

TEE TIME  *TOPICS*

July, 2019



President's Report

It sure is hot! Summer came in on a heat wave. We've been playing golf anyway. Tom Nelson has arranged for a couple of nice outings to Bradenton Country Club and other reciprocal courses. It's fun to try different courses and dust off some of those clubs you don't use at KRC. BCC is long, for me anyway!

Chef Jason is doing a great job. We've seen an increase in reservations and his creations are getting rave reviews. Recent specials Tuna Tar Tar appetizer and the Chocolate Mousse Mint Cake were wonderful.

The Member Funded Project continues to be a success. Ed had the clusia bushes planted near the pump house. They look great and help to camouflage the building. The current MFP for the dance floor is going great. We already have 25 donors for a total of \$3600! We need \$5000 total, so we'll need to accumulate \$1400 more in contributions between now and the close date of July 20, 2019. Please email Angela at angela@keyroyaleclub.com, if you'd like to make a pledge. Ceiling fan replacements and ceiling speakers are up next.

We have three new employees to introduce to you. Our new Administrative/Marketing person is **Stella Cocco-Valdez**. She takes over the position that Donna was doing as a temporary contractor. We decided to make the position part-time and permanent. Stella will be supporting the Board, Becky and Angela with administrative tasks. She will also be responsible for member emails, Tee Time Topics, marketing pieces, etc. She is occupying the desk just outside Angela's office. We also have added a Sous-Chef to support Jason in the kitchen, **Larry Hemmer**. Larry comes to us from Rosedale CC in Naples. Jason and Larry make a great team. Lastly, we hired **Robbie Garcia** for the Server position that recently opened up when Matt left. She is an experienced Server and is already doing a great job. We now have no open Clubhouse positions. Becky has the Team running smoothly and professionally.

Storm season is upon us. We have a detailed Hurricane Preparedness Plan in place, and have practiced. We do need volunteers to commit to helping in the case of evacuation order. If you are available and willing to help, please email Stella at marketing@keyroyaleclub.com to get on the Storm Contact List.

I hope everyone is having a fun-filled summer!

Regards,

Lori Waggoner

KRC President

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Membership & Marketing Committee

Somehow, we are still managing to keep our secret. Several members have recently run into longtime residents who were incredulous that there is a golf course on this island. If you run into someone who might like to see firsthand, our jewel of a course, please phone, text or email me. Provide the name and contact information, and the membership committee will follow up with a free round of golf and club information

The Membership committee has finalized an orientation procedure and created written information helpful to new members. We have membership and orientation information in an electronic file which gives us a simple easily updated and distributed packet for all new members. Thanks to Fran Barford, and Marilyn Niewijk committee members, for taking the lead on this.

We have set the next new member meet and greet for October 17, 2019. Anne Klein is coordinating the event. All new members who have joined since the last event or were unable to attend previously are encouraged to put this on the calendar and plan to attend. Board members are also urged to come meet our new members. We have found that having a small group allows new members to meet each other and the club leadership, so this is not open to the full membership.

While we are talking about membership – we want to keep our members safe while enjoying our beautiful course. Ed Keene, course superintendent, says during this intense heat, if you are having a problem, to flag down one of the course staff, and they will see that you get help.

Gary Alvord, Membership Chair

Events

The majority of next Season's entertainment has been booked. Please refer to the 2019-2020 calendar in this month's TTT's. More information will be available as we approach each event.
Anne Klein, Events Committee Chair

Greens Report

A member suggested project to plant foliage on the back side of the pump house was approved by the board and has been fully funded. As a result, Clusia bushes have been planted. As they grow into a hedge they will block the view of the pump house from the second tee box.

Additional changes on the golf course include removing the muhly grass on the back side of the seventh green. That area will be sodded within the next couple of weeks. Also, because of the heavy equipment used for adding rip rap and having a broken sprinkler head near the sixth tee box, the cosmetic appearance in that area has suffered significantly. Therefore, the sixth hole tee boxes are in the process of being reworked.

The often-battered protective fence next to the maintenance barn has been replaced, extended and painted. It was so broken up that it was questionable whether it was providing any protection. By extending the new fence, the tractor and mowing equipment are less likely to be peppered with golf balls. There are also plans to repair the other shelters on the course.

An additional aerification of the greens has been scheduled for Friday, July 26th. That means that the golf course will be closed on that date.

Respectfully submitted,
Blake Ress

Building & Maintenance

Jim L. continues to work with Becky in addressing various maintenance issues affecting the kitchen operation. Additionally, other issues regarding the air conditioning and kitchen refrigeration are being resolved. The “Hurricane Preparedness Plan” is being updated and reviewed with particular attention to data backup and staff assignments in the event of a major storm.

