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On the cover: Hollybrook wildlife captures the eye of Hollybrook photographer Mark Favus. Here, a Great Blue Heron is at home taking a break on the bank of a Hollybrook lake.

# Hollybrook's Board of Administration 2023-2025

## At Your Service



### A FRESH START New challenges

by Michael Eaton

Hello Hollybrook. Let me start by thanking everyone for participating in this year's election. More unit owners voted this year than in any other election year in recent history. That clearly made the statement that we needed change.

Your new Board of Administration inherits many challenges, but I could not be happier with the diverse professional background that this Board brings to the table to help us deal with it all.

That said, we face many tough decisions on our path forward.

We have the new Florida state law requiring that our reserve funds need to be fully funded; the 40-year inspection and the continued issues dealing with those requirements; hiring a new General Manager; improving our troubling restaurant; and to top it all off, we've had to return to dealing with the COVID-19 virus in our midst. We have a lot of work to do, but together, and I really mean together, we will get through everything, one item at a time.

So, let's get started.

The multitude of emails, letters, and notes I've received has been amazing and the offers to volunteer have been very impressive. All of your hands will help us concentrate on our needs as a community.

*President's Message - Continued on page 7*

### Contact information for your Hollybrook BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION 2023-2025



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To all contributors of articles, photographs and other material for print in the Voice of Hollybrook (VOH):

We must have all articles in our office by the 10th of the month for the following month's VOH. All items and articles are subject to editing, condensing or omission, depending on the space available, at the discretion of the editor.

Please print or type, check the spelling of names and list the telephone number of the writer of the article in case of questions. The following are two excerpts from the Guidelines of the Voice of Hollybrook:

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## Unit Sales



## Everyone wants to live here! Look who purchased in February 2023

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18-109	Bonenfant to Armada	2	\$185,000
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24-108	Miller to Santiago	2	\$160,000
25-205	US Bank to Miller/Cielinski	2	\$119,000
25-208	Diaz to Zayas	2	\$150,000
35-306	Robitaille to Kist	1	\$160,000
36-109	Ehrlich to Massing	2	\$225,000
43-106	Burda to Sanabria	2	\$272,500
50-203	Joseph to Desrouleaux	2	\$245,000
53-210	Zambrano to Hall	2	\$192,500

## Letter to the Editor



### Effective communication a must

Dear Editor,

The goal of your new volunteer Board of Directors is to listen to your concerns, communicate with you effectively, and work to establish an efficient, professional condominium association.

The Board has several purposes. We are fiduciarily responsible to all owners to maintain and increase the value of the community. We must also be knowledgeable and adhere to all the Florida statutes as they pertain to condominiums.

Our residents are unique customers.

We are here to receive owners' concerns and suggestions. We decide on vendors and services to ensure our maintenance fees are well spent. It is also important to maintain a well-funded budget with adequate reserves to avoid expensive emergency assessments.

When a condominium is purchased, it comes with a homeowners' association and a Board of Directors. There are documents, bylaws, and amendments that must be followed for the greater good of the community. There is also a process available to make changes if enough owners choose to do so. The objective is to maximize overall community benefit.

We recognize that with some 1,900 plus unit residents from the United States, Canada, Europe, and South America, there are diverse interests and needs. Communication and respect

are ongoing necessities to achieve cooperative community living. Residents are unique customers because their individual preferences will be heard, and met, when possible, but decisions will be made for the community's best interests providing the "why" behind the decisions. Let's work together to showcase how great it is to live in Hollybrook.

Sincerely,

William Brittain 44-308

Phase Director

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A brick may be purchased online at [thatsmybrick.com/Hollybrookfl](http://thatsmybrick.com/Hollybrookfl) or by filling out a brochure available at the Administration Building. Please call Lois Hollands at [voh@hollybrook.com](mailto:voh@hollybrook.com) for assistance and more information.



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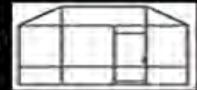
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Hopefully, we will provide a place for those who volunteer to experience all the special feelings that volunteering brings to each of us.

Volunteers! Man, I am forever impressed with the folks that volunteer here at Hollybrook. Putting their personal time on the line to help our community, not to serve any one person but for our entire community, is a selfless act! New ideas, out of the box ideas, reinvented ideas, all have merit and are welcome. BRING THEM ON!!!! My promise is to bring, 'Harmony To Hollybrook'! Let's make it happen, together.



## Hollybrook Board Officers 2023 - 2025



At left, Pamela Eaton congratulates her husband Michael Eaton seconds after he was announced the winner of the Hollybrook Presidential race on February 16. Above, newly elected officers pose after the swearing in ceremony February 17. Top row from left, Vice- President Andy Ingram and President Michael Eaton. Bottom row from left: Treasurer Rosalie Labate, Recording Secretary Elaine Yost and Financial Secretary Joni Esser-Stuart.

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- Do you just show your own listings?
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- Why do other Real Estate Agents like working with you?
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- **WHY SHOULD I CHOOSE YOU?**

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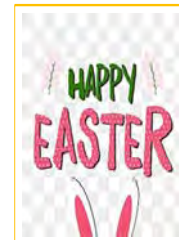
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# Financial Secy's Report



## Diligent work good results

From the desk of  
**Joni Esser-Stuart**

Our monthly golf income for January was \$171,863 and the total year to date golf income is \$1,340,760 and represents 82 percent of our yearly budget of \$1,662,000. There are still two months left in our fiscal year so we are cautiously optimistic that we will be able to meet or exceed this income projection by the end of March.

The feedback from golfers has been very positive, our weather has been pleasant and thus the golf course is extremely busy during the Winter Season.

The cart fees from our owners were \$141,076 during January and an additional \$17,299 came from guest fees. Walk-in golfers accounted for \$3,000 of our golf revenue. Our contract with Golf Now provided \$823 while our negotiated contract with Canam provided \$65 of revenue during January. Additional sources of golf income during January were \$3,084 from tournaments, \$449 from our military and first responders, driving range fees of \$3,462 and Par 3 fees were \$1,846.

Alex Ivanaskas, Etna Chery and Julecia Farris are diligently working with me to collect from unit owners who are in arrears. At the end of January, nineteen owners were in Collections with Straley and Otto. During February, five cases were closed and we received approximately \$20,330 in disbursements from these accounts.

Many residents have noted positive changes in our restaurant. Additional staff have been hired to meet the demand and wait times have been reduced. Bill Friesing and Michael Fishman have been working hard to improve all aspects of our restaurant. Unfortunately, the restaurant lost approximately \$9,801 during

January. Management has many suggestions to improve service delivery and they plan to implement additional changes in the next several months.

As a reminder, please be sure to use your 2022-2023 Restaurant Cards by the end of March. These cards will be valid through March 31, 2023. Please try to redeem prior to that date to avoid the last-minute rush in our restaurant.

The "new Restaurant cards" (2023-2024) can be redeemed for food and beverages and will be valid through the end of business on March 31, 2024. Our Hollybrook Restaurant is initiating beverage and food specials to entice unit owners to enjoy socializing and dining with friends and relatives here in our community. Passover and Easter holiday meals are being planned so watch for announcements regarding these holiday celebrations. Please consider hosting family and friends in our restaurant.

Finally, I am humbled and grateful for your support during the recent election. Thanks for your support! I am working hard with the new officers and Board and I pledge to maintain regular and timely communications with you.

### Direct Withdrawal for Unit Owners

## Make Hollybrook payments on time, accurate, worry free

Many of us have taken advantage of the opportunity to have Hollybrook withdraw our quarterly maintenance payments from our checking or savings accounts. *Why?*

### Advantages of Direct Withdrawal for Unit Owners

- Residents do not have to worry about the quarterly deadlines
- Assuming sufficient funds are in the account, there are no late fees or interest charges because the withdrawals are on-time payments
- Savings in terms of time (writing quarterly checks)
- No postage if you are away from your Hollybrook residence

### Advantages of Direct Withdrawal for Hollybrook

- Saves staff time processing and recording checks
- Bank processing costs are less for direct withdrawals versus costs of processing checks
- The savings will have a positive impact on our budget if even more unit owners choose this option

Residents may request the form directly from Etna Chery via e-mail ([controller@hollybrook.com](mailto:controller@hollybrook.com)) or it can be picked up at the Reception Desk in the Hollybrook Administration Building.

