



Monroe Golf & Country Club Member Newsletter May 2024



IN THE NEWS

Message from the Board

New Committee's at MGCC

Our first meeting of the new Board of Directors included a committee work session for the coming year. Thanks to all the members that have committed to be part of the planning at Monroe Golf & Country Club.



Greens

Alan Moon - Chair
Keith Conner
Jackie Snell
Maura Jacob
Pannell Ellis
Blaine Bates



Long Range Planning

Ron Smith - Chair
Jason Anderson
Doug Cathey
Steve Hardy
Sherri Jennings
Randy Meaders
Bill Oliver



Membership

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Weyman Smith
Doug Cochran
Peggy Jones
Matt Doyle

Finance

Stuart Smith- Chair
Bob Hill
Doug Cathey
Lee Waldo



House

Rachael Holder - Chair
Cindy Wood
Caren Odom
Monica Landress
Jacque Hunter
Larry Whitten
Lauren Keller

Pro Shop

David Lamalva - Chair
Faye Love
Jackie Wilson
Al Humphrey
Oscar Williams
Damien Mercer

Finance

Stuart Smith- Chair
Bob Hill
Doug Cathey
Lee Waldo



MGCC Board of Directors

L to R: Bruce Tupper, Alan Moon, Dave Lamalva, Marc Cain,
Ron Smith, Stuart Smith, Rachel Holder

Letter From the President

Members,

Spring is here! With the masters concluding, everyone is excited about the golf season beginning. This is the perfect weather for golf, tennis, pickleball, and enjoying a meal on the patio at the Club. Before we know it, pool season will be here as well!

The Pro-Shop has an attractive selection of inventory ready for the spring and summer seasons. The course is in beautiful condition, thanks to our superintendent, Chuck Davis, and his staff.

Our new chef, Chelsea, and her staff are quickly transforming the Sunday Lunch into the hottest reservation in town. Make reservations quickly because we have had 60-80 members enjoying the buffet in the last month alone on Sundays. Come out to the club for some pleasant social time and a delicious meal!!!

I would like to congratulate all of our new Committee Members on the House, Pro-Shop, Greens, Membership, Long Range Planning, and Finance committees. During our first board meeting in April, all of the Board Committee Chairs met with their Committees and had a work session, consisting of about 40 attendees. Each Committee scheduled their first meeting, along with quarterly meetings, and new ideas & activities were discussed at this time.

A lot is happening around MGCC, and I look forward to seeing you at The Club!!

Marc Cain
President, Board of Directors
Monroe Golf & Country Club

What's Happening at MGCC



Feature Dining for the Month

Mothers Day Brunch

Sunday May 12th

Seating at 11AM and 1PM

Shrimp & Grits
Chicken & Waffles
Candied Bacon
Biscuits & Gravy
Assorted Mini Quiche
Stuffed French Toast
Ham & Gruyere Croissant
Red Velvet Muffins
Home Fries
Coneccta Sausage
Fruit
Adults \$22.00
Children \$12.00

Italian Night

Friday May 31st

5:00PM - 8:00PM

Menu will be announced

Memorial Day Cookout

Monday May 26th

BBQ on the Back Deck



New HVAC in Clubhouse

The new air conditioning should be completed in the first week of May. Thanks for your patience during this process.

New Bag Drop Area

Thanks to the donation of members, The New Bag Drop is finished and we have ordered new bag racks that should be delivered in early Summer.



ACTIVITIES

GOLF EVENTS

Coming Events

Walton County Chamber Golf Tournament - Friday May 3rd

Men's Member Guest - May 17th & 18th

MLGA Tee Party - Tuesday May 21st

Senior Championships - June 7th-8th

Monroe Classic - July 19th-21st

2024 Golf Schedule of Events

(Some Dates Have Changed **)

