NEWSLETTER

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### Email Mail Edition



## NEXT MEETING

# November 8, 2018

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

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Golf season is quickly coming to an end except for a few hearty souls with hand warmers and cold winter gear. Our October meeting had 136 members in attendance. Glad to see we continue to have a great turnout. Our speaker, Rick Sawyer, representing the Aquacultural Research Corporation near Chapin's Beach did a great job. It's interesting to hear about successful business ventures on Cape Cod that do a lot for all of our communities.

They produce millions of shellfish seeds that turn into oysters, clams, and scallops which we all enjoy.

Our Fall golf season has now ended with two more successful events at The Cape Club with 90 golfers and our last event at Pocasset Golf Club with 69 players. I had the fortunate experience of playing with three great gentlemen at The Cape Club and we came in first....an unusual event for sure. Many thanks to Charlie

Jones and his committee for planning and organizing such a successful season for all of us. Charlie promises some new and some old courses in 2019 for another exciting year.



#### (President's Message continued)

Bowling is now in high gear and we continue to look for additional participants. There is always room for substitutes and, to the best of my knowledge, we have never turned away anyone that shows up to bowl since we always have openings. We continue to meet at 12 Noon every Tuesday. We are going to begin reporting more bowling information in our monthly newsletter to give recognition to our bowling members similar to what we do for golf.

Gary Merton planned a great trip for us this past month as a busload of members and spouses went on a river boat cruise on the Indian Princess on October 17<sup>th</sup> on Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagunamaugg otherwise known as Webster Lake. We had an excellent lunch at the Point Breeze Restaurant and our waitress, when coaxed, graciously said the name of the lake for us. Quite a mouthful. We had a great day and the weather, while a little cooler, was sunny. Many of us could stay on the exposed top deck of the Indian Princess for most of the riverboat trip. Gary had been working on the Boston Pops trip scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup>. However, as I write this letter, I have been informed that we did not have enough people enlist for this outing and therefore the trip needs to be cancelled.

Once again, I want to thank all of you that took the time to complete the recent survey and share with us your thoughts on social activities, monthly speakers, and other club programs. Brian O'Toole and John Lynch have completed compiling the results of this survey and will be sharing them with the membership at our November meeting.

I'm pleased to report that, in response to the request in the September and October newsletters to submit Charitable Donation requests, we have received a total of thirteen donation requests. The Charitable Donations Committee will be meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup> and will present their recommendations to the Executive Committee on November 8<sup>th</sup>. We anticipate announcing the recipients of these awards at our November meeting. These funds come from our 50/50 raffle. I encourage you to buy raffle tickets each month to support these worthwhile charities. We are fortunate to have Jim Flaherty and Ron McPhee accept donations and distribute raffle tickets to our members each month. In case you missed them, they are to the right of the door when you enter the meeting hall. Another two of our volunteers who quietly do so much to make our club successful. Thanks Jim and Ron.



(President's Message continued)





It is with a great degree of sadness that I wish to inform you that Jim McDermott passed away on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Jim was a dear friend that I have known for close to forty years. He was a very active member of our club and participated in all of our activities. Jim introduced me to The Retired Men's Club of Cape Cod when I retired and moved permanently to Cape Cod. Further information will be in the Cape Cod Times.

Veterans Day in November is a special day for many of our members who served in the military. It is a day set aside to thank and honor ALL who served in wartime or peacetime.

My quotation for November comes from Ronald Reagan, our 40<sup>th</sup> President of the United States from 1981 to 1989. *"Freedom...is not ours by inheritance; it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people. Those who have known freedom, and then lost it, have never known it again."* 

Look forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting on Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>!!

