladies Golf

Ladies 9 Holer

Trish Trivinia

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As I write this newsletter for February, the temperature outside is 26 degrees with a wind chill of 13 degrees. But I'm betting some of our diehard 9 Holers are out on the course, honing their strokes in anticipation of the 2021 golf season. Hopefully, our remaining days before the start of the season have more mild weather days with lots of opportunities to get out on the links!

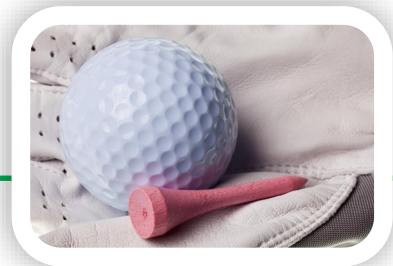
Attached to this newsletter, is a copy of the registration form for the 9 & 18 Holers. For those of you who are new to 9 Holers, the form includes payment information for Opening Day too. Please make a copy, fill it out and return it by March 12th to Lisa Paparone, 83 Parry Dr., Hainesport, NJ 08036.

The 9 Holers Opening Day is **April 15th**. Mark your calendars and get ready to play! We will have a 9 am shotgun, followed by a boxed lunch by Foodwerx, on the outdoor patio with gifts for participants. As we get closer to Opening Day we will take lunch orders from everyone.

In the past, our 9 Holer treasurer, Pat Taylor, collected fees of \$26 for handicaps (to obtain a handicap speak to our pro, George Frake). However, this has changed starting this year. MFC will now be collecting the fee, which will be reflected in your January MFC bill.

Also attached, you will notice a 9 Holer Ladies Order Form. The order form is for our 2021, 9 Holers shirt for the season. Please take a look. It's a nice white Cutter and Buck shirt with an MFC logo on the front, and a yoke logo of *I'm A Perfect NINE!* The shirt comes in no sleeve, short sleeve, and long sleeve options. To order you can print the form, fill it out and return it to George Frake at the pro shop. Or you can place an order directly by emailing George at gf2golfpro@gmail.com. The cut off for shirt orders is February 10th, so order as soon as possible so you don't miss out on this great shirt.

Looking forward to a fun-filled 2021 golf season!



The Women's Golf Season will kick off in April. 18 Holers Opening Day is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6. The 9 Hole Opening Day is scheduled for Thursday, April 11. Anyone interested in joining the women's leagues can complete the registration form on the next page.

2021 MFC 18-Hole Women Golfers

Open Day Golf, Lunch and Meeting: Tuesday, April 6th

9 Hole Scramble, at 9:00 a.m. Lunch and Meeting to be determined

Please check appropriate items:

___ I will _____ will not play golf beginning at 9:00 A.M.

___ I will _____ will not need a riding cart

___ Enclosed is \$55 **FOR 2021 DUES**

PLEASE NOTE: COST OF 18 HOLE COMPUTERIZED HANDICAP OF \$26.50 WILL NO LONGER BE COLLECTED BY 9- & 18-HOLE LEAGUES. MFC HAS ASSUMED THIS RESPONSIBILITY. IT WILL SHOW UP ON YOUR January MFC BILL.

Please print and complete this form. Mail it with your check - payable to MFC Women's Golf by March 20, 2021 to:
Peggy Kehs, 892 Heritage Road, Moorestown, NJ 08057. Cell# 609-364-3655

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please print clearly: (info will be printed in 18-Hole membership booklet)

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9-HOLERS Golf Opening Day: Thursday, April 15th

9:00 am Shotgun Scramble followed by Lunch and Meeting.

We ask that lunch be paid in advance. A refund is available until April 7th.

For cancellations, please call Trish Trivinia @ 609-744-7185

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Golf yes _____ no _____ cart: yes _____ no _____

Lunch yes _____ no _____

___ Enclosed is \$95 for 2021 Dues (\$55), Lunch (\$40)

___ Enclosed is \$55 for 2021 Dues

___ Enclosed is \$40 for Opening Day lunch only.

Note: Handicap Fee (26.50) now billed by MFC. It will no longer be collected by 9- or 18-hole leagues. Fee will be on your January MFC bill.

***Please make check payable to MFC 9-Holers. Send with this form by March 12th to:
(We need a response by this date so we can prepare the directory. Please be PROMPT!!)***

If you are reading this online, please print and complete this form. Mail it with your check to:
**Lisa Paparone
83 Parry Drive
Hainesport, NJ 08036**

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

A letter from the Dining Committee

Bill Morsell

Email: morsell@comcast.net

The Dining Committee has been meeting to plan our re-opening this Spring. We are looking forward to an exciting golf and tennis season with expanded dining hours, special dining events, a new pub and dinner menu, and bar service. Details are still being discussed and further announcements will be forthcoming. We are planning for all of this to begin in early April.

Thank you!

Remember foodwerx for your catering needs!

www.foodwerx.com



All Dining Service (Indoor/Outdoor/ Takeout) is currently suspended until further notice

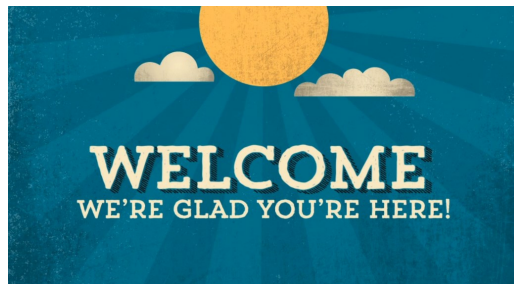
Note: Alcohol can be purchased in the Pro Shop

Need a place to host your next event! Remember MFC Members receive a 50% discount on the rental fees at the clubhouse!

We are still following the guidelines of the CDC for attendance



Welcome some of our newest Members



Help us welcome the following new members!

William Sheldon

Chris Izzo

Douglas Sell Jr.

Harry Morad

Josh Feldshneider

Mike Modica

Joe Duncan

Thomas Forline

The Broker Family

Brendan Quinn

The Cantwell Family



John Scully



Corey Becker

Thank You!



A special thank you to John Carpinelli and his crew for all their hard working during the snow storm on February 1-2!

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