

# The Beachcomber

May 2011

## COMING EVENTS

**Tuesday, May 3**  
Needlers,  
Book Club & Happy Hour

**Friday, May 6**  
Discovery Tours, Intracoastal  
Waterway to St. Augustine

**Saturday, May 7**  
Monthly MGA Tournament &  
Kentucky Derby Party

**Tuesday, May 10**  
Garden Club Meeting

**Wednesday, May 11**  
Tickets for practice round  
at TPC, Sawgrass

**Tuesday, May 17**  
Needlers & Happy Hour

**Thursday, May 19**  
Trivia Night

**Tuesday, May 24**  
Happy Hour

**Tuesday, May 31**  
Happy Hour

**LOOKING AHEAD**  
**June 6**  
Steve Barry Presentation

**GET YOUR PASSORTS READY!  
IN THE JUNE BEACHCOMBER  
WE WILL BE ANNOUNCING  
THE CLUB'S CRUISE PLANS  
FOR JANUARY 2012!**

## Kentucky Derby Party

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 4:30 PM

MINT JULEPS, HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES, LIVE MUSIC. PICK YOUR FAVORITE HORSE AND COME TO THE PARTY.

STUDY THE HORSES - GET READY TO PLACE YOUR BETS - LADIES GET OUT THOSE HATS FOR THE GOLF CLUB'S FIRST KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY!

The festivities will start at 4:30 pm when the betting windows will open. Enjoy complimentary mint juleps and a lavish display of appetizers including; sliced cheese tray, tenderloin sliders, Mini hot brown sandwiches & chocolate bourbon pecan pie. The race will start at approximately 6:10 pm after the traditional singing of My Old Kentucky. Live music will be available all during the evening. Cash Bar available all evening.

Cost: \$30 per person inclusive. Please call the club office to make your reservations, 277-8015. A list of the horses in this year's race will be available in the club office on May 2nd and at [www.kentuckyderby.com](http://www.kentuckyderby.com).

## Practice Day at TPC, Sawgrass

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 8:30 AM

The club has purchased twenty tickets for the last day of practice, Wednesday, May 11, before the start of the 2011 TPC Golf Tournament. We will leave the Clubhouse via motor coach at 8:30 am and will return around 4:30 pm. We have general admission tickets which gives you ground access to the entire course. There are stands and bleachers where you may sit to watch the players or follow your favorite golfer around the course during the day. Food and shopping outlets are available throughout the course. Don't miss an opportunity to see this world famous course and the best golfers in the world. Price: \$60 includes transportation and admission to the tournament. Call Leslie, 277-8015 to reserve your tickets.

# Club News

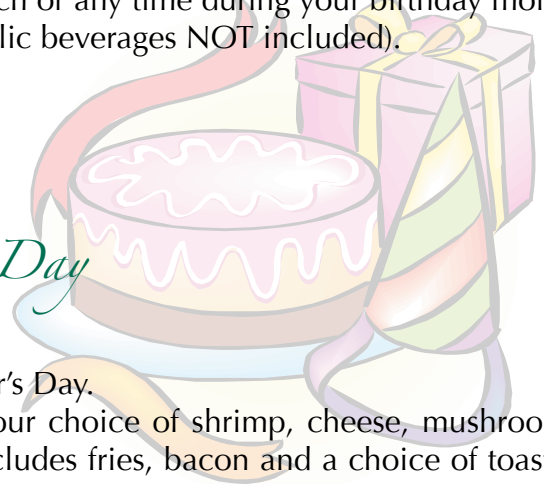
## Member's Social

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 MAY  
3, 10, 17, 24 & 31**

## 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).



## A Special Omelet Brunch for Mother's Day

SUNDAY, MAY 8, 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

Please join us for a special "OMELETTE BRUNCH" for Mother's Day.

The menu will include: a made to order omelet featuring your choice of shrimp, cheese, mushrooms, peppers, ham, bacon, tomato and onion. The brunch also includes fries, bacon and a choice of toast or pastry.

\$16.00 plus tax & gratuity.

