

December



2024



RETIREMENT CLUB OF CAPE COD
E-mail: www.retiredmensclub.com



NEXT MEETING

January 11, 2024 - St. David's Episcopal Church – 1pm

205 Old Main St. S. Yarmouth



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanksgiving has come and gone, and we hope all the RMC members and their family and friends had a great start to the 2023 holiday season. It now looks like the first hint of winter has arrived and some parts of Massachusetts have had the first hint of snow. As I have done in the past, you know I am an avid reader of history and, not to disappoint any of you, I would like to quote an article from the WSJ 1961 that is appropriate to what is going on in this world today: **"Of course the stranger cannot quit their spirits. For it is true that everywhere men turn their eyes today much of the world has a truly wild and savage hue. No man, if he be truthful, can say that the specter of war is banished. Nor can he say that when men or communities are put upon their own resources, they are sure of solace: nor be sure that men of diverse kinds and diverse views can live peaceable together in a time of troubles. "**

Now as I mentioned at the November meeting in case you were not there, I have decided that after 2 recent years and my second time as president that 2023 will be my last term as your president. I do have one last task to complete which I will do at our next meeting. I can not thank enough the new Executive Committee as

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they move us to 2024. With golf, bowling, cornhole, hiking/biking, bocce, investment club, ROMEO, and potential chess club as well as new web design and automated sign up for our events we are moving right along. Our clam bake success and our upcoming Christmas luncheon at the Loft will end a great 2023. Your Executive Committee board will continue to make the RMC the best on Cape Cod and continue to provide the membership with the type of leadership you expect and deserve in future years. I cannot express my humble thank you to all members for your support and encouragement, especially Dick Coughlin for his personal assistance the last two years. I will continue to serve on the board helping where I can.

Now as I look outside during this damp and cold day in November, I wish you and your families and friends a very Merry Christmas and Happy and safe New Year.

George Cappola



RMC Program for January 11th



Our guest speaker for the January 11 meeting will be Audra Parker, CEO of The Alliance to Protect Nantucket Sound / Save Our Sound (SOS). SOS is a non-profit environmental organization dedicated to the permanent preservation of Nantucket Sound designating it as a National Historic Landmark.”

Invoice for 2024 Dues

Name: You

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How Much: \$25

Who to Write the Check to: RMC

Where to Send Your Check: RMC
Box 746
South Dennis, Mass 02660



2024 Dues Must be Paid no later than December 31, 2023. Your attention to the deadline is appreciated.



RETIRED MENS CLUB OF CAPE COD

General Membership Meeting Minutes – November 2, 2023

- Meeting called to order by interim President George Cappola at 1 p.m..
- Pledge to the flag. *God Bless America* led by Jack Hudson. A moment of silence was observed for recently deceased member, John Markeva.
- Standing in for Dick Coughlin (Charitable Giving Chair), George announced that RMC will be donating to a total of \$1,125 to: Yarmouth Food Pantry, The Needy Fund, St. David's Episcopal Church, Latham Centers, Alzheimer's Family Support Center, Community Connections, St. Vincent DePaul and the VNA
- George Announced that he and Dick will be stepping down after the January meeting. He thanked the group for their help and support. Members were asked to consider volunteering to work with Executive Committee.
- Treasurer Lou Ferreira gave his report. As of 10/31 checking account balance is \$7,516.14.
- Tom Hughes, Golf Committee Chair, announced that a spring outing schedule is being developed. To increase the number of participants, the Mid-Cape Men's Club will be invited to partner with RMC.
- Gary Gyss, Membership Chair, introduced new member Tom Alloise retired from a career in computer sales now living in South Yarmouth. Gary updated the membership on all the activities available. Shuffleboard could use more couples to register; ROMEO meets at Jack's Outback at 8:30 a.m. on the third Thursday; Investment group meets at King's Way from 2:30-4 pm on the third Thursday; Cornhole will be starting on January 17th; Chess group will be starting soon. Information on all these activities is posted on the RMC website: www.retiredmensclub.com under the Activities tab.
- Dick Donovan, Bowling League Chair, reported that things are "rolling along" . The league bowls every Tuesday at Ryan's starting @ 12:15. There is room for new bowlers to join the fun.
- Program Chair, Paul McDonough introduced our guest speaker, author Mike Bernard. He started writing at 50 and has completed six books about ordinary people from his personal experiences, He regaled the members with many witty stories.
- 50/50 drawing winners were: Jim Walsh (\$60) and Ron Janosko (\$30)

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Membership Report for December 2023

This month, we welcome one new member. Welcome to RMC, Robert Baker. We hope to see you at the January meeting.