Try it for the rest of 2023 and if you do not like this worry-free option, you can withdraw your permission. Please feel free to contact me, Joni Esser-Stuart, at 954-431-0600 Ext. 238, if you have questions or concerns.

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# Recording Secretary



## BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 27, 2023

**From the desk of  
Elaine Yost**

President Mike Eaton called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. on February 27, 2023.

This BOA meeting was conducted live from the Playhouse as well as virtually utilizing the Zoom conferencing platform. The meeting will be broadcast live and repeated on Channel 93.

There were 24 board members present: Bergeron, Brittain, Di-Puglia, Eaton, Esser-Stuart, Fortier, Galletta, Goldgut, Ingram, Koch, Labate, Markowski, Mason, McCall, Mislove, Munju, Rice, Sanabria, Tripodi, and Webber, Yost; Donawa, Greeley, and Mack were virtual using Zoom and Lachance was absent. Also in attendance were Alex Ivanaskas (Comptroller), Eileen Soler (Communications Director), and Bill Tynan (Videographer).

Reading of the minutes from the Board Meetings held October 23, 2022, November 18, 2022, and November 22, 2022, were waived and approved. Rosalie Labate gave the Treasurer's Report and Joni Esser-Stuart gave the Financial Secretary's Report.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **SWEARING IN OF BOARD MEMBERS**

President Mike Eaton swore in the following Directors: Reine Fortier, Debbie McCall, Myra Markowski, and Eugene Sanabria.

#### **MOTION A - TO DESIGNATE AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFERS BY SALE**

Elaine Yost made a motion that the Board delegate final authority to approve and authorize transfers by sale to a Transfer Committee comprised of at least three (3) Board members, one of which shall be the President or, in his absence, the Vice President. The motion was seconded by Ali Munju.

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

#### **MOTION B - TO DESIGNATE AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFERS (EXCEPT BY SALE)**

Elaine Yost made a motion that the Board delegate final authority to approve and authorize transfers (except by sale) to David Dickinson in his capacity as Records Manager for the As-

10society. The motion was seconded by

Rosalie Labate.

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

#### **MOTION C - TO AMEND RULE 8, PARAGRAPH 1 (A) UNIT TRANSFERS OF HOLLYBROOK'S RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Andy Ingram made a motion to amend Rule 8 Transfers, Paragraph 1(A) Unit Transfers. The motion was seconded by Joni Esser-Stuart. The paragraph will read as follows:

In connection with transfer of Units, the Owner at his expense must provide the prospective transferee (including but not limited to purchasers and lessees) a current copy of the Hollybrook Document Book which must be an authorized, current copy, signed, dated, and embossed with the Corporation seal. Each prospective transferee will be required to produce this Document book during the interview process. All transfers are subject to the fees and charges established by or under the authority of the Board. The Document book becomes the property of the transferee and for lessees the Owner must purchase a new one for each lease except for renewals. A Transfer Committee consisting of the President and two (2) Board members are authorized to act on behalf of the Board regarding decisions of approval of unit transfers. as well as The Director of Compliance is authorized to act on behalf of the Board on decisions of persons under the age of

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  2. Keep door ajar for air flow
- No water should be in the dishwasher
- Circuit breakers (Follow Carefully)
  1. Leave air conditioning running
  2. Place others in the "OFF" position
- Humidistat - set at 60 degrees
- AC - set at 75 degrees, fan on auto, system on cool

#### BEDROOMS AND LIVING ROOM

- Tip upholstery pillows and mattresses so air may circulate. Cover with sheet
- Slightly open all dresser drawers and closet doors

#### BATHROOMS

- Pour bleach in toilets and cover with plastic wrap
- Close all drains in sinks, showers, and tubs

#### TERRACE

- Clean and bring in all terrace furniture
- Close and secure roll-up shutters
- Lock sliding glass door



#### ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

1. Main Water Supply must be turned off
2. Close and lock all windows, pull down all shades, lock front door.
3. Leave a key with security at administration building
4. If you are leaving for more than 30 days your apartment monitor's name and phone number must be left with the records dept.

## Registered to ride?

### Bicycle rules enforced

For security and maintenance reasons it's time to update our resident bicycle registration records, remove unregistered bikes and dispose of those that are neglected, inoperable and taking up space in storage areas.



**Chief Tirado**

"This is one of those dreaded annual procedures but it has to be done," Security Chief Mike Tirado said.

If your registration number is 2000 or higher, no action is needed said volunteer Carmen Bruneau who is leading the effort. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Questions? Call her at ext. 228.

Registration deadline for bicycles this year is set at 3 p.m., Friday, April 7; but if you miss the deadline, register your bike anyway. If your bicycle - in any condition - is not registered by April 7, it will be removed by Maintenance and stored safely by Security for three months. If you do not take appropriate measures to register your bike or claim it within the three months, the bike will be donated to a charity group or disposed of depending on condition.

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# City and County



## From Pembroke Pines Mayor Frank C. Ortis Happy Anniversary Pines Fire Rescue

Our Pembroke Pines Fire Department is celebrating! It's been decades since the City of Pembroke Pines incorporated in 1960

with its first fire station of volunteers next to North Perry Airport. By 1973, the City had hired its first four paid firefighters, marking the inception of the Pembroke Pines Fire Department. In 1978, the second fire station opened at 9500 Pines Boulevard followed by more: in 1981, old Station 79; in 1987 Station 89; in 1996 Station 99; and in 2001 Station 101. To commemorate a half century of service, the city's firefighters and personnel are wearing 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary badges throughout this year. The badge itself represents authority and protection. As firefighters, they enjoy one of the highest levels of public trust. The badge's emblem proudly displays the number "50" with the American flag in the background; the eagle, a symbol of strength, courage, valor, and freedom sits atop the badge, with the number 1973 underneath. I am very proud of our Fire Department and we should all sincerely thank them for their service.

Attention artists! Applications for the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Competition are being accepted through April 10. Artists age 18 years or

older from Dade, Broward or Palm Beach counties may participate. Categories and prizes include: \$500 Best of Show, \$200 Best Photography, \$200 Best Drawing, \$200 Digital Art, \$200 Best Painting, \$200 Best Mixed Media, \$200 Best Sculpture, and \$200 Best watercolor. Accepted artists can submit up to three art pieces; each submission costs \$15. Accepted artworks will be exhibited May 5 through July 12, 2023, at Studio 18 Art Complex located at 1101 Poinciana Drive, Pembroke Pines. Winners will be announced on Friday, May 5, 2023, 7 p.m. @ Studio 18. For more information, contact Amelia Mohamed at 954-961-6067 or [amohamed@ppines.com](mailto:amohamed@ppines.com).

It happened again, on March 12, when daylight savings time gave us an extra hour of sleep and a great reminder to replace the batteries in your smoke alarms. According to the U.S. Fire Administration, smoke detectors should be tested at least once a month and the batteries should be replaced at least once or twice a year. Smoke alarms have become such a common feature in our homes that it is easy to take them for granted and forget about them. Let's keep our smoke alarms working properly so we can all stay safe.

Do you know that every Monday and Thursday through April 17, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., AARP provides Tax Aide sessions at the Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center Campus at 301 NW 103<sup>rd</sup> Avenue? You can receive free assistance for all tax questions. For information or an appointment, call 561-739-2595 or visit <http://AARP.org/findtaxhelp>. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments get priority.

Contact Frank Ortis at 954-450-1020 or [fortis@ppines.com](mailto:fortis@ppines.com)



## Songbirds at SWFPCC, Savor Sounds at City Hall

From Pembroke Pines  
Commissioner  
Tom Good

As Hollybrook elections are over and new leadership is in place, I give thanks for everyone who chose to participate in the election process. Congratulations to the newly elected leaders Michael Eaton, Andrew Ingram, Rosalie Labate, Joni Esser-Stuart, Elaine Yost and all the Directors. I look forward to continuing to work with your leadership team keeping Hollybrook one of the best communities in all south Florida.

