

# The Beachcomber

February 2011

**Tuesday, February 1**  
**Needlers, Book Club**  
**& Happy Hour**

**Wednesday, February 2**  
**Presentation by Steve Shurter,**  
**Director of Conservation**  
**at White Oak Plantation**

**Tuesday, February 8**  
**Garden Club/Tablescape**  
**& Happy Hour**

**Friday, February 11**  
**Valentines Dinner**

**Saturday, February 12**  
**MGA Monthly Tournament**

**Monday, February 14**  
**SPECIAL VALENTINE**  
**HEARTS LUNCHEON**

**Tuesday, February 15**  
**Needlers & Happy Hour**

**Thursday, February 17**  
**Trivia Night**

**February 18 & 19**  
**Amelia Island Book Festival**

**Tuesday, February 22**  
**Happy Hour**

**Thursday, February 24**  
**Trip to Kingsley Plantation**  
**& Ft. Caroline**

**LOOKING AHEAD**  
**March 12 & 13**  
**Concours d' Elegance**

## Discovery Cruise

Amelia River Cruises - Discover Tour - A Cruise Through History  
Thursday, February 24, 8AM

Join owner/historian, Kevin McCarthy, as he personally hosts and narrates the third of the newly launched Discovery Tours aboard Amelia River Cruises. This day excursion will include tours of Kingsley Plantation, Ft. Caroline and lunch at the Ribault Club. NewsLeader columnist, Dickie Anderson and Cecilia McCarthy will be your onboard hostesses. Explore the backwaters of Northeast Florida as Captain Kevin shares the rich history, colorful folklore and amazing wildlife that makes Northeast Florida such a unique experience.

Reservations are now being accepted and limited to 40 passengers. All-inclusive price: \$96 per person and includes narrated river cruise, park tours, gourmet boxed lunch at the Ribault Club, beverages aboard and return bus transportation. Reserve your spot(s) now by calling Leslie at 277-8015.

Itinerary:

8am - Depart Fernandina Harbor Marina  
10am - Arrive Kingsley Plantation - Tour  
12-1pm - Gourmet Boxed Lunch at Ribault Club  
2-3pm - Ft. Caroline - Tour  
3:30pm - Depart Ft. Caroline  
3:45pm - Stop at Ribault Monument  
4:30-5pm - Return to Fernandina Harbor Marina

## Concours d' Elegance

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

The Golf Club will host the Concours d' Elegance showcasing vintage and collectable cars which will be displayed on the 10th & 18th fairways. Each Golf Club member's number will be entitled to FOUR DISCOUNT priced tickets at \$35 each. The tickets must be charged to the member's Golf Club account. NO CASH OR CREDIT CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED. The tickets will be available at the receptionist desk in the Clubhouse. Additional tickets may be purchased for the regular price of \$45. During the Concours on Sunday March 13, the Club Dining Room will be open for MEMBERS ONLY, with a lunch buffet being served from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Dining Room. LUNCH MUST BE CHARGED TO YOUR MEMBER'S ACCOUNT NUMBER. TO GAIN ENTRANCE TO THE CLUBHOUSE, PLEASE HAVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU. MEMBER'S PARKING WILL BE AT THE DRIVING RANGE OFF SCOTT ROAD FROM THURSDAY, MARCH 10 THROUGH SUNDAY, MARCH 13 AND IS COMPLIMENTARY. YOU ALSO WILL NEED TO PRESENT YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD AS YOU ENTER THE DRIVING RANGE FOR PARKING. SHUTTLE SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE CLUBHOUSE DURING THIS TIME.

For additional information, please call the club, 277-8015.

For Concours information, visit their website at [www.ameliaconcours.org](http://www.ameliaconcours.org).

# Club News

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## *Member's Social*

Join club members on Tuesdays for Happy Hour at the Club. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres are served from 5-7 pm, and half-priced drinks from 5-8 pm. For the benefit of all members, Happy Hour is designated for adult club members only, age 21 & older. HOUSE GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME, BUT THERE IS A \$10.00 CHARGE PER GUEST. PLEASE INFORM YOUR SERVER WHEN YOU ARRIVE THE NUMBER OF GUESTS.

### **HAPPY HOUR DATES FOR FEBRUARY**

**1, 8, 15 & 22**

## *Celebrate Your Birthday at The Club*

Birthdays are special for adults as well as children. Celebrate yours at The Golf Club! You may register your birth date at the front desk. When the big day arrives, join us in the Dining Room for a complimentary lunch or any time during your birthday month.

(Alcoholic beverages NOT included).