## Trivia Night

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 6:00 PM

Join us for a fun evening of Trivia on Thursday, May 19. There will be a soup, salad and hamburger buffet available starting at 6:00 pm. The first set of Trivia questions will begin promptly at 6:30 pm. A professional MC will explain all the rules and regulations and will host the evening's questions. So gather your team or we will be happy to find a team for you. The more people who play the game, the more fun we will have. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team. A cash bar will be available all evening with beer and wine specials, plus complimentary dry snacks. PLEASE CALL FOR RESERVATIONS, SO WE MAY KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE TO EXPECT FOR THE EVENING, 277-8015.

NOT SURE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLAY TRIVIA? HERE IS SOMETHING NEW FOR YOU THIS MONTH. THERE WILL BE ONE TABLE RESERVED FOR MEMBERS AND GUESTS WHO WOULD JUST LIKE TO WATCH THE GAME BEING PLAYED. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US AND ENJOY THE ACTIVITIES.

### DINING ROOM HOURS

LUNCH 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

FULL BREAKFAST SATURDAY & SUNDAY 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

# Club News

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## *Beach Club News*

The Snack Bar will open only on weekends during the month of May. Starting Memorial Day weekend, the pool and Snack Bar will be open daily for the remainder of the season.

Pool maintenance is done daily between 7:00 & 9:00 am. Swimming is not allowed until 9:00 am. Please take note of these times. Just a reminder: according to the Florida Health codes, no animals are allowed in a public swimming pool or on the decks of the pool.

### **\*IMPORTANT CHANGES AT THE BEACH CLUB**

**IN AN EFFORT TO MAINTAIN THE BEACH CLUB AS A MEMBERS ONLY CLUB, WE WILL BE CHECKING EVERYONE'S MEMBERSHIP CARD AS THEY ENTER THE BEACH CLUB AREA STARTING MAY 1ST. PLEASE CARRY YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES. THE BEACH CLUB GATES WILL BE LOCKED DAILY FROM DUSK UNTIL 9:00 AM THE FOLLOWING MORNING. SECURITY AND BEACH CLUB STAFF WILL BE CHECKING YOUR CARD.**

## *Fitness Membership at Club 14*

LOOKING FOR A FITNESS CENTER? WHAT ABOUT CLUB 14 FITNESS?

Golf Club members who join Club 14 Fitness located in the 8 Flags Shopping Center, may now put the membership fees on their Golf Club account number. Club 14 Fitness operating since 1988 has a variety of activities to offer our members; including a cycling studio, group fitness room, weight room, child care and a full schedule of classes. Check their website for more information, [www.club14fitness.com](http://www.club14fitness.com).

As well as yearly memberships, Club 14 offers monthly, weekly and daily guest fees which would be of interest to many of our members who do not live on Amelia full time.

Please call the club office for membership categories and fees, 277-8015.

## *Amelia River Cruise*

TRAVEL TO ST. AUGUSTINE VIA THE INTERCOASTAL WATERWAY WITH AMELIA RIVER CRUISES  
FRIDAY, MAY 6, 8:00 AM

Rediscover the ancient city of St. Augustine. This cruise will give you a whole new appreciation for the rich history of northeast Florida. We leave from the Fernandina docks and will travel along the western shoreline of Amelia Island, then into the Timucuan Ecological and Historical Preserve. Crossing the St. John's River, we ultimately will enter the Guana River Marsh Aquatic Preserve. As we cruise through the preserve the signs of civilization completely disappear. After this relaxing time on the water we will stop at Cap's on the Water, one of those old Florida waterfront restaurants. After lunch we will continue on to St. Augustine arriving early enough for some sightseeing and shopping. We will board a motor coach and return to Fernandina around 5:30 pm. Amelia River Cruises is owned and operated by Kevin McCarthy, who is a renowned tour narrator and experienced boat captain. Please call 277-8015 to make a reservation. Inclusive price: \$110.00 per person includes boat trip and lunch. Coffee, snacks and water onboard.

**There is a 72 hour, non-refundable policy.**

# Club News

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## Garden Club Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 10, 10:30 AM

GARDENS OF AMELIA - LUNCH AT THE HISTORIC FLORIDA HOUSE INN

Please join us for our last garden club meeting of this year when we board the Amelia Island Trolley and tour some of the lovely gardens on Amelia Island. We will make stops in Summer Beach and downtown historic Fernandina. Lunch will follow at the Historic Florida House Inn. The Inn opened the doors in 1857 and has a colorful history since that date. It is the oldest surviving hotel in the state of Florida. The present owners reopened the doors in December of last year.

