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Thirty Years of "O Canada" at The Reef

The annual Canadian Weekend calls all of our, you guessed it, Canadian Members to The Reef for a weekend of golf, croquet, cards, clay shooting, boat tours, camaraderie, and more. And we can't forget the traditional singing of "O Canada". In its 30th year, participants enjoyed a weekend with just about every pastime available at The Reef.



Annual singing of "O Canada". See page 24 for more photos.



Ann Firstbrook and Lucy Boguski.



Randy Powell, Raymond Smith, Alan Geller and Philip Russel



Derek and Mary Johannson with Patsy and Randy Bartsch

Wondrous Waterside is Back!

By Jody Steele

Town Hall Waterside is now open! This is our own "alfresco eatery" where outdoor dining is either under a starry night sky or an open-air tent with twinkling lights and a wide assortment of cuisine to please foodies of all ages.

The Food Station Trailers

The history of Town Hall Waterside began during the pandemic when Ocean Reef Club diners needed an outdoor venue to gather safely. This temporary restaurant was so popular that it became a permanent destination with new custom trailers designed with a complete kitchen and facilities intact. This has enabled the culinary associates at each trailer the ability to prepare orders on site as fresh as it could be.

Some of the attraction of Waterside is the "roaming

factor". Members really enjoy wandering through the tent on a beautiful night, greeting and chatting with other Members, and then gazing at each menu trying to decide what cuisine to savor. Sometimes the roamer even needs another trek to decide on one dinner fare or maybe a taste from a few different trailers. No worries—there are seven different menus to peruse while on your journey.

The Menus

Lots of choices here. Shannon Rodriguez, the new Sous Chef at

Waterside, and Chef de Cuisine Betania Salles, who oversees Waterside, share they are happy to be bringing back your

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OR "See"



A hazy sunrise view from Loretta Mackay's patio.

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NEWS & HAPPENINGS

Black Friday Cookbook Sale

At the Cooking School on **Friday, November 29** from 12-2 p.m. Members are invited to shop the Black Friday Cookbook Sale featuring ORC and past Guest Chef cookbooks. The afternoon will showcase three hors d'oeuvres from the books and complimentary prosecco. No reservations are necessary for this event.

Pop-Up Chocolate Shop

The breezeway outside of Reef Treats will have chocolates available for purchase on **Friday**, **November 29** from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. You can enjoy chocolates made by the ORC pastry chefs straight out of the new Chocolate Room.

Family Fun Night

At the Town Hall Waterside on **Friday, November 29** and **Saturday, November 30** from 5-9 p.m. you can join to participate in different activities for all ages. There will be a lot to look forward to such as face painting, board games, and plenty of other fun to be had.

For details please call 305-367-6516.

Ocean Room Buffets

The Ocean Room will continue to provide wonderful buffets all season long. You can expect a Southeast Asian themed buffet on **Saturday, November 30**, a Vintage buffet on **Saturday, December 7**, as well as an Italian themed buffet on **Saturday, December 27**.

Reservations for these dinners are available 14 days in advance for Equity Members and 3 days in advance for Social and Legacy Members, by calling 305-367-5931.

Reef Club Kids & Nature Center Welcome Back PartyJoin Reef Club Kids on **Friday, November 29** and **Saturday, November 30** from 2-4 p.m. for a fun-filled day of outdoor activities such as a petting zoo, arts and crafts, a face painter, balloon artist and more.

For details and registration, please call 305-367-6516.

Gotta Question?

I'm so excited the Farmer's Market has returned! Do the vendors accept credit card or do I need cash?

All of the vendors at the Farmer's Market happily accept both cash and credit card. In fact, r.f. Orchids will even accept your Member number.

The Farmer's Market will be at the Field at Four Corners from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays and Mondays and Thursdays starting **Monday**, **December**



23 through April.

Read more about the Farmer's Market on page 24.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

If you would like to submit a question, email the Ocean Reef Press at orp@oceanreef.com.

Wonderous Waterside

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favorites along with adding some new dishes that will perk your interest.

The **Pizza Palooza**, with its famous pizza oven from Italy, is always a hit with your choice of pizza toppings. Two new items are a Ricotta Star Pizza with bacon, red onion, basil, and arugula topped off with a ranch drizzle, and an open-faced piadina with burrata cheese, prosciutto, arugula and olive oil. Both are quite yummy.

Cantina Fiesta now offers five different kinds of tacos (corn, flour or hard shell) with pork, flank steak, brisket, chicken, or fish. Loaded nachos, chicken adobo, and a quesadilla complete the menu. (Margaritas can be picked up at the bar!)

BBQ Pit Stop now includes coleslaw and fries with each meal. Back is the popular pork sandwich and beef brisket in addition to lamb ribs with spicy peach BBQ sauce. A southern bread basket looks like a great way to load up on delicious carbs.



Colors abound at Town Hall Waterside!

Asian Fusion has morphed into a selection of sushi and Asian delectable dishes with a new crispy rice roll and a salmon Banh Mi sandwich. The chicken pot stickers with dipping sauce make a delicious appetizer.

Raw Bar serves their famous lobster roll, a delectable cheeseburger, and a dolphin sandwich along with a chilled or fried seafood platter and steamed Pei mussels for starters.

Redlands is home to four healthy salads and now a variety of skewers including shrimp, chicken, lamb, or veggies. Chef Shannon said, "A lotta love was put into this menu".

Desserts Bliss beckons if you are still hungry or maybe would like to pop into Waterside for a late-night sweet that could be soft serve vanilla or chocolate with toppings galore. New desserts include a banana spring roll with ice cream, salted caramel nuts, or a chocolate brownie crumble.

It definitely looks like a number of trips to Town Hall Waterside should be on our calendars. The new menu items along with the Member favorites are calling us.



The Bar

This beautiful open-air bar with comfortable seating and TVs, a wine list, and a great vibe is the place you might want to visit first before you start your roaming around the trailers. Or you might want to sit at the bar in the middle of it all and just take in the beauty of casual dining outdoors at Ocean Reef Club.

Welcome back to wondrous Waterside where the nights are pretty perfect!

Town Hall Waterside is open Thursday and Sunday from 5-9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 5-10 p.m.

ORC BOAT CHANNEL CLOSURES

In order to comply with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations for the Vintage Weekend air show, the Main Channel and North Homeowners Channel will be closed to all boat traffic on:

Friday, December 6 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Saturday, December 7 from 12 to 2:30 p.m.

In addition, no boats will be allowed in the area extending ¾ mile seaward from The Point. This area will be patrolled by local, state and federal agencies as per FAA air show regulations!



Send Us Your Holiday Traditions!

Do you have a holiday tradition you'd like to share with the Ocean Reef Press? Maybe your family does something fun together every year or you

have a photo shoot in matching pajamas. Maybe you even decorate your home in a unique way - like the **Weisleder** home, pictured here!

Whatever it may be, send your tradition(s) to orp@oceanreef.com by

Friday, December 20 for consideration. Photo evidence is encouraged!



The Weisleder home displays more than 300 nutcrackers Sally has collected from around the world. She enlists the help of two others to set them all up and keeps them in place until February.

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ORCA NEWS

Dr. Lora Cummings

From Early Passion to Lifelong Mission

For Dr. Lora Cummings, veterinary medicine is more than a profession, it's a calling born from her love for animals and a lifelong interest in medicine. As the Veterinary Medical Director of the Grayvik Animal Center at Ocean Reef, she channels her deep passion into caring for our community's pets.

Growing up surrounded by dogs, cats, and horses, Dr. Cummings developed an early appreciation for the humananimal bond. At just 13, she began volunteering at a family friend's veterinary practice, where her days were spent walking dogs and cleaning kennels. It was a modest



Dr. Lora Cummings and Animal Services Technician Evelyn Lara. Photo by Carol Ellis.

beginning that cemented her path. "Eventually, I was hired as a veterinary assistant, working summers, weekends, and holidays throughout high school and college," she recalls. A dedicated mentor nurtured her passion, providing handson experience that inspired her to choose veterinary medicine over other scientific fields.

Dr. Cummings has been practicing veterinary medicine since 1999. Before joining the Grayvik Animal Center in 2021, she owned and operated a veterinary practice in North Carolina before relocating to the Florida Keys, where she ran a mobile veterinary service.

The Grayvik Animal Center serves as a hub for pet care at Ocean Reef, offering veterinary services, grooming, and housing for the nonprofit ORCAT program, a Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) initiative that also facilitates adoptions for the community's working cats.

The center's impact is significant. This year alone, the staff has hosted over 1,500 visitors to the ORCAT visitation room, facilitated countless adoptions, and handled over 2,600 veterinary appointments for its 1,541 active patients. Team members also service 41 feeding stations daily, ensuring the well-being of The Reef's feline residents.

Currently housed in an aging prefabricated building on 97 S Harbor Drive, this vital resource for the community will move to a new home in the fall of 2025. "Structural problems and space constraints highlight

the urgent need for a new facility," says Dr. Cummings, emphasizing the importance of ensuring high-quality care for both Member pets and the ORCAT program.

The new state-of-theart facility situated at the corner of Marina Drive and Gatehouse Road will house a modern veterinary clinic and grooming center, as well as serve as the home for ORCAT. Construction is now underway and progressing. With the foundation walls already complete, underground electrical and plumbing will be done by the end of the month.

A typical week at Grayvik is far from predictable. "No two days are ever the same," Dr. Cummings explains. The veterinary team is busy with wellness checkups, surgeries, dental procedures, and emergencies. Grooming appointments sometimes uncover health issues requiring immediate attention.

"Dr. Cummings is a treasure to the pets of Ocean Reef," says ORCAT Chair **Luisa Bryan**. "Her expertise, compassion, and dedication, coupled with the hard work of her incredible staff, make her an invaluable part of our community. Together, they ensure that our furry companions receive exceptional care, and for that, we are deeply grateful."

As the Grayvik Animal Center looks forward to its 2025 upgrade, Dr. Cummings remains dedicated to fostering the human-animal bond and providing exceptional care at Ocean Reef. "Each day brings new cases and different patients, keeping things exciting and dynamic," she says. "We are fortunate to work with wonderful clients who go above and beyond for their pets, and we are honored to be entrusted with their care. Adding the ORCAT program into the mix makes every day even more fulfilling—and definitely busy!"

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Bar Basics in Seven Steps



by Felicia M. Koretsky

With the holidays upon us, many Reefers are interested in creating or restocking their home bars. Depending on your space and budget, this could be as simple as looking for a beautiful tray to feature a couple of bottles and glasses, a bar cart to showcase more items, a console table for a larger collection, or adding in a full built-in wet bar.

Once you've determined what kind of bar you're going to have, here are seven steps to take next:

Step One: Select Your Spirits

Great drinks are born from high-quality spirits.

"When you're stocking your home bar you want to buy the highest quality sprits you can afford," said ORC's Director of Beverage & Wine Operations, Sean Carroll. "Begin with what you enjoy drinking and branch out from there."

Your starter spirits staples should include vodka, gin, rum, tequila, and whiskey. For vodka, consider Grey Goose or Tito's, for gin, try Bombay Sapphire or Nolet's, for white rum, choose Bacardi Superior for mojitos and daquiris, and an aged rum, consider Zacapa 23 to drink neat. For tequila, select

an unaged Cierto Blanco or an aged tequilas, such as Cincoro Reposado or Clase Azul Añejo. For whiskeys, choose from a bourbon Woodford Reserve or rye whiskey Angel's Envy Rye.

The Club will be releasing nine new barrels of bourbon whiskey later this season Woodford Reserve Batch #9 and Angle's Envy Sherry Cask Batch #4 was released earlier this month. They will be available for bottle purchase in Port O'Call or by the drink in most ORC outlets.

Step Two: Pick Out the Proper Glassware

Now it's time to select your glassware. Start with rocks glasses (for sipping or for drinks built inside the glass, such as a negroni or a mint julip), wine glasses (white wine, red wine, or a universal glass for either) and Coupe glasses (elegant stem glassware similar to a martini glass that can double as a champagne glass). Depending on your space and drink choices, gradually add in specialty glassware, such as pilsners for beer or snifters or tulips for cognac and sambuca drink, or copper mugs for Moscow mules.

Step Three: Stock up on Accessories, Tools & Gadgets

Some of the basic things you'll need to craft your favorite concoctions: A shaker, strainer, jigger (small measuring cup), a bar spoon (stir your Old Fashioned), a wine opener, a steel citrus squeezer (for squeezing fresh lime and lemon into your cocktails), and a



The right glassware is key to building your home bar, especially if it includes the Club's burgee.

serrated paring knife for slicing garnishes. For a special bottle of red wine, consider a Coravain wine preserver. This mechanism allows you to remove wine out of the bottle without removing the cork, keeping the cork sealed so the wine doesn't go bad (can help a red wine last up to three months after your first pour).

Step Four: Buy your Liquors and Mixers

Start with vermouth, which come in sweet and dry versions, (Dolan-Dry Vermouth/Antica Formula Carpano-Sweet Vermouth). It is as an essential ingredient for martinis and negronis. Add bitters, which are versatile (common in Manhattans and Old Fashioneds) and offered in all flavors like chocolate, orange, and pecan. Also, consider an orange liquor (Triple Sec, Cointreau, Grand Marnier). Don't forget to stock nonalcoholic essentials like club soda, juices, ginger ale, and tonic water.