## *Gourmet Dinner and Dancing*

DON'T WAIT FOR VALENTINES FOR THAT SPECIAL EVENING OUT!  
JOIN US FOR A GOURMET DINNER AND DANCING AT THE GOLF CLUB  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 6:00 PM

Start with a classic Caesar salad tossed table side. The main entrée will be a classic Beef Wellington served medium with wild mushrooms and shallots, wrapped in puff pastry. This will be accompanied by a split lobster tail along with a baked potato and asparagus.

The sweet endings includes a personal chocolate fondue for each served with crushed pecans, strawberries and fudge brownies for dipping.

Dancing to live music will make this a very memorable evening.

Price: \$55 per person, includes open bar, tax and gratuity.

Please make a reservation with Leslie at the Club front desk, 277-8015. Seatings are available starting at 6pm.

## *Valentine's Lunch*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

BRING A VALENTINE FRIEND TO LUNCH

Enjoy a special Valentine lunch menu:

Grilled Tenderloin Salad with feta cheese, black olives, caramelized pecans and baby pear tomatoes. For dessert enjoy a smothered chocolate/caramel brownie ala mode. Also includes a glass of champagne or house wine.

Price: \$25 plus tax & gratuity for two people

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST. PLEASE CALL LESLIE AT THE CLUB OFFICE, 277-8015 TO RESERVE A TABLE.

# Club News

## White Oak Presentation

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 5:00PM-Fireplace Room

Steve Shurter from White Oak Plantation will present a very informative program about White Oak and the Conservation Center. White Oak Conservation Center is one of the world's premiere wildlife breeding, research and training facilities. The Center, located along the St. Mary's River in Northeast Florida, spans 600 acres and is surrounded by 6,800 acres of pine and hardwood forest and wetlands. Co-founded in 1982 by philanthropist Howard Gilman, White Oak Conservation Center provides conservation options for the future by maintaining genetically diverse populations of threatened species in spacious, natural facilities. With a complex of research, husbandry, education and conference facilities, the Center leads professional efforts to improve veterinary care, develop holistic animal management techniques, and better understand the biology of critically endangered species. Steve is currently the Director of Conservation and works with wildlife conservation staff and programs both at White Oak and in Africa and Asia. The presentation will introduce White Oak Conservation Center, the various wildlife they work with and discuss ways to become involved. There is no charge for this event, but please call Leslie at the club office, 277-8015 to reserve a spot.



## Trivia Night

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 6:00 PM

Enjoy an evening of Trivia on Thursday, February 17. Starting at 6:00 pm you may order a light dinner from our abbreviated luncheon menu. The first set of Trivia questions will begin promptly at 6:30 pm. A professional MC will explain all the rules and will host the evening's questions. The more people who play the game, the more fun we will have. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team. **So gather your team or we will be happy to find a team for you.** A cash bar is available all evening with beer and wine specials, plus complimentary dry snacks. We need to know how many will be attending, so please call 277-8015 for reservations.

## Garden Club Meeting

"Beautiful Tablescapes for All Seasons and Occasions"

TUESDAY, February 8, 10:30am

Join us on February 8th for a demonstration on tablescapes. What is a tablescape you ask? Tablescapes are basically creatively designed table arrangements or centerpieces that showcase or highlight a specific object, collection or theme. We also will have a demonstration on flower arranging for Valentine's. We are looking for volunteers that would enjoy being a part of this fun program. If you enjoy setting a pretty table or perhaps you have certain china that is meaningful to you and your family or you enjoy decorating for a certain holiday please call Gina for more information, 277-8015.

The tables will be displayed in the Fireplace Room during the garden club and for the remainder of the day. You are welcome to invite guests to view our tables that day. After the meeting, there will be a luncheon special that will include a delicious pastry cart. There is no charge for the presentation. If you plan on attending the meeting please call Leslie for reservations, 277-8015.

*The Golf Club presents  
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# Club News

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## News from The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island

**Cooking School** - The first Salt Cooking School is on February 16 and 17 and will feature a Madri Gras menu. Reserve now for two fun days of cooking and dining with Chef de Cuisine, Richard Laughlin and his talented chefs. \$339 per person.

**Wine Dinner** - Salt's first 2011 Wine Dinner is on March 31 and features Jed Steele, winemaker and owner, of Steele Wines. Savor a four-course dinner paired with Steele wines. To commemorate the occasion, Salt will prepare an infused salt smoked with the tannins from Steele oak barrels and vine wood soaked in white wine. \$125 per person.

**Salt Shop** - Now you can purchase your favorite salts harvested from around the world. Come sample our special seasonal salts infused by Salt chefs. You can find unique gift items such as salt candle holders, salt serving plates and confectionary.

