

MFC NEWSLETTER

JULY 2023



A letter from the President

President: Brian Deam

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Dear Members,

Happy Birthday America – 247 years of democracy and still going strong. Only 3 years until our Semiquincentennial celebration!

Your club was bustling with activity in June as the summer season moved into full swing. The Ladies' Member Guest was well attended, despite the smoke from our northern neighbors, and displayed the group's creativity. The men's retiree group hosted Riverton and prevailed to even the home and home match. Unfortunately, the club was not as successful in our annual 1892 Cup match vs Merchantville. The women lost in a chip-off and the men lost by 4 points. But there's always next year.

Congratulations to Lynn and Rick Rohrbach and Karen and Jon Greer as they captured the spring Bocce league championship! Thanks to Pat DeHart for running another successful season.

There are several tournaments in July and there will be a band on July 27th. Check the calendar for the full list of activities.

Our membership ranks continue to grow and are ahead of plan for 2023. We still have a waiting list for golf and club memberships; at this point we are adding a new golf membership when one resigns. Word of mouth continues to be our most effective marketing channel – thank you for promoting the club to your friends and family. The next most effective channel is online reviews as 90 percent of people use reviews to make decisions. If you enjoy Moorestown Field Club, please consider completing a brief Google review!

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Please welcome our latest group of 6 new members/families listed on page 13.

A key provision of our club liquor license is that the member must be present in order for any guest or the spouse of a single member to order an alcoholic beverage. We must strictly enforce this provision to protect our license. If a single member would like their spouse to be able to order alcohol when the member is not present, we are offering the ability to add the spouse to a Couple or Family House membership. Details are on the next page.

Pickleball continues to grow in popularity and Mike is running lively social and competitive tournaments every few weeks. As a reminder, pickleball privileges are included in the golf, tennis and club memberships only; house members and spouses of single members do not have privileges. Spouses of single memberships can play as a guest up to 5 times. The Board recently approved a formal pickleball membership category for new members, existing house members, and spouses of single members. Details are on the next page.

Did you know that the Open Golf Championship started in 1860 and the first 12 tournaments were played at Prestwick Golf Club in Scotland, not St. Andrews. The only 6-time winner is Harry Vardon. In 1999, Paul Lawrie overcame the largest ever third round deficit, 10 strokes, to win at Carnoustie. So never give up!

See you at the club!

More from the President

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Add Spouse of a Single Membership to Enable Independent Purchase of Alcoholic Beverages:

Per the NJ ABC rules for a Club Liquor License:

Only a bona fide member can order alcoholic beverages.

Guests of a bona fide member can order alcohol, but the bona fide member must be personally present.

Thus, the spouse or child of age of a Single membership can only order alcoholic beverages when the member is present. We must strictly enforce this requirement to protect our license.

If the spouse or child of age of any category of Single membership would like to order from the bar independently or bring guests, the spouse or child of age must be added to the membership as a House member for a fee equivalent to the difference between the Single and Couple/Family House dues. Your House Dues would increase \$275 from \$745 to \$1015.

You may request this addition from Susan, our Business Manager.

Pickleball Membership Program:

MFC is very pleased to announce our new pickleball program and membership options! Pickleball is included in all golf, full club and tennis memberships. This is extended only to the actual member(s). Current House members and the spouse/partner/children of Single memberships do not have privileges.

However, you can add pickleball for you and/or additional family members to your membership as follows:

Add Pickleball to Existing House Membership:

- ◆ Single House: \$200 to add yourself
- ◆ Couple House: \$200 to add one adult and \$300 for both
- ◆ Family House: \$200 to add one adult, \$300 for both adults, \$400 for family

Add on Spouse/Family to a Single Golf, Club or Tennis Membership:

House dues will change from Single to Couple/Family - \$740 to \$1015

Pickleball Sports Dues:

- ◆ \$200 to add a spouse/partner
- ◆ \$400 to add a family

Capital Dues and Food Minimum remain unchanged.