While many to the north of us continue to experience the cold of winter, we are so fortunate to live where the sun shines, the weather is warm and we can participate in a plentiful variety of outdoor and indoor activities through the end of winter and into fall. We never lose our beauty due to freezing blasts of threatening weather.

For those who like to sing all year round, the Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center is offering the "Songbirds" Choir group. It's a fun and non-classical community choir that performs once a month at local Assisted Living Facilities. Center members who are interested can contact Teresa at the center.

Also new is a free Reiki class held 9 – 10 a.m. Tuesdays. Reiki is an energy healing technique that promotes relaxation and reduces stress, anxiety and tension throughout your entire body.

Be sure to check out all the programs and activities at the Center, 301 NW 103 Avenue. Call 954-450-6888 for more information.

Despite "losing" an hour with Daylight Saving Time on March 12, we now look forward to cool afternoons for our free Savor the Sound Concerts on certain Sundays monthly on the Plaza at City Hall. The next concert is set for 4 to 7 p.m. on May 21. Everyone has a blast playing fun lawn games like corn hole and giant chess, or dancing under the Florida sky as the music moves you. It's a monthly fusion of fun, food trucks and music featuring all sorts of enjoyable genres. Bring a lawn chair or spread a blanket for seating.

The 25<sup>th</sup> Silver Jubilee of Pembroke Pines/Miramar's Relay for Life, a national event for the American Cancer Society held in communities globally, was a wonderful success on March 10-11 at Pembroke Pines Charter High Athletic Field. As usual, the "Mayor's Gang" helped lead the event for the 25<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Many people turned out to participate or just show support. Over the years, the City of Pembroke Pines has raised over \$2.5 million via the Relay for Life of Pembroke Pines/Miramar event. For more info, to sign up for future participation or to donate, visit [www.relayforlife.org/pembrokepinesmiramar](http://www.relayforlife.org/pembrokepinesmiramar).

Contact Tom Good at [tgood@ppines.com](mailto:tgood@ppines.com), or 954-290-5189.

## Rumors R Us

Much ado about golf wear

### Golf Clothing Discourse

Dear Ms. Holly,

I have observed players not adhering to the golf dress code at the Hollybrook PGA Course. This is very disappointing as it used to be an honored tradition. Can you help me understand what is happening and why the change? I will be waiting for your answer at the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole.

Signed,

Confused at the PGA

Dear Confused at the PGA,

Paula Creamer, also known as the Pink Panther and considered one of the best dressed golfers on the PGA Tour, is weeping. Because Ms. Creamer was not available for comment, I spoke to Hollybrook's Director of Golf Bill Friesing.

"I take the PGA dress code very seriously," Bill said.

He said he only recently had to ask a golfer to leave the course because of the player's inappropriate attire. Bill assured Ms. Holly that golfers playing out of dress code is not a common sight; in fact, it is quite unique. In any case, he and the staff are committed to enforcing the dress code.

Readers: If you are confused about what to wear, the golf dress code is spelled out in the Hollybrook rules book. (Rules & Regulations, pages 31 – 32.) A great selection of reasonably priced shirts, skorts, shorts and shoes is available in the Pro Shop.

Finally, Ms. Holly recommends that any golf outfit looks fabulous with pearls.

Sincerely,

Ms. Holly

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## Proper golf course attire

Appropriate attire must be worn at all times by men and women while playing golf or using the practice facilities. The personnel of the golf pro shop are directed to and shall deny play to any Player that they deem is inappropriately attired. The dress code shall be posted in the golf pro shop. Registered Golfers are responsible for their Guests' and Visitors' appropriate attire when playing golf. Inappropriate attire shall include but not be limited in accordance with the following:

### MEN

1. No tennis shorts, no tank tops, no swimsuits, no "tee-shirts", no cargo shorts and no denim jeans of any kind or color, or cut offs are permitted.
2. All shirts must have collars (or mock collars) and sleeves. Turtleneck sweaters with sleeves are permitted.
3. Golf shorts must not be more than five (5) inches above the middle of the kneecap.
4. No sweat suits are permitted.
5. If a collarless sweater or shirt is worn, a shirt with a collar attached must be worn underneath.

### WOMEN

1. No tennis shorts, no tank tops, no swimsuits, and no denim jeans of any kind or color, or cut offs are permitted.
2. Tee shirts may be worn but must have sleeves.
3. No sweat suits are permitted.
4. No yoga pants or leggings.
5. Walking golf shorts, skorts or skirts must not be more than eight (8) inches above the middle of the kneecap.
6. Sleeveless shirts may be worn provided that they have collars.



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fifty-five (55) to occupy units under the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995.

(~~Strikethrough words are deleted~~ and underlined words are inserted)

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

**MOTION D – TO DESIGNATE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ASSOCIATION TO INITIATE FORECLOSURE ACTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD**

Elaine Yost made a motion for the Board to designate the Financial Secretary of the Association as the authorized representative of the Association to initiate foreclosure actions on behalf of the Association. The motion was seconded by Louise Bergeron.

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

**MOTION E – TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION TO FORM A HEARING COMMITTEE AS PRESCRIBED BY FLORIDA STATUTE 718.303 (3) (b)**

Andy Ingram made a motion for the Board to appoint no less than three (3) members of the Association (none of which are Board members or affiliated with any Board members) to serve on a Hearing Committee as prescribed in Florida Statute 718.303 (3) (b). The motion was seconded by Elaine Yost. A friendly amendment was made by Mike Eaton to appoint Sam Jimenez as the Chair of the Hearing Committee; it was seconded by Joni Esser-Stuart. There were no objections.

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

**MOTION F – TO RE-ESTABLISH AN OVERSIGHT STEERING COMMITTEE**

Brad Mislove made a motion that the Board re-establish an Oversight Steering Committee pursuant to a prior resolution of the Board. Three (3) designated Officers are appointed: the President (or Vice President as a substitute) as chair, the Treasurer (or Financial Secretary as a substitute), and the Recording Secretary. In addition, three (3) Directors will be elected by the Board for a non-consecutive term of one (1) year. The Oversight Steering Committee shall not have delegated authority to make final decisions for the Board. The motion was seconded by Joni Esser-Stuart. Three (3) Directors volunteered to participate in the Oversight Steering Committee; they are Susan Galletta, Carl Mack, and Brad Mislove.

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

**MOTION G – TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO LEVY FINES AND SUSPENSIONS**

Andy Ingram made a motion that the Board delegate authority for issuing fines and miscellaneous penalties in accordance with the Association documents and applicable Florida law, to a Rules Enforcement Committee composed of one (1) Director as Chairperson who has the authority to designate no less than three (3) committee members. The motion was seconded by Elaine Yost.

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

**MOTION H – TO REAPPOINT A DIRECTOR'S FORUM**

Rosalie Labate made a motion to reappoint a Director's Forum for the purpose of allowing one Director from each phase and one from the Towers to discuss maintenance issues through scheduled meetings with maintenance management personnel. The motion was seconded by Joni Esser-Stuart. There was discussion regarding changing the name from the Director's Forum to the Maintenance Forum; the name will remain as is. A vote was taken, and the motion passed with 21 affirmative votes and 3 opposing (Bergeron, Fortier, and Munju).

**MOTION I – TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED 2023 – 2024 BUDGET**

Rosalie Labate made a motion that the Board adopt the 2023 – 2024 budget. The motion was seconded by Joni Esser-Stuart. A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mickey Breton (47-304), Chairperson of the Election Committee reported that she had a team of volunteers and employees that contributed to the success of the election.

**UNIT OWNER'S FORUM**

There were 2 unit owners that spoke at the meeting:

David Rockman (37-309) Reallocate reserved golf tee times to non-HMGA golfers.

Gail Dym (16-303) Suggested swimming lap lanes in the pools. Recommended putting an additional washer/dryer stackable unit in the laundry rooms to relieve backup.

