### NEWSLETTER March 2021





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#### Website Edition



#### **NEXT MEETING**

#### To Be Determined

Meetings are the second Thursday of each month (except December, July & August) at the Dennis Senior Center, 1045 Rt. 134, E. Dennis at 1:30 PM.



#### President's Message - March 2021

Fellow members,

Well, here we are again. Another newsletter, and another month behind us. February is gone, it's March. The new month offers a lot to look forward to. We move the clocks forward and instantly get an extra hour of daylight on the 14th. (I know, it's not really an extra hour, we just like to say it is.) Technically speak-

ing, we really do get extra daylight of in March. But not just an hour. There's one hour and twenty-six minutes more daylight on the last day than on the first day of the month, no matter what time the clock says. And, as the saying goes, "In like a lion, out like a lamb." With luck those nasty winter storms should have retreated north, making the average temperature at the end of the month ten degrees warmer than at the beginning. But that's enough science. It's easier to just remember that it's SPRING and we should get out and enjoy it. We've been cooped up long enough.

Under the category of hard to believe and news I just can't help ranting about, The Metro West Daily News posted a page from the Commonwealth's new vaccine website at 10:32am Thursday (2/25). It advised the resident accessing the website that the site had "paused".

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I guess that was the bad news, because the good news was the person accessing the site apparently really was "in", albeit maybe the last one in. Ahh, happiness – real progress at last! But wait, read on - the person registering was also notified there were just 34383 people in line ahead of him/her! Groan...

Hopefully, you and your eligible loved ones were able to wade through all the obstacles to get your very own COVID-19 vaccine appointments. Successful despite all those website crashes, busy signals, and long waits in all sorts of lines! Well done!

At last, reports suggest that Cape residents will soon have a mass vaccine site at the Cape Cod Community College campus in West Barnstable. That, along with an increasing number of Cape health clinics and pharmacies offering the vaccine, makes room for optimism. Worth remembering – vaccine is limited. To help with the process, the town of Dennis is compiling a list of all residents over 75 or otherwise eligible who have called the Senior Center seeking help with registering for their shot. Other Cape towns are probably doing the same. The list is forwarded to the CCH for integration into its patient rosters which will be used for contacting residents and making appointments. Also beginning are home visits to housebound residents by qualified health professionals. They will administer vaccine to those residents in their homes. For those under Cape folks under sixty-five, best advice is to check websites and try the Commonwealth's centralized as well as specific pharmacy and clinic telephone numbers regularly. And pay attention to other information sources available, i.e., local radio, social networks like Nextdoor and your friends and neighbors, as vaccine can unexpectedly become available. Knowledge is power! Quick action often pays off.

Have you heard that Route 28 in Hyannis between Willow Street and the Airport Rotary will be closed for the most or perhaps all of March while railroad and other repairs are carried out? Could be some frustrating driving at that end of town. Plan ahead!

The Senior Center saga continues. Many may wonder how the new construction is coming along and when that job will be finished. There's still no formal announcement, but it is getting close. The focus then will likely shift to rehab of the old building and importantly the job of getting the public back inside the building. That will depend on when the Governor and local officials sufficiently relax rules on government facilities. None of that should be confused with the recently announced changes to policy on privately owned establishments. Restrictions by towns on use of town facilities remain tight at this writing. In short, at the moment we are still without a place to hold a monthly meeting. Stay tuned.

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While we may be short on meeting space, we have plenty of room for members looking for a little sports competition. A quick look at the Club's programs reveal bowling still has a couple of months to go and our spring golf season is only two months away. There's still room for anyone interested in either. You'll find something you might think interesting in this newsletter, and don't forget to check the website's Sports Tab.



All sports fans were shocked at the news concerning Tiger Woods' horrific auto accident. As arguably the greatest golfer of all time, his crash made headlines around the world. Many RMC members journeyed to Norton, MA to see him play in person at the Tournament Players Club (TPC) – Boston in the first leg of the 2018 FedEx Cup. Sadly, he won't be there when the tournament returns to TPC this summer. I'm sure all RMC golfers send him best wishes for a successful recovery and a speedy return to the golfing world. Get well Tiger!

Recently a photograph made me wonder what's with all the fuss about Google, Siri, Wikipedia and those other information sources. We had all that technology stuff when we were kids. I'm sure you remember. Not only that, but it was a lot more fun being in the library finding stuff with someone like the girl in the picture that is sitting in front of a laptop Googling like we do today. Progress is not always good!



That's it for this month. Take care of yourself and your family. Don't forget, wearing your masks, keeping your distance, and washing your hands regularly is still good advice.

#### Charlie





#### Membership Report

As of March 1, we have 311 members in the Retired Men's Club. While January had 5 new members, February was quiet with no new members or terminations. Remember to keep referring new member candidates to the website!

Ken Lyman

Membership Chairman

## SPRING GOLF 2021 the horizon and will begin on April 26<sup>th</sup> at Ocean

RMC spring golf is on the horizon and will begin on April 26<sup>th</sup> at Ocean Edge It will be followed by The Cape Club, Pocasset, Brookside, and will conclude on May 24<sup>th</sup> at Paul Harney. The Fall 2021 lineup is not complete at this time.