Please contact the office manager Susan to make an addition.

If your spouse/partner/children would not like to join, they may play as a guest. Under our policy, guests must play with a member, are limited to 5 visits a calendar year for a fee of \$10/visit, and must be signed in. If you know someone who is not a member but who would like to play pickleball and use the clubhouse at MFC, read on for our new pickleball membership options and annual costs.



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Single Pickleball:

- ◆ House Dues - \$740
- ◆ Capital Dues - \$500
- ◆ Pickleball Sports Dues - \$200
- ◆ Food Minimum - \$150 per quarter

Couple Pickleball:

- ◆ House Dues - \$1,015
- ◆ Capital Dues - \$500
- ◆ Pickleball Sports Dues - \$300
- ◆ Food Minimum - \$150 per quarter

Family Pickleball:

- ◆ House Dues - \$1,015
- ◆ Capital Dues - \$500
- ◆ Pickleball Sports Dues - \$400
- ◆ Food Minimum - \$150 per quarter



A letter from the Golf Pro, George Frake II

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The season is in full swing! The Men's Stokes and Greenwood Cups are in full swing and the Women's President's Cup is headed towards an exciting finish. In June, Merchantville retained the 1892 Cup, our Club Championship Bracket was set and the Ladies did it up with bling at the Member Guest.

We have added some new events to the calendar that will begin shortly. New to the schedule are the O'Connor Cup, the Wallace Cup, and the Wednesday Night Jack and Jill. Please see more information about these events below.

Golf Clinics are in full swing. See the following page for dates and times.

July Golf Events:

Progressive Pressure — Saturday, July 22nd. Pick your foursome and tee time. Start out counting 1 ball and finish up with all 4 counting. Entry \$25.

College Back to School Night — Wednesday, July 26th. Parent / Child Selected Drive, Alternate Shot. Must be attending college in the Fall or graduated from college this year. Parent / Guardian must be a member. Entry fee to include BBQ during the round.

Upcoming Events:

The Wallace Cup

The Wallace Cup will be a 9 hole Better Ball of Partners Match Play version of the Greenwood Cup.

"The Wallace Cup is being commemorated in honor of Amy Wallace, a long time MFC women's golf member and Moorestownian, who left this life too early at the age of 62."

Sign ups are open now. Open to teams consisting of two female golf members. Matches are scheduled at an agreeable time with the finals completed by the end of September

The O'Connor Cup

Marie and Jim O'Connor were avid members at Moorestown Field Club for many years and Mr. O'Connor and his family have generously created a fund that will supply prizes for this event for years to come. This event will be a 9 hole mixed better ball of partners, match play, similar to the Greenwood and Wallace Cups. This year the matches will be 9 holes with intent to transition to 18 holes next year.

Wednesday Night Jack and Jill

The first night we had 9 couples compete and Annemarie and Matt Simeone edged out Jackie and John Diepold in the Chapman Format.

July 12th is the next event and we will wrap up on August 2nd. **More dates to be added in 2024!**

Tee Times begin at 5:20 PM. Contact the golf shop to sign up for a time. Different formats for each event. \$5 per player entry fee, cash prizes paid that night. 100% Handicap.

George Frake II, PGA Head Golf Professional

Golf Camps & Clinics from the Golf Pro, George Frake II

Golf Pro: George Frake II

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★ JUNIOR GOLF CAMPS

Monday to Thursday

July 10th to 14th

July 31st to August 3rd

August 21st to August 24th

BEGINNER SESSIONS — 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM, \$130

INTERMEDIATE SESSIONS — 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM, \$160

Spots will fill quickly! Contact John to sign up!

★ JUNIOR DROP-IN CLINICS

Monday to Friday

5:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Attend One or All! — Beginning June 22nd

For more information and to register please email

golfingwithjohn@gmail.com.