Remaining Events

**Tuesday, May 21st - MLGA Tee-Party
**Friday/Saturday May 17th-18th- Men's Member Guest
** Saturday/Sunday June 8th-9th- Senior Club Championship (Men & Women)
Saturday/Sunday, June 29th-30th- Couple's Championship
Monday/Tuesday July 1st & 2nd - GSGA Junior Tour
Friday/Saturday/Sunday, July 19th-21st- Craig Hunter Memorial Monroe Classic
Saturday, August 10th- Heaven & Hell Tournament (POY Event)
Thursday, August 22nd – Northeast Georgia Ladies
Saturday/Sunday, August 24th-25th- Men & Women Club Championship
Sunday, September 8th – Scotch Foursome
Monday/Tuesday, September 9th-10th- Aerification
Friday, October 4th-One Day Member-Guest (1-3 Guests)
Saturday/Sunday, October 19th-20th- Fall Member-Member
Saturday, November 16th- Men's One Day Event (POY Event)
Saturday, December 14th- Santa Open (POY Event)

Member Member Tournament Results

MGCC hosted our Spring Member-Member & the weather couldn't have been more perfect! We had 84 players in the field this weekend, and the battle was on from the first tee off Saturday morning!! congratulations to all of our winners!!!

1st Place- Jeremy Holder & Justin Holder
2nd Place- Bo Roberts & Roy Roberts
3rd Place- Matt Roe & Tyler South
T4th- Drew Bowen & Bob Hill
T4th- Jerry Hause & Carson Keller
T6th- Ron Grice & Ben Weaver
T6th- Alan Crowell & Ernie Harding
T6th- Oscar Williams & Scott Aldridge
9th Place- Ron Smith & Jason Anderson
T10th- Heath Jones & Stan Jones
T10th- Bill Hovis & Rob Downing
T10th- Mike Allison & David Epps
T10th- Bryant Chandler & Brady Narey

Shootout Results after 6 Holes:

1st Place- Matt Roe & Tyler South
2nd Place- Oscar Williams & Scott Aldridge
3rd Place- Jeremy Holder & Justin Holder

Closeups: (Saturday)

#3- Jerry Seay
#8- Drew Bowen
#12- Heath Jones
#17- Alex Nash

Closeups: (Sunday)
#3- Randy Colter
#8- Ben Landress
#12- Marshall Briscoe
#17- Devon Roberts

Golf Hours

Pro-Shop

Tuesday-Sunday 7:30AM-6:00PM

Range

Tuesday-Saturday 7:45AM-7:00PM

Sunday 7:45AM - 6:30PM

Course

Tuesday-Sunday 8:00AM-8:00PM

Please Have Carts in by 8:00PM

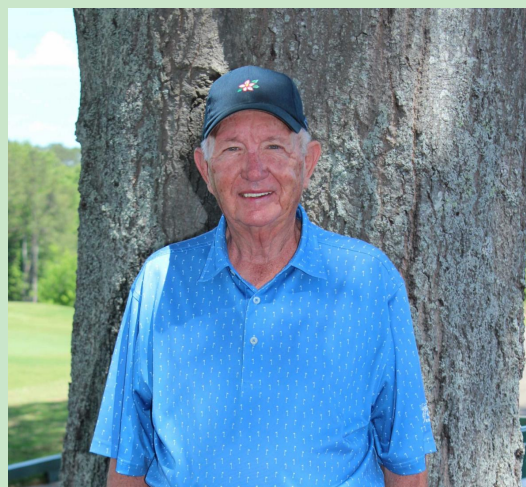
Highlights From the Course

Great Rounds

Nick Kirkland (81 years old)
Demolished his age on the course by
shooting 68 in back to back rounds

Awesome Rounds Nick.

**BACK
TO BACK**



Thanks to Keith Tanner

In April, Keith Tanner decided to resign his long time position as Golf Professional at MGCC. We want to thank Keith for his dedication to Monroe Golf & Country Club and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

Below is a letter he wanted to pass along to the members.

April 9, 2024

To the members of Monroe Golf & Country Club:

As I say goodbye to my time as your golf professional, I would like to say thank you to everyone for the privilege of serving you over the past 30 years. I moved home to Monroe in 1994 and started my career with MGCC. I have met so many people through the years and a good many have become great friends and even some parental figures as well.

I have witnessed members leave for their various reasons and I have witnessed the passing of many great members too. MGCC has a great Board of Directors that have your best interests in place to make your membership and experiences at the club great. Be patient and do your part as well, you are in good hands with Don Britt. He is working to make our club the best yet.