Step Five: Pick Out Your Reds and Whites

For your whites, select a Pino

Grigio (Santa Margherita), Sauvignon Blanc (Duckhorn), and Chardonnay, (Frank Family). For reds, select Pinot Noir (Flowers), Cabernet Sauvignon (Faust), or red blends (Stags' Leap "The Investor")

Step Six: Select Your Garnishes

To accompany and complement your drinks, stock up on garnishes. Consider olives, lemon and lime wedges, and Maraschino cherries. To really spruce things up, get sprigs of rosemary and mint or blue cheese-stuffed olives. Fun cocktail napkins and unique coasters are always great addons.

Step Seven: Sip, Savor, and Shop

While you're enjoying your adult beverage, go online and pick up some great resources for your home bar. Sean Carroll recommends shopping at wineenthusiast.com and cocktaillkingdom.com. For learning how to make great cocktails, his favorite book is Jerry Thomas' Bartenders Guide to How to Mix Drinks (first edition in 1862).





Welcome to the Spirits Bar

Pictured here are the first eight Members to fill the Spirits Bar on opening day — Wednesday, November 20. You, too, can join the Spirits Bar Team Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday from 4 to 9 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 4 to 10 p.m.



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Short Takes



by Terry Baxter

Fair Patricia and I have been here for a couple of weeks and we have already discovered some new and old culinary treats we don't want other members to miss.

CH Prime

When Chef Ian took the reins at CH Prime last year, he told me he wanted to add Dover Sole to the menu. We were excited, it's one of our favorite seafood dishes. We made a reservation for the first week. Yes, Dover Sole was on the menu. But when we ordered it, the polite server regretfully told us the fish was not available. Chef Ian came out to explain he was not satisfied with the product he had received. "It was supposed to be fresh, shipped that day." Ian later told me. "I could tell it had been frozen from the dull eyes and mushy texture. I had to remove it from the menu."

The Chef had other demands for his attention in his first season, but over the summer, after securing a new beef contract from locally-sited Allen Bros, he mentioned to them he was looking for a reliable source of fresh Dover Sole. "We can do that," Allen Bros replied. "So, we went for it," Chef Ian said. "We had a lot of influence due to our large beef commitment, and established good will. We tested five fish of different sizes all were immaculate. We now receive deliveries of fresh Dover Sole six days a week. We went to Allen Bros to get better steak, and we got better Sole." Erwin Pals, VP of Food and Beverage, also went to bat for CH Prime. Erwin reached out to the Ritz Carlton, Naples, where he worked many years. They were nice enough to put Ian in touch with their Sole supplier. "It's good to have strong contacts. Now we have a plan, and a plan B thanks to Erwin. I am confident the product will please our members." Pat and I went last



Chef Ian proudly displays a plump filet of Dover Sole.

Thursday to try the result. After the first bite, we smiled across the table at each other and nodded. It was a home run.

CH Lounge

Members really know they are home again when they enter the warm embrace of the CH Lounge. Comfortable and sophisticated Our three favorite bartenders (Walther, Mehmet, and Brandon). Lisa on the mic (or Brit at the piano, or Juan and Yanny on world-class guitar and violin). The atmosphere is a pleasure. The menu is a varied selection of caviar, oysters, hors d'oeuvres and appetizers, and selected larger plates from the CH Prime menu. You won't go hungry. New to bar bites this season is Duck Confit Croquetas, three crispy fritters filled with juicy duck, and nestled in a creamy Caviar sauce. Delicious.

Grill Room

After a summer of highly rated dinner service, Chef Romane Francis was promoted to Chef de Cuisine of the Grill Room. Kiernan McGuirk was named General Manager to replace Marisol Perez who was promoted to the Ocean Room. Both Chef Romane (no, he is not named after lettuce) and Kiernan are personable, easy going, and gracious. Kiernan is the one with the Scottish burr. The Grill Room had been celebrated for its fresh pies from the bake shop. Roman wanted another unique dessert. He told Pastry Chef Jeffrey Munchel he wanted sweet potato pudding. Chef Jeffrey countered



Exclusively available at the Grill Room, Sticky Toffee Pudding.

with, "How about Sticky Toffee Pudding, a quintessential English favorite." To clarify, there is no pudding in Sticky Toffee Pudding – "pudding" is a generic English slang for dessert. Go figure. Chef Jeffrey sent a test sample for Chefs Ian and Romane to try. "Right away, we fell in love with it," Romane said. "Chef Ian said 'Yes' on the spot. Ian is the man who masterminds everything."

Sticky Toffee Pudding is a dark brown-sugar sponge cake with macerated sweet dates folded into the batter. The cake is soaked in warm English Toffee and topped with vanilla ice cream. It is a heavenly combination. With a handshake, Chefs Jeffrey, Ian, and Romane agreed that Sticky Toffee Pudding would be offered exclusively at the Grill Room. Negotiators this good should be sent to the Middle East. Romane said, "English Toffee takes care to perfect. Chef Jeffrey's is consistently on point." Pat and I went to the Grill Room for dinner the night we arrived home. We were not considering dessert, but Kiernan insisted we try their new pride and joy. We think you will find it irresistible just like we did. Reporter's Tip: Ask for some extra warm Toffee sauce on the side.

Gianni

New Chef de Cuisine Roly confirmed that 100% of Gianni pasta is made fresh in-house (except for gluten free). In his first few weeks Chef is studying the menu to introduce more classical Italian techniques. Chef Betania's popular Minestrone Sardo (Sicilian Minestrone) has returned to the menu. I liked it so much, I asked for a couple of extra take out containers to bring home for lunch. And Roly is ordering full racks of veal to prepare Veal Milanese, rather than the veal used for scaloppini. As a result, he can hand cut the rack, and use the center cuts for veal chops, and the end cuts for Milanese, the way they do in Milan. A new menu is out this week adding more authentic touches. For instance, the Burrata is now from Italy, flown in fresh. And the Caesar Salad classically uses hearts of Romaine rather than baby Romaine. This is a restaurant to watch, and sample frequently to evaluate the transformation. Reporter's Tip: The basket of rolls and focaccia is wonderful, but if you like crusty Italian bread, you could also ask for bread and butter.

The Reef Lounge

More great bartenders (lead by Lisa) and exceptional entertainment. Chef turned Manager Michael Meadows has retained most of the favorite light bites and sushi from last year with a couple of notable additions: Ocean Room Lobster Roll; Steak Frites (marinated filet, truffle fries, black garlic aioli); and a Thai Misto (crispy calamari, oysters & shrimp. Pickled Fresno chili, coconut lime aioli). A group at the bar sharing a plate said, "It's a winner."

Each time I get to chat with Chefs and Managers, I come away with a greater sense of gratitude to the Club's senior management for attracting such dedicated associates to our dining operations.

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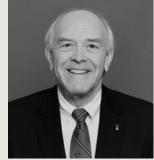
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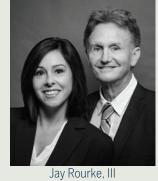
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Ocean Reef Club Census

Launching February 2025

Ocean Reef Club is set to launch its fourth Census in February 2025, and it's your chance to have a voice in the future of the Club. Conducted every five years, the Board of Directors has consistently capitalized on what was learned. Year over year, Members confirm that they want to see their Club and the related facilities maintained in the best possible condition. A better understanding of how Members used the Fitness Center led to its expansion and the lap pool. It was also the impetus for changes and improvements to Buccaneer Island and a renewed and reinvented Legacy Membership program.

The Ocean Reef Club Census gathers your thoughts about the future and helps guide the



Club Board in programs and planning. It tells us what was, what is, and most importantly, what could be. The Club is striving to achieve the highest ever response from all Members; in turn, providing the Board and Management with the most accurate view of the Club.

Early next year will again be your opportunity to share your information, your thoughts, your view of the future. There are new topics on which we would appreciate your insight, including future amenities, programs and offerings. Stay tuned, and get ready to **Share Your Vision and Shape Your Club**.

Black Friday Shopping Deals

Friday, November 29

Shop 'Til You Drop in the Fishing Village

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Enjoy sidewalk sales, live music, face painting and more! Club stores will offer 25% off full priced apparel on Friday only. Exclusions apply.

Golf Shop

Black Friday Sale*: 25% off all full-priced merchandise; 30% off golf bags; 40% off sale racks inside Golf Shop.

Shop 'Til You Drop Sale*: Buy one, get one free ladies' and men's apparel, Bocca bags, golf gloves and hats.

Burgee & Gift Shop

Black Friday Sale*: 25% off all full-priced merchandise (excluding Tumi products).

Burgee Shop Shop 'Til You Drop Sale*: 40% off limited time sale items. Buy one, get one free ladies' Gottex apparel.

Tennis Pro Shop

Maui Jim Trunk Show: Maui Jim Sunglasses will be 20% OFF on Friday, November 29 and Saturday, November 30 from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Buccaneer Island.

Shop 'Til You Drop Sale:

Booth at the Fishing Villageexclusive sales with items up to 50% off.

Black Friday Sale: 25% off all items, excluding hardgoods from 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Spa Trunk Shows

Caryna Nina Trunk Show: Friday, November 29 Zoe's Empire Trunk Show: Friday, November 29 & Saturday, November 30

Member Fitness Center Black Friday Sale*: 25% off full-priced items, excluding Lululemon and On Running products.

*Member discounts do not apply.



Best of Vintage Weekend 2024: A Sneak Peek

By Stephanie Chavez, Ocean Reef Press

Every year, the timeless treasures exhibited at Vintage Weekend raise the bar for what's to come next. This year will be no different, and you will want to experience the unique charm of each of the exhibitions. Over its 28 years in existence, Vintage Weekend has expanded from a way to showcase antique yachts, to an acclaimed weekend exhibiting more than 58 automobiles, 8 yachts, and 10 aircraft this year alone.

Vintage Weekend holds so much tradition within the event itself, and one of the most unexpected parts of this tradition is the color selected to represent the weekend. Think back to Vintage Weekends past and you might remember the swag bags, the hats, the passes and signs, even the Associates' polos, always one outstanding color. This year, as you're at the Concours, on the tarmac or touring the docks, you can expect to look out to a sea of primrose yellow. This particular shade of yellow has a strong connection to the theme of the weekend - The Great Gatsby - which for the first time encompasses the entire weekend instead of just Saturday's costume and Dinner Dance.

From the fabulous 1920s-era parties to the film's portrayal of Gatsby's 1929 primrose yellow Duesenberg J Sport Phaeton, the iconic novel and film have left their mark on this year's Vintage Weekend, not only in the weekend's color, but in the "Glitz, Glamour and Gatsby!" Saturday night Dinner Dance and the "Duesenberg" category as the hallmark of the Concours d'Elegance.

With each passing year, Vintage Weekend evolves, yet its essence remains the same: a salute to timeless luxury and a



Ken Reider's nighttime show will light up the evening sky on Friday, December 6.



See Bill Parfet's own Model J Duesenberg during Saturday's Concours d'Elegance.

shared appreciation for vintage masterpieces. Let's explore what this year has in store.

Anchored in History - "Blue Eyes II"

Time and time again Vintage Weekend shows us antique masterpieces but also the history behind what makes them so special. This year you will not want to miss **Art Berry's** beautiful 42-foot yacht, the "Last Mango II," now renamed "Blue Eyes II." This yacht was previously owned by someone who has held a special place in the hearts and soundtracks of many around the world and at The Reef - the much-loved Jimmy Buffett.

"Last Mango II," which references one of his iconic songs, "Last Mango in Paris," was custom-built for Jimmy in 2003. Everything used to build it, even down to the mold used, was destroyed after it was completed, making this yacht truly one of a kind. Jimmy sold the boat in 2019 and the new owner renamed her "Blue Eyes II." Following Jimmy's passing last year, Art sought the opportunity to buy the yacht that was once a big part of

Jimmy's life and will now be for Art as well, with plans to return her to the original name - "Last Mango II". Thus, in September 2024, Art started a 16-day adventure to make his way to The Reef from Montauk, New York where the yacht had spent every summer since 2019.

Art said, "When I found out the boat was for sale, I thought it needed to come back to the Keys where Jimmy spent many years fishing and just being on the beautiful clear blue water having fun." Art reminisced on what a full circle moment this was, since the day he spent an afternoon on Jimmy's yacht back in April 2015 when Jimmy performed at The Reef, to now having the privilege of owning it.

Aerobatic Night Show - New Surprises

This year, the highlyanticipated airshows will welcome plenty of new additions. **Lenny Sikora** made this possible, sharing, "We are always looking to show the next big thing at Vintage Weekend, and we have three new performers this year!" He expressed that along with the performances that have been loved in the past, the audience can expect to be pleasantly surprised all around.

The Titan Aerobatic Team (formerly Aeroshell) airshows that have blown you away in the past will return to light up the sky with their three World War II trainers known as AT-6 "Texans". Also returning this year will be three-time national champion and aerobatic star Patty Wagstaff, also known as the First Lady of Aerobatics.