Information and reservations call 277-1100 or visit their website at [www.ritzcarlton.com/ameliaisland](http://www.ritzcarlton.com/ameliaisland).

## News from Summer Beach Resort Lodging

### MEMBER'S SPECIAL

Summer Beach Resort is honored to be a part of the Summer Beach communities and The Golf Club of Amelia Island. We offer a 15% discount on accommodations for members. In 2011, as a special thank you for your support, for each reservation you make for family or friends your name will be entered into our contest to win a complimentary weekend in one of our oceanfront condominiums. The drawing will be held August 15, 2011. Make sure you give your email address and contact phone number to the reservationist when making your reservations. Your confirmation number will be your entry into the contest.

## Book Club Meeting

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1:00 PM

Please join us for our Book Club meeting on Tuesday, February 1 in the Fireplace Room. The book for February is *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson. In March we will read *Remarkable Creatures* by Tracy Chevalier.

## News from the Amelia Island Book Festival

Books 'n Jazz on the Marsh

Friday, February 18, 6:00-9:00 PM

Featuring best selling author and keynote speaker, Jamie Ford, author of *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*. This event will feature Jamie Ford as well as all the featured authors attending the Festival. It will be an entertaining evening of jazz, food and fun.

Tickets are available at the Club office or on-line at [www.ameliaislandbookfestival.com](http://www.ameliaislandbookfestival.com).

Price: \$65 per person or \$110 per couple.

## The Needlers

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1 & 15, 10:00 AM

Do you enjoy needlepoint, knitting or crocheting? Why not join The Golf Club Needlers Group? They meet twice a month on the **FIRST AND THIRD Tuesdays of the month**. For more information, please call Gina in the Membership office, 277-8015. Join us for conversation, fellowship and stitching.

# Golf News

## LGA

### Ladies 9-Hole

The Ladies 9-Hole group plays every Wednesday morning. For more information, please call **Joan Palazzolo**, 491-6855 or **Maggi O'Brien**, 261-4503.

### Ladies 18-Hole

The Ladies 18-Hole group plays every Thursday morning. For more information, please call President, **Jane Casper**, 583-4333 or Playday Chairman, **Carol Scavotto**, 277-8210. To learn more about the LGA visit the website at [www.home.comcast.net/~gcailga](http://www.home.comcast.net/~gcailga).

## Queen of Clubs

The January Queen is **Linda Larabee** with a net score of 70. With this win Linda qualifies for the Queen of Clubs Shootout in May. Congratulations Linda.

## Hole In One

**Claudia Willette** had her first hole-in-one on Saturday, December 18. She hit the great shot on the Par 35th hole, which was playing 92 yards and used a 7 iron. Congratulations Claudia!



Linda Larabee  
Queen of Clubs



Claudia Willette

## MGA News

### JANUARY TOURNAMENT RESULTS / FORMAT - TWO BEST BALLS OF FOUR

1st place tie between the following two teams:

**Hank Fust, Bob Whren, Gil Korta & Don Hammond**

**Neil Childs, Dave Bouchard, Phil Catanzaro & Jan van Amerongen**

3rd place winning team:

**Rohe Pennington, Mac McAllister, John Graddy & Jan van Amerongen (Blind draw)**

Congratulations to all these players!

### UPCOMING MGA TOURNAMENTS

February 12 - 2 man team (pick your partner)

March 5 - 3 club tournament (+ putter)

## From The Pro Shop

Just a reminder - Twilight Golf will begin at 2:00 pm during the month of February.

Please be aware of the following dates:

February 9, tee times are available after 1:00 pm.

February 18, the course will be closed for the Museum of History golf tournament.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE UPDATED BY E-MAIL WITH THE MOST RECENT GOLF INFORMATION FROM THE GOLF SHOP? IF SO, PLEASE CALL THE PRO SHOP, 277-0012 AND LET US KNOW.

JUST A REMINDER, PROPER GOLF ATTIRE IS REQUIRED ON THE GOLF COURSE AS WELL AS THE PRACTICE FACILITY. PLEASE NO DENIM. THANK YOU.



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# The Beachcomber



*On the island.  
Off the clock.*

*Amelia Island* Amelia Island is seemingly a separate place, thankfully untouched. Rolling sand dunes, spattered with sea-oats waving in ocean breezes, give way to gently breaking waves. Nestled beneath canopies of moss-draped oaks, you'll find the Estate Homes. Here, Mediterranean-style architecture complements the milder seasons. Residents spend sun-drenched afternoons lounging at their community pools, or enjoying lazy afternoons on the beach.



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