In speaking with the courses, it will be the beginning of April before we will totally understand what covid-19 restrictions may still be in place. Hopefully we can at least get back to shotgun starts. This year everyone will ride. You will still be able to ride with a player of your choice or ride alone. However, given the average age of our group, I would expect most, if not all, will have had their shot(s). We will accumulate this data during registration. You privacy will be respected.

Spring registration will start the beginning of April with the distribution of the April NEWSLETTER. As in the past, the Registration form will be found under the GOLF tab of the newsletter. You will be asked to sign-up for all the events you plan to play, hit the SUBMIT button at the bottom of the form and then mail in the appropriate fee that will finalize your registration.

I know I am looking forward to the return to some semblance of normalcy. I can't think of a better way after family, than to play golf.

See you in the spring.

Paul DeSisto

#### RETIRED MEN'S CLUB BOWLING LEAGUE

				Points	Points
lace	#_	Team Name	<u>%Won</u>	Won	Lost
1	2	Last Stop	82.1	46	10
2	3	J.V. Team	55.4	31	25
3	8	No Names	55.4	31	25
4	5	Pacers	53.6	30	26
5	6	Veterans	50.0	28	28
6	1	Rockets	50.0	28	28
7	4	Steak & Cheese	42.9	24	32
8	7	Sox	10.7	6	50

#### **Team Rosters**

				High	High					High	High
Name	Avg	Pins Gm	<u>s</u>	<u>Game</u>	Sers	Name	Avg	Pins Gm	<u>s</u>	<u>Game</u>	Sers
1 - Rockets						2 - Last Stop					
George Cappola	101	6375	63	129	346	Frank Cloran	96	6106	63	124	339
Lou amelia	87	5239	60	109	288	Bill Zellers	90	5671	63	114	298
John Burrell	73	3972	54	98	261	Len Soloman	57	2823	49	81	213
Steve Williamson	70	4294	61	96	240	VACANT	75	0	0	0	0
3 - J.V. Team						4 - Steak & Cheese					
John Vanderlinden	91	3288	36	113	309	vacant	75	0	0	0	0
John Lynch	87	4749	54	106	284	Joe Bioty	92	3324	36	117	294
Jim Barba	82	4978	60	114	274	Peter Adams	78	4886	62	108	269
Richard Tucciarone	70	4200	60	90	247	Frank Fields	65	3938	60	85	223
5 - Pacers						6 - Veterans					
Tony Pace	91	5772	63	113	323	Ron Steiner	83	5289	63	111	274
Brian Glinski	82	4925	60	101	279	Bob Janek	79	4771	60	104	270
Keith Froeleiks	81	1468	18	103	275	Jack Puleo	84	5301	63	107	284
Paul Gonyea	78	3060	39	113	286	John Doherty	87	4742	54	120	291
7 - Sox						8 - No Names					
Bob Greiss	87	2900	33	120	291	Don Proudman	84	2277	27	111	310
Rob Krupp	79	2303	29	105	264	Mike Roosa	83	4513	54	112	276
Frank Stone	75	0	0	0	0	George Anastas	80	4597	57	107	284
Dick Coughlin	74	4028	54	89	247	Francis Salewski	73	1329	18	87	236

#### Season High Scores

Team Scratch Game	Team Scratch Series	Team Handicap Game	Team Handicap Series
384 Rockets	1074 Pacers	399 Steak & Cheese	1086 No Names
382 Veterans	1066 Rockets	384 Rockets	1078 Last Stop
380 Steak & Cheese	1065 No Names	382 Veterans	1075 Rockets
376 No Names	1054 Veterans	379 No Names	1074 Pacers
Scratch Game	Scratch Series	Handicap Game	Handicap Series
129 George Cappola	346 George Cappola	129 George Cappola	346 George Cappola
124 Frank Cloran	339 Frank Cloran	124 Frank Cloran	339 Frank Cloran
120 Bob Greiss	323 Tony Pace	120 Bob Greiss	310 Don Proudman
120 John Doherty	310 Don Proudman	120 John Doherty	309 John Vanderlinden

Attendance at RMC bowling has been steady at 25 participants every week. However, it is still short of the 32 needed for full teams. So, if there any members who would like to bowl please "come on down". After many weeks of no red pin hits, there were several in February. Achieving this elusive feat were: Steve Williamson, John Lynch, John Burrell and Don Proudman. With the virus seeming to be easing, don't be over confident. Continue to wear masks while bowling. We in the league have stayed healthy all year. LETS KEEP IT THAT WAY.

"What's great about bowling is it gets the kids off the streets and into the alleys". (City joke)

**Jack** 

#### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**

If you know any infirmed RMC members or in the case of a death, be sure to contact

Tom Murphy,

Sunshine Committee Chairman.

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- Visit the Retired Men's Club website each month for the latest club news.
- Get an RMC application for a friend.
- Talk2Us if you have any suggestions for activities or ways to improve our club.

www.retiredmensclub.com

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