

MFC NEWSLETTER

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629 CHESTER AVENUE ★ MOORESTOWN ★ NEW JERSEY

A letter from the President

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Dear Members,

Yes, the summer did fly by, but September brings more favorable weather and a plethora of activities:

- Sept 8: Tennis Club Tournament Matches start
- Sept 9 & 10: Women's Club and Men's Senior Club Championships
- Sept 10: Eagles Season Opener event
- Sept 13: Bocce Fall Season starts
- Sept 15: Pickleball Tournament
- Sept 23: Member Appreciation Day – **free to all members and their spouses**
- Sept 29 & 30: Two-Day Member Guest Golf Tournament

The course and courts are in great condition thanks to the efforts of our golf and tennis staff. Let them know you appreciate their efforts.

Congratulations to Jon Mabry for scoring a hole-in-one on the 13th hole on August 28th. It's only his 9th one, six of which have been at MFC. Congratulations also to Jackie Diepold for winning the Women's President's Cup!

In addition to being our Golf Professional, George Frake is now our Assistant General Manager – Club House Operation. In this role, George will manage the dining service, locker rooms, and the development and promotion of our social events. The Board is confident he will raise your satisfaction with these areas.

The feedback on the revamped dining service has been very positive, especially the food quality. Chef Fredrick and his team are offering weekly specials that you will enjoy. A reminder that September is the end of the food minimum billing quarter. Don't wait until the end of the month, especially since dining will be limited on Sept 29 & 30 due to the member-guest tournament. Also, **no takeout will be allowed after 4 pm during the last week of September.**

The Board will send the annual Member Satisfaction Survey later this month to assess your level of satisfaction with the Club and secure feedback on potential initiatives. Your participation is an essential part of the Board's planning process. We look forward to your responses.

Check out our new members and their sports on page 9. Tell your friends, MFC is the place to "Play, Dine and Relax" in Moorestown.

Each fall we collect for our Employee Appreciation Fund, which is distributed in December. With the insourcing of the dining service the number of employees has increased. Your participation and generosity tell the staff that you appreciate their making MFC the gem it is. Contributions can be billed directly to your account, and you can split it over several months. Contact Susan Hession for further information.

Did you know that the 2023 Ryder Cup marks the first time it has been played in Italy? The cup is named after Samuel Ryder, an English seed merchant who donated the trophy for the first match in 1927. The golfer on the top of the trophy is Abe Mitchell, Samuel's golf coach. The second Ryder Cup was played in 1929 at....the Moortown Golf Club in Leeds, England. Perhaps we should have our own Ryder Cup match with them!

See you at the club!

A letter from the Golf Pro, George Frake II

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Golf Pro Report

Get ready for one last shot of Summer and then it should be off to the cooler temperatures. Upcoming events include the Women's and Senior Club Championships with the month finishing with the Men's 2 Day Member Guest.

The finals of the Men's Club Championship are set with Kevin Kramarski and Doug Dreby set to match up some time this month. I will be sure to announce when the match will be played.

Congratulations to Jackie Diepold, this year's Women's Presidents Cup Champion. Jackie beat Anne Cantwell in the finals.

In Wallace Cup action, Maryellen Gallagher and Jackie Diepold have made their way to the championship match. There are a couple of matches remaining that will determine their opponents. The Wallace Cup honors Moorestownian and MFC Member, Amy Wallace, that left us far too soon.

The O'Connor Cup finals are set with Audrey Brisson and Pat Fowler facing off against Michele and Mike Di-Marino. The O'Connor Cup was set up by Jim O'Connor and his family and recognizes the many years of enjoyment they shared at MFC.

Stokes and Greenwood Cup matches are moving along. Eddie Decker is the first to make it to the final 4 in Stokes action. The teams of Bob Daglian and Andy Stanhope along with Peter Ellison and Ed McGugan have earned their final 4 spots.

Upcoming Golf Events

September 9th and 10th — Women's Club Championship

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September 11th — Kennedy's Cause Golf Outing — COURSE CLOSED

September 28th and October 5th — Women's 9 Hole Championship

September 29th and 30th — Men's 2 Day Member Guest

October 5th Glow Golf — 7pm Shotgun

October 7th and 8th — Men's President's Cup Championship

October 28th — Men's Closing Day

Other Events

Eagles Season Opener — September 10th

Member Appreciation Day — September 23rd

September Golf Shop

Specials

20% off in stock
golf shoes

Short Sleeve Shirts —
Buy 1 get 1 at 50% off

Tee Times and Golf Shop Hours

Mother Nature continues to steal golf time from us each day.