Dick Coughlin





### Retired Men's Club General Membership Meeting Minutes (October 11, 2018)

- Meeting called to order @ 1:30 p.m. with Pledge of Allegiance
- "God Bless America" led by Jack Puleo
- President Coughlin announced that the new sign-in procedure is going well and check with Jack Keating to see if you've met your attendance requirement
- Reading of the September meeting minutes waived
- Treasurer Jack Hudson reported a net balance of \$9864.22 in the RMC account
- Special Events Chair, Gary Merton, reported that 102 people attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Clambake; the October 17<sup>th</sup> Indian Princess River Cruise is sold out; additional commitments for the December Boston Pops outing are needed by the end of the month.
- Membership Chair, Ken Lyman, reported that we currently have 346 members and that yearly dues (\$20) are being collected today by Paul DeSisto and Jim Gallagher
- Five new members were welcomed to the club. They are: Fred White, James Koval. Steve Mello, Dan Colletti and Ron Jonosko.
- Golf Chair, Charlie Jones, reminded members of the final Fall outing at Pocasset GC. The 2019 Spring schedule will run from April 29-June 3. Any outstanding prize money needs to be claimed by the November meeting.
- Brian O'Toole introduced guest speaker Rick Sawyer, the Sales & Marketing manager from the Aquacultural Research Center in Dennis. He gave a very interesting presentation on how this local state of the art facility grows primarily oysters and clams while fostering the "blue economy "on the Cape. It is the largest shellfish hatchery in New England and packs and ships nationally.
- 50/50 drawing: 1<sup>st</sup> prize \$104; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize \$52.
- Meeting adjourned @ 2:47

John Lynch Co-secretary

## <u>Membership Report for</u>

November, 2018

With new members and terminations, RMC now has **344** members.

### NEW MEMBERS:

 $\Rightarrow$  Dan Coletti Sherry

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 $\Rightarrow \text{ Stephen Mello Anne 781-944-6688}$ 

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So. Yarmouth, MA 02664 <u>spyder56@msn.com</u>

### TERMINATIONS:

Bob Wells- Resigned, family illness

Bob Michel- Resigned, personal reasons

Fred Kaczor-Resigned, Relocation to Florida

Bill Farrow- Resigned, personal reasons

## DUES:

Dues collection began at the October meeting and will continue also at the November 8 meeting. Please bring your check of \$20 made out to the Retired Men's Club. You may also send your check to:

Walt Kangas 122 Indian Memorial Drive, So. Yarmouth, MA 02664

 Reminder- If anyone needs to make a change with their address, phone number or e-mail, please let me know by email. (<u>capecodken9@comcast.net</u>)
Ken Lyman



### November Guest Speaker



#### Presentation: Cape Cod National Seashore

Based on the book, "The Birth of Cape Cod National Seashore" by FrancisBurling\*

#### Who: Brent Ellis \*\*

Interpretive Ranger National Park Service

When: Thursday, November 8, 2018

### The Cape Cod National Seashore

The Cape Cod National Seashore (CCNSS), created on August 7, 1961 by President John F. Kennedy, encompasses 43,607 acres on Cape Cod. Administered by the National Park Service, it includes ponds, woods, and beachfronts of the Atlantic coastal pine barrens ecoregion. The CCNSS includes nearly 40 miles of seashore along the Atlantic-facing eastern shore of Cape Cod, in the towns of Provincetown, Truro, Well - fleet, Eastham, Orleans, and Chatham.

Brent Ellis will discuss the birth and evolution of the CCNSS based on the novel, "The Birth of Cape Cod National Seashore," by Francis Burling. Born, raised, and educated in Kansas, Brent joined the Park Service through the "Intake Program" at the age of 19.

His first career was in the Performing Arts. He hopes you will find that the commitment he brings from the CCNSS is with "exuberant honesty and a true desire to pass on the history and natural marvel of this complex seashore with all of its' facets.

\* Burling, Francis, The Birth of the Cape Cod National Seashore, Leyden Press, (1978)

\*\* Ellis, Brent, Bio Brent Ellis, (2018)

### RMC Golf



The RMC 2018 Golf Season came to an end October 15<sup>th</sup> at the Donald Ross designed Pocasset Golf Club. Lightning fast greens and punishing rough provided a fitting test for closing out another successful golf year.

As always, the ten event 2018 schedule was a mix of high-quality public (municipal), semi-private executive and resort courses and private membership clubs.

Golfer participation was good, ranging from a low of 69 at Pocasset to a high of over 120 at The Captains Golf Course. Our event at the Blue Rock Golf Club set new records for participation and cart use.

Equally important was being able to hold the line on green fees over the past two years. That despite the pressure of increasing costs being passed along to us by the clubs being played.

The Golf Committee's attention now turns to the 2019 season. The Spring Season will run from April 29<sup>th</sup> to June 3<sup>rd</sup>, with Memorial Day off. The Fall Season will cover five consecutive weeks from September 9<sup>th</sup> to October 7<sup>th</sup>. All play will be on Mondays.