★ MEN'S CLINICS

Tuesdays:

July 18, & 25

8:30 to 9:30 AM & 10:00 to 11:00 AM

Thursdays:

Jul 6, 20, & 27

12:00 to 1:00 PM

★ LADIES' CLINICS

Mondays: July 10, 17, & 24

6:00 to 7:00 PM

Tuesdays: July 11, 18, & 25

6:00 to 7:00 PM

Wednesdays: July 5, 19, & 26

8:30 to 9:30 AM & 10:00 to 11:00 AM

Thursdays: July 6, 20, 27

1:30 to 2:30 PM & 3:00 to 4:00 PM & 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Thursday: Jul 13

3:00 to 4:00 PM & 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Fridays: July 7, 14, 21, & 28

3:00 to 4:00 PM

★ CO-ED CLINICS

Wednesdays and Fridays:

Jun 28 - July 28

6:30 to 7:30 PM



A letter from the Tennis Pro, Mike Perrone

Tennis Pro: Mike Perrone

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SJ SUMMER LEAGUE:

Our level 1 summer league team captained by Lynn Rohrbach is doing well among the best ladies league in south Jersey. With two matches to go our team has a chance to be on top.

Players include:

Andrea Giacobbo, Sally Finley, Lynn Rohrbach, Jeanie Gamble, Jody Demas, Stephanie Morrison, Sue Earnst, Barb Hendrickson, Jenn Canton, Nancy Coleman, and Dana Krisanda,

Good luck the rest of the season!

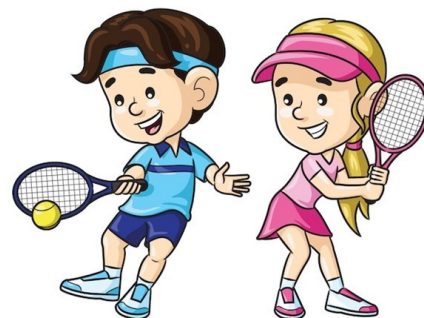
JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM:

Our MFC junior program meets Tuesday/Thursday at two time slots throughout the summer.

INTERMEDIATE — 4:00 PM to 5:15 PM

ADVANCED 5:15 PM — 6:30 PM

Age range is 12-17. Players can do one or both days per week. Cost is \$35 per day.



CLAY COURTS:

We are checking out two different ways to improve our watering system for our Har-Tru courts.

- ◆ Above ground sprinkler. This would include a new water line to help handle more sprinkler heads running at one time and better disperse water.
- ◆ Below ground. Our current watering system but looking to see if possible to repair some underground clogged hoses on one of the courts.

Currently our courts are still regarded as the top clay courts in South Jersey, but the effort to make this happen becomes greater each year as the systems get older.

Clay Court Brushes:

After brushing the court please return brushes against the side fence where the bristles are not touching the ground but are parallel to the court surface. Too many try to lean the brush upward with the bristles down and it is destroying them. It is very simple to flip the brush around and then lean it against the fence.

ADULT DRILLS:

Our adult drills are running in full force. Some days we are doing 2-3 per day. There is probably a level for you if you are not involved. Drills are a fun, learning, yet high energy way hitting a lot of tennis balls in a short period of time. Ask Mike if interested.

ADULT PLAY:

We now have two “play” evenings happening during the summer.

Tuesday night men’s pickup begins at 5:30 PM and is open to men looking to play singles and doubles. You can just show up.

Thursday night is co-ed doubles on the clay. Craig Mehnert organizes the evening and sets the line up.

CLUB TOURNAMENT:

Our club tournament will begin in mid-August this year, played on hard courts unless both teams agree to be played on clay. We will use a single elimination format.

PICKLEBALL:

Pickleball is going stronger than ever at MFC! We concluded our fourth special event night June 17 with a combination Round-Robin Happy Hour and a single elimination tournament. Over thirty people attended the event.

We are targeting a similar event for Thursday evening, July 20th. An email will be sent to everyone to confirm.