There were 5 emails submitted to

[Forum@Hollybrook.com](mailto:Forum@Hollybrook.com):

Sharon Calderon (27-106) Suggests not signing internet contracts until at least 3 company comparisons are obtained.

Danny Castro (35-103) Does not want to switch from Comcast to Lux, satisfied with Comcast, and would like to see what Comcast would offer.

Patrick Godbout (7-202) Questions the 1.25% that Phase 6 is paying for maintenance is not correct.

Sharon Calderon (27-106) Would like the 40 year inspection report and a time estimate when her patio will be fixed.

Maurice Piche (48-202) Would like a plan to facilitate better access to tee times for residents that are a more equitable and transparent system that is fair for all players.

Mike Eaton adjourned the Board of Administration Meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

*Elaine Yost,*

*Recording Secretary*

**Love thy Neighbor**  
If you feel sick,  
**mask up!**



# Election Reflections

## Leadership placed for new term

By the 2023 Hollybrook Election Committee

Your 2023 Hollybrook Election Committee thanks all of the tireless volunteers and administrative staff members who helped make the election a success.

Team Leader Mickey Breton and members Mary Oldiges, Nancy Wuerzberger, and Terri Rinkinen worked closely with Communications Director Eileen Soler and Compliance Officer Beatriz Goycochea in all aspects of the election policies and procedures. Eileen and Beatriz worked a tremendous number of hours, over and above their normal workdays, to provide invaluable assistance and historical knowledge that kept the process on track. We could not have done it without them.

A special thank you to Querino Pacella, of the Hollybrook Compliance Office, for steering the Committee in the right direction regarding legal interpretations and advice whenever questions arose.

Two former Board Members deserve a special thank you: Claude-Andre Lachance and Sylvie Gagnon for sharing their previous Election Committee experiences shortly after the present committee formed. Claude's advice streamlined the election night vote counting process and Sylvie's excellent floorplan, designed to keep everything moving, was an absolute necessity.

"Many hands make light work," so the saying goes.

We are truly happy and thankful that several volunteers joined us to organize election material and stuff ballot envelopes for mailing: Betty Alfonso, Serge Breton, Carmen Bruneau, Helen Gourdeau, Carleen Kellenbach, Mary Kay Orr and Karen Perry.

A great big thank you goes to the volunteers who work daily at the receptionist desk. Too many to name, they all graciously monitored giving out ballot envelopes to residents, all the while fulfilling their regular duties.

Also appreciated beyond words is the Board's Executive Assistant Carol Mazza who kept us calm (somewhat) with her unflappable demeanor while retraining those of us who had apparently forgotten copy machine skills since retiring from our previous day-jobs!

Setting up large rooms for hundreds of residents, as well as ensuring that supplies, computers, printers, and video equipment were available for the Candidate Forum and election night was no easy task. Our gratitude goes to Shane Laakso, Ed Alexander, Vladimir Torres and Woodley Jeunne.

No election night effort is successful without food to fuel



the volunteers. Many thanks to Restaurant Manager Mike Fishman and Clubhouse, Golf and Playhouse Manager Bill Friesing for keeping us energetic and focused via delicious sandwiches, wraps and plenty of caffeine in bottomless coffee and sodas.

In these trying times, we can never be too careful during an election. We most definitely appreciated room security provided

by Chief Mike Tirado and Sgt. Sands Egerton.

Those who unselfishly dedicated valuable time to count votes and monitor the process simply for the love of Hollybrook were: Betty Alonso, Serge Breton, Carmen Bruneau, Vielka Diaz-Asillis, Helene Gagnon, Lise Gagnon, Helene Gourdeau, Danielle Groselin, Paulette Hamm, Patricia Holmes, Carleen Kellenbach, Gini Klar, Manon Laguette, Laurent Lampron, Sylvie Lauzon, Michaelle Marchand, America Martinez, Jay Maxwell, Rita Melusky, Micheline Parsons, Karen Perry, Lise Therrien, Dorothy Tuck, William Tynan, Fred Wehrli, Peter White, Joseph Ybarro and Ellen Zweig.

A shout-out of the tallest order (pun intended) goes to Peter White and Fred Wehrli for keeping us all on the edge of our seats while they listed final tallies on the whiteboards. The next national election could use the likes of Peter and Fred.

As could occur with any event that requires many volunteers to work multiple tasks, we may have missed thanking some whose names are not included

here. If you are one of them, you are no less appreciated!

To our outgoing Board: Thank you for all of your hard work and for the improvements that you made happen. To the newly seated 2023 – 2025 Board of Administration: Congratulations and remember that Together We Make Hollybrook Work.





## News

### Board agrees to roof inspection contract for insurance purposes

By unanimous vote, April 4, the Board of Administration passed a motion for roof inspections for the purpose of developing wind mitigation report needed to reduce insurance premiums. The Special Board Meeting was called to discuss the need as advised by insurance brokers Brown & Brown. The contract was awarded to Fleet Inspections of Parkland, for the amount of \$18,290. Three bids were offered for consideration.

### Board votes in favor of silicone roof installation for Building 7

At a Special Board Meeting, March 21, the Board of Administration passed a motion to completely install a silicone roof system on Phase 1's Building 7.

Though the motion spurred lively debate and several Board members abstained from voting, a contract was awarded by majority vote to Cool Roof Foam and Coatings for \$74,000.

The roof system will end ongoing problems of rainwater ponding and includes repairs to current damaged areas.

State of Condo Address - 2/16/23

## About Honor and Privilege

By Immediate Past President Alan Eisman



Presented to the community 2-16-23

For two years I had the honor and privilege to serve as your President. When I first took office I had a vision and passion to make Hollybrook a better place for all of us. When you look around the complex you see that many improvements were accomplished: renovation of the pools, playhouse, lighting, landscaping and the maintenance of our golf courses

and much more.

All of this could not have been done without the understanding, support and expertise of my administration. In no particular order, my appreciation and gratitude go to the following:

VP Gilles Chevrier, Treasurer Mary LoPreto, Legal Committee - Matt Sarnell, Alan Horn, Ann Peterson; Safety Committee - Reine Fortier, Compliance - Myra Markowski, Golf Committee - Greg Jamieson, Louise Bergeron; Pool and BBQ Chair Ali Munju; Board Members - Carole Rappaport, Sal Dipp, Ray Primonato and Guillermo Guerrero.

Also, thank you to all the volunteers and employees of Hollybrook for giving 110% each and every day. And a special thank

you to my executive assistant, Carol Mazza, who made the day to day operations run smoothly. Thank you to my beautiful wife, Lorraine, whose patience and caring helped me get through these two years. Of course, little Shelby, thanks all of you for the treats and attention showered upon her whenever she was in the office.

I appreciate all the unit owners who expressed their kind words to me. You were an incentive to help motivate me to get the jobs done!

At present I am confident that I am leaving Hollybrook in a much better condition than when I arrived, both financially and physically.

To all of you who are concerned about the upcoming new rules for HOAS, regarding reserves, please take a step back. Do not panic and wait for the State legislature to make the necessary changes that will apply, not only to our condo, but also to all other HOAS in Florida.

It is my hope that the new administration will continue to make and keep Hollybrook the beautiful community that it is and to always keep moving forward!

