

# Riverhill Reporter

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November 2020

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Dear Riverhill Membership,

As another year's end comes closer and the holidays are near, we can reflect back on a difficult year for so many and the trying times of the pandemic. It gives us a great opportunity to be thankful for our Club, incredible Membership, and Staff. We would like to thank you all for making Riverhill the best it can be.

Through difficult times, our Club has experienced tremendous growth. Our focus moving forward is to provide the best possible Club experience for all of our membership. Our desire is to continue with the culture that has been built and develop creative programs for all to enjoy. We have now owned Riverhill Country Club for eleven years, and as I stated last year, this is one of the most enjoyable ventures that I have had the privilege to be a part of.

As most of you know, Kevin Bartholomew has retired as the golf course superintendent. Kevin has done a great job with the golf course and we appreciate his dedication to our Club. Fortunately, Kevin and Janet live at Riverhill and will be members of The Club. We are excited to see them enjoy The Club as members. Trevor Corbet is The Club's new superintendent and we welcome him to continue the tradition as the Riverhill Country Club superintendent.

We hope the month of November brings joy and thanksgiving to you all. Thank you all for pulling together throughout this year. We are looking forward to the remainder of 2020 and a fantastic 2021. Let us all continue to stay safe together.

**Riverhill Proud!!**

**From the Desk of Bryan Hargrove**  
Membership Director

With the membership growing faster than anyone anticipated, I thought it would be a good time to remind our members about what makes Riverhill so great. First and foremost, is our outstanding golf course. Mr. Nelson and Mr. Finger figure this to be one of their finest achievements. No argument from me! I have yet to meet anyone that said they did not like the layout of Riverhill. Some have told me it is very difficult, but no one has told me they didn't like it. Just ask members like Carl Browning and Steve Ables. They have been here since almost day 1, and they will tell you that they still enjoy the layout of the course.

Next, is our staff. We try very hard to make your time at the club the most enjoyable it can be. Trying to keep 670 members happy (that doesn't include spouses and children) can be very tough sometimes. But we do our best. With that being said, I need to point out a couple of things that have arisen lately.

First, is bringing alcohol onto the property. TABC law prohibits bringing alcohol onto the property where it is sold. Please help us out with this. If there is something you like to drink and we don't stock it, let us know, and we will get it for you.

Second, is a 20% gratuity is added to all food and beverage tickets. You are certainly welcome to add a tip at your discretion. Our staff works very hard to provide exceptional service, day in and day out.

Third, is our membership. Without you, we wouldn't even be here. I believe we have the best membership anyone could ask for. Most of our members have been around clubs most of their lives. For me, personally, growing up playing golf and hanging around adults taught me to say "Yes sir", "No sir", "Yes ma'am", and "No ma'am". Simply put, let's abide by the "Golden Rule". Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Ok, I am getting off my soapbox now. Enjoy the upcoming Holiday Season!!!