To my fellow employees:

We have had great times and a few not so great but we hung in there together and got the job done. Thanks to Chuck Davis who has helped out in many different ways. To my brother Dave, who has stood behind me through thick and thin – thank you and I love you brother.

I have no regrets from my many years at the club, but it is time for me to take a new and different path. Although I won't be working at MGCC, I will still be in the area and hope that you may see me occasionally. Thanks for the memories that will never leave my heart.

Sincerely and gratefully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Keith Janner".

Keith

Monroe Ladies Golf Association



The MLGA ladies are playing golf on Tuesdays now and would like to extend an invitation to all of the MGCC golfing ladies to join us. We love to golf and to fellowship.

**The MLGA ladies held their 1st tournament in April.
The winners of the MLGA Member-Member Tournament are:**

Flight 1

1st Place - Kay Ivie & Martha Johnson
2nd Place - Faye Love & Jane Scott
3rd Place - Bobbie Drew & Donna Cohen

Flight 2

1st Place - Brenda Griffis & Connie New
2nd Place - Cheryl Mothershed & Kathy Januzelli
3rd Place - Emily Fowler & Norma Oliver

Playdays in May

May 7th @ 9:00AM - Lunch after Play
May 14th @ 9:00AM
May 21st - Tea Party
May 28th @ 9:00AM

MLGA Tee Party

Our annual Tee Party Invitational Tournament is scheduled for May 2st. Many golfers outside of MGCC & MLGA play in this great tournament.

If you would like more information about the Tee Party , please contact Norma Oliver at 678-409-8628 or Normaluv70@yahoo.com

**If you would like more information about the
Monroe Ladies Golf Association contact
Faye Love 404-583-6912 or ftlove85@gmail.com
Kay Ivie 678-644-6530 or kayivie11@gmail.com**

More about Golf



5 Reasons Why the Short Game Is Golf's Most Important Tool

MIKE DUDURICH

From top to bottom, from the PGA Tour to the weekend warrior, everybody is hitting the golf ball longer. More clubhead speed, more springy faces, golf balls that travel farther and straighter, all have resulted in greater distance off the tee.

But while chicks dig the long ball, the scorecard reflects the importance of a different aspect of the game.

Those who play for pay know the short game is where they make their money. Getting the ball close to those hard-to-reach pins is a must for the pros and doing that with precision approaches is the only way to do that.

Recreational players are mesmerized by long drives, but many don't get the importance of the short game.

Here are five reasons it's the most important aspect in the game.

To see the full article, go to Bleacher Report

[Link to the Article at Bleacher Report](#)

Pickleball

Court Reserve

The new court reservation system is ready. You should receive an email to create a login and add your family members to the system. You will be able to download the court reserve app on your phone our login via the club website. If you have any questions please contact the club office.

Pickleball Open Play

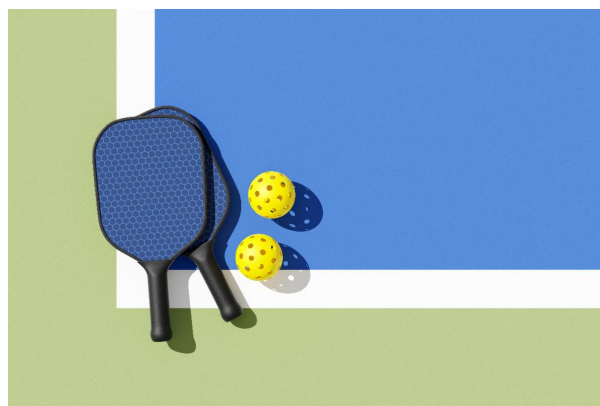
Do you want to play pickleball? There are plenty of chances to play each week. Just show up and play. All levels are welcome. Members and their invited guests.