### HEALTHY WEEKLY 55+ MENU

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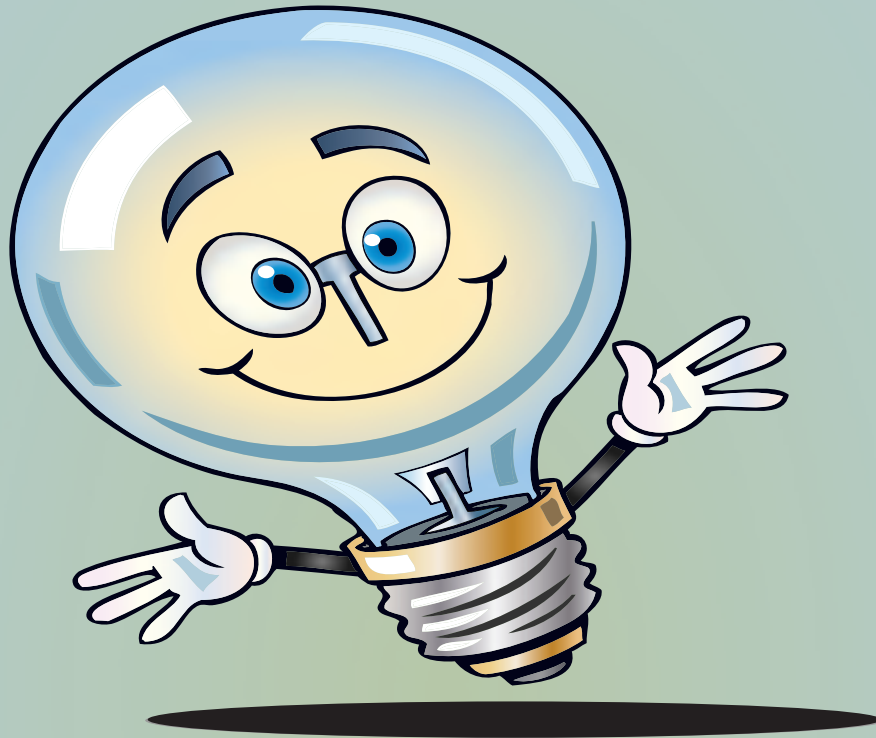
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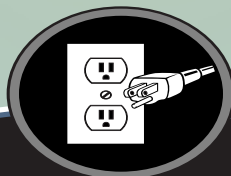
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By Sports Editor Judy Thomas (right) and Pickleball Chair Gilles Voyer (bottom)



**Record breaking pickleball tournament calls for celebration**



All photos by Judy Thomas



Left to right: Joyce Bartels-Daal, Christine Charest, Gilles Voyer and Lise Archambault. In corner: Joanne Trudel

Fifty years ago, Hollybrook Golf and Tennis Club opened with golf and tennis as the two sports pillars of the community.

Flash forward to March 2023 as we recently celebrated the tenth anni-

versary of pickleball's introduction to Hollybrook.

This year's Annual Pickleball Tournament, held March 10 and 11, broke all participation records. With the popularity of the game well established, 52 players (32 men and 20 women) turned out to the pickleball courts with boundless enthusiasm.



Left to right: Stephane Aubut, Jean-Marc Gravel, Gilles Voyer, Raul Gonzales and Jacques Charlebois.

Congratulations to Joyce Bartels-Daal and Christine Charest who won the women finals and Lise Archambault who scored second place with Joanne Trudel. As for the male finalists, we have Jean-Marc Gravel and Stephane Aubut who took first place, and Raul Gonzales who took home second place with Jacques Charlebois. Special congratulations to our medalist doubles Joyce Bartels-Daal and Yves Martin. And an especially big ones to our over age 85 player, Sam Waldman.



Pickleball Chair Gilles Voyer congratulates over-85 player Sam Waldman, the eldest of the players, for competing in the tournament

Most of all, we offer sincere and warm thanks to the pickleball volunteers whose dedicated effort and organization for the day's reception, setup, flow and fun was a success. From the score keepers to the ref-

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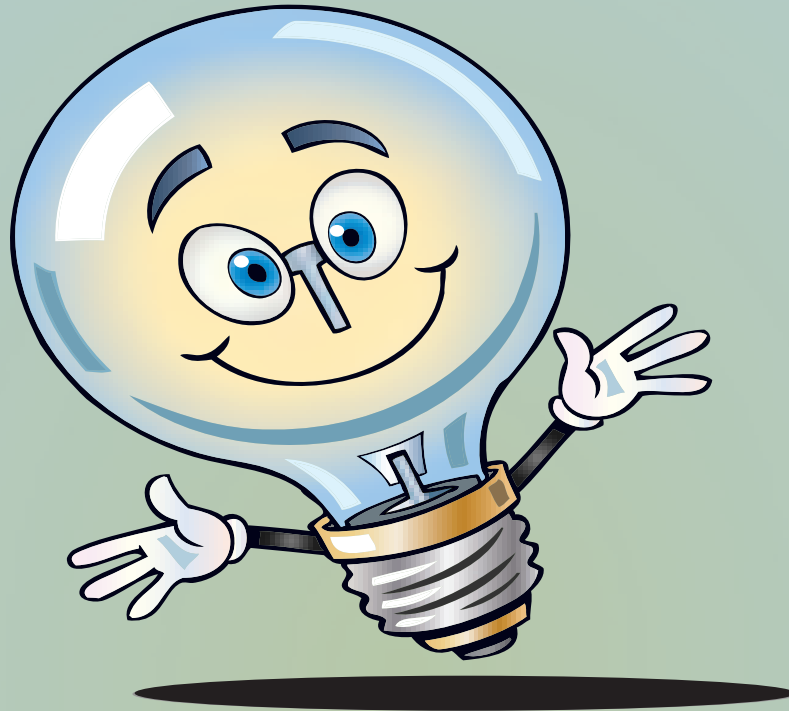
Emphasis is placed on improving handicap accessibility and the removal of architectural barriers.

Installation of ramps and grab bars, renovation of bathrooms and other living spaces to provide greater mobility and accessibility for persons with disabilities are possible.

Additional information may be obtained from the City's website at <https://www.ppines.com/371/Housing-Programs> or Community Redevelopment Associates website at <https://www.crafla.com>, where you may download an application.

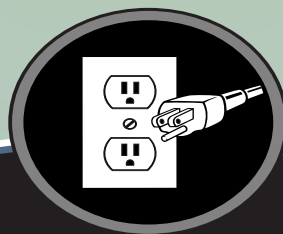
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# News

## Hot ticket: 50th Anniversary Tea



Celebrating Hollybrook's 50th Anniversary, 80 Hollyladies gathered at a tea party March 20 filled with dainty fare, delicious teas and prizes galore. Volunteer organizers included Chair Lois Hollands and Lucy Pacella, Lise Therrien, Nancy Wuerzburger, Nancy Armstrong and Mary Oldiges.

## End of the Season Blast rocks The Hollybrook Playhouse

The entertainment duo "It Takes Two" rocked The Hollybrook Playhouse April 1 during a night of revelry tagged End of the Season Blast. To a lineup of hot tunes that ranged from Grammy winning "You Belong to Me" by the Duprees to "Uptown Funk" by Bruno Mars, Hollybrookers kept the dance floor hopping from the first song to the last.

"People all danced and sang along together in harmony," said entertainment promoter and event organizer Connie Mason in a press release. A Hollybrook Board member, Connie referenced the motto of the current 2023-2025 Board of Administration, "Harmony in Hollybrook."

"To say we had a great time



Photos by (top) V. Turnbull and (above) C.Mason

was an understatement," she wrote.

Already, It Takes Two is invited with professional dancers to stage Hollybrook's 2023 New Years Eve Party. For now, a Memorial Day celebration is planned to include a performance by The 13th Army Band and a traditional barbecue of ribs, chicken, corn on the cob and other eats, on the patio outside of The Restaurant at Hollybrook.

"Residents, this is *your* new Hollybrook - *entertainment*," Connie said.