New this year, will be Doug Litton, a businessman by day and an Aerobatic competitor at all other times. Doug is ready to stun the audience in a dynamic performance with the mighty Extra 300S.

Trevor Rafferty will also make his first appearance at The Reef with his Pitts Model 12 Biplane, powered by a Russian radial engine that will revive the spirit of barnstorming at The Reef.

Lastly, and perhaps the most thrilling, will be the debut of Ken Reider. Undoubtedly you remember the excitement in last year's audience during Nate Hammond's nighttime pyrotechnics display. This year, that thrill with return with Ken's performance as he paints fire in the night sky on Friday night.

This year's performances will keep you in suspense for what's to come next. If you loved last year, you can guarantee you'll love this year even more.

A Ride of Luxury - The Duesenberg

The "Duesenberg" category this year, chosen by Bill Parfet, has a profound connection to the theme of this year's Vintage Weekend. When considering what was important to resemble the Concours d'Elegance, Bill thought about the upbringing of a luxurious and powerful brand The Duesenberg - specifically, the Model J introduced in 1928. Bill said, "It is reputed to be the absolute best in America for its design, performance, aesthetic, drivability, and overall wonderful heritage."

This priceless car is exceptionally unique because

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owners were given the chassis with an engine but had coachbuilders craft the actual body. With only about 470 Model Js being made, they are a treasure for sure. Made from only the finest materials,

the Model J also gained immense popularity because of how well it performed in the racing circuit, delivering 265 horsepower. During its time, it made front page news as the "star of the year" and now it continues to be just as special. This car, along with multiple other stunning Duesenbergs,

will be a sight to be seen this Vintage Weekend, with their rich history and rare blend of luxury and craftsmanship.

To register and to view a full schedule of events, visit oceanreef.com/
VintageWeekend. For more information, please call 305-501-5529.



"Blue Eyes II", previously owned by Jimmy Buffett, will be a Vintage Weekend



Art and Staci Berry the day they brought "Blue Eyes II" back to Ocean Reef.

JOIN IN THE TRADITION!

Registration Still Available

Event passes are needed to access several events during Vintage Weekend, including the Costume Party & Dinner Dance, Tour & Commentary on Boat, Road Rally to Alabama Jack's, and more.

For a complete schedule of events, including those that need a pass, see below.

To register, visit <u>oceanreef.</u> <u>com/VintageWeekend</u>.



2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS





THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

10 a.m.–5 p.m.• Registration* *Key Largo Building*

6 p.m. • Welcome Party & Dinner Buffet*

Town Hall Waterside

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

Il a.m. • Line up, Road Rally* & Lunch at Alabama Jack's* Yachtsman Parking Lot

2 p.m. • Tour & Commentary on Boat* Fishing Village

4:30 p.m. • Cocktail Reception*

Buccaneer Island

5 p.m. • Titan Aerobatic Team Night Show Buccaneer Island

6 p.m. • Seafood Extravaganza*

Carysfort Hall

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

10 a.m. • Concours d'Elegance Drive-By *Yachtsman Parking Lot*

> 10 a.m.–4 p.m. • Yacht Viewing Ocean Reef Club Marina

> > 12 p.m. • Luncheon*
> >
> > Buccaneer Island

12 p.m.–2 p.m. • Vintage Aircraft Aerobatic Show Buccaneer Island

2.30 p.m. • Tour and Commentary on Aircraft
Ocean Reef Airport

6:30 p.m. "Glitz, Glamour & Gatsby!" Costume & Dinner Party*

Town Hall

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

9 a.m. • Farewell Breakfast & Presentation of Awards*

Town Hall

11 a.m. • Fly-Out Ocean Reef Airport

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO EXPERIENCE THE TRADITION!

Vacation Rental accommodations are still available, call **1-800-741-REEF** to plan your stay before it's too late.

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*event pass required

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26 Angelfish Cay Drive 3 BD, 4.5 BA | \$32,000,000 | 2736 Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332 Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143



6 Sunrise Cay Drive
Ocean Front | \$29,500,000 | 2743
Russell Post | 305.451.8199
Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



35 Cardinal Lane 4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$28,000,000 | 2675 Amy Fernandez | 305.979.9646



1 Osprey Lane 4 BD, 5.5 BA | \$25,900,000 | 2256 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



11 Sunrise Cay Drive 5 BD, 6.5 BA | \$25,000,000 | 2770 Barbara Sibley | 305.394.0061



12 Sunrise Cay Drive 5 BD, 5 BA | \$23,000,000 | 2659 Bill Dickinson | 305.304.8311



42 Spadefish Lane 5 BD, 5F/2H BA | \$19,250,000 | 2729 Eric Woodward | 305.394.4461



7 Sail Point Lane 4 BD, 3 BA | \$14,000,000 | 2645 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252



204 Andros Road 4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$13,585,000 | 2680 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633

RECENT ACTIVITY

COMING SOON 5 Diana RoadSOLD 1 Country Club RoadSOLD 3 Bayberry Lane

4 BD/4 BA | \$10,450,000 | 2780 | Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332 | Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143 Listed at \$3,450,000 | 2733 | Barbara Sibley | 305.394.0061 Listed at \$4,900,000 | 2726 | Russell Post | 305.451.8199 | Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



32 Channel Cay Road 3 BD, 3 BA | \$12,950,000 | 2654 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252



15 Harbor Island Drive 5 BD, 5.5 BA | \$11,800,000 | 2594 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



22 Harbor Island Drive 4 BD, 5.5 BA | \$11,750,000 | 2760 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633

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101 Anchor Drive 4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$11,550,000 | 2734 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252



12 Angelfish Cay Drive 5 BD, 5.5 BA | \$10,750,000 | 2657 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



11 Cinnamon Bark Lane 4 BD, 5 BA | \$8,850,000 | 2757 Karyn Thiele | 305.394.4185



30 Halfway RoadGolf Homesite | \$8,250,000 | 2766
Jay Rourke | 786.493.8105
Megan Lyons | 786.201.5265



19 Halfway Road Golf Homesite | \$8,200,000 | 2711 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



437 South Harbor Drive 4 BD, 4 BA | \$5,595,000 | 2774 Barbara Sibley | 305.394.0061



36 Bay Ridge Road 3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,450,000 | 2772 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252



426 South Harbor Drive 3BD, Bonus Room, 3.5BA | \$4,795,000 | 2619 Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332 Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143



41 South Bridge Lane 3 BD, 2 BA | \$4,750,000 | 2775 Patti Furneaux | 305.321.3156



14 Grayvik Drive 3 BD, 2 BA | \$3,800,000 | 2686 Bill Dickinson | 305.304.8311



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MEMBER NEWS



At The Everglades Foundation's Board of Directors meeting and activities at Ocean Reef last week, Thomas N. Davidson, Sr., was honored for 20 years of dedicated service to the Foundation's Board. Pictured are Eric Eikenberg, CEO of The Everglades Foundation, presenting Tom and his wife, Sally, with a framed photo by National Geographic photographer Mac Stone, also a member of the Foundation's Board.

AT THE CULTURAL CENTER

Four Spectacular Outdoor Concerts at the **Cultural Center**

Secure Your Tickets Now!

Get ready to dance, sing, and celebrate under the stars! Our outdoor concert series is here, and tickets are on sale now for all ORC Members. With more seating available outdoors, there are no ticket limits!

Here's what's in store:

Friday, January 10 - Tyler Hubbard

Kick off the season with Tyler Hubbard, the country superstar from the multiplatinum duo Florida Georgia Line. With 22 No. 1 singles and a slew of awards, Tyler's electric performance will be unforgettable.

Saturday, January 25 - Chicago

Don't miss Chicago, hailed as one of the most influential rock bands in history. With Top 40 albums across six decades, their timeless hits will fill the Cultural Center with classic rock magic.



Tyler Hubbard, from the band Florida Georgia Line.

Saturday, March 8 – ZZ Top

"The Little Ol' Band from Texas" takes the stage with their iconic rock, blues, and boogie sound. Known for their beards, spinning guitars, and legendary hits, ZZ Top promises a show packed with energy and style.

Saturday, March 22 – Kool & the

Close out the series with Kool & the Gang, delivering iconic hits like Celebration, Jungle Boogie, and Cherish. With decades of groundbreaking music, they remain the most sampled R&B group in history.

Don't Wait—Request Your Tickets Today!

Visit ORCulturalCenter.org to order your tickets. Cultural Center Donors receive priority seating. Tickets are non-refundable except for sold-out, canceled, or rescheduled performances.

MEMBERSHIP GIVING TREE

Ocean Reef Club is collecting holiday gifts for low income and needy children living in the Keys. You can help! Purchase a gift for a boy or girl ages 0-17. Drop off your wrapped or unwrapped gift to the Membership Office between now and **Friday, December 20**.

We are also collecting gift cards that will be delivered to the children currently staying at the Children's Shelter in Tavernier. Amazon gift cards are also appreciated as the Children's Shelter can send items via Amazon Prime. They really enjoy their special trips to Bealls to purchase items that they might need while staying at the shelter!

Your generosity and holiday spirit will be much appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact the Membership Office at 305-367-5921.



MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Dues Renewal Reminder

The Club is looking forward to the season and the abundance of events, new and traditional, on the calendar that guarantee a fun-filled year ahead. To ensure you are all set to enjoy what is to come at The Reef this year, the Membership Team would like to extend a friendly reminder that the deadline for submission of annual dues is

almost here.

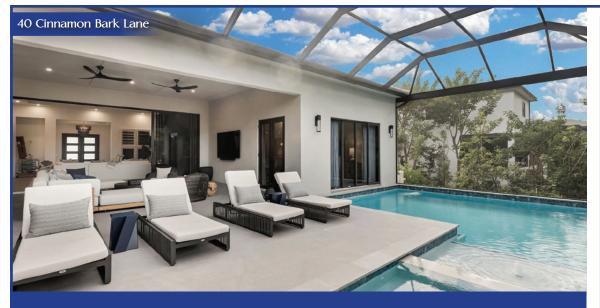
To avoid additional dues, your payment must be posted to your Membership no later than **November 30, 2024**.

Your Club dues can be paid online by visiting <u>oceanreef</u>. <u>com</u> and clicking "Statements" under "Quick Links".

If you have questions or you're interested in paying by credit card, please contact Membership at 305-367-5925 or memberaccounting@oceanreef.com.

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CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Handel's Messiah



by Rev. Dr. Bob Henley

Broadcaster Paul Harvey may be best remembered for his series *The Rest of the Story*. In some eighty episodes, Harvey, in his distinctive voice, would tell some little-known fact about the subject of a story he found interesting. He would leave his listeners dangling until the very end of the broadcast, which always followed a strategic commercial break, when Harvey would then reveal the rest of the story.

A Familiar Story

With the season of Advent beginning the first Sunday in December, I began to think about George Frideric Handel's great choral composition, Messiah. Perhaps you've sung it, or some portion of it, at some time in your life during the Christmas season or at Easter. It is simply the "best known, most frequently performed choral work in Western music." Handel reportedly completed the music composition in a brief twenty-four days. But did

you know that Handel didn't write the words to the libretto?

The Rest of the Story

Like many composers, think George and Ira Gershwin, Burt Bacharach and Hal David, or Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel, Handel had a friend with whom he collaborated on several compositions. His name was Charles Jennens. Jennens was a wealthy English landowner who financed the publication of many of Handel's scores. At some point in the summer of 1741, Jennens wrote what would become the libretto of Messiah. In a letter to a friend, Jennens wrote, "I hope Handel will lay out his whole genius and skill upon it, that the composition may excel all his former compositions, as the subject excels every other subject: the subject is Messiah."

One musicologist writes that Jennens's composition "amounts to little short of a work of genius." When Handel saw it, he made no "significant amendment to Jennens's work." The entire work is a one of inspired genius.

An Allusive Text

Handel's *Messiah* is structured in three parts, with each part comprising between four and seven scenes. One writer has pointed out that "much of the text is so allusive as to be largely incomprehensible to those ignorant of the biblical

accounts." In fact, the entire libretto is compiled of texts taken from the King James Bible and the Book of Common Prayer.

More Than a Story

Just what is the message of Handel's great work? It is a message of hope – hope for all people and for all creation. It is the biblical message of hope found in the person of God's Messiah. The coming of Messiah is the common hope Jews and Christians share alike. It is a hope yet to be revealed fully or fulfilled completely, as it will be someday.

The first section of *Messiah* is taken from the words of the Jewish prophet Isaiah. Isaiah is given a vision of what the world will become when Messiah reigns. It will be time when a great light will banish darkness. It will be a world in which the yoke of oppression will be shattered, when bloody soldier's uniforms will be used only for making a fire. It will be a time when peace will no longer suffer the entropy of human failure and iniquity.

Yet there is a mystifying aspect to Isaiah's messianic hope. Hope is captured by the words, "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given." G.K. Chesterton observes that Isaiah's hope brings together "two ideas that most of mankind must regard as remote from each other; the idea of a baby and the idea of unknown strength that sustains the stars." He says, "It is not more inevitable to connect God with an infant than to connect gravitation with a kitten.... Divinity and infancy do definitely make a sort of epigram which a million repetitions cannot turn into a platitude."