#### **Congratulations to:**



Mike Rhines for his Hole-in-One on the 12<sup>th</sup> hole at Pocasset Golf Club The Cape Club Winners Oct.1<sup>st</sup> Format 4-Ball Team Net

 First Place (\$15 each)
-7 George Sarto 86 Richard Coughlin 89 Bob Conroy 94 Alan Gladstone 106 Second Place (\$12 each) Winner #2 Hc'p Hole
-2 Ruddy Goddard 75 Steve Kokernak 99 Ron Janosko 99 Ron Ahern 108 <u>Third Place (\$10 each)</u>
-2 Bob Lynch 86 Blind 89 James McMahon 93 Robert Brennan 112 Low Gross
1<sup>st</sup> Chuck Cooney 80 (\$15) 2<sup>nd</sup>. John Vanderlinden 83 (\$10) Low Net
1<sup>st</sup> Paul McDonough 65 (\$15) 2<sup>nd</sup> John Lynch 66 (\$10) Closest to the Pin Hole #5 Tom Vogt Hole #11 Roger Sherman



Pocasset Golf Club Winners

Oct.15th



Format Team 3-Ball Net Total Quota

First Place (\$15 each)

+23 Tom Mitro 92 Lou DiFinizio 87 John Lynch 88 Ron Janosko 102

Second Place (\$12 each)

+14 George Sarto 91 Mike Rhines 83 Dave Sanborn 104 Robert Fulton 103

Third Place (\$10 each)

+9 Ken Lyman 87 Luis Ferreira 94 Robert Gotti 92 Mitch Syp 105

Low Gross

1<sup>st</sup> Steve Smith 79 (winner 1<sup>st</sup> Hc'p hole) (\$15) 2<sup>nd</sup>. Steve Bickerton 79 (\$10)

Low Net

1<sup>st</sup> Mike Rhines 61 (winner 2<sup>nd</sup> Hc'p hole) (\$15) 2<sup>nd</sup> Robert Gotti 61 (\$10) Closest to the Pin

Hole #6 Mike Rhines Hole #12 (HOLE IN ONE) Mike Rhines

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Special thanks to committee members and supporting volunteersDennis TolandPaul GriffinJoe BiotyPaul DeSistoRene GuenetteChic MerchantTony ChiarelliDan PenniBob GreissJack PuleoTom Reardonwithout their efforts the RMC Golf Program would not exist

#### RMC BOWLING



<u>Place</u>	#	Team Name	%Won	Won	Lost
1	2	Condors	61.1	44	28
2	8	Gulls	58.3	42	30
3	10	Falcons	55.6	40	32
4	9	Owls	55.6	40	32
5	4	Osprey	52.8	38	34
6	5	Robins	50.0	36	36
7	6	Cardinals	50.0	36	36
8	7	Terns	44.4	32	40
9	3	Hawks	40.3	29	43
10	1	Eagles	31.9	23	49



<u>1. EAGLES</u>	<u>Pins</u>	<u>Games</u>	Avg	2.CONDORS	<u>Pins</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Avg</u>	
Bob Janek	1740	23	75	Dick Donovan	2230	27	82	
Bob Dinapoli	1390	18	77	Vacant	0	0	74	
John Smith	2029	27	75	Don Bell	2013	27	74	
Kostas Kefalas	2000	24	83	Jim Barba	2102	27	77	NEWS
Tod Kontaxis	2496	27	92	Lincoln Thurber	1923	24	80	By Jack Puleo
George Cappola	1553	15	103	Amedeo Giordano	2276	24	94	
<u>3.HAWKS</u>				4.OSPREY				We still need bowlers
John Fanara	2149	27	79	Bruce Scott	1444	24	60	to be substitutes.
Peter Adams	2072	27	76	Rene Guette	2121	27	74	On week 8, we had
Tom Hickey	2166	27	80	George Anastas	2109	24	87	only 53 members in
Ron Perrier	1966	24	81	Bill Zellers	2056	24	85	attendance. Stop by
Tony Chiarelli	1744	21	83	Wayne Newcomer	1721	20	86	and say hello and
Chick Merchant	2360	27	87	Frank Cloran	2521	27	93	observe. You might like it !
<u>5. ROBINS</u>				<u>6. Cardinals</u>				like it :
Len Soloman	1699	27	62	Steve Williamson	1836	27	68	
Tom Pakula	1388	18	77	Frank Stramkowski	1466	21	69	
Bob Casey	1550	18	86	Brian Glinski	2211	27	81	
Tom Reardon	2097	24	87	Bob Greiss	1594	18	88	
Charlie Jones	1721	21	81	Lou Amelia	1826	21	86	
Gary Merton	1980	21	94	John Vanderlinden	2495	21	92	
<u>7. TERNS</u>				<u>8. Gulls</u>				Since last report. There have been
Frank Fields	1616	24	67	Dick Coughlin	1623	24	67	three red pin payouts
Bill Duker	1867	27	69	Ben Beaudry	1448	21	68	to: Kostas Kefalas,
Fred Petti	2178	27	80	Ron Steiner	1814	21	86	Bruce Scott & Brian
Ron Charette	1707	21	81	Ken Berg	2331	27	88	Glinski. Congrats.
Tom Murphy	2380	27	88	Joe MacLelleand	2428	27	89	
Jom McMahon	2423	27	89	John Doherty	2442	27	90	Also, Bill Duker, 89
9. Owls				10. Falcons				years of age, bowled
Vacant	0	0	74	Charlie Mannia	2036	24	84	a 100 game in the
Bill Peters	1278	18	71	John Burrell	1109	15	73	Friday morning Sen- ior League. Bravo!
Steve Aldrich	1916	27	70	John Lynch	2390	27	88	-st Zeuguei Diuvoi
Don Proudman	2319	27	85	Bob Ward	1993	24	83	
Bill McElhaney	2334	27	86	Jack Puleo	2226	27	82	
Joe Bioty	1883	21	89	Tony Pace	2387	27	88	

