

CORAL CREEK CLUB REVIEW



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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

DEAR CORAL CREEK CLUB MEMBERS,



*Michael Zmetrovich
President &
Managing Partner*

THE LAST FEW MONTHS have been busy and productive at the Club. We share a wonderful Club with the best golf course, practice facilities, clubhouse, staff, food and membership in the area! This is why Coral Creek Club continues to be the first choice for those seeking the finest private club experience in the Boca Grande/Cape Haze/Manasota Key area.

There have been many great golf and social events held already during the season and thank you to all who participated and congratulations to all the winners. One of the highlights for me was watching a match between two PGA Tour professionals and two world class amateurs at the Club during the Tinervin Cup. Multiple PGA Tour winner D.A. Points and PGA Tour/Web.com professional Luke Guthrie played current Illinois seniors Dylan Myer (ranked No. 6 best amateur in the world) and Nick Hardy (ranked No. 13th best amateur in the world). What a display of golf with the professionals coming out on top in this match!

The Annual Member Meeting in early March was well attended and upbeat. We updated the membership on our progress with the planned golf course renovation and our work with Tom Fazio and his design team. The plan is to first complete a greens expansion project to recapture lost areas of the greens in the summer of 2019 and to then re-grass the entire golf course, except the greens and complete a bunker renovation project in 2020 — the 20th anniversary of the golf course first opening!

We are also looking forward to hosting the 2018 Florida Mid-Amateur Championship in May. This will mark the 10th anniversary of the Club hosting this FSGA championship and the third FSGA event in the last four years at Coral Creek Club. Several of the players who will compete in this Mid-Amateur Championship are former professionals. You are all welcome to come out and watch, as it will be fun to see how these players fair at Coral Creek Club!

There are many months for fun, golf and social events still ahead. I hope to see all of you at the 10th Anniversary Celebration on April 18th. Enjoy the rest of the season!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "me. Z" followed by a stylized flourish.

Sincerely,

Michael Zmetrovich

President & Managing Partner





*Karen Conroy
General Manager/
Membership Director*

CORAL CREEK CLUB once again has earned the distinction as one of the very best courses in Florida according to Golf Digest. An honor that definitely sets us apart, however, the superior golf is not the only thing that positions Coral Creek a cut above the rest. This is simply the place to be — where people go to have fun and where exciting things happen! The enjoyment and gratification that comes from sharing great golf and good times with new and old friends is a significant part of why you are here!

We believe that there are many others like you who would appreciate how being a member of Coral Creek can truly enhance their lifestyle. The Club is now offering an amazing incentive program for prospective members that join before September 1, 2018. Please contact me for more information!

Coral Creek Club offers the only true private golf club experience in the area and this is where you belong, perhaps you know others that should be here with you!



NEW CERTIFICATE MEMBERS

JIM AND DONNA ZIEGELBAUER
Ball Ground, Georgia

RICK AND SUSANNE EDWARDS
Keller, Texas

DAN AND SHERYL TISHMAN
Bedford, New York

CLIVE AND ANNIE SNOWDON
Stratford Upon Avon, England

RUSS AND MARY SMALL
Rehoboth, Massachusetts

SANFORD AND SALLY SCOTT
St. Louis, Missouri

DAVE AND BARBARA ROUX
Upperville, Virginia

JIM AND JULIA MURPHY
Winnetka, Illinois

NEW SOCIAL MEMBERS

GENERAL LARRY TWITCHELL
Placida, Florida

GREG AND KIMBERLY LEE
Sarasota, Florida

JOHN AND TRIXY CORLEY
Monticello, Illinois

10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Wednesday, April 18th 6:30-9:00PM

Join us as we celebrate the ten year anniversary of the Grand Opening of our award-winning clubhouse. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a brilliant fireworks finale! You will not want to miss this event!

UPCOMING EVENTS

10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

April 18th

FARMERS MARKET DINNER

April 20th

CROSS COUNTRY GRILLE NIGHT

May 2nd

KENTUCKY DERBY DINNER

May 5th

TASTE OF BOCA

ONCE AGAIN the toast of the "Taste" was team Coral Creek! Executive Chef Tim Fain pulled out all the stops with braised short ribs and his famous crab cakes. Food & Beverage Director, Erin Higgins assembled a star studded CC cast to work the crowd!