There have been millions of repetitions of *Messiah* sung since Handel set quill to page. Some perhaps consider the message a platitude. But for Christians of every stripe, *Messiah* recalls the night in

Bethlehem when the angels of heaven sang out, "Glory to God in the highest." They sang in celebration of the birth of a child, a son. The child was given the name Yeshua, or Jesus.

Stunning Claim

The stunning claim of Messiah remains this: someday, the governance of the world will rest on this son, whose shoulders are sufficient to bear the weight, and whose goodness is limitless. Handel's staccato declaration reminds us, "And he shall be called -Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." "And he shall reign" on David's throne and over his kingdom, "forever and ever." As "King of kings and Lord of lords," he will establish and uphold it in justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.

Let me ask if you have ever experienced a moment when you look at the faces. or pictures of faces, of those who suffer the ravages of hunger, brutality, violence, hopelessness, homelessness, injustice, and think to yourself, "It shouldn't be this way." It's a hard thought to stay with and not experience a measure of depression. Religious or not, in a moment like that, you experience a deep longing for Messiah's vision to be fulfilled. You are longing for Messiah.

Let me invite you to consider the message of hope found in Messiah in these weeks leading to Christmas. One way is to listen to a recording of Handel's Messiah. You can download it for free. Another way is to go to the C.S. Lewis Institute website and sign up for their free digital Advent Calendar. Each day features a musical selection of Messiah. offers a scriptural reference alluded to in the words, and then a thoughtful reflection. My hope is that you might find a living hope in Messiah this Advent season



CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP NEWS

NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 5

Ocean Reef Chaplain Rev. Dr. Robert Henley 305-367-2049 • orcchapel.org

FRIDAY, **NOVEMBER 29**

AA Meeting

Chapel Board Room, 8 a.m.

Shabbat Services

Chapel Cornerstone Room, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, **NOVEMBER 30**

Catholic Mass

Chapel Sanctuary, 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, **DECEMBER 1**

Traditional Worship Service with Chaplain Bob Henley Chapel Sanctuary, 9 a.m.

Kids Matter (4yrs-11yrs)

Chapel Children's Room, 9 a.m.

Journey Together

Chapel Sanctuary, 10:30 a.m.

Kids Matter (11yrs & up)

Chapel Children's Room, 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY, **DECEMBER 2**

Al-Anon Meeting Chapel Fellowship Hall,

9 a.m.

AA Meeting

Chapel Board Room, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, **DECEMBER 3**

Catholic Hallow App Launch

Chapel Fellowship Hall, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, **DECEMBER 4**

Intercessory Prayer Chapel Board Room, 8 a.m.

Episcopal Service with

Emilie Wierda

Chapel Sanctuary, 9 a.m.

Chapel Women Connect Bible Study

Chapel Fellowship Hall, 10:45 a.m.

THURSDAY, **DECEMBER 5**

Ocean Reef Men's **Fellowship**

Chapel Fellowship Hall, 8 a.m.

Welcome **Visiting Priest** Fr. Gary Kastl

Sponsored by Mick Webber

Fr. Kastl is the full time Vicar General for the Diocese of Tulsa and Eastern Oklahoma. Ordained a priest for the Diocese of Tulsa in 2007, Fr. Kastl has served as the Associate Pastor at the Church of St. Mary, Pastor at St. Pius X, Pastor of St. Anne Catholic Church and has served in several leadership capacities for the Diocese of Tulsa, including Chair of the Priestly Life and Ministry Committee, the Director of Continuing Education for the Diocesan Clergy and the Coordinator of Priest Retreats and Study Days Fr. Kastl ministered in a full time capacity with Catholic Leadership Institute for two years as the Manager of Ministry Development before being asked to return to his diocese by his bishop to be a pastor of a



Father Gary Kastl

parish. Fr. Kastl graduated from Conception Seminary College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Arts and continued his theological studies and formation at St. Meinrad School of Theology in Southern Indiana. Fr. Kastl has also completed a yearlong leadership intensive with the Stagen Institute in Dallas.

Fr. Kastl is currently a member of many boards in the Diocese of Tulsa, Chaplain to the Legatus Chapter in Tulsa, Board member of Saint Francis Healthcare System, Tulsa.

Catholic Mass with Father Kastl: Saturday, December 7 - 4 p.m. Chapel & Fellowship Center



The Ocean Reef® Catholic Community invites you to a free

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December 19, 2024 7 PM at the Chapel

Featuring: Maria Aleida, Soprano John Rudolph, Baritone Roberto Berrocal, Piano

Enjoy your favorite Christmas Songs with the soprano who tours with Andrea Bocelli



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Cornerstone Room – 6:00 pm

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121 Marina PH 302 4 BD, 3.5 BA | \$13,000,000 | 2771 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252



The Sanctuary Azalea 202 4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$7,000,000 | 2742 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252



The Sanctuary Orchid Penthouse 1 4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$6,875,000 | 2735 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



The Sanctuary Gardenia 201 3 BD, 3.5 BA | \$6,750,000 | 2744 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



Harbour Green 11 4 BD, 3 BA | \$6,500,000 | 2749 Patti Furneaux | 305.321.3156



Harbour House 19 3 BD, 3.5 BA | \$6,295,000 | 2758 Barbara Sibley | 305.394.0061



22 South Island Drive | Anglers Club 3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,995,000 | 2722 Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332 Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143



The Sanctuary Orchid 101 3 BD, 3.5 BA | \$5,895,000 | 2761 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



Pumpkin Cay 21B 4 BD, 4 BA | \$5,800,000 | 2740 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633

Ocean Reef Club Sotheby's



Pumpkin Cay 47B 4 BD, 3 BA | \$5,650,000 | 2628 Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332 Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143



Pumpkin Cay 43A 3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,450,000 | 2524 Russell Post | 305.451.8199 Molly Taylor | 508.524.4633



Pumpkin Cay 7A 3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,200,000 | 2746 Mary Lee | 917.603.3252



Angelfish Cay 8A 3 BD, 3.5 BA | \$4,600,000 | 2721 Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332 Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143



2 BD, 2.5 BA | \$4,195,000 | 2767 Jay Rourke | 786.493.8105 Megan Lyons | 786.201.5265

Residence Club Penthouse 21



Fisherman's Cove Landings 9A 2 BD, 2 BA | \$3,995,000 | 2621 Jay Rourke | 786.493.8105

Megan Lyons | 786.201.5265



Villa Court 43 Anglers Club 2 BD, 2 BA | \$3,995,000 | 2732 Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332 Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143



Fisherman's Cove 26B

2 BD, 2 BA | \$3,925,000 | 2674

Cassy Everhart | 305.522.2332

Morgan Smith | 305.321.1143



Fairway Lakes 47 2 BD, 2.5 BA | \$3,800,000 | 2719 Helena Morton | 305.522.2196



Fisherman's Cove 28B 2BD, 2BA | \$3,750,000 | 2709 Jay Rourke | 786.493.8105 Megan Lyons | 786.201.5265



Angelfish Cay 14B 1BD, 1BA | \$2,800,000 | 2534 Rick Romeo | 304.667.7896



Angelfish Cay 72B 1BD, 1BA | \$1,690,000 | 2636 Mary Brady | 201.303.2052

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NEWS FROM THE MEDICAL CENTER

Announcing-Specialization of Chiropractic Services

The Medical Center is pleased to announce that Dr. Hobie Furshman has joined the Medical Center as a visiting specialist. Dr. Furshman is a South Florida native and a 1988 graduate of the University of Miami. Dr. Furshman and his wife, Dr. Maureen Davis, have been practicing upper cervical principled care for over 30 years. Their care is the specialization of Chiropractic. Therefore, they guide their patients on better choices to more quickly overcome health obstacles.

Chiropractic is an everevolving field, presenting opportunities for new types



Visit Dr. Furshman at the Medical Center.

of chiropractors to emerge. For example, more patients are turning to chiropractic specialties for treating chronic conditions such as headaches, migraines, and back pain. The emergence of new chiropractic specialties reflects the field's

adaptability to meet the evolving healthcare needs of patients. Essentially, they work on balancing the brain-body communication. Upon balance correction or adjustment, the body begins to better recognize and correct disease and injury.

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Farmer's Market Fun



by Susan Bohan

It seemed everyone was at the Farmer's Market on Monday waiting patiently for particular items for their Holiday celebrations whether cooking at home or entertaining friends and visiting family. So of course I had to find out what everyone was looking forward to.

My first stop was Kool Treats where I found Christine Mitchell ordering an Acai bowl. "I am about to play golf but this gives me energy without being heavy." Next to her was **Suzanne McManmon** at Lomelo's ordering strip steaks for 4 because she feels it is the best meat available in the area. We were both disappointed they were sold out of the large cheesecakes!

A frequent stop for many is Harvey's BBQ where **Albert** Monk was completing his order of pulled pork (my family's favorite) and brisket. "I like it because it is something different." Frederica Paulus agreed as she ordered the chicken and a rack of ribs. "My husband loves this food. You can't go wrong with any of your choices and it makes my life easy. Everything is outstanding and delicious!" Carolyn Chaney joined in the discussion admitting it was her first time at Harvey's. She thought she would try the chicken first but admitted she will be back.

Mediterranean Delight is an interesting combination of ethnic treats and natural beauty products. **David Goldsmith** was there with his beautiful 9 year old daughter **Ivy**. Dad was being a great sport and buying the bath salts, soaps, scrubs and hand cream. Having a granddaughter that age I was fascinated by her sweet explanations of why she liked them and she walked away hugging her Dad both wearing big smiles.

Cindy Berend was one of the many Members lined up to pay at Jerry's Here Farm Fresh. "I cannot pass these up", she claimed as she placed guacamole and salsa in her basket. "I have friends coming in on their boat and this is a perfect treat."

At Pasta Amore **Jodi Zifferer** was packing up the meatballs, garlic fettucine and marinara sauce. "My husband is not big on pasta but this he likes", she commented. I told her that my husband felt the same about BBQ until Harvey's. I last saw her making her way over there.

My last stop was Le Petit Pain where the **Ames** family and their cute little girls were



Jodi Zifferer at Pasta Amore.

planning a lunch of spinach croissants for their first Farmer's Market visit. Many others were eyeing the fruit tarts as an alternative to pumpkin pie.

Quite a day! I hope everyone, whether cooking or enjoying the fabulous array of dining fare at The Reef, or a little of both, had a wonderful week!

Proposed for Membership

Through December 5, 2024

The following individuals are being considered for Ocean Reef Club membership. Direct communication concerning these nominations to Vice President of Membership, Islande Dillon, at 305-367-5921 or idillon@oceanreef.com.

Equity Membership Brian & Audrey Tuckerman

are Sr. Legacy members applying for Equity Membership. Mr. & Mrs. Tuckerman are acquiring 8 Torchwood Lane and the Equity certificate from the Estate of Joan Gross. Mr. & Mrs. Tuckerman are residents of Bexley, Ohio. They belong to Columbus Club, Rocky fort Hunt & Country Club, and New Albany Country Club. Their

sponsors are Hal & Nina Fetner, Andrew & Tricia Woodman, Elizabeth Angelone, and Wally Hayward on behalf of the Board of Directors.

William & Deborah Gross are Sr. Legacy members applying for Non-Charter dues only Membership. Mr. & Mrs. Gross are co-acquiring 8 Torchwood from the Estate of Joan Gross. Mr. & Mrs. Gross are residents of Davie, Florida. They belong to Lago Mar Country Club. Their sponsors are Michael Gottlieb, Gregory McLaughlin, Libby Shapiro, and Wally Hayward on behalf of the Board of Directors.



ASSOCIATE SPOTLIGHT



Terry Baxter reports: 8 a.m. Tuesday. Chef Josh Bettsack, CEC, Associate Café Chef de Cuisine, and his small team of cooks start on the complimentary Thanksgiving feast for Associates. Thirty turkeys have been slow roasting overnight in the Town Hall kitchen. About 1,000 Associates will enjoy a traditional holiday dinner.



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The Team Behind Unforgettable Underwater Adventures

By Lisa Bailey Cassidy, Co-Owner of The Dive Shop

The Dive Shop at The Reef welcomes back ORC members, their families and guests and wishes everyone Happy Holidays. Don't miss out on booking your next snorkel, dive, sunset trip, instruction and certification, private charter on our two boats, as well as a visit to our shop to see our great merchandise, much of which is made of recycled plastics from the ocean. See us at the Black Friday sale (today!) and the 12 Days of Christmas on Sunday, **December 15** for a fun raffle and sales.

Ready to explore the vibrant reefs of Key Largo? Book your adventure with us today and meet the amazing team that will guide you beneath the waves! At The Dive Shop, we take pride in our dedicated, experienced, and passionate crew. From seasoned captains to expert dive instructors and conservationists, every member of our team shares a common goal: to ensure your underwater adventure is safe, exciting, and memorable. Here's a closer look at the talented individuals who make up the heart and soul of our team.

Jesus Gudino – General Manager/ Co-Owner with Lisa Bailey Cassidy

Jesus is the backbone of our operations, overseeing day-to-day activities with a calm and efficient presence. Jesus brings a wealth of leadership skills to the team. Whether you're booking a dive or snorkel trip, needing advice, or just asking for recommendations Jesus is always here to help. His commitment to our team and our guests ensures everything runs smoothly.