# RMC Special Events for 2018 November Newsletter

*Hi fellow members* !!!!

<u>Up Coming Events being planned</u> MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!

<u>Oct 17</u> Confirmed date .... Indian Princess River Boat Cruise ... Great time had by all ! Weather held up until we were done. Many of us got some great photos. We stopped at a nice fruit stand, had a great lunch and finished up with the paddle boat cruise. See photos attached.

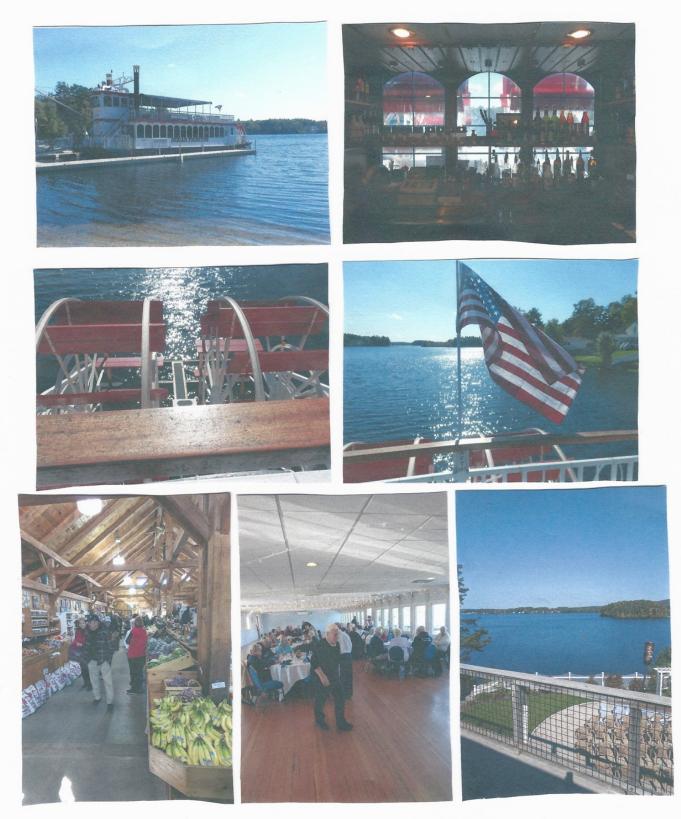
<u>Dec 7<sup>th</sup> Confirmed Date</u>....Boston Pops ...Sorry....Event has been Cancelled. Not enough members were interested in this event. For those of you that signed up ...your checks will be shredded.

<u>Dec 13<sup>th</sup> confirmed date</u> ....Christmas Luncheon at the Marshside Restaurant The sign-up sheet will be sent out soon after our November monthly meeting.

See you soon ! Gary Merton Special Events









## **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**

If you know any infirmed RMC members or in the case of a death, be sure to contact <u>Tom Murphy</u>, <u>Sunshine Committee Chairman</u>.

(tfmurph23@gmail.com or 508-397-4351).



He will communicate with the individual or the family.

Rest in Peace

Remember in your thoughts and prayers, members Jim McDermott and

**George Keefe** who have passed away. They were very involved in our club and community activities.

They will be sorely missed by their friends and family.

<u>INNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNN</u>

Please consider participating in the 50/50 drawing at each monthly meeting.



*Undistributed funds go to local charities* 





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