This year, we added 23 new members to RMC. Special thanks to our master recruiter, Fred Emanuelson who has seconded the membership of at least half of those new members. Great job, Fred.

Gary Gyss
Membership Chairman

R.O.M.E.O

Save the date

Jack's Outback- Thursday December 21 8:30 a.m.

If you plan on attending and would like to receive email reminders, go to the R.O.M.E.O. link on the RMC website and register.

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Investment Discussion Group

Save the Date

Kings Way- Meeting Hall Thursday December 21, 2:30- 4 p.m.

If you haven't registered already, please go to the Investment Group button on the Home Page of the RMC website. You'll receive e-mail reminders about all upcoming meetings. Look forward to seeing you there.

Any questions please contact Gary Gyss 201-406-6383 gjgyss@gmail.com

RMC Shuffleboard
Every Monday from 2-4 at the Dennis Senior Center, it's Game On!

Who: All RMC (Members, spouses, singles or significant others) and guests. All are welcomed.

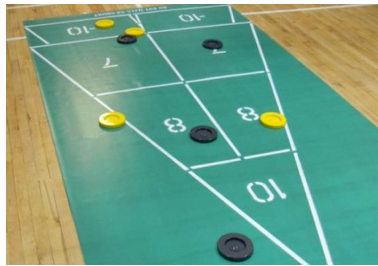
Cost: Free

What's the commitment?

There are pick up matches every week. Come as often as you would like.

Sign up to receive notification at:

<https://www.retiredmensclub.com/shuffleboard-registration.html>



(Please indicate whether you will be coming solo or with spouse/significant other)

SIGN UP TODAY!!

Call or e-mail with questions:

Ron Janosko: (508) 935- 5042 ron.janosko@gmail.com

Gary Gyss: (201) 406-6483 gigyss@gmail.com

CHESS GROUP

Meetings planned for first and third Thursdays of the month, 10:30AM - 1PM,
at the Station 2 Meeting Room - Yarmouth Port Fire Station (340 Route 6A).

Initial meeting set for January 4th, 2024.

Participants encouraged to bring a chess set, though we'll have at least two on hand. All skill levels invited.



A registration form is posted on the website.

The link to the form is: <https://www.retiredmensclub.com/chess-registration.html>

Your move.

Cribbage



If you are interested in learning how to play the game of cribbage, contact Jack Puleo 508-760-1999.

If you are an experienced player, the Grass Roots Cribbage Club meets @ K of C Hall, Centerville Wednesdays @ 6 p.m.



RETIRED MENS CLUB OF CAPE COD



Cornhole / Social Event

A cure for the winter “BLAHS” !

Members, Wives/Partners, Non-Member Guests

WHEN > January 17, 2024, 3:00 to 5:00+ p.m.

WHERE > Eagles Nest Restaurant at Dennis Highlands Golf Course.

WHAT > Cornhole with random partners and general socializing from 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Followed by a "Sandwich Buffet" (selection (3) of sandwiches, pasta salad, potato salad, chips, soft drinks and cookies). Cash bar available.

PRIZES > 60% of the Cornhole proceeds will be awarded to those holding raffle tickets (distributed at check in). It doesn't matter how well you play....it's a blind drawing. The remaining 40% of Cornhole proceeds will go to the RMC Charitable Fund

COST > **CASH** at registration, please
\$25 for Cornhole and Buffet
\$5 for Cornhole ONLY
\$22 for Buffet ONLY

No experience necessary. Equipment provided.

MANDATORY pre-registration at the RMC website. Last day to register: January 13, 2024

Play or Watch or just Socialize and Eat !



Bowling News

Happy to report we have a couple of subs participating in bowling.

Recent 50/50 raffle winners include Jim Barba, Jack Puleo and Ron Perrier. George Cappola was a red pin winner. Still have room for more bowlers

Every Tuesday: 11:45-12 Check in.

Bowling @ 12:15.

\$17 each week

Dick Donovan



2024 Spring Golf

Hello RMC Golfers and Potential Golfers:

While we're all looking at winter forecasts, please know your golf committee is hard at work finalizing arrangements for our 2024 Spring Golf events. We have 4 courses locked in so far and we'll release all the details once the full schedule is complete. Remember we are partnering with the Mid Cape Men's Club for our Spring schedule so we have good numbers which should result in competitive prices. At this point, Spring golf will start on Monday, 4/29/24 and run through either 6/3/24 or 6/10/24. There will be no tournaments on Memorial Day week-end.