Shawna Copp - Head Captain

With over 30 years of experience in the diving industry, Shawna's journey began in the chilly waters of Massachusetts before leading her to the warm, clear reefs of Key Largo. Her love for the ocean and adventure eventually took her to Kona, Hawaii, where she earned her 100-ton Captain's license. As Head Captain at The Dive Shop at Ocean Reef, Shawna is responsible for ensuring smooth sailing on every trip, from navigation to safety, and guiding our guests to unforgettable underwater experiences. Her expertise and calm demeanor make her a beloved leader on and off the boat

Scott Thompson – Head Instructor & MSDT Dive Instructor

As our Master Scuba Diver Trainer (MSDT), Scott brings unparalleled expertise to the team. After earning a business degree, Scott chose to pursue his true passion—scuba diving. He became a dive instructor, honing his skills in Australia, the Bahamas, and the Florida Keys. Scott's credentials also include a 50-ton merchant mariner credential, and he's worked as a Firefighter with Monroe County and a Rescue and Recovery Safety Diver. His wealth of experience ensures that every dive is safe, educational, and tailored to your experience level.

Karley Feather– Conservation Specialist

A passionate advocate for marine life, Karley is our newest addition to the Ocean Reef Dive Team. With a degree in Communications and a minor in Art, Karley uses her skills to promote coral restoration and marine conservation. After becoming a PADI instructor and completing a year-long internship at Coral Restoration Foundation (CRF), Karley combines her love for underwater photography with her commitment to preserving the delicate reef ecosystems.



Scott Thompson



Shawna Copp



Karley Feather

Her knowledge of coral will be quickly utilized with our partnership with Reef Renewal USA and Ken Nedimyer to develop and maintain a large new RRUSA nursery in South Carysfort.

Our Other Crew Includes:

Captains JD, Alison, Bob, and Jeff bring their own unique skills to the table, ensuring that every dive or snorkel trip is as enjoyable as it is safe. Henry, Jardin, and Megan are our dedicated dive masters and instructors, each bringing their

own flair to the team.

Jesus, Karley, and Hannah handle everything from reservations and logistics to guest inquiries and support. They are always ready with a warm smile and helpful advice, ensuring your dive experience is seamless from start to finish.

Come dive and snorkel, cruise and preserve this Coral Reef system with us! For more information on any of our programs or to book your next adventure call The Dive Shop at 305-367-3051 or email info@thediveshoporc.com.



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Book Club Opening Season: A Big Success



'Art League" by Deborah Goodwin Geller

We started the season of our Art League Book & Lecture Club with a discussion of what commonly was referred to as "The Octopus Book". The actual book title is "Remarkably Bright Creatures". We had a record 33 people in attendance and a lively discussion. If you haven't read the book it comes highly recommended by our group.

Our next Book Club will meet Wednesday, January 22 at 4 p.m. and we will be discussing the very popular book "The Women". Come out and join us!

Coming Up Soon!

December 4, 5 and 6 we have our Fabulous Fish Collage Workshop. Learn an innovative collage method to make a fun and fantastic fish quilt full of color, rhythm and life! You will be introduced to different aspects of the quilt collage such

as fabric selection, construction, backgrounds, borders, quilting and finishing. Most materials are provided but feel free to bring any scraps of fabric you'd like to use. Sewing machines provided.

Thursdays, December 5, 12, and 19 a three-week exploration in Ceramic Planter Design with Stacy Frisch. Create a ceramic functioning planter imbued with the essence of the natural world. No experience is necessary and all materials included.

Nantucket Baskets December 9, 10 and 12:

Every year I am amazed at the creations that come from this class. I just spoke to a book club member who shared her story of making a cradle her first year and has made many fun and interesting items since. If you are intimidated by the beautiful works you have seen around, don't be. You are most welcome to be a newbie!

Also on the horizon is the Zig Zag Bracelet on **Wednesday**, **December 11**. Enjoy learning one of the most popular techniques used in the art of bead weaving, the peyote stitch! There will be 4 different colors of kit available to choose from.

Be sure to keep your eye out (stop by and get one of our catalogues at the Art League) for more of our fun Children's Workshops over the next few weeks.



33 book lovers at the Art League Book & Lecture Club.

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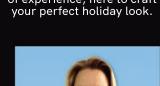


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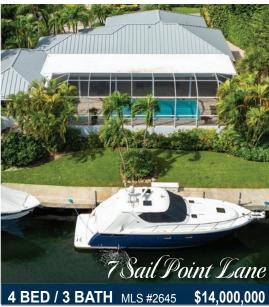


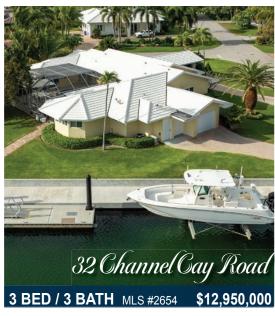
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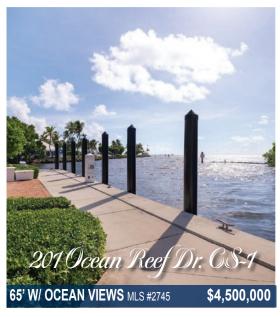


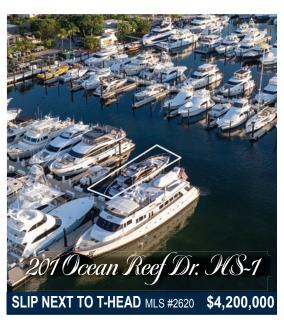
















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Studio Verandah Returns to The Spa!



'Spa Notes" by Michelle Santiago, Spa Manager

One of the best things about living in the sunshine state is that it is swimsuit season all-year round. If you frequent The Salon & Spa you may be familiar with the timeless pieces of Studio Verandah. When Jill (Spa Director) and I attended



Studio Verandah high-end and fashionable swimwear.

the Miami Swim/Cabana showcase this past summer we met with the Founder, Anjali Patel Mehta. She introduced us to her new resort wear collection of swimwear, dresses, sarongs, kaftans and more. Her new designs and prints

include vibrant blues, emeralds, magentas, shells, flowers, silks and of course immaculate beading. Each piece is inspired by the rich culture of India. We fell in love and knew we needed to bring back Studio Verandah for the season.

At Studio Verandah, they believe in both luxury and sustainability. Their swimwear is made with Econyl yarn which is a regenerated nylon produced using waste fishing nets, fabric scraps and carpets. They also use OEKO-TEX 100 certified recycled polyamide from 100% Green energy powered textile Mill in Italy using 20% less energy and recycling 99% of their industrial waste entirely in Italy. Most of their garments are designed using biodegradable plant based fabrics and vegan silks. Also, for every purchase

made a tree is planted in the Molai Forest Reserve in Assam in East India.

Studio Verandah is about creating swimwear that not only flatters the body but also reflects a chic, effortless lifestyle. The brand prides itself on using high-end fabrics and designing pieces that can seamlessly transition from beach to brunch, or from poolside to evening cocktails. We are so excited to welcome back Studio Verandah at The Salon & Spa and hope you enjoy their new collection as much as we do.

Upcoming Spa Events Zoe's Empire Spa Trunk Show

Friday & Saturday, November 29 & 30, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Spa & Salon

The Opening of the Spa Boutique

The new Spa Boutique in the Fishing Village is now open! Last Friday, November 22, Members joined Jill Barron, Spa Director, and Michelle Santiago, Spa Manager, for a grand opening party, featuring live music, beverages, and delectable light bites. The Spa Boutique is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Helen Stein and Spa Coordinator Heather Furlani



The Spa Boutique shelves present beautiful, high-end clothing, accessories and skincare and makeup products.



Spa Director Jill Barron (right) introduces Members to the brand-new Spa Boutique.

Chef Betania's Kitchen

Gazpacho



by Betania Salles, Carysfort Kitchen Chef de Cuisine This week, I share with you this traditional way of making Gazpacho, a recipe that I learned with my siblings. My brother and two sisters lived in Barcelona for 20 years and like me, they have the love for culinary. I don't think I would ever drink Gazpacho like they do all the time, but I enjoy very much and it is still my favorite cold soup...when it is done correctly.

GAZPACHO (SERVES 6)

Ingredients:

- 6 cups ripe Roma tomatoes, cored and large diced
- 3 ea. Cubanelle pepper, cored, seeded and large diced
- 3 cups Cucumbers, peeled and large diced
- 3 Garlic cloves
- 3 tbsps. Sherry vinegar
- 1 piece of Baguette, 6" size, bushed with butter and lightly toasted
- 1 cup Extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tsp Salt
- For Garnish: Croutons and extra virgin olive oil

Directions:

- In a blender, combine vegetables, blend on high speed, tear bread in smaller pieces and add to the blender. Blend well until smooth.
- Reduce the speed, add salt and sherry vinegar, now incorporate olive oil little by little.
- Adjust seasoning if necessary. Place it in the cooler for couple hours.
- You can strain the soup if you desire but is not necessary.



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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

29 FRIDAY

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members Only)

Gobble Wobble 5K Fun Run

7:30am Registration • 8am Start Meet at Business Center

Sweat & Reformer Pilates Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Everglades Alligator Farm Tour

8:45am • Meet at Nature Center

Shop 'Til You Drop

10am-5pm • Fishing Village

Thanksgiving 105 Tournament

11am • Tennis & Games Center

Black Friday Cookbook Sale

12-2pm • Carysfort Kitchen

Golf Clinic with Dave Vihlen

3-4pm • Driving Range

5-8pm • The Point (Members Only)

Shabbat Service

6pm • Chapel Cornerstone Room

Teens Only! Beach Bonfire

8pm • Buccaneer Island

Live DJ at Burgee Bar

9pm-1am • Burgee Bar

30 SATURDAY

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members Only)

ORC Run Club

7am • Member Fitness Center

Sweat Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Club Championship: Airdyne Challenge

9am-12pm • Member Fitness Center

RCK Welcome Back Party

9am-1pm • RCK Clubhouse

Guided Eco-Kayak Tour

10am • Meet at the Pool Desk

Football Toss in the Lagoon

11:30am • Buccaneer Island

Pickleball Organized Play

4-5:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

Family Fun Night

5-9pm • Town Hall Waterside

Cocktails

5–8pm • The Point (Members Only)

Junior Teen Tennis Round Robin &

6pm • Tennis & Games Center

Live DJ at Burgee Bar

9pm-1am • Burgee Bar

01 SUNDAY

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members Only)

Cardio Tennis Clinic

8 & 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Traditional Worship Service

9am • Chapel Sanctuary

Beginners Sailing Clinic

9:30am • Meet at the Pool Desk

Mat Pilates Class

10am • Member Fitness Center

Mah Jongg, Canasta, Bridge & **Backgammon Open Play**

10am-4pm • Card & Games Room

Guided Standup Paddleboard Tour

1pm • Meet at Pool Desk

Nature Center Open

2-5pm • Nature Center

New Players Invitation to Croquet Mixer Open Play

2-5pm • Croquet Lawn

Swim Fin Relay in the Lagoon

3:30pm • Buccaneer Island

Reef Rec Room Open

3-10pm • Reef Rec Room

Cocktails

5–8pm • The Point (Members Only)

02 MONDAY

MGA Weekly Event

9am • Dolphin Course

Reformer Pilates & Yin Yoga Class

9am • Member Fitness Center

Silver Fit Class & Ballet Barre Class

10am • Member Fitness Center

Farmer's Market Open

10am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

Live Duplicate Bridge Game

1pm • Card & Games Room

Learn & Play Croquet Beginner Clinic

2:30pm • Croquet Lawn

Pickleball Advanced Organized Play DUPR 3.75+

4-5:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

Men's Night Tennis League

5:30pm • Tennis and Games Center

03 TUESDAY

Master Swim Club

7am • Member Fitness Pool

Cardio Tennis Clinic

8 & 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Pickleball Clinic or Private Lesson with Jay Devilliers

8:30am • Tennis & Games Center Registration required: 305-367-

LGA Weekly Event

9am • Dolphin Course

How to Build a Resilient Brain

3pm • Member Fitness Center

TPI Tuesday: Sleigh Push Group Golf Cart Race

4pm • Member Fitness Center

Catholic Hallow App Launch

5pm • Chapel Fellowship Hall

04 WEDNESDAY

Sweat & Reformer Pilates Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Reef Club Kids Open

9am-1pm • RCK Clubhouse

Gentle Yoga Class

9am • Member Fitness Center

Golf Clinic with Dave Vihlen

10-11am • Driving Range

Live Duplicate Bridge Game

1pm • Card & Games Room

Intermediate Croquet Clinic

2:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

Reef Rec Room Open

3-10pm • Reef Rec Room

Ladies' Doubles Tennis Clinic

3-4:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

05 THURSDAY

Master Swim Club

7am • Member Fitness Pool

Ocean Reef Men's Fellowship

8am • Chapel Fellowship Hall

Sweat Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

9 Hole LGA Event

9am • Dolphin Course

Beginner Canasta Lessons 12:30pm • Card & Games Room

Raw Bar Lobster Bake 5-9pm • Raw Bar

Karaoke at Burgee Bar

9pm-12am • Burgee Bar

ON SCREEN & STAGE

General Admission \$12, Donors \$10 Children (under 12) \$6 Movie Hotline: 305-367-6306



"The Wild Robot" (PG) Friday, November 29

• 4:30 & 7:30pm Sunday, December 1 • 4:30 & 7:30pm

Wednesday, December 4 • 7:30pm

Runtime: 1h 42min **Director:** Chris Sanders

Stars: Lupita Nyong'o, Pedro Pascal,

Kit Connor

Premise: After a shipwreck, an intelligent robot called Roz is stranded on an uninhabited island. To survive the harsh environment, Roz bonds with the island's animals and cares for an orphaned baby goose.