Dining Manager Jason Halpin, Superintendent Jackson Reising, Food & Beverage Director Erin Higgins, Executive Chef Tim Fain and Assistant Professional Eric Higgins.

SPEAKER SERIES

PARTICIPANTS WERE TREATED to a look at the story behind CC Head Professional Ken Raynor's new book *I Call Him Mr. President*. Together with special guest and co-author, Michael Patrick Shiels, Ken gave a candid look at his relationship with former President George H.W. Bush and the special bond they share through golf, fishing and over 40 years of friendship.



CANARD WINE DINNER

CORAL CREEK CLUB was delighted to present an exceptional dining experience featuring the acclaimed wines of Canard Vineyard complemented by a fabulous dinner prepared by Executive Chef Tim Fain. Host, Adam Fox entertained the crowd with the history behind this small production vineyard and its hand crafted wines of distinction. We will continue in our quest to bring entertaining, interesting and unique wine dinners to the Club—stay tuned!



FROM THE PRO



Ken Raynor,
PGA Head
Professional

THE START OF 2018 brought us the Olympic Games, which embody the spirit of camaraderie and team spirit! At Coral Creek Club it marked the kickoff of competitions to determine who will be crowned our gold medal winners and tournament champions of the season. We have seen some great competition thus far and look

forward to more!

The USGA and the R&A made major announcements relative to the rules of golf. The two-stroke penalty for signing an incorrect scorecard in the case of an unknown rule violation was removed, and video reviews would no longer be viewer acceptable. We all await the arrival in 2019 for the revision of the entire rules of golf potentially reducing them to 20 from the current 34. Our Professional staff will be holding rules clinics so please watch for dates, remember knowing the rules will help you more times than hurt you!

New on the equipment front is certainly the golf ball. Titleist and Callaway have introduced a number of new balls that can be found here at Coral Creek. A softer feel, larger core (longer distance) known as the Mantle with varying dimple patterns allows the golfer to match swing with performance. Ask our staff for recommendations. In the club world, the new Rogue will replace Callaway's successful Epic driver with the same forgiving performance on off center hits. Titleist has come out with a superb line of performance irons. API has the most

PRACTICE TIPS

BALANCE-TO-BALANCE DRILL

Back swing to balance, forward swing to balance then hold your follow through till the ball lands. This will teach you to turn around your center.

DISTANCE CONTROL

Spend 50% of your time putting and chipping six to eight balls in a circle three feet from the cup, then move to a five foot circle etc. Learn distance control chipping by hitting each ball two feet further than the previous, this requires size of swing vs. speed of swing. Turning your core, which in turn controls your arm swing will regulate this.

forgiveness. Vokey wedges have never been better with the new SM 7. New grinds and bounces can perfect your performance on Coral Creek's Bermuda grasses where bounce is extremely important. Our staff is readily available to answer your question as to advancing your game either through the science of equipment or through the art of instruction.

Your Professional staff cares and is here to help in every way. We look forward to spending time together and improving your game.

FLORIDA STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION COMES TO CORAL CREEK



Coral Creek Club to Host 2018 FSGA Florida Mid-Amateur

Coral Creek Club has been selected by the FSGA to host the 2018 Florida Mid-Amateur Championship May 10-13. This marks the 10th anniversary of the Club hosting the Florida Mid-Am and the third FSGA Championship to be contested at Coral Creek Club in the last four years. In 2015, the Club hosted the Florida Women's Amateur Championship and in 2016, the 11th Annual Florida Cup. The Championship is two rounds of stroke play followed by the top 32 playing match play until a champion is crowned. *Golf Digest* ranks Coral Creek Club among the top 30 for all courses in the state of Florida.

NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

CLUBS FROM across the country arrived in Southwest Florida thinking about the warm weather, but Mother Nature had other plans for this year's tournament participants. Day One was a two person team modified chapman format, which is both players tee off, you hit your partners drive and then choose the best shot and alternate until the ball is holed. Past experience and great play from Team Beverly put them in first place in the gross division with 32 points and Team Coral Creek in the net division finishing with 44 points. Day Two produced a warming trend in the weather, which got the competitive juices flowing. In the gross division, Team Beverly played solid from start to finish, but ended up getting caught by Team Weibring, with both teams finishing at 74 points. A sudden death playoff ensued and both teams headed to the first hole with same day two format of two best ball of four. The teams tied on the first hole, but on the second hole Team Beverly recorded a birdie lifting them to victory! In the net division, Team Coral Creek played a great round of golf enroute to 51 points and a two day total of 95 points, but it was not enough as Team Gasparilla played an unbelievable round of golf posting 56 points and a team total of 97 points!

2018 Winning Team Members:



GROSS DIVISION — Team Beverly: CCC member Collin Carrico, Matt Cannan, PGA John Varner, and Mark Wiktor.



NET DIVISION — Team Gasparilla: CCC member Fred Pierce, Rick Gamong, PGA Robert Duke and CCC member Jim Miller.

2018 TINERVIN CUP — ILLINOIS AND ILLINOIS STATE

THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL MATCHES between Illinois and Illinois State featured current players and alumni. The Illinois alums brought some firepower in PGA Tour winner D.A. Points and Web.com player Luke Guthrie, as well as Coach Mike Small who just won the PGA Senior Player of Year Award! This star studded alumni team did not have enough firepower to beat the current team losing this year's match 4 1/2 to 2 1/2. In the Illinois State matches, the current team came out firing and making a slew of birdies. Getting up early was the key in these matches as Illinois State beat the team of alums 4 to 2. Coral Creek Club wishes both teams the best of luck for the spring season!



Illinois State team with Coach Ray Kralis, Jeff Tinervin and the alumni team.



University of Illinois team with Coach Mike Small, Jeff Tinervin and the alumni team.

GOLF EVENTS

2018 LADIES MEMBER-MEMBER

SOME EXCELLENT SCORES were posted during the two days of this event as the ladies came out to play! After day one five teams had posted scores under par, with Joan Der and Pam Gaynor shooting an amazing score of 57 giving them a seven shot lead heading into day two!

Round two started with the team of Kathy Kessel and Vicki DeBoest making a charge by shooting an impressive 31 on the front nine. Great effort, however, the round of 57 posted on day one by Joan Der and Pam Gaynor was too much to overcome! Congratulations to the 2018 Member-Member champions with a two day total of 124.



Champions Joan Der and Pam Gaynor.

2018 MEN'S MEMBER-MEMBER



Gross Champions Charlie Woodworth and Collin Carrico.

THE ANNUAL MEN'S MEMBER-MEMBER kicked off with a great field of 48 competitors. Day one proved to be a formidable challenge to all players as the wind howled out of the ENE at 15- 20 mph for most of the round! Even with the tough scoring conditions, Collin Carrico and Charlie Woodworth and Jim Ziegelbauer and Mark Egbert were able to shoot a 1 under par 70 and were in the lead heading into day two.

In the net competition, the tournament heated up quickly as the team of John Zahnow and Norm Gaynor and Jim Ziegelbauer and Mark Egbert both shot incredible rounds of 58! Four shots back heading into day



Net Champions Ted Devnew and John Westerfield.

two was the first time team of Ted Devnew and John Westerfield, shooting a great score of 62.

With the winds much calmer and the scoring conditions more favorable on day two, team Carrico/Woodworth pulled away from the field with a great score of 67 and winning the gross championship with a two-day total of 137. Consistency was the key in the net competition, as the duo of Devnew/Westerfield posted another impressive round of 62 and a two-day total of 124 pulling away from the field. Finishing in second was the team of Bill LaPoint and Mike Marchese with a two day total of 130. Special thanks to all competitors!

LADIES "OLYMPIC" INVITATIONAL 2018



Invitational Winners Joan Der and Marilyn Howell.

THREE VALUES OF THE OLYMPICS — friendship, respect and excellence, were on display at Coral Creek Club as the Ladies competed for the 2018 Ladies Invitational gold medal. Thursday night kicked off with the opening ceremony followed by an exquisite meal prepared by Chef Tim and his culinary team. Let the games begin!