Jim Lathrop and Jim Menzies

Golf Committee

4TH JULY SCRAMBLE

Thursday, July 4th - 4th of July Scramble

With a half an hour delay in the start time due to potential lightening & rain, 32 men & ladies played in the annual 4th of July Tournament. With an ambrose team handicap used, first place went to Laurie Hicks, Marty Hicks, Debi Wohlers, Lori Waggoner with as score of 23.6. The team of John Kolojeski, Jerry Martinek, Mike Clements, Anne Klein captured 2nd place with a score of 24.6.

Closest to the pin on Hole #8 was won by Barbara Krueger at 24 feet while Herb Clauhs won for the men at 4'9". Barbara also made the longest first putt on Hole #2.

Jana Samuels won closest to the rope on Hole # 9 & Jerry Martinek won for the men.

After the event, over 50 members & guest enjoyed an old fashion barbeque. An anonymous member won the hot dog eating contest by consuming two dogs in just over 25 minutes! But we did see him eat three desserts!

OUR NEXT TOURNAMENT

The next official KRC tournament will be the Labor Day Scramble on September 2. Info to be sent later but mark your calendars now.

FOR OUR KEY ROYALE SUMMER DWELLERS

We hope you are taking advantage of the reciprocal arrangements we have with Sara Bay, Bradenton and River Wilderness Country Clubs.

And if your game needs a little help- and whose doesn't- why not try a lesson or two with KRC's teaching professional Ken Butler. Just give him a call at 941-524-9341. Many that have taken lessons with him have told me of their very positive experience.

In addition to an array of shirts, hats, and golf balls there are several new accessory items in the pro shop such as ball retrievers, hat clip ball markers, retractable divot tools, golf towels, cool towels and Club cleaning brushes. Stop in and check them out.

Everyone - enjoy your summer!

Bill MacMillan
Golf Committee Chair

CALENDAR 2019-2020



OCTOBER 2019

Oct. 12th – Saturday

Golf Scramble & Oktoberfest DJ “JT”

Oct. 17th – Thursday

New Member Social

Oct. 26th – Saturday Halloween Party “Rusty Trumpet”

NOVEMBER 2019

Nov. 9th – Saturday

Golf Scramble & Welcome Back Party

DECEMBER 2019

Dec. 3rd – Tuesday &

Dec. 5th – Thursday

Christmas Parties with “Melanie & Bob.”

Dec. 31st – Tuesday

New Year’s Eve Party

with DJ “Jay Gordon”



JANUARY 2020

Jan. 11th – Saturday

Woodstock Party “John Rinell”

Jan. 24th – Friday

Dinner Dance “Chad & Patrick”

FEBRUARY 2020

Feb. 14th – Friday

Valentine’s Day Dinner Dance “Rusty Trumpet”

Feb. 26th – Wednesday

Wine Tasting



MARCH 2020

March 13th – Friday

St. Patrick’s Day Party

“Janine & Patrick”

March 27th – Friday

Dine & Dance “John Rinell”

APRIL 2020

April 18th – Saturday

Golf Scramble & Farewell “Chad & George”

MAY 2020

May 2nd – Saturday

Kentucky Derby “Sarah Santiago”

July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 July 4 th BBQ & Scramble Duplicate Bridge 12 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	5 Dinner 5:30-8	6 Dinner 5:30-8
7 Menu service 9-3 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	8 Clubhouse Closes 6pm Men's Golf	9 Mad Rummy 11 Trivia/Tavern Night 5:30-8 Ladies' Golf	10 Men's Bridge 12 Mahjong 1 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	11 Duplicate Bridge 12 Book Club 11 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	12 Dinner 5:30-8	13 Dinner 5:30-8
14 Menu service 9-3 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	15 Clubhouse Closes 6pm Men's Golf	16 Mad Rummy 11 Trivia/Tavern Night 5:30-8 Ladies' Golf	17 Men's Bridge 12 Mahjong 1 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	18 Duplicate Bridge 12 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	19 Dinner 5:30-8	20 Dinner 5:30-8
21 Father's Day Menu service 9-3 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	22 Clubhouse Closes 6pm Men's Golf	23 Mad Rummy 11 Trivia/Tavern Night 5:30-8 Ladies' Golf	24 Men's Bridge 12 Mahjong 1 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	25 Duplicate Bridge 12 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	26 Dinner 5:30-8	27 Dinner 5:30-8 Golf Course Closed
28 Menu service 9-3 Clubhouse Closes 6pm	29 Clubhouse Closes 6pm Men's Golf Hang New Art (no food/bev)	30 Mad Rummy 11 Trivia/Tavern Night 5:30-8 Ladies' Golf	31 Men's Bridge 12 Mahjong 1 Clubhouse Closes 6pm			