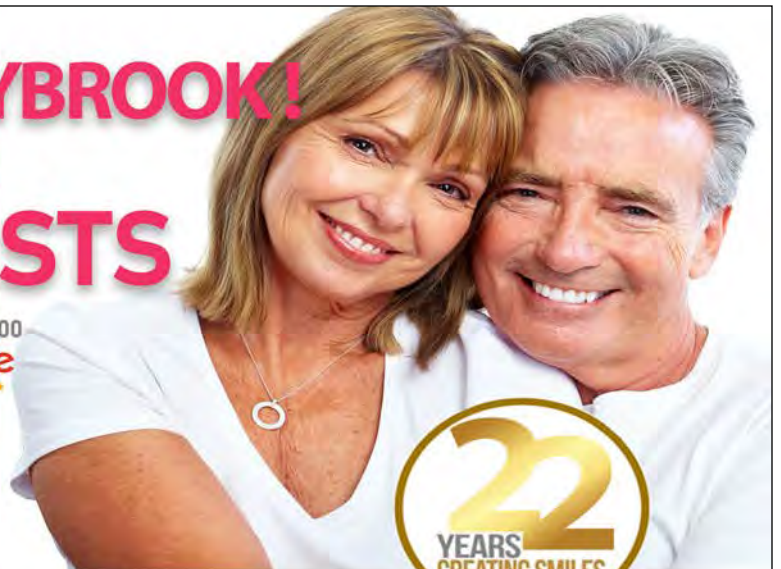
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# Marv installs tossable trio, hours of fun near Phase 6

If you thought that winter leisure couldn't get any more pleasurable in Holybrook, think again. Thanks to seasonal resident Marv Weber, cornhole visited this winter and the beanbag tossing game is fixing to stick around all year long.

Spurred by his interest in relaxing outdoor games, Marv expanded use of the

landscaped play area at Phase 6 to include three laid back, completely relaxing and low impact throwing games: horseshoes, cornhole and the always popular bocee ball.

A heavy duty storage bin is located

nearby to keep the equipment for all three sports clean and safe.

Volunteers are welcome to organize games and care for equipment through the summer season when Marv returns to his Connecticut home. Questions? Marv at 860-515-7574 or Eileen at ext. 262.



At left, Marv Weber tosses a horseshoe. Above, Richard Curry snaps the pallino during a bocee game while Warren Burnett and Barbara Curry watch on. Right, KC Armour plays cornhole.

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# Features

For many of us, our sense of community, neighborliness and civility had been challenged



## Condo discord costs dollars & 'sence'

By Mary Oldiges

Condo living, especially a 55 plus community, offers security, recreational experiences, and socialization that a traditional neighborhood might not. Whether you are a full-time resident or a snowbird, your Hollybrook home is an important asset in your portfolio. In a condominium community, the value of that asset is influenced by the actions of the community as a whole and by each community member.

Most home buyers will likely do a preliminary search on the internet before buying. There are many options for assessing if Hollybrook is a worthy investment. Does that potential buyer see vitriol, name calling and accusatory statements or rational and respectful problem-solving? As they take a walk-through of the property do they see broken windows, torn screens, dead plants on the catwalk, and front doors that desperately need to be painted or a well-maintained home.

Simply put, how we manage this community and navigate through its' challenges does affect our home's value. Just as importantly, how we maintain our individual property in our shared space also matters. We are a community where what one individual does, can affect your financial health!

Our actions count but here's good news: we get to control that.

as we grappled with anxiety, fear and the truth that social contact with our neighbor could hurt us as we maneuvered through a pandemic - and still do.

As we celebrate Hollybrook's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary let's make a commitment to rebuild kindness, caring, and respectful discourse. Reach out to your neighbor, think before you post, and pause as you consider a nicer way to share feedback. Try to listen as much as you talk. If you struggle to maintain your property, reach out to our Maintenance Department. They are willing to help you connect with staff who make small repairs for a minimal fee. There are many opportunities to volunteer and be part of the solution rather than the problem. Investing in the Hollybrook community will guarantee a healthy return on your investment and not just financially.

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Here's the deal for planning a pool/bbq party: If you will need full use of a BBQ grill and/or BBQ area tables, please **FIRST** speak to your BBQ Captain. They will tell you if the BBQ areas and furniture are available and will help you reserve the space for your need. For additional furniture, fill out the Pool Furniture Request form available at the Administration Building at least 48 hours before the event and turn it into Maintenance.

**FURNITURE DELIVERY IS BASED ON AVAILABILITY – PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE**

**NOTE: The RESTAURANT PATIO may be reserved for LARGE PARTIES.**

Contact Bill Friesing at 954-431-4545 for more information.



Ms. Holly - Continued from page 13

## Blimey! Yucky pool woes



Dear Ms. Holly,

I've been hearing a lot of conversation regarding the condition of the pool - and not just the renovations. Its the cleanliness of the water. Pool goers are complaining about a layer of shiny substance on pool tiles and in the water. What is going on?

Sincerely,  
Afraid to go into the Water

Dear Afraid to go into the Water,

The first rule of detection is observation. Ms. Holly headed straight to her phase pool with her favorite detective novel, straw hat, shades (and wearing her pearls) to see firsthand what is happening. Quite frankly, my dear reader, Ms. Holly was appalled by what she observed in just a few hours. Hence, her suspicions were confirmed as to the cause of the shiny substance.

Ms. Holly regrets to report that people are not showering before entering the pool. Sadly, not even one resident followed the rule to shower and one even applied sunscreen before entering.

A quick computer search revealed the importance of showering before entering the water. Apparently, our bodies shed a lot of particles and oils that don't mix well with chlorine. The more substances from our bodies are shed into the water - and more people enjoy the pools - more chlorine is needed to keep

the pools clean. Our purchasing department confirmed seasonal increases in supplies related to keeping our pools clean. Add into the mix how prices have risen in the wake of COVID and its a no brainer that it behooves us to shower before swimming.

Bottom line? We need to work together and follow pool rules. Should we keep the pools clean and costs down by simply showering before we enter the pool? Let us say together "not only we should, but we shall." A shower is located at every pool

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Yours,  
Ms. Holly

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### 2023 Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Schedule

Hours of operations: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. ONLY on the dates below

March 4, 2023

June 3, 2023

September 9, 2023

December 9, 2023

Take items to the City's wastewater treatment plant - 13975 Pembroke Road

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Pesticides/Insecticides  
Fertilizer  
Pool chemicals  
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Flares  
Mercury thermometers  
Spot removers  
Oven and drain cleaners  
Furniture and metal polish  
Items containing mercury  
Batteries - rechargeable, auto and marine  
Propane tanks

#### Acceptable Electronic Waste

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Televisions  
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Rechargeable batteries

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#### Unacceptable Electronic Waste

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Residents must bring proof of Pembroke Pines residency to use the drop off services. If you are snowbird, please take your Hollybrook ID card and any other documents that show you live here part time.

For more information please contact the City of Pembroke Pines at 954-518-9000 or visit our website at [www.pines.com](http://www.pines.com)

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## Features



Just one thing, PLEASE

## Good neighbors recycle boxes

By Lu Shifrin

But first, dear Hollybrookers, what do jokes and cardboard have in common? Answer: They're both generally recycled.

But recycling cardboard boxes is no joke and doing it properly keeps trash pickup costs down. Break the boxes down before placing them in a Hollybrook recycling bin. Neighbors will appreciate you when they need to also use the recycling bin. Whole boxes take needed space away from all weekly recyclables. If a box is especially large, break it down then slide it next to the recycling bin. It will be picked up.

Never use the parking lot dumpsters for cardboard boxes, broken down or not. Dumpsters are for household trash and garbage only. When clogged with boxes, less space is available for household garbage and more service stops are needed.

Here's how it works: When the dumpster is filled needlessly with cardboard boxes, the trash company is forced to make another pickup. Increased service means higher bills and our money spent needlessly. In a nutshell, your actions and inactions are expensive for everyone. Be more thoughtful, Hollybrookers. Your neighbors will appreciate you for it.

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## Features

### Book Club turns page to season's finale

By Dorothy Aaron

Eight Hollybrook Book Club members gathered in late February to hear Mark Favus give his interesting perspective on *The Thousand Autumns of Jacob de Zoet*, by David Mitchell. The novel revolves around a devout young clerk who has five years in the East to earn a fortune of sufficient size in order to win the hand of his wealthy fiancée in Holland. But Jacob's original intentions are eclipsed after a chance encounter with Orito Aibagawa, the disfigured midwife to the city's powerful magistrate.

Mark said he read the book about a decade ago and believed then that he understood what David Mitchell was attempting to accomplish. He enjoyed Mitchell's mastery of the written word and historical detail.