Weekday tee times begin at 8am Sept. 5th through Nov. 3rd.

Weekend tee times will begin at 8am through
Thanksgiving Weekend.

George Frake II, PGA Head Golf Professional



A letter from the Tennis Pro, Mike Perrone

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TENNIS

MFC Club Tournament

Our 2023 Club tournament begins the weekend of September 8th in three events: Men's Singles, Ladies Doubles, and Mixed doubles. This year play will be a single elimination tournament to prevent matches not being scheduled in the allotted time frame. We will post winners in the November newsletter. Good luck to all players.

Junior Groups in Fall

Our junior groups will continue into the fall and through till Thanksgiving. Depending on the weather, groups could continue through the Winter. Groups meet Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Please contact Mike for specific times and levels.

Adult Groups

We will continue our extensive number of adult groups through the fall into December. There is almost an adult group of every level. Some days we offer 3/4 groups per day. If you are not in a group please contact Mike to arrange what would be good for you.

Clay Courts in Good Condition

We have received numerous compliments regarding how our clay courts are playing — well throughout the summer even in some very dry periods. Our MFC clay courts are regarded as the best clay courts in South Jersey!

Tennis Tip

Variety-Variety

If you're finding that you are having trouble winning matches, maybe it's time to mix it up some. Your opponent will be acclimated to the same ball unless you begin to add variety to your game. Hit drives, lobs, angles slow and hard and whatever else you can come up with to throw your opponent into confusion.

Come up with an offensive scale of 1-10 and range from 4-9. This will throw off your opponents timing. Play hard but play smart also.

PICKLEBALL

Our next club mixer Round Robin will be Friday September 15, 4:30-8:00. The first two hours will be our informal Round Robin for all levels followed by a single elimination tournament. Please **text Mike Perrone at 856-261-9522** if attending. We will also have outside bar service. We have expanded the pickleball lights now which will allow us to play later into the evening!

Guest Policy

Our members have begun to do a better job signing in guests but this still needs to improve. If your spouse is not a member they must be signed in on the guest board. Sign in your guest before you begin. We have had to contact members bringing groups who have not signed in the correct number of guest to explain to them that this is a violation of Club rules. Group leaders, please know if someone in your group text is not a member so you can remove them from your text chain. They can only use the club 5 times. Mike has already begun to charge members guest fees who have not signed in as a guest but this is the responsibility of the member. You are only hurting the value of your own membership. Let's be honest and respectable adults with this policy. Ignorance is not acceptable. This policy has been explained many, many times. *For any questions regarding tennis or pickleball please call or text Mike Perrone at 856-261-*

Ladies Golf—18 Holers—Linda Kastner

Ladies' 18 Holers — Linda Kastner
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September is rapidly approaching and many of our members are returning from vacation. We look forward to finishing up our season with a full tee sheet on Tuesdays! Many of our girls have participated in WGAP Tournaments and have made our club proud by winning in various categories!

The overall winner in Stroke Play 2 in Class D at The 1912 Club was Jane O'Donnell and in second place, Margherite McDermott! Congratulations to these two girls!



Many of our members have continued to participate in open days at other courses and have enjoyed many challenging golf games!

Enjoy the pictures of all the ladies who participated in Stroke Play 1 at White Manor and 2 at 1892 Club! Pictures of the girls who participated in open days during the month of August are shown here also!



Linda Kastner

Ladies Golf—9 Holers—Lisa Paparone

Ladies' 9 Holers — Lisa Paparone

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I hope everyone has been having a nice summer and getting in some good rounds of golf. There have been a lot of fun events and competitions, including WGAP events, the Wallace Cup, President's Cup, Jack & Jill and more. Congratulations to Jackie Diepold for her well-deserved win (and many thanks for organizing!) the President's Cup.

Upcoming events include:

NINE HOLERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Two nine hole rounds played on September 21st (front nine) and September 28th (back nine).

Please double check that you are playing the correct round (front or back) on the correct day if you want scores to be counted for the Nine-Holers Championship, as it could possibly change if there is a weather event.

There is no need to sign up for this event, your score will automatically be considered for the Nine-Holer's Championship if you play on both of those days on our usual Thursday morning 9-Holer matches. If you miss one, there is no makeup. However, in the event of a complete rainout on one of those days, the following week will be a makeup. Winner will be a low gross score only, no handicapping for this event.

NINE HOLERS CLOSING DAY

(NOTE DATE CHANGE*)** ____Thursday, October 26

The final day for submitting scores for the seasonal prizes will be Oct. 15th, to give time for tabulating. Make sure to submit all of your pars/ birdie sheets, and update the ringer board by Oct. 15. We will still be able to play on Thursday, Oct. 19th, but will not be collecting scores.