Tom Hughes



BOWLING



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Tuesday 12:30 pm

Ryan Family Amusements-Yarmouth

Lanes 1 - 8

Team Standings

Place	#	Team Name	%Won	Points Won	Points Lost	UnEarned Points	Y-T-D % WON	Year-To-Date WON	Y-T-D LOST	Games Won	Scratch Pins	Pins + HDCP
1	3	Owls	57.7	60	44		57.7	60	44	21	15473	16133
2	1	Falcons	54.8	57	47		54.8	57	47	22½	16349	16379
3	7	Harriers	53.8	56	48		53.8	56	48	21	15989	16166
4	5	Buzzards	51.9	54	50		51.9	54	50	20	16411	16486
5	4	Eagles	50.0	52	52		50.0	52	52	19	15751	16144
6	2	Ospreys	44.2	46	58		44.2	46	58	18	16086	16203
7	6	Vultures	44.2	46	58		44.2	46	58	18	15232	15859
8	8	Merlins	43.3	45	59		43.3	45	59	16½	15772	16018

Lane Assignments

	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8
Today	8- 2	3- 5	6- 1	4- 7
Next Week	4- 3	2- 1	8- 7	6- 5

Season High Scores

Team Scratch Game	Team Scratch Series	Team Handicap Game	Team Handicap Series
471 Eagles	1323 Eagles	484 Eagles	1367 Ospreys
466 Harriers	1319 Buzzards	470 Ospreys	1356 Eagles
458 Falcons	1308 Ospreys	470 Harriers	1319 Buzzards
454 Buzzards	1291 Merlins	466 Owls	1316 Owls
Scratch Game	Scratch Series	Handicap Game	Handicap Series
148 Frank Cloran	352 George Cappola	134 Frank Cloran	341 Frank Cloran
127 George Cappola	341 Frank Cloran	125 George Cappola	319 George Cappola
118 Chris Eldredge	308 Joe Bioty	115 Ron Steiner	308 Joe Bioty
115 Ron Steiner	304 Lou Amelia	113 Joe Bioty	304 Lou Amelia

Team Rosters

Name	Avg	Pins	Gms	High Game	High Sers	Name	Avg	Pins	Gms	High Game	High Sers
1 - Falcons						2 - Ospreys					
George Cappola	100	3600	36	127	352	Len Soloman	69	2092	30	100	237
Dick Donovan	83	3021	36	104	273	Wayne Newcomer	83	2508	30	103	284
Jim Barba	75	2704	36	99	252	Ron Perrier	81	2930	36	97	264
Paul Rooney	83	1999	24	107	276	Dick Fecteau	88	3437	39	107	299
Wayne Hicks	78	2499	32	96	265	Chick Merchant	89	3481	39	104	280
3 - Owls						4 - Eagles					
Joe Bioty	91	2759	30	113	308	Frank Cloran	95	3138	33	148	341
Ron Steiner	80	2178	27	115	270	Don Bell	89	1619	18	107	290
Tom Murphy	80	2642	33	95	268	Dave Byrne	82	2223	27	106	285
George Anastas	77	3031	39	100	257	Bob Ward	74	2470	33	94	239
Bob Maclean	66	1605	24	82	226	Frank Fields	67	2627	39	90	235
5 - Buzzards						6 - Vultures					
Peter Adams	80	2901	36	102	278	John Burrell	67	338	5	83	222
Brian Glinski	81	2195	27	99	258	Bill Hemr	75	454	6	85	232
Fred Emanuelson	88	2914	33	113	303	Bill Peters	74	0	0	0	0
Jack Puleo	76	2665	35	99	269	Bill Zellers	83	3268	39	113	294
Lou Amelia	94	2846	30	109	304	Tony Pace	88	3439	39	106	278
7 - Harriers						8 - Merlins					
Ted Kontaxis	90	3542	39	113	297	Jim McMahon	86	2865	33	107	280
Chris Eldredge	84	3294	39	118	302	Gary Merton	89	2413	27	112	298
Kevin Cronin	76	1840	24	95	248	Bob Begin	91	2189	24	113	289
John Fanara	80	2407	30	103	263	Bob Janek	78	472	6	101	262
Dick Coughlin	78	2501	32	93	256	Frank Stramowski	66	995	15	77	208



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