Please call for reservations at 277-8015 and at that time you will make your menu choice.

The Trolley will pick the members at the Club at 10:00 and then return at approximately 2:00 pm.

Cost: \$25.00 per person.

## Book Club Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 1:00 PM

Please join us for our Book Club meeting on Tuesday, May 3 in the Fireplace Room. The book for this month is *Clara and Mr. Tiffany* by Susan Vreeland. In June we will read *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand.

## The Needlers

TUESDAY, MAY 3 & 17, 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.

## Author Steve Berry Presentation and Book Signing

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 6:30 PM

Best selling author, Steve Berry returns to The Golf Club on Monday, June 6 to discuss his new mystery thriller, *The Jefferson Key* which will be released this month. This will be Mr. Berry's ninth visit to the Club. He always brings interesting news about the publishing world, the most recent sellers and his life now as a full time author. His other novels include *The Amber Room*, *The Emperor's Tomb*, *The Venetian Betrayal*, *The Third Secret* and *The Templar Legacy*. Don't miss this very entertaining author. There is no cost for this event, but please let us know if you will be attending, 277-8015.

## 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 e-mail address and contact phone number to the reservationist when making your reservations. Your confirmation number will be your entry into the contest. **Spring Special - 20% discount on select units from May 1st through June 15.**

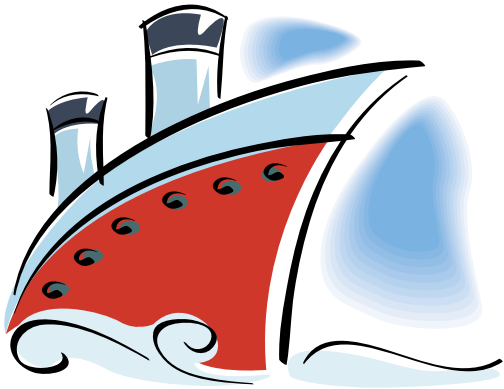
# Club News

## News from The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island

### Sunday Café Brunch Begins in May

Café 4750 will have a traditional Sunday Brunch every Sunday from 11:30 am to 2 pm, beginning May 1st. The brunch will include seven stations with all your favorites: International and domestic farmhouse cheeses, chilled seafood, antipasti, freshly made pizza, breakfast items, prime rib, eggs benedict, made to order pasta, plus special hot selections including local fish and shrimp. Plus the pastry department will offer miniature café desserts and fresh gelato. Adults \$39, children ages 5-12, \$11. Call 277-1100 for information and reservations.

## Memories of the January 2011 Carribean Cruise



DON'T MISS OUR 2012 JANUARY CRUISE. FOR DETAILS, PLEASE CALL GINA IN THE MEMBERSHIP OFFICE.

# Golf & Tennis News

## News from the Golf Shop

We will aerate the greens on May 16th through 18th. During these dates, tee times will run between 8:00-9:37 am and 12:30-2:07 pm. All golfers will play the same nine twice if they play 18 holes.

Please remember as summer approaches to wear sunscreen and a headwear.

### Heavy Play Days

Please be aware of the following dates:

May 1 - Tee times available after 11:00 am

May 5 - Tee times are very limited all day

May 9 - Tee times are available only in the morning

May 16-18 - Aeration

May 23 - Tee times available after 2:00 pm

May 24 - The course will be closed all day

## Golf Tip

Wedges? We need our stinkin' wedges! By Ernest Gonzales

When Zach Johnson won the Masters in 2005, he credited it to his outstanding wedge game by laying up on every par 5 throughout the entire week. In the months prior to the '05 Masters, Zach hit hundreds of wedges every day. It wasn't how many wedges he hit, but more how he practiced the wedges during those months that helped him win a major.

If you have noticed, we put out some new flags on the left side of the driving range. Every flag is approx. 10 yards apart. When Zach would practice his wedges, he would hit only one shot to a target and distance then move to another, then another. The object is to never hit more than one shot to a target.