Lisa Paparone

Men's Golf—Retirees—Jerry Gares

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As we enter the month of September, I am reminded of the duration of the golf season as it approaches the end of official play and the handicapping of scores for competitive purposes. But lest you think that “numberless” golf will prevail over the Winte months, that is, the time freed for quiet reflection, bonding with nature and experimenting with new shots, it seems unrealistic since back at the clubhouse someone is bound to ask...How did you shoot? So, without GHIN, keep your own scores, good and bad, if you like, without pain or humility!

Speaking of pain, the pitfalls of Senior Golf...somehow I've hurt my back and need support when playing. Yet pain seems to be the antidote for my swing ailments lately because I was hitting the ball straighter and scoring better than usual. Then calamity strikes! For no good reason, my lumbar muscles relax on the par 5 fifth. Lying two, only eighty yards from the pin, when suddenly the pain in my back vanishes! What happens next? I skull a wedge into the green-side water and end up taking an 8, the dreaded “snowman”!

And on it goes...I must play better in pain and with tears in my eyes! I can't wait for “numberless” golf!

Enjoy the Fall weather and see you on the course.



New Members



Please help us welcome the following new members:

Bud Burns — Social

Jim & Jaclyn Burger — Social

Kimberly McNulty — Tennis & Social

Megan Crow — Pickleball & Social

From the Dining Committee

Welcome Chef Fredrick Price

A big welcome to Chef Fredrick Price and his team of skilled culinary experts. Since Chef Fredrick has been on board, the dining experience at the club has found new momentum. Highlighted by weekly specials, the menu has a taste for everyone to enjoy. A new wine list will be available in September, adding to the flare of the new dining experience. Stay tuned for more great opportunities to be introduced to the staff's creations.

Food Minimums

September marks the end of the quarter and the infamous last week rush to spend the unused minimum. Unfortunately, this practice has interfered with our in-house dining and a rule for takeout has been implemented.

Moving forward, takeout will not be permitted after 4 PM during the last 6 days of the month. We will monitor the effect of these new guidelines and adjust as and if needed. In addition, these guidelines are set in preparation of going back to splitting the membership so everyone's minimum is not due at the end the same month.

Upcoming Dining Events

Eagles Season Opener—Sunday, September 10th



Big Screens, Tailgate Specials from 1 PM to 4:25 PM and gametime specials beginning at Eagles Kickoff until the end of the game. Go Birds!

Member Appreciation Celebration—Saturday, September 23rd



Make your reservations for the Member Appreciation Celebration on Saturday, September 23rd, from 3 PM to 7 PM. Start the afternoon off with some Sweet Lucy's BBQ, pony rides, and games. The Party Wave Band will take the stage at 3:30 PM. Excitement and games throughout the day for the kids. Dessert and ice cream station at 5:30 PM. A great day for all!!

To sign up, please contact George in the Golf Shop.

Members and their spouses are free!

Restaurant and Bar Hours

Closed Mondays

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

MFC Member Appreciation *Celebration*

Join us on Saturday, September 23

3:00 – 7:00 PM

MUSIC ♦ GAMES ♦ FOOD ♦ WINE ♦ BEER



THE DAY'S ITINERARY



3:00 – **Sweet Lucy's BBQ** – with plenty of Kids' food!

3:00 to 5:00 – **Kids' Pony Rides!**

3:30 to 6:30 – **Party Wave Band** – bring your own lawn chairs!

5:30 – **Dessert & Ice Cream**

Kid Games & Activities ALL Afternoon

Each **Membership** may bring One (1) Guest.

Additional guests welcome - \$40 per Adult, \$30 per Child

Barbecue, Domestic Beer, House Wine, & Stateside Seltzers
INCLUDED!

(Cash Bar for Mixed Drinks)

Space is Limited – Reservations are REQUIRED!

Hit **REPLY** to RSVP

September 2023

*"Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall" –
F Scott Fitzgerald*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 	6	7	8	9 Women's & Men's Sr. Club Championship
10  Eagles Opener & Women & Sr. Men's Club Championship	11 Kennedy's Cause Event COURSE CLOSED	12	13	14	15 Pickleball Tourney	16 Rosh Hashanah 
17	18	19 Board Meeting	20	21	22	23 Member Appreciation Day
24	25 Yom Kippur 	26	27 	28 Women's 9-Hole Championship	29 Men's 2-Day Member Guest	30 Men's 2-Day Member Guest

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