Mother Nature gave the ladies an incredible weather day for golf providing the opportunity for the ladies to go low and post a good score. The three teams of Kathy Urban and guest Sue Fitzgerald, Pam Gaynor and guest Judy Thomas and Joan Der and guest Marilyn Howell, did just that, all posting scores of 64. The tie breaker for the event was a scorecard playoff using the USGA recommendation of back 9 total, last 6, last 3 and last hole. The result was a low total score of 31 from the team of Joan Der and Marilyn Howell. Congratulations and thank you to those of you who made this event successful!



Best Olympian Costumes Team USA! — Guest Sue Fitzgerald and CCC Member Kathy Urban.

MEN'S INVITATIONAL 2018



Men's Champions — David and Jamie Hull

THIS YEAR'S MEN'S INVITATIONAL brought out the best in the tournament participants producing great golf shots and competitive matches within all of the flights. With 34 teams vying for the title of 2018 Champion, it took some very strong play just to be crowned flight champion. This year's flight winners are as follows:

- Hogan Flight:** Ted Devnew & John Carnuccio – 24.5 points
- Jones Flight:** Dan Hucul & Jeff Leonard – 24 points
- Nelson Flight:** Charlie Morrison & Michael Neeb – 24.5 points
- Snead Flight:** Rob Knapp & Tom Ervin – 23.5 points
- Hagen Flight:** David Hull & Jamie Hull – 24 points
- Palmer Flight:** Bud Gruenberg & Frank Fee – 24 points

After dividing the six flights into two groups of three; one group played hole 10, the other group hole 18 and after the first hole of the shootout, there were only two teams left; David Hull and Jamie Hull won their flight in a chip-off and Charlie Morrison and Michael Neeb won their flight in convincing fashion by birdieing hole 10. Jaime Hull hit a drive down the right side of the 18th fairway and Charlie Morrison hit his drive a little left and ended up in the water. After a great recovery shot from 185 by Michael Neeb, hitting it to about 20-25 feet, the game was back on. David Hull hit his second shot up to about 85 yards away and watched his son stick it to about seven feet. With each team laying three and a near miss by Team Morrison, David Hull sunk the par attempt and secured a victory in the 2018 Men's Invitational championship for Team Hull!



ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENT

THIS YEAR'S EVENT had 68 players come out wearing the green and showing their Irish spirit to celebrate this year's St. Patrick's Day at CCC! Mother Nature once again gave the tournament players a beautiful day to make a ton of birdies and enjoy afternoon libations from the Paddy Wagon, sponsored by Denny and Melanie Sullivan. This year's format was a Four Person "Cape Cod" Scramble, which means that everyone putts and a team can record up to minus four on any single hole. Taking full advantage of close shots and great putting was the team of Kathy and Phil Kessel, their daughter Amanda Kessel and Vicki DeBoest with a winning score of 37.875! Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all of you who participated making this another fun and successful event!

- 1st Place: Phil & Kathy Kessel/Amanda Kessel & Vicki DeBoest
- 2nd Place: Capt. Dann & Mary Kupersmith/Rob & Amy Click
- 3rd Place: Dave & Suzanne Baetz/Babs Vanyo & Jason Dinius
- 4th Place: Mark & Rose Guidinger/ Bill & Kathy LaPoint
- 5th Place: Ira & Ann Cohn/John & Pam Payne



A Bit O' the Gold! Amanda Kessel, a member of the U.S. Women's Olympic Hockey Team, displays her gold medal from the victory! Winning the tournament were Amanda, Vicki DeBoest, Kathy Kessel and Phil Kessel.



Paddy Wagon Sponsors Denny and Melanie Sullivan (right) with guests Don and Bretta Sullivan.

CHARITY TOURNAMENT – APRIL 12TH

MANY OF OUR LIVES have been touched by cancer in some way. In our continued commitment to support the efforts of local charities, the Club is hosting a tournament to help raise awareness of breast cancer. CC member, Zayra Calderon, assisted by many of our ladies has spearheaded this event. Proceeds will benefit 21st Century C.A.R.E, a foundation for cancer assistance, research & education for patients in the local area.