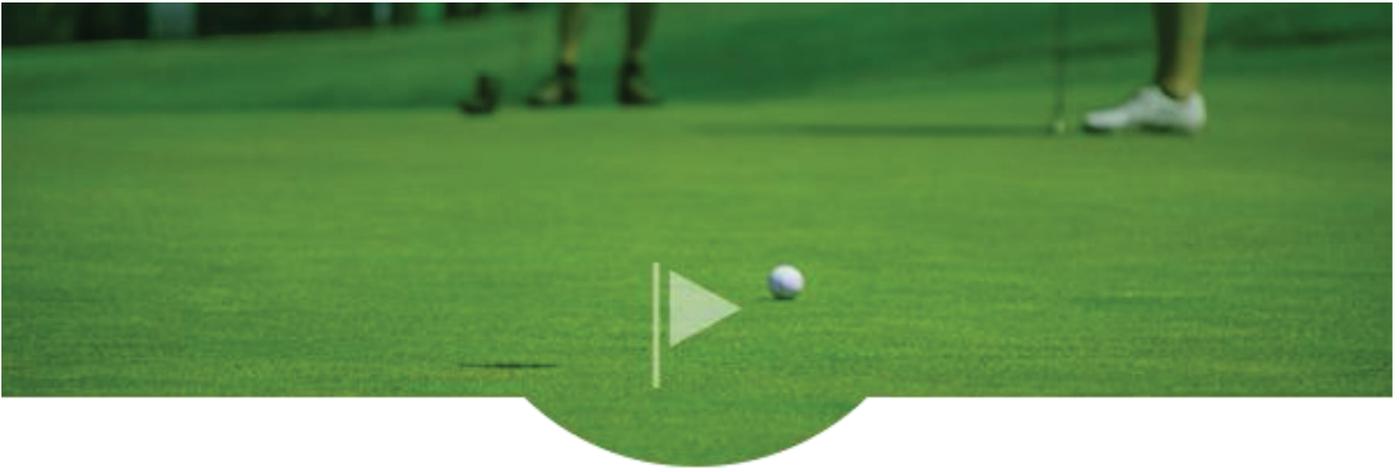


**Ramsey & Stephen Knight Fredericksburg, TX**

Photos from our new member mixers: (left to right) George and Sharon Cobb attended the New Member Mixer on Oct. 27th, Head Pro Matt Trevino and Victor Vrazel talk golf at New Member Mixer and Bettye Warnock, Janna Spurlock, and Francie Mans enjoying the fireplace at New Member Mixer.



As always, I am Riverhill Proud!  
Bryan Hargrove  
Membership Dir.



## Golf

November is here and The Holidays are approaching quickly, that means the Golf Shop Christmas Sale. This year's sale will be Friday December 4<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 – 6:00. We will be offering extra discounts on the wheel, have free gift wrapping available, taking special orders along with having wine and snacks on hand. The wheel will have the most discounts of the season that night so stop by and get your Christmas shopping done early and tell your friends.

Congratulations to all the qualifiers for this year's Collins Cup Matches. The tournament will take place November 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, this year's teams are:

11 Straight – Captain Chuck Swallow, Capt's pick Rick Turner, Greg Bassett, Steve Boynton, Grant Ellis, Preston Hardin, Jeff Harris, Chuck Hempstead, Tom Hendrix, Gordon Honganen, Bart McLaughlin, Bedford Mitchell, Tom Moser, Rick Perry, George Stacy, Bill Stillwell, Scott Stumbo, Bill Suehs, Dennis Terrell, and Paul Urban.

Steadman's Savages – Captain Clay Steadman, Capt's pick Steve Ables, Kyle Bond, Gary Cochrane, Harold Danford, Mike Durivage, Dan Ehrenreich, Randy Evans, Bob Fairchild, Brick Gibson, Ben Levenson, Chipper Loggie, Fred Lohmeyer, AJ Lovitt, Zach Martin, Kent McKinney, Blake Smith, Hut Smith, Charlie Thomas, and Hiram Wilson.

With the popularity of our Staff Scrambles we will continue them into the winter months starting with November 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 with dinner after play. Thank you for all of your support making this monthly event a huge success.

The MGA will host a Night golf tournament is Saturday November 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 with dinner prior to play.

38 teams competed in the Member-Member Match Play, Overall Champions – Chuck Hempstead and Sid Gisbon Flight Winners were: Championship – Grant Ellis and Zach Martin, 1<sup>st</sup> Flight – Jeff Fierst and Tom Fierst, 2<sup>nd</sup> Flight – Harold Danford and Jeff Harris 3<sup>rd</sup> Flight – Daniel Jimenez and Hector Cantu,



Also congratulations to your Byron Nelson Invitational Champions Carl Browning and Tex McCrary, their 2<sup>nd</sup> straight win. We had 41 teams compete and the players were treated to a live Maine lobster boil. Other flight winners include: Mark Walker and John Gasink (Championship Flight), Greg Bassett and John Caram (1<sup>st</sup> Flight), Bedford Mitchell and Leonard Scott (2<sup>nd</sup> Flight), Pat Wisdom and Randy Park (3<sup>rd</sup> Flight), Bill Suehs and David Redding (4<sup>th</sup> Flight), Clay Steadman and Greg Waldron (5<sup>th</sup> Flight) and Bob Fairchild and Dan Hughes (6<sup>th</sup> Flight).

Our last club event of 2020 will be The Winter Scramble on Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup>. It will be a 2-person scramble and you pick your partner.

We have received our winter gear from Sun Mountain and Pukka. Also shirts from Adidas, Foot-Joy and Cutter & Buck.