Please, please sign your guest in!! The board to sign is on the fence as soon as you enter.

For any questions regarding tennis or pickleball please contact Mike Perrone 856-261-9523 by either calling or texting. Thanks!

Ladies Golf—18 Holers—Linda Kastner

Ladies' 18 Holers — Linda Kastner
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Summer golf is in full swing! We are enjoying our weekly tournaments and the chance to get together with our fellow women golfers! Even when we are not playing as well as we had hoped, we are enjoying our beautiful course and are so appreciative of all the hard work our grounds committee has put into keeping it that way!!

One of our 9 and 18 Holers, Katie Alexander, was honored for all her selfless contributions to all the beautiful landscaping. A special 60th birthday party was given by the Lady Golfers, at the home of Sara Armstrong, where John Carpinelli, our General Manager and Superintendent, presented her with the Golden Shovel award! Thank you Katie for all you do for the club and for the Lady Golfers!

Linda Kastner



Ladies Golf—9 Holers—Lisa Paparone

Ladies' 9 Holers — Lisa Paparone

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Member-Guest was held on June 8th, a wonderful day thanks to the hard work of Pat DeHart, Anne Cantwell and Toni Herting, and of course George & staff and the dining staff as well. The theme was "Swing with Bling" and the outfits that day had plenty of bling to prove it!



Winners were:

1st Place Net – Pat Taylor & Jane O'Donnell

2nd Place Net – Kris Furey & guest Michelle Mirabile

3rd Place Net – Suzanne Kahn & guest Deena Squires

Longest Drive – Christine Blessing

1st Place Gross – Pat DeHart & guest Toni Herting

Closest to the Pin # 4 – Mary Scott Fring

Closest to the Pin #8 – Michelle DiMarino

Straightest Drive – Cathy Hipple



As for **9 - Holer Matches**, we were 4-1 overall. Our final match (and final win) for the season was against Riverton on June 1 at home. Many thanks to Pat DeHart and Janice Powell for handling the matches; everything from scheduling and getting players to coordinating a beautiful post-match luncheon!

Grab Bag Thursday event was held June 22 and groups were drawn at random. In addition to regular Thursday tournament, we held a team low putts contest won by Katie Alexander, Kris Furey, Liz Morris and Mary Scheibner. Congratulations on your team win!

Reminder: Dates for 2023 events:

Home Invitational: Thursday, July 20

Closing Day: Thursday, October 26 (NOTE DATE CHANGE***)

Check the booklet for important dates and information.



Remember to post all scores of all rounds you play in the GHIN system in order to keep your handicap up to date. While the Pro Shop staff has agreed to post our Thursday scores, you will still have to post scores for rounds played on other days or at other courses. If you are playing on a day when the Pro Shop would normally post scores, you can still post the scores yourself instead —write the words "self-posted" on scorecard before turning it in.

Lisa Paparone

Men's Golf—Retirees—Jerry Gares

Retirees Golf — Jerry Gares

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June was “busting out all over” at MFC with golf outings, tennis, pickleball, bocci and various social events for its members. As for we retirees, the month began with a return match with Riverton at MFC on June 7th and our “senior citizens” won the home match, 13.5 points to 9.5 points!

Afterwards, a tasty buffet was provided for all and our thanks to Jeff and Chef for providing the lunch. On June 21, the bragging rights for the 1892 Cup were at stake when MFC hosted Merchantville Country Club. Many retirees participated and the match was close but Merchantville held on to the Cup this time. I think, however, for we retirees, golf is more than a game. It's a way of life, a culture with its own rules, code of behavior, and history.



Yes, it has many anecdotes, jargon, and a special kind of humor that we get to share each and every Wednesday morning. If you haven't joined us yet, consider this an invitation to do so! Golf is a game to be enjoyed and when one strolls down a fairway with golf clubs and friends, it becomes an enjoyable experience.

Hope to see you soon!