"Reagan"(PG13)

Friday, December 6 • 4:30 & 7:30pm

Sunday, December 8 • 4:30 & 7:30pm

Wednesday, December 11 • 7:30pm

Runtime: 2hr. 21min. Director: Sean McNamara

Stars: Dennis Quaid, Penelope Ann Miller, Ion Voight

Premise: From dusty small-town roots, to the glitter of Hollywood, and then on to commanding the world stage, REAGAN is a cinematic journey of overcoming the odds. Told through the voice of Viktor Petrovich, a former KGB agent whose life becomes inextricably linked with Ronald Reagan's when Reagan first caught the Soviets' attention as an actor in Hollywood, this film offers a perspective as unique as it is captivating. Dennis Quaid brings to life a story that transcends the boundaries of a traditional biopic, offering a profound exploration of the enduring impact of the power of one man who overcame the odds. sustained by the love of a woman who supported him in his journey.

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SPOT ON SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper

J. McLaughlin – Morning, Noon & Night







MORNING

NUUN

NIGHT

J. McLaughlin really does have something wonderful that you can wear each hour of every day...Writing the Joan the Shopper column on **J**. is dangerous for me because I see so many things that I want to own and frankly I've run out of closet space.... So here are some J. McLaughlin items that I would like to buy and a few that I might be unable to resist. (Hey, I can always dump the coats in the hall closet. Who needs a coat in Florida?) PICTURED: (left) Morning – The model is wearing a blue turtleneck cashmere sweater, that I covet. (Dina \$395). It is a perfect topper for a pair of Domino jeans, white denim with a high waist and a five-pocket flare (\$188) (center) Noon – This shirt dress with a self-tie waist and pockets is spot on for a holiday lunch at the Grill Room or Palm Court. (Belle \$298) (right) Night – If you want sparkle,

then this Leeza shift, velvet with allover sequins, is made for you (\$278). It also comes in a skirt, pants, and a short or longsleeved top. And, if you choose, you can have green sequins.... Honorable Mention....Don't leave J. McLaughlin without checking out the Crawford Bags. They are a good size (medium) and come in bright blue, red, vellow, and the more traditional rich tan (\$398) There are wonderful blouses. I especially liked the Denver silk blend shirt, black with gold images of an emperor's parade (\$248). And there is now a larger men's department with trendy, as well as conservative entries. I especially liked the men's slipons with non-matching martini glasses on each shoe. That's definitely a vote for the "trendy" side.... Last Word: 'Tis the season to go shopping! (Just in case you need an excuse.)

by Joan Birsh

SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP

Friday, November 29 – TODAY!

10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • The Fishing Village

The morning after Thanksgiving, sleep in, then head to the Fishing Village for sidewalk sales and a variety of special offers.

Enjoy popcorn, live music, arts and crafts, complimentary gift wrapping, and more!

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Quesadilla Station

Buccaneer Island • Sat. & Sun. 11am -3pm

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Mon. - Thur. & Sun. 5:30-9pm • Fri. & Sat. 5:30-10pm Equity Only Night Thursday

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Breakfast: Mon.-Fri. 7-11am
Buffet: Sat. 7-11am • Sun. 7am-12pm
Dinner: Mon.- Thur. 5:30-9pm & Fri. 5:30-10pm
Buffet: Sat. 5:30-10pm
Equity Only Night Tuesday

Gianni Ristorante*

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Coffee: Sat. & Sun. 7-10am Cocktails: Sat. & Sun. 5-8pm

Burgee Bar

Lunch: Sat. & Sun. 12pm-5pm Dinner Daily 5-10pm Cocktails: Mon. - Thur. & Sun. 5pm - 12am Fri. & Sat. 5pm-1am

Reef Lounge

Small Plates Daily 5-10pm

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The Academy Book Fair!

December 4-6

By Natalie Blackburn, Edward Brown, Felicia Wiegand and Rhys Patterson, Academy 8th Grade Students

Welcome one and all, it's everybody's favorite time of the year, The Academy Book Fair!

This is the place where you can find the perfect book for your loved ones. If you are not sure what to get a friend or family member this holiday season, come check out our Book Fair!

The Academy Book Fair has the most diverse genres of books meant for everybody! No matter if you are a teenager looking for horror or a toddler looking for a book to help you learn to read, we have everything you need. Our



2023 Academy Scholastic Book Fair.

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Though we are looking forward to welcoming Ocean Reef Club Members and Associates, fortunately if you are unable to make it we also offer an exclusive online service to order right from your home! Not to mention shipping for orders \$25 and up is free! If you can attend but don't have any cash, don't worry. We also offer an E-Wallet service that you can transfer money right into for exclusive use at the Book Fair!

The Scholastic Book Fair Website along with the E-Wallet services are offered here https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/academyatoceanreef.



THE ACADEMY AT OCEAN REEF SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Wednesday, December 4 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Thursday, December 5 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Friday, December 6 8:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.



OFF THE REEF



The Owens and Schievelbeins recently hosted an Ocean Reef gathering at the Country Club of Virginia. A good time was had by all!

From the left: Cary Dabney, Shannon and Travis Weisleder, Ken and Linda Owens, Tom Schievelbein, Suzanne Grandis, Marshall and Stevie Wishnack, Don Steinbrugge, Sherryll Anne Pace, Mark and Maria Murphy, Courtney and Eric Harper, Pia Steinbrugge, Betty Schievelbein, and Kathie and Steve Markel.





The highlight for Linda Jaikins on the Viking Ocean Cruise to Greece and Turkey with her daughter and friends was the Hot Air Balloon ride overlooking the Fairy Tale Rock Formations and Caves where they stayed!

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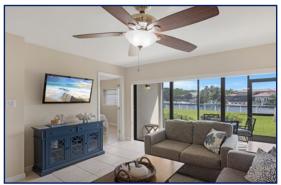
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ES-05 • 80' | \$2,290,000 | OLGA GRANT | 2662

FS-08 • 70' | \$2,050,000 | OLGA GRANT | 2723

FS-25 • 70' | \$2,049,500 | ANDY HOFMANN | 2725

FS-31 • 70' | \$1,950,000 | BOB ECUYER | 2769

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SPORTS

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Club Fitness Championship 2024-25



'Fitness Focus" by Luis Bracamonte, Director of Fitness & Wellness

The Club Fitness Championship is back for its sixth edition. Members can score championship points over the season by participating in seven challenges. The winners will be crowned in April during our Fitness Awards Ceremony. Although the challenges are well-known to members who have participated in previous editions, we are making them more difficult this season. Besides scoring championship points, members can compare their performance to other years and chart personal progress. We encourage every member to participate and compete.

Here are the dates for all the challenges:

- Airdyne Challenge Saturday, November 30
- Swim Challenge Thursday, December 19
- Push Up Challenge Wednesday, January 8
- Row Challenge Wednesday, January 29
- Pull Up Challenge Wednesday, February 12
- Wall Sit Challenge Wednesday, February 26
- Plank Challenge Wednesday, March 26

On challenge days, come to the Member Fitness Center between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. to participate in the challenges. Designated fitness team members will officiate each challenge.



The third annual Train with the Trainers event.



Sarah Couper and Bob Schwartz.



Member Fitness Center's Jade Bolger, Bella Rosenberg, Blanca Siles and Tonya Hynes (right) with ORCA's Jenny Flynn.

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Club Championship Challenge: Airdyne Challenge

Saturday, November 30 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Our first Fitness Championship Challenge involves pedaling for one minute as fast as possible on the Airdyne bike. Results are measured in calories burned. All members are welcome to participate. The top places score points towards the 2024-25 Fitness Championship.

TPI Tuesday Sleigh Push Group Golf Cart Race with Ryan Lawless

Tuesday, December 3 4 p.m. MFC Outdoor Gym Each month, we will hold a group fitness event for the fitness-focused golfers at Ocean Reef.

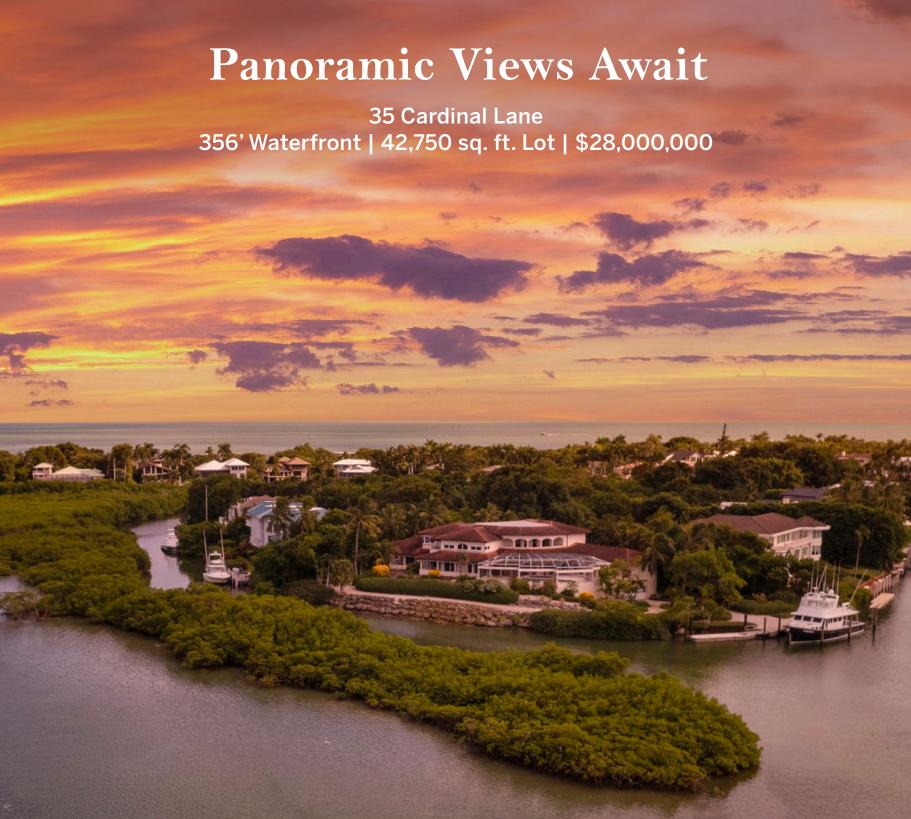
Golf and fitness are the center for community for many of our members, and we want to build that bond between our members and their families. The event will begin with a fun, golf-specific workout for all and end with TPI power tests that our TPI trainer will record and track your progress within the program. During the competition, refreshments and snacks will be provided for everyone as we all support the competitors. All are welcome to come and participate in exercise, competition, and personal growth as we continue

to build this community within Ocean Reef.

"Get your body in the game" Mobility for Sports Warmup Workshop with Hannah Whistler

Monday, December 9 1 p.m.

"Get Your Body in the Game" is a dynamic workshop focused on improving mobility for sports warmups. You will learn techniques to enhance flexibility, joint movement, and body control, preparing the body for peak performance and reducing the risk of injury. Perfect for fitness enthusiasts of all levels, this session combines practical exercises with expert guidance to help you move better and play stronger.



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Can You BUILD a Better Brain?

By Dr. Erika Siegel

Well, the research says YES, there are lifestyle considerations that we can implement at any age to improve our cognitive function. Did you know that your brain can tire just like your muscles? It can also grow and change based on how you exercise it. Many people are surprised to learn that the brain is the most oxygen-demanding organ and uses up 30% of your body's blood sugar (this is why you get so hungry when vou do hard mental work!). Just like the rest of the body, the brain desires an antioxidantrich and clean diet, regular exercise, consistent blood sugar, good sleep, proper rest, lots of slow deep breathing, and to be used to think critically and

coordinate physical activities (like learning a new instrument, dance, or martial art). Simply put, it wants the right environment and stimulation—and if it gets it, it will be resilient and keep growing with you.

While we decidedly have fewer brain cells (neurons) as we age, we have more capacity for those cells to connect, which is called neuroplasticity. Plasticity is the ability of stimulated neurons to grow longer branches to connect with other neurons, increasing communication between brain cells. This is literally what happens when we learn a new skill or challenge ourselves, and why it's imperative that part of any "healthy brain plan" goes beyond food, exercise, and supplements and includes actual activities (both physical and mental) that make the brain grow in real time!

Join Integrative Physician Dr. Erika Siegel on **Dec 3** for her lecture "How to Build a Resilient Brain," where she will share the foundations of maintaining good brain health and steps to improve cognitive health, memory, and focus.

Dr. Siegel will share details about nutrition, supplements, breathing techniques, and exercises to help you build a more resilient brain. After the lecture, Dr. Siegel will sign and sell her popular book set, The Nourish Me Kitchen.