With a year that has dealt us a bunch of uncertainty, date changes and format changes we want to thank you for your support of all of our golf events during the year. We are working on details for the 2021 calendar and will send the dates out via email once it is finalized, hopefully by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Reminders:

- Store credit earned before November 30th must be spent before December 31st, store credit cannot be transferred.
- Any store credit earned after December 1<sup>st</sup> may be carried over to 2021.
- Don't forget about that the Golf Shop will trade-in your old equipment. It is a very simple process: 1) Bring your clubs to the shop and we will give you a bid in 24hrs. 2) if you accept the bid that amount will be issued to your credit book to use towards golf shop purchases.

#### Upcoming November Golf Events:

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| 3 <sup>rd</sup>                     | Member – Staff Scramble 3:15  |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>                     | Night Golf  |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> | The Collins Cup   |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> | Greens aerification – course opens at 10:00 on the 25 <sup>th</sup>   |
| 26 <sup>th</sup>                    | Thanksgiving Day - The Golf Shop and course will be open from 8:00 - 2:30pm.<br>All carts must be in by 2:30pm. |
| Dec 4 <sup>th</sup>                 | Christmas Sale – 3:00-6:00  |
| Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup>                | Scramble – 2-person teams – 9:00 Shotgun  |



Mark Walker & John Gasink

Greg Bassett & John Caram



Bedford Mitchell & Leonard Scott

Clay Steadman & Greg Waldron

## Fairway Feats of October

- Mike Smith – 3-3-3 start on back 9 to shoot 38 – 10/2/20
- Marlene Grothues hits Hole in One on #11 – 10/6/20
- Bob Finch shoots 84 beating his age by 9 shots – 10/6/20
- Jason Brown hits Hole in One on #11 170 6 iron – 10/9/20
- Hut Smith shoots age from White Tee 68 – 10/9/20
- Ted Schulenberg shoots age 90 – 10/22/20
- Dan Ehrenreich shoots a career low 69 at Schreiner
- Abby Hudsonpillar records her 1<sup>st</sup> eagle, #3 at Lady Bird during her 1<sup>st</sup> High School tournament.

Sincerely,  
Matt Trevino, PGA

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## Men's Golf Association (MGA)

October brought the beginnings of both fall and winter. I heard so many of our MGA members express how much they enjoy this time of year. Football and cool weather. Yeah, that's the ticket. Well, for me it just means long pants, shoes and sox. Short pants and flip flops are so easy and manageable. The transition just seems to be so labor intensive. I guess there is an upside though. I now have something to grab to help me get my foot up to my knee when I cross my legs. OK, enough chit chat.

On the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of October, we held our MGA Ryder Cup. Captain Kyle Bond's Bombers went head to head with Captain Brick Gibson's Dirty Birdies in an intense and hard-fought competition. Oh, the drama! When the dust settled, it was the Dirty Birdies that claimed victory and the cup. In all seriousness, it was a great event and fun for all. I'm sure it will return next year.

The Ryder Cup wasn't all for October. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> we held our Annual Fall Cookout. This year's Big Break Skills Challenge was just before the cookout. It was a great evening even though this year's turnout wasn't as big as it usually is. Let's just say it was, COVID challenged. This was a real shame as we had an added treat. Our own Caitlyn Taylor Love and the Turning Point provided us with spectacular night of entertainment. If you haven't had an opportunity to see her perform, you're missing out. Do yourself a favor and find out when and where she'll be performing next and go. You will not be disappointed!

### Bond's Bombers

Kyle Bond  
Rick Perry  
BK Cody  
David Hooper  
Bill Stillwell  
Chuck Swallow  
Mark Eisenman  
Ben Levenson  
Mike Smith  
Chuck Hempstead  
Chris Callan  
Bill Suehs  
Clay Steadman  
Frank Bumpus  
Denny Foster

### Dirty Birdies

Brick Gibson  
Hut Smith  
Dennis Terrell  
Michael Durivage  
Charlie Thomas  
Paul Urban  
Jay Dunn  
Ben Silva  
Steve Boynton  
Bart McLaughlin  
Chipper Loggie  
Tom Hendrix  
Glenn Coggins  
Les Henry  
David Moir  
Fred Lohmeyer



Until next month, Happy Golfing!