Guest Fee \$3

Sunday at 2:00PM

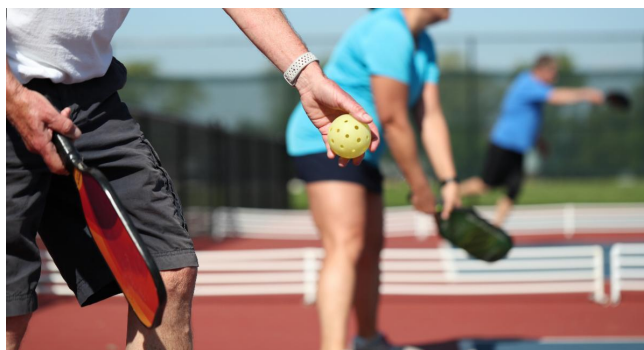
Mondays at 6:00PM

Thursdays at 9:00AM



Guest Policy

Members are allowed to bring invited guests to play pickleball for a \$3 guest fee. There is a guest fee book at courts 1-4 to record your guest's name and the guest fee.



1st Saturday Round Robin May 4th 10:00AM

Join your fellow club members for a Pickleball Round Robin on the first Saturday morning of each month. No need to sign up, just show up. All levels are welcome.

This event is for members only.



PICKLEBALL EQUIPMENT – WHAT YOU NEED TO PLAY

Author: Andrew Gilman | March 12, 2024

Ready to play?

Have you got your ball and your paddle? What about your sunscreen and your water bottle? You're definitely going to need those. Oh, don't forget a snack or two.

OK, maybe you're not quite ready yet, after all. Read on for all the things you're going to need to make sure you and your friends have the best time playing pickleball.

PERFECT PADDLES

Don't be intimidated or scared. There are lots of choices out there and there's something for everyone.

And there are plenty of price points for all different types of budgets.

Just remember, when you are choosing a paddle, find one that's comfortable for you, suits your style and gives you confidence. If possible, try out a bunch of different kinds to find out what you like.

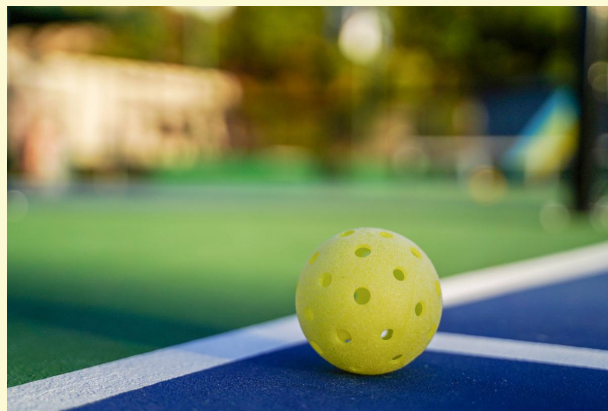
Here are a few suggestions to get you started:

Find a paddle that feels like the right weight for you. Usually, they weigh between 7-9 ounces and 9 ounces is going to feel very heavy. You'll want something you can maneuver easily and control for every type of shot – from the serve to the dink. Consider your strength and playing style before choosing a paddle that's the right weight.

Grip size is also important for comfort and control. A grip that's too small, might cause hand fatigue and also force you to hold the paddle too tight. A grip too large will feel cumbersome and make it hard to move the paddle around freely. Most paddles have a grip size between 4-4.5 inches in circumference. Just make sure comfort is your criteria when choosing a grip size.

Materials matter when it comes to picking a paddle. Most are made from wood, carbon fiber, or graphite. Each material does different things and contributes to differences in power, control, and durability. Composite paddles, made of a combination of different materials are popular for balance and control, are popular. Wood paddles work well, too, and are more traditional. *(To read the full article see link below)*

[Link to the article on PPATour.com](#)



Welcome New Staff

In addition to our new Chef Chelsea White, we would like to welcome to Monroe Golf & Country Club our new Sous Chef Blake Larkins and new service staff team leader Megan Wellborn that will assist Erin in managing the front of the house.

We are excited about our new additions to our MGCC family.

Coming in May
New Club Menu Choices



Sunday Lunch

We have lunch every Sunday at the club. We will be making a few changes to the buffet menus each week. Look for new entree and side selections. We will be sending out the Menu each week so you make plans to come to the club on Sunday.