"When I began re-reading the book this time, it at first seemed dense and overly

complex, I started getting lost in the detail. But something magical happened in absorbing particular descriptive passages. I suddenly realized what Mitchell was attempting to do in writing what he called his 'bi-cultural' novel," Mark said.

On Wednesday, March 22, the club met again for the final meeting of the season.

Gathered at 4 p.m. at the patio outside of the Tennis Pro Shop, Marilyn Foreman led the discussion about "The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray.

The novel told the true story of J. P. Morgan's personal librarian, Belle da Costa Greene, a Black American woman who was forced to hide her true identity and pass as white in order to leave a lasting legacy that enriched our nation.

Club members later decided to read "Signal Fires" by Dani Shapiro for discussion led by Amy Schilder when the



club resumes on December 20. The novel is a engrossing story about family and how far family members will go for each other - or not.

Suggested summer reading includes: "The Future is History: How Totalitarianism Reclaimed Russia" by Masha Gessen; "Gravel Heart" by Abdulrazak Gurnah; "Station Eleven" by Emily St. John Mandel; and "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks

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# 50 Years of Hollybrook's resident legacies starts here

## Mrs. Schlossberg's Blueberry Muffins

By Ken Schlossberg

My mother and father, Annette and Louis, bought Unit 204, Building 14 brand new. Why the second floor? My mother thought the roof might leak on the third floor and the first floor might flood. They both loved the view of the 11<sup>th</sup> Hole and the three fairways, especially when the sun set. The small unit was furnished brand new Florida style and was a welcome change from their 1929 English Tudor in Brookline, Maine, a golf ball's throw from the world-famous County Club, home to the J.S. Opens and Ryder Cup matches. During one tournament my mother fell in love with Julius Boros.

Although my mother loved golf, she never played until she came to Hollybrook, but she must have been born to retire here because she also loved swimming and was a world-class bridge player. She tried to teach me once by playing all four hands at once, whirling around the table like Ginger Rogers and Fred



Astaire. I gave up; she was impossible to follow. My father had no time for sports when he was growing up. He worked all the time, also took up golf and had a regular poker game.

Mom really enjoyed having family and friends visit and acting like a tour guide to all the famous South Florida sights. Vizcaya was a must.

When I first came down, it seemed like there was nothing in Pembroke Pines but Hollybrook - and horse and cow pastures. Early bird half-price dinners were a cultural phenomenon for me. I gawked while northern transplants lined up as early as possible until the crowd stretched as far as the eye could see.

My mother was a marvelous cook; she believed that food was love and love was food. As a kid, I spent hours watching her bake oatmeal raisin cookies and lemon meringue pie with mile high, toasted topping. She collected recipes from everywhere, including my favorite for blueberry muffins from downtown Boston's flagship Jordan Marsh Department Store.

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## All that glittered was glass



Hollybrook artist Joni Esser-Stuart teaches a Pendant Fused Glass Workshop March 18 at the Arts & Craft Room in Hollybrook's Recreation Building.

Twelve residents and friends turned out to fashion three wearable dichroic glass art pieces. Students expressed themselves in various sizes, colors and shapes that reflected their personalities. Included in the opportunity were myriad glass choices, silver plated bails, tools and supplies.

The next class is 1:30 - 4:30 p.m., April 22. Class registration is open until April 15. Cost is \$60. Call Joni at 205-454-0820.

## Features

# This 'n that with Barbara S

By Barbara Sacksenberg

Farewell to our dear Hollybrook snowbirds. May they all experience a safe flight home and a enjoy a marvelous summer at their northern homes.

### *Barbara's Picks for Places to Go, Things to Do*

**Free Concerts in Davie:** Groove to the Sounds of the Town of Davie's monthly free Friday music celebrations at Bamford Sports Complex. The next concerts are 6 p.m. April 14, May 19, and June 16. Expect fun and plenty of food trucks. Sorry, no pets allowed. Includes food trucks and live music. Need more information? Call 954-797-1181.

**Free Salsa Fest in Hollywood:** Get ready to dance away a Saturday during Hollywood Salsa Fest, 2 - 11 p.m., April 8, at ArtsPark, 1 N Young Circle in downtown Hollywood. Plenty of entertainment is promises including performances by Melina Almodovar, Frankie Ruiz Jr., Maydy, Mambo Lebron Orquestra and more. If you plan on driving, plan to pay for parking. Call 954-399-0151.

**Free Hollywood ArtWalk:** Save time in your schedule to go to attend the Downtown Hollywood Art Walk 6 - 11 p.m. every 3rd Saturday each month. Located on Harrison Street between 20th and 21st Avenues, you'll love live music, magicians, artisans, walking tours, an art market, vendors, live demos. Pay for parking. Call 954-924-2980.

**Free Road Kings Car Show:** Head to TGI Fridays restaurant on 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16 for a classic car and truck show. To enter your vehicle in the show, the fee is \$20 and 30 trophies will be awarded. 50/50 tickets will be on sale with a portion of proceed to benefit Three Hearts Foundation which serves children with special needs. Call 954-240-9592.

### *Hungry? Try These Yummy Eateries*

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## Your Health

# 6 tips to happy, healthy mind, body, soul



By Louise E. Vigneault, Health Educator,  
Certified Fitness Professional, Hollybrook Resident

Hollybrookers, follow the important tips below to maintain good health, personal independence and a happy quality of life.

1. Exercise regularly, eat a healthy diet, stay hydrated and get enough sleep. Walking is the best option for getting started. Use the Hollybrook gym for weight lifting, cardio workouts and circuit training.
2. Be social by staying in touch with neighbors, family and friends. Volunteering our talents and joining clubs that interest us enhances our emotional well-being and strengthens our social connections.
3. Be attentive to any chronic conditions like arthritis, diabetes and heart disease. Remember, self-care includes keeping appointments with your doctor even when you feel fine.
4. Accept that falling happens more as we age and increases the risk for injuries that may never heal. Improve the lighting in your home, eliminate excess furniture and floor decor, install non-slip flooring, and put grab bars in your bathroom for maneuvering the shower, bath and toilet.
5. Make a plan for if you become incapacitated. Prepare all your legal papers so that your wishes are met. For example: Have a financial plan for assisted living, power of attorney, a living will, estate plans and insurance documents.
6. Finally, reach out for help with cleaning, cooking, or transportation. Have an honest talk with your family and friends about your needs, and line up community resources for times when your loved ones are unavailable.

Call Louise at 416-931-3465 or email her at [louyse@hotmail.com](mailto:louyse@hotmail.com)

## Pet Health



### Free Broward cat neutering service



Anyone may help control Hollybrook's feral cat population through Broward County Animal Care and Adoption Center. The agency, in Fort Lauderdale near Dania Beach only 20 minutes away, provides free spay and neutering for outdoor cats. Hollybrook's loosely organized Hollycat Feral Task Force will provide assistance and supplies; gloves, food and safe traps. Three cats will be accepted per day; no appointment necessary.

Here's how it works: Tuesdays through Sundays, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., arrive at the center at 2400 SW 42<sup>nd</sup> St, Fort Lauderdale, then pull up to the far left of the building. Stay in your car; someone will come to you. Fill out the paperwork then give them the cat and take our carrier back. They will return the cat to the address you provide.

## View from a treadmill



Photo by Nancy Armstrong

During a quick break from a treadmill jog in Hollybrook's cool Fitness Center, Nancy Armstrong photographed a peaceful view of the busy, pretty outdoors below.

In addition to a vast panoramic view, the two-room fitness center offers myriad workout equipment including treadmills, ellipticals, recumbent bikes, weights, Cybex equipment and a stair master.