LECTURE DETAILS:

How to Build a Resilient Brain Tuesday, December 3 at 3pm

In this one-hour complimentary lecture, integrative physician Dr. Erika Siegel will discuss the foundations of maintaining good brain health and the steps to improve cognitive health, memory, and focus. She will also discuss details about nutrition, supplements, breathing techniques, and exercises to help you build a more resilient brain. After the lecture, Dr. Siegel will sign and sell her popular book set, The Nourish Me Kitchen.



CARD SOUND SAILING CLUB

The Start of a Brand New Fun Season With Great Friends



by Currie Wooten, CSSC Past Commodore

Commodore Neil Sullivan started out our season with his new racing horn at the welcome lunch at Rick and Lesley Chanin's lovely home on Nov 12th. He conducted the skippers meeting so efficiently that we all didn't miss a beat getting to the food and beverages. He also handed out our CSSC books with the schedule and member emails and handed out our waivers. If you missed these, we will have them in the small shed at Bakers Harbor to hand out on Saturdays. But, this year we are relying more and more on our website, so if you need any information (event calendar, board of governors and officers, members contact info, fleet info, by-laws, sailing instructions, and race results) please login to cardsoundsailingclub.com. There will be photos added for events as they occur, the luncheon album should be



Matt Pilon with mooring buoys.

visible soon. The website also provides great information to anyone who is interested in our club and who would like to join us.

Also, these past few weeks the Bullseye sail boats have slowly and carefully been appearing at Baker Harbor for the skippers to put their final racing touches on. This has happened under the watchful eye of Chuck Cook and his trusty helper, Dana Murray and their trucks. Our new Harbormaster. Steve Schoedinger, manned the mooring lines with **Thaver** McKenzie until Matt Pilon took over and then Steve made sure pizzas were delivered for lunch for the crew involved. The launching



occurred this past Monday, the 18th, while Port Captain, Rick Chanin, carefully maneuvered the boats to the launch lift, several skippers helped step the masts, Sim Wooten, Jim Lampman, Jim Foster, Glenn Gormley and Chris Streit. Many boats were not ready to launch as many owners have not arrived for the season, and some needed more work to maintain the boat. The Nooners crew under the direction of Liz Foster have been taking stock of the inventory of beverages and snacks to be ready for our first Nooners.

The first race of the Dingley Series was supposed to happen on Saturday, 23rd, but we didn't have enough boats ready to race, we need 5 boats to race a series and have the race committee conduct the race, but as of this printing we only had 4 boats ready.

Hopefully everyone has had a fantastic Thanksgiving with family and friends and now you need to work off the mash potatoes and stuffing, so come out and sail.

The next race will be this **Saturday, November 30** and it will not be a series race, but a thoroughly fun race, the Turkey Flying Cup and it will be headed up by **Gary Sayia**. I believe there is Wild Turkey as a prize! Gary will need to know what boats will be able to race, so please contact him at 201-919-7432 or gsayia@aol.com.



Chuck Cook and Dana Murray in charge.



Some boats launched.

Boating Safety for Associates



by Jody Steele

Promoting boating safety in our nearby waters is a worthy goal. Recently, the Ocean Reef Club Human Resources Department collaborated with the Ocean Reef Flotilla of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, to provide education for our Associates in this area. Twenty eager Associates from Ocean Reef Club and Angler's Club signed up for this outstanding course.

Ocean Reef Flotilla instructor Captain **Peter Liashek**, who has taught this course many times at The Reef, was joined by Captains **Fiona** and **Randy Woods**, also experienced and knowledgeable boaters. Such topics as



Associates show off their newly-earned Safety Education Cards, representing 13 departments - Food & Beverage, Lodging, Marina, Membership/Member Guest Services, Front Desk, Recreation, Conference Sales, Engineering, Purchasing and Commissary.

navigation, Rules of the Road, boating emergencies, trailering, and boat handling were covered in this one-day class. At the completion of this course, each participant earned their Florida State Boating Safety Education Card. Peter Liashek shared that this card allows graduates to rent a boat in Florida and experience the unique marine environment of the Keys.

The twenty Associates were happy to have the opportunity to learn valuable boating safety skills and become more comfortable on the water. Adriel Pereira, Associate from Member Guest Services, expressed his gratitude to the instructors for providing an enriching and enjoyable class. He was especially impressed with the importance of being focused and aware of his surroundings when driving a boat and feels he will now be more prepared and confident on the water.

Thanks to the USCG Auxiliary, Ocean Reef Flotilla for giving their time and service to provide this boating safety course to our Associates.



Francis Sanchez and Sarah Edwards from the Marina Team.

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ROD & GUN CLUB

Mark Your Calendars for the Fish of the Month Contest for this Coming Year

The Rod & Gun Club, along with MarineMax, want you to fish! See the schedule and rules below:

Ocean Reef Rod & Gun Club Fish of the Month

The contest runs from December 2024 – August 2025. Here's how it works... Each month two or three species are identified as targets. The Rod & Gun Club member (or family / house guest) who weighs in the largest of said pescado during

that month, will receive a \$250 gift certificate for each species for the MarineMax tackle shop along with Reef Press notoriety and monumental bragging rights.

Specifics:

- All weigh-ins are to be at MarineMax tackle shop at 7 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. daily.
- All fish must be of legal size and rod and reel caught. (Swordfish exemption for electric reel).

Target Species are:

- December: Mutton Snapper
 *Mackerel
- January: Wahoo Blackfin Tuna - Seatrout
- February: Dolphin ***Swordfish **Snapper
- March: **Snapper Cobia *Mackerel
- April: ***Swordfish Sea Trout - Dolphin
- May: Grouper Dolphin –

Sea Trout

- June: Dolphin Hogfish Tuna (Blackfin – Yellowfin)
- July: **Snapper Dolphin
- August: Cubera Snapper Dolphin

*Includes Kingfish

- ** Mutton, Mangrove, Yellowtail
- *** Swordfish weigh-ins must be communicated on your way in

You can call 305-367-3969 Tackle Desk. Visit our Rod & Gun website calendar for each month at https://link.edgepilot.com/s/b32a2b1a/
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You can always email ContactUs@rodandgun.org if you have any questions.

Get out on the water! Cheers from the Rod & Gun Club!

2024-2025 FISHING TOURNAMENTS

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Rod & Gun Club Holiday Tournament - December 28 ken.reda@marinemax.com 305-342-0658

Sailfish Classic - January 23-25

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40th Annual Reef Cup Invitational Sailfish Tournament February 25-March 1

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BONEFISH BONNIES

Bonefish Bonnies Face a New Challenge



by Mary Bloom, Bonefish Bonnies

Hosted by Johanna Carrier and Jan Miller at The Ford Field and River Club in Richmond Hill, Georgia, eight Bonnies met the Low Country Trifecta Challenge, targeting Redfish, Trout and Flounder, on the Bonnies' recent Low Country Fishaway November 7-10. The setting, with its rich history and timeless beauty, was the perfect backdrop for three incredible days of fishing, fun and friendship. They also had



Laura Wilson, Jodi Zifferer, Angela Basciano, Kristina Ersek, Johanna Carrier, Liz Zug, Heather Hamilton and Kim Elliott ready to hit the water at sunrise.

the time to tour Savannah, and enjoy cocktails at the historic Ford Estate. The next Bonnies Fishaway is scheduled for January 13-17, 2025 to Costa

Welcome Back Luncheon

"Bring a Buddy" was the

theme for the Bonnies season opening luncheon at Waterside on November 20. Thirteen buddies came as guests and eleven left as new Bonnies. The Bonefish Bonnies welcome all women who are members of Ocean Reef Club and/or Key Largo Anglers Club to join the Bonnies at any time during the season, which runs from November through April. Our members include first time anglers to very experienced ones. Lessons at all levels are available throughout the season in a supportive environment. The only requirement is that you adopt the Bonnies' motto of "Fishing, Fun and Friendship". For more information or to join, email BonefishBonnies1@gmail.com.

Holiday Party

The Bonnies' annual Holiday
Party at Key Largo Anglers
Club will be held on **Monday**, **December 16**. More
information will be available in
an upcoming issue of *Tight Lines*,
the Bonnies' e-newsletter.





Kim Elliott proudly shows off her contribution to dinner, a beautiful Redfish.

COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

US Coast Guard Commissions New Vessel



by Robert Broton, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary-Ocean Reef

The Coast Guard recently authorized my 34-foot Pursuit Reef Cat for use as an official Auxiliary Surface Facility. A Surface Facility is a vessel certified for missions in support of the Coast Guard and meeting the goals of the Auxiliary. Fittingly, Reef Cat's first patrol took place on Veteran's Day, and I am honored to have my boat in service for my country and for the Ocean Reef community. The flotilla's former vessel Wells was retired from service more than three years ago.

To gain certification Reef Cat had to undergo an extensive Vessel Safety Check, similar to complimentary vessel exams offered to all local boaters under 65 feet. In addition, she carries essential equipment for all missions including extra fire extinguishers, flares, spotlights, hailer, VHF radios, Amateur Radio, EPIRBs, heaving lines, additional anchor, fenders, and a full set of stricken-vessel



On Patrol: Ocean Reef's newly commissioned Coast Guard Surface Facility Reef Cat departing Fisherman's Cove.



Susie Shimamoto, Robert Broton, and Peter Liashek look on.

towing lines. Enhanced triage and first aid equipment are also aboard.

Reef Cat markings are Coast Guard livery, indicating to other boats that she is an official Coast Guard Auxiliary Vessel including Coast Guard and American flags, and service banners. Give us a wave when we pass by.

The inaugural mission, one of the longest generally executed, surveyed over 100 miles of waterway and exceeded six hours on the water. The patrol involved members of both Key Largo Auxiliary Flotillas and covered areas from Ocean Reef to Channel 5 Bridge on the bayside, and south to Snake Creek on the oceanside. After calling at USCG Station Islamorada we surveyed Caesar Creek, Broad Creek and

Angelfish Creek.

An exceptionally qualified crew including former Ocean Reef Flotilla Commanders Peter Liashek, and myself completed the mission which was a precursor to a Monroe County **Emergency Management** Radiological Response Drill on

Thursday, November 14..

Having a Surface Facility will enhance the relevance and broaden the function of our Ocean Reef Flotilla in many ways, helping to support our mission of increased recreational boating safety.



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Tennis Mixed Doubles Club Championships



Center Court" by Justin Romero, Director of Racquet Sports

16 Teams competed for the first Club Championships of the year! The teams were separated into two flights. We had 9 teams compete in the A flight and 7 teams in the B flight. Roundrobin play was on Saturday where every team played everyone from their respective flight. Top two teams in each flight move on to the Finals. The matches were close and the energy was high. Coming out of the A Flight round robin with the most games won in the subflight was Beatriz & Ricardo Gutierrez who won this same tournament in 2016. In the other A Flight subflight was Christina & Pedro Loaiza looking to take this title for the first time. The final is set in the A Flight. In the B flight there was one clear team that dominated the flight and that was the team of Cathy Jefferson and **Anthony Sikolas**. Coming in second was Lynne and David **Jackson**. Championship Sunday action starts and the A and B Flight Club Championships are underway. In the A Flight finals the men were dominating with their serves and holding serve with ease. The women were consistently broken on their serve. In the first set there was an obvious pattern, whichever woman holds serve first will take the set. The Gutierrez Team did just that as Beatriz held serve to take the set 7-5. Much to the crowds delight, everyone was eager to see the second set as the first set had many scrambles, great gets, and strategic points. The second set starts and the Team of Beatriz and Ricardo get the early break and don't look back. They take the second set



Tennis Mixed Doubles Club Championships.

and the match, final score 7-5,

In the B Flight the husband/ wife team of Lynne and David Jackson went toe to toe with the flight winners team Cathy Jefferson and Anthony Sikolas. The rallies were long and intense, but with a few crucial breaks, the team of Jefferson/ Sikolas took the first set 6-2. The Jacksons went back to the drawing board and tried to revise their strategy, but Jefferson/ Sikolas had an answer for everything that was fired at them and took the second set and matched for a score of 6-2, 6-2.

Congratulations and a thank you to all the finalists, participants, and spectators for making this first Club Championship of the season, it was so special.

Pickleball Leagues are Underway!

Come on out for some competitive pickleball games and have a chance to win some great prizes at the end of the 10 week season.

Men's and Ladies Leagues

- Tuesday 5:30-7 p.m. Men's Night League (DUPR)
- Wednesdays 8-9 a.m. Ladies League (non-DUPR)
- Thursday 8-9 a.m. Men's Morning League (DUPR)

League Rules:

- Round Robin
- Game to 11 win by one
- Winners are rewarded 5 points and then 2 points are awarded for a loss (showing up)
- Playing with a pro or against a pro will be rewarded 3.5

- points regardless of the result.
- The league will run for 10 weeks, with a total score each week (3 best results from that day)
- After the 10 weeks your 7 best weekly results will be tallied to determine final rankings.
- Any weeks that are washed out will roll over to the end of the schedule to ensure a full 10 week league.
- Weekly tips provided by assigned Pro.



Champions Ricardo and Beatriz Gutierrez.