Please Make Reservations so we can prepare properly for the Buffet



Bar & Patio Dining

Tuesday - Friday
Club Menu available until 8PM

Saturday and Sunday until 5PM



The Kitchen and Member Lounge Hours

Kitchen Hours
Tuesday - Friday
11:00AM - 8:00PM

Saturday & Sunday
11:00AM - 5:00PM

Member Lounge Hours
Tuesday - Saturday
10:00AM - 9:00PM

Sunday



Lunch at the Club

MGCC is a great place to come and have lunch. Are you looking to take a group to lunch? Give us a call and we can reserve a table for you.





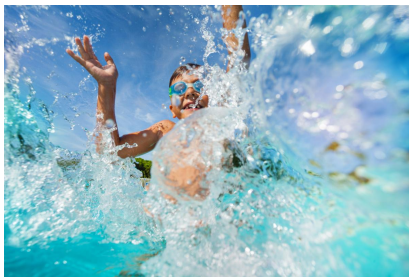
ACTIVITIES



MGCC Pool

The new pool furniture has arrived and the pool deck repair and resealing is complete. The pool cover has been removed and the pool has been cleaned is ready for the summer.

The pool will open Memorial Day weekend and the hours will be announced soon. We are looking for more lifeguards to work this summer. If you know someone interested please have them call the office to get an application.



Summer Swim Lessons

Swim Lessons will be available this summer. Roger Lamadrid will return to teach Semi - private lessons. For details go to the club website.

[Visit our Website](#)

LIFEGUARD



Life Guards for 2024

If you want to Lifeguard at MGCC, please come by the club to fill out an application or call the office for more information. Lifeguard Certification and CPR required.

Croquet in May

Wine and Wickets will return in the month of May on Thursday Nights. More Detail



SAVE THE DATE

A promotional graphic for a tennis camp. The background is split into a red top half and a green bottom half. In the center, two yellow tennis rackets are crossed, with a green tennis ball in the middle. The text 'RACQUET ROOKIES TENNIS CAMP' is written in large, green, outlined letters. Below it, 'Monroe Golf and Country Club' is written in white. At the bottom, 'REGISTER NOW! LINK IS ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM' is written in white on a green background, with a yellow button containing '@MPTENNISGA' below it.

RACQUET ROOKIES TENNIS CAMP

Monroe Golf and Country Club

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Racquet Rookies Tennis Camp
Offered by MP Tennis at Monroe Golf & Country Club
Summer 2024

PTR/CPR Certified Instructors – Camille Malcom and Reagan Peppers

Dates

- Session 1 June 3-6 (rain date 6/7)
- Session 2 June 10-13 (rate date 6/14)
- Session 3 June 17-20 (rain date 6/21)
- Session 4 June 24-27 (rain date 6/28)
- Session 5 July 8-11 (rain date 7/12)
- Session 6 July 15-18 (rain date 7/19)

MGCC Membership

Billing Information

All club bills will be sent out via email on the 1st of each month. You may request a mailed statement by contacting the office.

All members are encouraged to use auto pay by using a payment type on file with the club. The auto pay will be initiated on the 10th day of the month and all account payments are due on the 15th of the month. Per club by laws, a 5% late payment penalty will be applied to all accounts that are 60 days in arrears. All accounts that are not current will be suspended from member charging privileges. Membership privileges can be terminated for account delinquency.

You may drop a check off in the member payment box in the front office or pay via the member portal via the website.

In the past, auto pay was initiated on the 1st day of the month in conjunction with the billing. Changing the Auto Pay to the 10th will allow members to review their billing prior to payment being initiated. We hope this will make any disputes in billing easier to resolve.

Invite a Friend to be a Member of MGCC

Do you have a friend that is interested in membership? Invite them to the club and we will show them the great things that are going on at Monroe Golf & Country Club.

If you need to help with your club account or questions about your membership, please contact membership director, Hannah Hinton.

Welcome to New Members

David Whit & Eve Machovec
Elijah & Courtney Briscoe
Jackson Cornelius
Jeremy Holder
Emmett & Doris Hall
Farrell & David Collins
Adam & Stacey Parker

Phil & April Odom
Casey & Kristin Ward
Todd & Kirsten Nash
Josh & Allison Grayson

Looking Forward To A Great Summer

Click Here to View the May Event
Calendar!

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