Jay Dunn

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### Riverhill Women's Golf Association



*Happy Thanksgiving from the Riverhill Women's Golf Association*

September 23<sup>rd</sup> the RWGA ladies played "Tee to Green". 1<sup>st</sup> place went to Gill Davidson, 2<sup>nd</sup> place Carol Swanson and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Becky Silva. During the round **Sharon Smith** shot her best score ever, 93!

**CHEERS  
TO  
SHARON!!**



Recently an article was published in the Hill Country Journal detailing an across the globe golf match between our very own Gill Davidson and her two brothers Simon Davidson and Max Davidson both of whom live in the UK. If you missed it, here is a copy that is a MUST read!!

# Siblings honor dad, play golf tourney across two continents

A six-hour time change and 6,000 miles could not spoil the Davidson Golf Day played in honor of the Davidson children's dad, Alan.

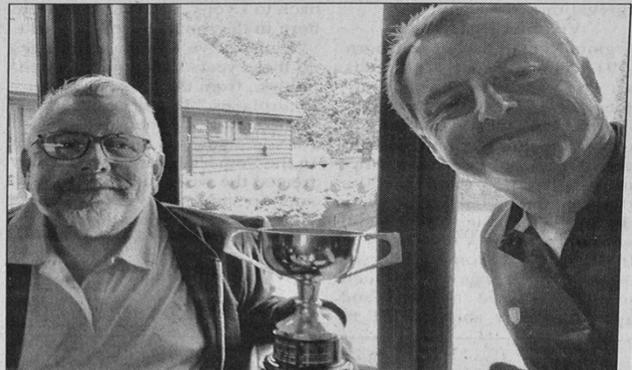
For 28 years the Davidson family have played against each other to win the coveted trophy. Alan Davidson was a very keen golfer and introduced the game of golf to his three children, Gillian, Simon and Max.

It was after he died that their mother, Vi, suggested that the family play for the cup to celebrate his life and favorite sport.

For a number of years it was difficult to maintain the tradition because Gillian has made her home in Kerrville, while the boys live in the UK.

It was Max who had the idea of playing the match across the continents by suggesting that the guys tee off together at 2:45 p.m. British time and Gillian tee off at 8:45 a.m. to compensate for the 6-hour time change.

The boys played at Boughton Golf Club in Kent, so called "The



Courtesy photos

**GILLIAN DAVIDSON**, left, lives in Kerrville, but participated in a memorial golf tournament with her brothers, Simon and Max (from left), in England recently. They coordinated their tee off times and conversed throughout the match.

Garden of England," and Gillian played at Riverhill Country Club.

A number of RWGA members joined Gillian for her round of golf to make the occasion even more special. The Davidson's were in

contact with each other throughout the round and scores were conveyed via text messages.

The eventual winner was Max with a Stableford points score of 33.

Although the occasion brings out the competitiveness of the three siblings, Gillian says "no matter which one of us wins, the name Davidson will always be engraved on the cup."

Our RWGA ladies continue to be avid supporters of local non profits in our community through golf.



**Swing for Strings Supporting the Hill Country Youth Orchestra  
Vickie Cochrane, Gill Davidson, Diana Howard and Linda Smith**



**Habitat for Humanity**  
**Delayne Sigerman, Judy Fellows, Sue Tiemann and Mindy Wendele**

## RIVERHILL PROUD !!!!

Results of the September 30<sup>th</sup> play day (Stableford format) were 1<sup>st</sup> place to Patty Armstrong and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place to Becky Silva.

October 7<sup>th</sup> was the RWGA first of the month scramble. Winners were Diane Henry, Barbara Holloway and Nancy Wilson.

### ***FEAT OF THE MONTH!!!***

On October 6th Marlene Grothues made a **HOLE IN ONE** on #11. Marlene was using a 9 iron from the green tee. The shot was witnessed by Barbara Holloway and Nancy De-Young. **WAY TO GO MARLENE!!!!**



Wednesday, October 14 RWGA played "Odd or Even". Winners were Gill Davidson 1<sup>st</sup> Gross, Barbara Holloway 1<sup>st</sup> Net, Patty Armstrong 2<sup>nd</sup> Net and Becky Silva 3<sup>rd</sup> Net. Thanks to all for playing! Pictured from left to right are Marlene Grothues, Gill Davidson, Lynn Perilloux, Judy Fellows, Barbara Holloway, Becky Silva and Debbie Graxiola. What a great looking group!