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Don't Overextend at the Kitchen Line



"Pickleball Tip" By Alex Mabred, Head Pickleball Professional

A common mistake when volleying at the kitchen line is overextending the arm to reach the ball. This can lead to two negative outcomes: first, you risk stepping into the kitchen, and second, by reaching for the ball, you put yourself in a vulnerable position. Your opponents may notice the extra stretch and capitalize on it by hitting the ball back at you while you're off-balance and trying to recover.



How not to volley.



How to volley properly.

The tip of the week - to improve your volleying, ensure you remain in a comfortable position. Avoid extending your paddle too far beyond the kitchen line—ideally, keep it no more than one-third of the

way from the line. This allows for better balance, as your feet will remain planted, and you'll be able to react more quickly to fast returns and getting back into your ready position with greater ease.

TENNIS RESULTS

MEN'S "B" NIGHT LEAGUE

Monday, November 25

1st place:

John B Hyland, Bob Zoba & Mike Gregorich

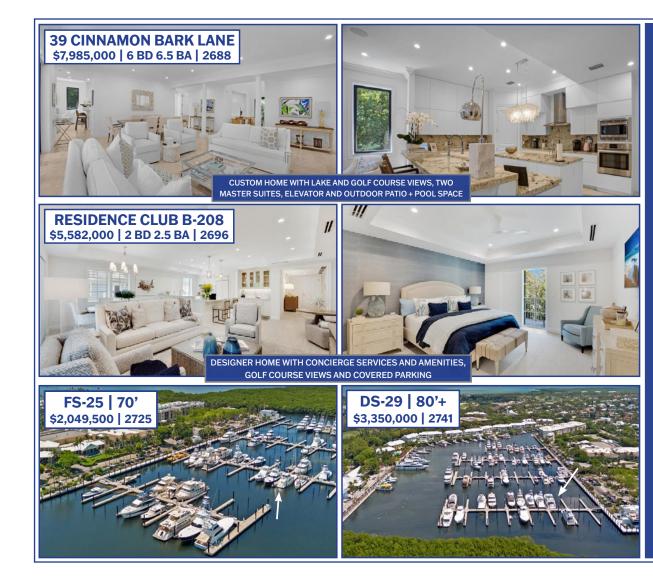
2nd place:

Richard Weinstein & Victor Benoit

3rd place:

Don Steinbrugge







SAVE THE DATE

Member-Guest Tournaments





Member-Guest Pickleball Tournament

December 13 – 15, 2024

The Club is excited to celebrate the 6th Annual Member-Guest Pickleball Tournament this December 13–15! Registration is now open by visiting oceanreef.com/MGP.

Member-Guest Tennis Tournament

January 17 – 19, 2025

Mark your calendars for the 52nd annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament. There will be more tennis than you can imagine with cardio clinics, gameio clinics, and most importantly, tournament play!

Registration will open Monday, December 2 and you can visit oceanreef.com/MGT.

For more information or assistance, please call the Tennis & Games Center at 305-367-6583.

Tennis Player of the Week

Antony Sikolas



What is your favorite racquet event at Ocean Reef?

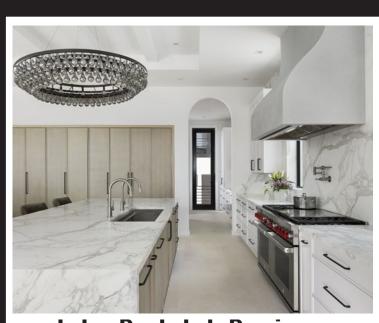
The Bring a Pro Tournament!

When did you start playing tennis?

I have played since I was a kid, however, I have worked on improving these past two years.

What do you enjoy the most about playing tennis at Ocean Reef?

Arriving to Ocean Reef is always a great pleasure, one that I am extremely grateful for. I love playing with the Members, the scenery is enjoyable, and the staff are always so friendly.



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Love at First Strike



by Carol Blackburn, Croquet Committee Chair

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GOLF SCOREBOARD

CANADIAN WEEKEND PRO-AM

1st Place: Alan Geller, Michael Norris, Randy Powell, Ray Smith 2nd Place: Jon Love, Nancy Love,

David Edmison, Elizabeth Edmison

3rd Place: Diana Frazier, Rudy Schupp, Phil Russel, Morris Kansun

4th Place: Richard Brock, Norma Brock, Peter Jackson, Guida Fernandes

5th Place: Brian Read, Kym Read, Sean Friday, Anne-Lucie Bouchard

6th Place: Rob McLeese, Rosemary McLeese, Ken Stewart, Leslie Stewart

7th Place: Ron Tysoe, Arleigh Tysoe, Ron Besse, Barbara Besse

8th Place: John Kwant, Heather Gerrie Kwant, Tony Valentini, Elaine Valentini

9th Place: Gerald Connor, Carla Connor, Joe Pal, Lucie Pal

10th Place: Keith Hill, Diane Hill, Libby MacAulay, Lucy Boguski

11th Place: Greg Hogarth, Heather Hogarth, Graham Ward, Dorothy Ward

12th Place: John Eaton, Sally Eaton, Diana Tweedy, Graham Ward

13th Place: Luc Paiement, Kathryn Kinet, Graham Gow, Susan Gow

9 HOLE LGA LEAST NUMBER OF PUTTS

Thursday, November 21

1st Place: Betsy Skudder
2nd Place: Kathleen Hegenbart
3rd Place: Cindy Hilberg, Rachel Kelley,
Ann Liashek, Dora Rubin
Closest to the Hole: Susie Hassett
Longest Drive: Penny Dinsmore

MGA WEEKLY EVENT

Monday, November 25

1st Place Gross: David Cummings, Jeff Goldstein, Mike Materna, Bill Sport

2nd Place Gross: Ray Larkin, Frederick Sherman, David Johnson

1st Place NET: Ralf Sellig, Douglas Tortura, Conor Mullett
2nd Place NET: Joe Holl, Buck Schottland,
Jeff Dorsey, Derek Johannson

3rd Place NET: Steve Rosenberg, Peter Coleman, Paul Archibald, Chip Hillyer

4th Place NET: James Davidson, Bill Tweardy, Jeff Fassbinder, Frank Tropea

5th Place NET: Jon Guyette, Billy Paynter, Bob Brainard

LGA WEEKLY EVENT:

Tuesday, November 26

1st Place Gross: Hillary Smith
2nd Place Gross: Nancy Vamvakas
1st Place NET: Cherie Henn
2nd Place NET: Margie Smith
3rd Place NET: Shirley Shumway

Golfing in the Fall Season



"From the Gold Tees" by Ben Claus, Director of Golf

9-Hole LGA

For those who participated, I believe we can all agree that we had perfect weather for our "Least Number of Putts" format with the 9-Hole LGA! The Hammock Course greens presented its challenges, however, there were a number of ladies who had no trouble navigating the fast and undulant surfaces!

Our putting champion had an immensely impressive 6 one-putts, leading her to a total of 13 putts through 9-holes. Congratulations to **Betsy Skudder!** One behind her, with 14 putts was **Kathleen Hegenbart**, who was Mrs. Consistent with 6 one-putts of her own!

MGA Weekly Event

We had another nice week with the MGA! 55 players took to the Dolphin Course to compete in a 1, 2 & 3 Better Balls (Gross & NET).

On the Gross side of the competition, David Cummings, Jeff Goldstein, Mike Materna & Bill Sport were able to secure 1st Place Gross. The team of Ray Larkin, Fred Sherman & David Johnson took home 2nd Place. For the NET competition Ralf Sellig, Doug Totura & Conor

Mullett were able to secure
1st Place Net after winning a
scorecard playoff! Coming in 2nd
Place was the team of Joe Holl,
Buck Schottland, Jeff Dorsey &
Derek Johannson. Lastly, in 3rd
Place we had the team of Steve
Rosenberg, Peter Coleman,
Paul Archibald & Chip Hillyer.

LGA Weekly Event

It appeared that our LGA members decided to pass on Thanksgiving turkeys in favor of birdies and eagles! Tuesday, November 26 we had 36 players participate in the Best Nine tournament. The small field allowed for LGA members to fly through the Hammock Course and rack up plenty of birdies along the way. For this event each LGA member was able to quickly forget about any bad holes, because only their nine best hole by holes scores from the round were used to determine a 9-hole total score that was posted on the scoreboard. With each player receiving 100% of their course handicap the race for 1st place in both GROSS and NET divisions was wide open!

Both the GROSS and NET divisions came down to the wire. In the Gross division, Hillary Smith captured victory by just one stroke! After all the scores were collected there were two LGA members tied atop the leaderboard in the NET division. Cherie Henn and Margie Smith both had a 9-hole total of 25. To break the ties for this event we used the player's relative to par score. Congratulations to Cherie Henn for winning the tie breaker and winning the NET division!



Does Your Golf Ball Curve too Much?



'Swing Tip" by Stefanie Shaw, Director of Instruction

Let's start with the most simple, but also the most important. The way you hold the club. Your hands are your only connection to the club. The club face determines where the ball goes and your face is determined by how you hold onto the club. Before we go any further, there is some golf lingo that you should know.

Weak: a lead hand that is rotated to the left. Fingernails visible

Strong: a lead hand that is rotated to the right. Knuckles



Demonstration of a strong grip.

visible.

Weak and strong do not mean how hard I am gripping the club; it is just a rotation right or

For a right-handed golfer, the more common error is that the ball curves too much to the right. If this sounds like you it's time to look left. Your left hand that is. Next time you have a club in your hand take a look at your grip.

Ideally for a right-handed golfer you need to see the logo of the glove on the left hand. If you look down and see more fingernails than knuckles and you have a golf ball that curves to the right then it's time for a change.

By rotating your hand over you are changing the clubface from approaching the golf ball on your downswing with an open face to now approaching



Demonstration of a weak grip.

the ball on the downswing to face that is squarer, to even a little closed which will change your ball flight!

The last step to this is to remember to relax and not squeeze the club as tight as you can and allow your grip to do the work

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by Gregg Van Dyke, Bridge Director

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Dinner in the Ocean Room Set for Monday, March 10, 2025 for Bridge and Monday, March 24, 2025 for Canasta.

Men's Monday Night Poker has started at 6:45-9:30 p.m.

Feel free to join in.

Canasta Pick-Up Games Tuesdays & Thursdays

Come over between 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. Just show up and we will put games together! If you need to learn or brush up on your skills, lessons are available Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. or just stop in and watch. This is a wonderful way to meet people.

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Beginners Canasta Lessons

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Live Duplicate Bridge Games

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday are Live Duplicate Bridge Games starting at 1 p.m. Please participate. If you need instructions call Gregg at 305-367-6609.

Reminder for Canasta Players:

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We are starting the Foretees Reservation System so you can make reservations for Card & Game. Contact Gregg at 305-367-6609 or Molly Lechelt at 305-367-2611 x7774 for instructions.



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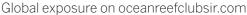
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BRIDGE TIP

Basic Bidding – Overcalls

By Gregg Vann Dyke, Bridge Director

When you've been playing bridge for a while, it's very tempting to experiment with new conventions, but it's actually much more valuable to ensure that you're playing a simple system properly, and giving accurate and useful information to your partner. Familiarity breeds contempt, and players often forget the principles on which the bidding rules they were taught were based, so it's a good idea to refresh your memory occasionally.

Suit Overcalls

When the opponents have opened the bidding, it's usually only worth competing if you

are (a) very strong, or (b) have a good quality long suit, or both. The sort of flat hand on which you would have opened a (12-14) 1NT is often better suited to defense.

A simple suit overcall doesn't require very many points, but it promises a good quality suit of at least 5 cards. If you're considering whether or not to overcall, always ask yourself "if my partner ends up on opening lead, do I want him to lead this suit?" If you overcall on J10976 and your partner dutifully leads that suit, declarer may be able to cash AKQ and discard a loser in another suit in where your side holds the top cards. Without your overcall, partner may well choose a much better lead.

Measuring 'Quality'

To get a rough idea of the quality of a suit, you add the number of cards in the suit to the number of honors in the

suit, only counting a Jack as an honor if you have a higher honor as well. For example, AK875 is quality 7 (5 cards with 2 honors), AKJ763 is quality 9, but J10976 is only quality 5.

A simple suit overcall requires:

- At the one level:
- HCP (High Card Points) and a
- 5+ card suit of quality at least 7
- At the two level: 10-16 HCP and a 5+ card suit of quality at least 8

But note:

Do not overcall at the two level if you can overcall at the one level unless your hand meets all the criteria for a jump overcall.

With 18+ HCP, double first and show your suit on the next round. That tells partner that you doubled because you were too strong to overcall.

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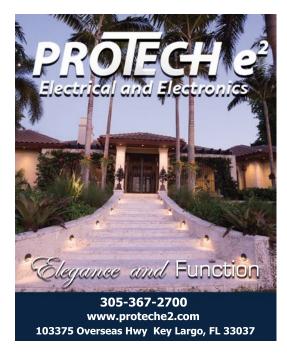
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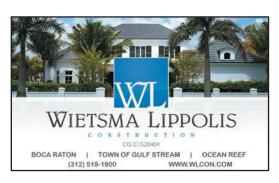
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