HOLES IN ONES



AMANDA KESSEL | MARCH 20, 2017 | HOLE NO. 2



SCOTT COTHERMAN | MARCH 14, 2017 | HOLE NO. 6



GOLF COURSE UPDATE

THE 2018 GOLF SEASON was one that tested our course management from seemingly every angle. With Hurricane Irma making landfall in Southwest Florida exactly three weeks before we opened the course we knew right then that the success of our year would necessitate every bit of mental and physical fortitude from everyone on our team in the golf maintenance department.

January brought some of the coldest weather we've ever seen at Coral Creek Club, with wind chills down in the low 20s, while February delivered intense heat with record setting days in the upper 80s. March was fairly mild, balancing between the extremes of the previous months, which is much appreciated by us grass growers! All in all our hard work and commitment to the club has



Jackson Reiswig, Golf Course Superintendent

paid off as we progress in to spring and the start of summer. The warm season bermuda grass has made it through the intensity of the tournament season and is enjoying being back in the climatic parameters that facilitate its growth and strengthening. The natural areas that are integrated throughout the layout at Coral Creek Club are intended to stay organic, and our work involving these areas is not to physically manipulate them, but to assist in the removal of invasive species, thereby keeping the balance between wild life, plant life and playability. Coral Creek Club is committed to environmental stewardship and co-existence between members and the natural state of the Club grounds that truly

make our Club an exceptional place.

This year will see continued progression in our relationship with Fazio Design as we finalize the plans for the upcoming re-grassing in 2020. With two revisions already taken place, excitement is starting to build as the realization of new turf and improved bunkering will once again accentuate the dramatic beauty of our esteemed layout. I cannot impress upon you enough what a testament to the quality of our product it is that after reviewing the entire property there is absolutely no desire – or need — to make any changes to the course routing or structural design. We are extremely fortunate to have such a foundationally superior golf course, which will continue to provide all of you with an exceptional member experience. While it is common

for golf courses across the world to undertake renovations to keep their club relevant and current, I believe what we are undertaking is slightly different than that. The maturation of Coral Creek Club has established us as the premier club to be part of. With so much success from such a strong and prolific design, what we are undertaking is less a renovation than it is a REJUVINATION. Our future work is to breathe new life and vigor in to the course that we all love and call home. The "Rejuvenation of Coral Creek Club..." It is time to move forward, and as we do that together, we continue to strengthen the inspiration that leads us all to Coral Creek Club!



STAFF DIRECTORY

CORAL CREEK AMBASSADORS CLUB

Special thanks to the members of The Coral Creek Ambassadors Club that have introduced their friends and family to the benefits of membership in the area's finest club.

Barry & Linda Allen	Ted & Edie Devnew	Mike and Jodie Petrie
Darryl & Sharon Allen	Bob & Sheila Dorst	Jeff & Meg Pierce
Sally Allgyer	Roland & Lisa Emanuel	Eric & Marcia Rowley
Bill & Kim Bax	Rayner & Patricia Hamilton	Mike & Maureen Ruetters
Neal Billman	Jon & Ann Hammes	Sam & Honey Skinner
Tom & Susan Bowers	Tom Doran & Katie Hauer	Denny & Melanie Sullivan
Hap & Sue Brakeley	Tom and Kathy Hauske	Don & Karen Strang
Karl & Sally Brust	Lindsay & Candace Hooper	Jim & Gail Sward
Bruce and Kathy Carbonari	Noel & Dawn Kile	Rich Taylor
Mark & Cheryl Clark	Michael & Elizabeth Klump	Drew & Mary Tucker
Ira & Ann Cohn	Bill & Kathy LaPoint	Bob & Babs Vanyo
Hank & Nell Cox	Dave & Carol Lindenbaum	Emmett & Ann White
Tom & Kitty Cross	Jim & Jean MacMillan	Rick Wiedemer
Bill & Liz Crowley	Bob & Addy Melvin	Howard & Emily Wise
Sharon Cruz	Sanjeev & Karen Mehra	Randy & Judy Wojcik
Pat & Maribeth Cunningham	Ford & Kate O'Neil	Charlie & Heather Woodworth
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