Zach believed this is the only way to develop feel. So move on! Don't fall in love with a target and a distance when working on your wedges and start developing feel by hitting to a different target after every shot.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE UPDATED BY E-MAIL WITH THE MOST RECENT GOLF INFORMATION FROM THE GOLF SHOP? IF SO, PLEASE SEND AN E-MAIL TO [GOLFSHOP@GOLFCLUBOFAMELIA.COM](mailto:GOLFSHOP@GOLFCLUBOFAMELIA.COM).

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

## News from the Tennis Courts

During the past few months the courts at Summer Beach Village have been resurfaced, plus new nets were added and the old fencing has been replaced. We hope you enjoy the renovations.

Just a reminder - The courts are locked. Club members may obtain a key for a refundable fee of \$10.00 at the club office. This is a one-time charge and will be refunded when the member returns the key. Please help us maintain the equipment by not leaving the roller, squeegee or broom standing on the court. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Tennis Court Reservations Online

Golf Club members may reserve the tennis courts, located at the Beach Club in Summer Beach Village, by going online to [www.golfclubofamelia.com](http://www.golfclubofamelia.com). Click on the bottom menu that says "tennis reservations", from there follow the instructions. We hope this will help the club members who are looking for reserved court time at The Golf Club of Amelia Island. Please call Leslie at the membership office if you have further questions, 277-8015.

# 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

Congratulations to **B.J. Murphy** the April Queen of Clubs.

B.J. shot a net 79 to win the title for April. She is eligible to participate in the Queen of Clubs Shootout to be held May 11th.

Come out and support your favorite queen at the Shootout and be part of the gallery.



## MGA News

### MEMBER GUEST TOURNAMENT

The 2011 Member Guest Tournament, The Nautilus Cup, will be held June 9 - 11. Highlights of this year's event include a practice round, two days of tournament competition, opening reception, and a concluding Awards Dinner. Details of the tournament events are being sent to all members. The cost of this year's event is \$775 per team plus tax. Club members who are not part of the MGA are invited to participate, however there is an additional charge of \$75 to cover annual MGA dues. Based on our new dates, members are encouraged to sign up in the pro shop as soon as possible to guarantee a spot in the tournament, as the field will be limited to 28 teams. Once that level is reached, entrants will be placed on a wait list. Please call the Pro Shop for more information, 277, 0012.

### UPCOMING MGA TOURNAMENTS

May 7 - 3 man team (pick your partners), 1 low gross + 1 low net per hole, 100% Handicap, black tees (flights determined by total team handicap)

June 4 - 2 man team (pick your partner), mixed tees tournament (red, white & black), 50% handicap

July 9 - 2 man team (pick your partner), best ball, 80% handicap, black tees

### APRIL MGA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Modified Stableford Points

First Flight - 1st Place, **Jim Avery**; 2nd Place, **Hank Spellman**; 3rd Place, **Ed Velazquez**

Second Flight - 1st Place, **Tom Haley**; 2nd Place, **Ed Burke, Don Fischer**

Third Flight - 1st Place, **John Graddy**; 2nd Place, **Jack Harrison**; 3rd Place, **Jan van Amerongen**

Congratulations to all these players!!

## Summer Junior Golf Camp

This year the junior golf clinics will be three day sessions and will cover the basic fundamentals including the grip, stance, full swing and the short game. Each morning will begin with a brief etiquette seminar. Students will receive PGA instruction on both the range and the golf course. Please call the Golf Shop for additional information and to sign up your young player, 277-0012.

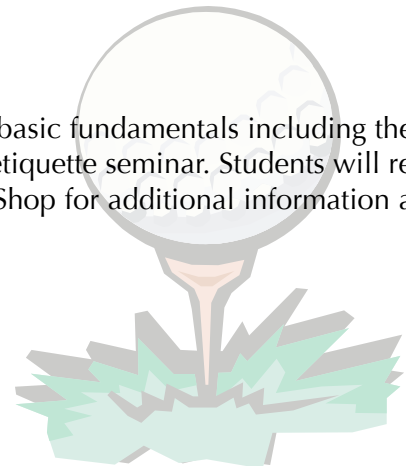
Dates:

1st Session: June 13-15

2nd Session: July 11-13

3rd Session: August 15-17

Cost: \$100 per session.





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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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