**The six (6) best doctors in the world..... the sun, rest, exercise, diet, self-respect and FRIENDS! Join RWGA and enjoy some of your best friendships EVER!!!!**



## Tennis

Saturday December 5th we will be doing the Blue Santa toy drive tennis clinic event. The cost to participate is new unwrapped toys to value of \$25 or a donation of \$25 or more to help with the Kerrville Police department kids Blue Santa events.

This year to help raise money and more toys for the event we have a special donation of art by our tennis member Lynn Lindley. Lynn is a 5 time artist of the year in the Kerrville Art Club and has one many award for her drawings and paintings and has been a Riverhill member for over 20 years. . She has donated several original water colors paintings that are available to see at the tennis shop and for a donation of toys or money for our Blue Santa Event, you are able to pick one of the paintings to take home. Sign up now for the Saturday December 5th clinic or come by and the tennis shop to check out the paintings and to donate. lets make this the best years for donations from our Riverhill members.

We have several Yonex demo Tennis rackets available for sale at discounted prices, some even half off retail. Also, the new Babolat Pure drive has arrived and is available to demo. Come by and upgrade your equipment and tennis games.



### Tournament News

Congratulations to Mark Benak who has been busy taking home lots of hardware from the many USTA Texas tournaments. Mark won the major zone 4,0 Men's doubles with his partner held in Corpus Christi and also the Tyler a few weeks ago. Way to go Mark! Keep it up. Riverhill Proud Tennis.

### Fall Junior Tennis Clinics

The fall Children Clinics are starting the second session. We have groups for all levels and ages starting with the Tennis 4 Tots program. Then the beginner, middle school, intermediate level, junior varsity, and advanced tournament and varsity players levels. Call Garry to sign up or for more information on the classes that will best fit your child.

The **Tennis 4 Tots** meets Mondays and Wednesdays 4 pm to 5 pm

The **Beginner-Intermediate** - Monday and Wednesday 4:30 pm to 6 pm

The **Advanced High School** is Tuesday 6 pm to 7:30 pm and combined with Adults Saturday 9 am to 10:30 am

Call Garry now for more information and to get signed up as space is limited in all of these classes.

**Session 3:** October 26th to November 18th

**Session 4:** November 23rd to December 16th

**Weekly Clinics:**

Tuesday Adult Clinic 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Thursday Ladies Clinic 9 am to 10:30 am

Saturday Adult Clinic 9 am to 10:30 am

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday - Junior Clinics

Due to Cov-19 all water coolers have been removed from the Tennis courts. Please bring your own water bottles.

For Better Tennis in Christ,

Garry Nadebaum

Director Of Tennis



## Social

### November Social Events

"November- BLESSINGS

"Autumn is the second spring when every leaf is a flower" –Albert Camus

Be present. Let the day flow with grace. Expect nothing, give thanks. Surrender, be kind. Speak only kindness. Impart only love. Never forget you're not alone. Give so you may receive. See goodness in others".

–Mary Davis

**Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>: Wine Club Dinner and Wine Tasting.** Wine Club dinner starts 7:00pm. Curious about what wine club is all about? Call the office and ask for Jennifer Gibson. She will be happy to tell you more about it.

**Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>: Birthday and Anniversary Night in the Mansion.** Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary this month? Come and celebrate with us! Ted Conerly on piano and dinner service starts at 6:00 pm. Chef Blas is creating a special menu and Birthday Cake for everyone!

**Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Dinner PICK-UP.** Order your Thanksgiving Day Dinner for Pick-up

**Soup** (Choose one)

Wild Mushroom or Granny Smith Apple & Butternut Squash Soup Topped with Toasted Pepitas

**House Salad**

Baby spring greens, carrots, cucumbers, grape tomatoes served with choice of dressings

**Entrees** Hill Country Traditional Smoked Turkey and Honey glazed Smoked ham

**Vegetables & Sides** Cornbread Dressing, Mashed Potatoes & Giblet Gravy, Green Bean Casserole, Sweet Potato Casserole, Hill Country Cranberry sauce

**Desserts** (Choose one) Texas Pecan Pie, Pumpkin Cheese Cake, or Apple Pie

**Dinner for 4 :** \$100.00 **Dinner for 8 :** \$190.00

Last day to order is November 18<sup>rd</sup> by Noon. Packages will be ready for pick up between 11 am and 3 pm on Wednesday November 25th

*\*Cancellations within 24 hours will be billed at full price.*

**Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Day Feast!**

Seating at 11:00, 11:30, Noon, 12:30, 1:00 or 1:30 pm.

Seating is very limited. Call the office to reserve your table. 830-896-1400

**Plated Meal-**

**First Course:** Wild Mushroom Soup or Granny Smith Apple & Butternut Squash Soup Topped with Toasted Pepitas

**Second Course:** Riverhill Side Salad with choice of ranch or balsamic vinaigrette

**Entrée Course:** Hill Country Traditional Smoked Turkey, Honey Glazed Smoked Ham, Cornbread Dressing, Green Bean Casserole, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potato Casserole Hill Country Cranberry Sauce and Giblet Gravy

**Dessert Bar:** Texas Pecan Pie, Pumpkin Cheese Cake, Apple Pie, & Assorted cakes

**Adults:** \$33.95++

**Children 3-11** \$12.00++ Under 3 Free

*\*Cancellations within 24 hours of Thanksgiving will be billed at full price.*

**Friday Night Dining in the Mansion 6:00-8:00pm: the 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**Sunday Brunch 11:00AM-2:00PM- Every Sunday**



## **New Member Mixer**

**Scheduled Dates:** Nov. 10th

**Time:** 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm (*Limited to the first 40 people to make reservations*)

**Complimentary light hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.**

### **Department Stations Set Up in Grill and Garden Room.**

Department heads or representatives in attendance to answer specific questions that new members may have about each department. Stations included: Membership, golf shop, tennis shop, food and beverage, and golf course maintenance. Riverhill Women's Assoc., RMGA, RWGA., Wine Club, and APOR.

**Included at Station:** Information about your department (tournaments, activities, regulations for better enjoyment, special events, sales, etc.)

This is for all new members that have joined the Riverhill family during 2020. Reservations will be needed so we can plan appropriately.

Call the front office at (830) 896-1400. Include which mixer you want to attend and the number of people in your family. If the response is greater than we anticipate, we have another tentative date (Nov. 12th ).



- Coronavirus precautions will be in place with required masks and temperature checks.
- Shopping for RWA members begins at 10:30 am.
- Non-member shopping begins at 11:45 am.
- Use the Mansion door to enter for shopping.
- Ten boutiques / vendors represented
- Contact Brenda Williams with questions 830-896-4152 or 830-739-6362.

# November



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Brunch 11-2	2 Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4	3 Adult clinic 6	4 RWGA Mtg & Play	5 Ladies Clinic 9 Member-Staff Scramble 3:30	6 Mansion Dining Julia Finger Tourm	7 Adult clinic 9 Julia Finger Tourm MGA Night Golf
8 Brunch 11-2	9 Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4	10 Adult clinic 6 New Member Mixer 5-7	11 RWGA Ace of The Year Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4 Collins Cup Dinner	12 Ladies Clinic 9 RWA Luncheon	13 Collins Cup	14 Adult clinic 9 Collins Cup
15 Brunch 11-2	16 Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4	17 Adult clinic 6 Wine Club Night	18 RWGA Playday Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4 Birthday & Anniversary Night	19 Ladies Clinic 9	20 Mansion Dining TGA Golf Stableford	21 Adult clinic 9 TGA Golf Stableford
22 Brunch 11-2 TGA Stableford	23 Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4 Greens Aerification	24 Adult clinic 6 Course Closed Greens Aerification	25 Pick up Thanksgiving to go Course opens 10 Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4	26 Happy Thanksgiving Brunch, limited Reservations Course open Till 2:30	27 Mansion Dining	28 Adult clinic 9
29 Brunch 11-2	30 Beg/Int 4:30 Tennis for Tots 4	Dec. 1	Dec. 2	Dec. 3	Dec. 4 Golf Shop Christmas Sale	Dec. 5 Winter Scramble