Gerry Gares

From The Greens Committee—Garrett McVaugh

Greens Committee — Garrett McVaugh

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For this update from the Greens Committee, I'd like to focus on one aspect of our golf course which both consumes much of the resources from our maintenance staff as well as has a dramatic effect on the experience of members and guests: turf maintenance. Together, we can understand the work that goes into creating and maintaining a standard of excellence for the turf that we walk on each day, from which we hit our shots, and upon which we gaze from our seats on the patio.

One of the most common challenges on golf courses is managing areas of high turf stress. This means areas which get a disproportionate amount of wear and tear from foot and cart traffic. Believe it or not, the stress of feet walking is the number one factor in turf decline. As members, let us try to move around the golf course with an eye not only to the enjoyment of our round, but, when possible, also to the preservation of the course as a resource.

Take a moment to think about how you traverse the course. Think about the times when you are closest to your fellow players, and whether there are places that you find yourself going during each round. I would guess that the places that come to mind are mostly near greens and tee boxes. These are critical spots on golf courses; not only are they the areas of the most traffic, and therefore the most turf stress, but also areas where the grass is cut the shortest and which we, as players, demand the most pristine turf conditions. The Greens Committee and the Superintendent have created the following list of considerations that we expect all members to adhere to as we play the golf course:

- ♦ **Use common sense.** When you walk around the golf course, do not walk in areas which seem trampled or where the grass seems stressed.
- ♦ **Scatter**, especially on approaches to greens and tee boxes. Everyone walking in the same spot leads to turf destruction.
- ♦ Motorized carts **MUST stay outside the stakes** approaching the greens, and on cart paths when possible. When there is no cart path, scatter. **Push carts may never** be taken on the collars of the greens, or on the tee boxes.
- ♦ **NO members should walk in roped off areas**, unless they are playing a shot. Walk around.
- ♦ **Observe the cart usage sign** by the first tee. This sign will change regularly, and tell you the preferred driving path for carts based on weather and course conditions.

I'd wager a guess that most members only think about turf when there are challenges, such as bare spots, dying grass, and other blights. The next time you walk through the fairways, I'd encourage you to look at the many, many, many places where the turf at the Field Club is in excellent shape. Believe it or not, this does not happen by accident, nor does it take any less work than fixing trouble spots. John and his staff are continually engaged in the daily maintenance of the golf course, a large part of which is centered on encouraging healthy turf growth so that the grounds can withstand the near-constant barrage of golfers at play. There continue to be places of habitual high turf stress that we are thinking about, and trying to problem-solve best long-term solutions to address nagging problems.

We welcome any suggestions from the membership for ways to help mitigate these challenges. It takes a village.
Garrett McVaugh

New Members

Please help us welcome the following new members:

Brian & Nicole Bianco & Family — Tennis & Social

Gary Carty — Golf & Social

Chad Davis — Golf & Social

Brian Macmillan—Golf & Social

Michael & Debra Jobes & Family—Golf & Social

John Nesnay—Golf & Social



Join us soon to see what tasty treat

Chef has whipped up for us!!!

Make your reservation today!!!

(856) 235-1464 ext. 3

Kindly make a reservation for any party of 6 or more!



Restaurant / Bar Hours

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	11:00—6:00
Wednesday	11:00— 9:00
Thursday	11:00—11:00
Friday	11:00—11:00
Saturday	11:00—11:00
Sunday	11:00—6:00

July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Restaurant & Bar Open 11 AM to 4 PM
2 Restaurant & Bar Open 11 AM to 4 PM	3 Restaurant & Bar - CLOSED	4  Restaurant & Bar Open 11 AM to 4 PM	5 WGAP Junior Girls Championship, course closed til 1 PM	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Board Meeting 7 PM	19	20 Ladies Invita- tional, course closed til Noon	21	22 MGA Progressive Pressure
23	24	25	26 College Back- to-School Night Golf	27	28	29
30	31					

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