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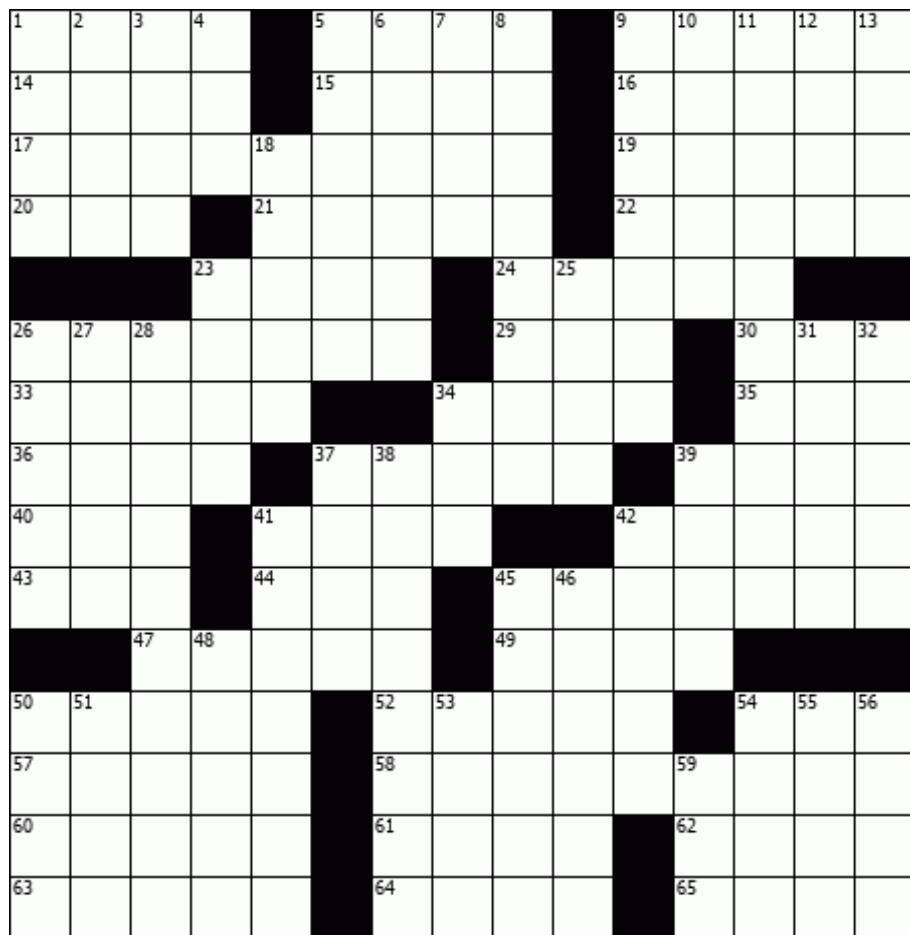
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### Across

1. Word in a James Jones title
5. Emulates Bodie Miller
9. Natural incline
14. Capital of Latvia
15. Adjutant
16. Eucharist offering
17. Dupe at the start of the second quarter?
19. Hint
20. Athletic supporter?
21. Cabin path
22. Sends by post
23. Famous captain
24. Work in panels
26. Regards with approval
29. \_\_\_ kwon do
30. Middle of summer?
33. Heavyweight plans
34. Munich mister
35. Sound of a sock
36. Shockey and Gonzalez are tight
37. McKenzie seen on TV
39. Driver's yell
40. Muumuu accessory
41. Comportment
42. Take \_\_\_ off (sit)
43. Part of many univ. addresses
44. Hoosier st.
45. Serengeti creature
47. Collection of brains?
49. Comedian Johnson
50. Photography lens
52. Aladdin's benefactor
54. 1040EZ expert
57. Where Aesop shopped
58. Like Dr. J and Kool and the Gang
60. Emulate "Old Blue Eyes"
61. Winner's feeling
62. Something to pass
63. Tammany and Faneuil
64. Boucle or crewel
65. "For Your Eyes \_\_\_"



### Down

- |                             |                                  |                               |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Sigma Nu, for short      | 18. Pirate hideouts              | 42. Cortés victim             |
| 2. Good enough to eat       | 23. They're small and foxy       | 45. Gaggles male              |
| 3. Cruel brute              | 25. Crew's control?              | 46. Up and about              |
| 4. ___ tai                  | 26. "The Story of ___ H"         | 48. Swashbuckler Flynn        |
| 5. "Full Disclosure" author | 27. Ate fancily                  | 50. Jet speed indicator       |
| 6. Some selling points?     | 28. '60s pseudodocumentary       | 51. Home of the Taj Mahal     |
| 7. Target of fawning        | 31. Fabulous finale              | 53. First name in scat        |
| 8. Kind of shorts           | 32. Goteborg resident            | 54. Invent                    |
| 9. Spitz, notably           | 34. Attila, for one              | 55. Random sampling           |
| 10. Hawaiian island         | 37. Greed and gluttony           | 56. Russia, during WWII       |
| 11. Betting venue           | 38. Profession of a teacher      | 59. One place to watch movies |
| 12. Do KP work              | 39. Cut and run                  |                               |
| 13. Calls Mary Cary, e.g.   | 41. Ancient inhabitants of Crete |                               |





# Fun Stuff

## Fast Eddie's return adventure

Home again, home again jiggety jog'

By Ken Schlossberg



Well, I'm finally back home in my cozy Hollyplace with Kenny and Sophia.

After Ilyana lost Gigi, she was so sad that she didn't want me to leave her home in Aventura, even though Sophia said I was not on loan forever.

Ilyana needed me with her a little while longer.

I must bark out loud here and admit that she treated me like treasure in her little family and my feelings were pretty mixed about ever going home. In fact, the humans began talking about hiring a lawyer to file for custody of me.

Whoaaa, I barked. I suddenly saw myself hiding behind my paws on the witness stand with the judge pulling my leash and peppering me with demands to "choose a home!" If this kind of tug of war is tough on kids, imagine how I feel; a doting doggie who cuddles as close to human as he can get. I write a column in human language, for barking out loud! I didn't want any part of this. How could I choose? I love them all so much that I could only drop puppy tears and whimper.

So, I told them in no uncertain whines that if they ended up in court, I would not show up. I'd have to run fast and far away; live on the streets like a four-legged tramp.

Hmmmm, I thought. Maybe I could just live with George and Bentley; or Susan and Maggie; or Ben and Benji. They are my closest human and dog pals in Hollybrook. I could hide out until my humans came to their senses.

Thank the God of Dogs that they heard my sniffles and thought up the awesomest solution in Dogdom.

Here's what happened.

Ilyana loves nearly everything South Korean, including Rakuton Viki on Amazon Prime that features films and TV shows that I've spied her watching and kinda dig myself. Well, it turns out that Koreans are crazy about Bichons. But instead of the typical Western cut that makes us look like fluffy puffy cotton balls, it is fashionable for Korean Bichon's to sport a shorter cut which Ilyana instructed the groomer to give me. I thought I might prance from the place Gangnam Style.

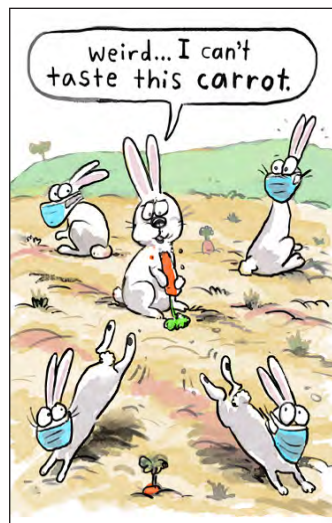
Kenny and Sophia loved it and it was a big hit among my Hollybrook canine compatriots. When Kenny took me to Angie's for a grooming, Angie and her crew loved the Korean cut, too.

But with Gigi over the rainbow bridge and me back at the Hollybrook wannabe dog run Ilyana's husband, Pedro, couldn't bear her tears so he adopted another pet; NOT a Bichon but a miniature white super cute Pomeranian that hardly looks real. His name is Miso, the Korean word for "smile", which is approp since no one ever looks at Miso and does NOT smile.

Miso is loveable and follows me around as if I was his human hero. Can you believe that after all these years of being a Voice of Hollybrook VIP, tiny Miso makes me feel like the Lion King.



Just for Laughs!



Maybe Disney would make a feature movie called "The Adventures of Miso the Super Min-Pom"

Meanwhile, back on the Hollybrook ranch, humans were all abuzz about the big biennial election and all of our furry dog ears were peeled on political rumor and intrigue!

What? No vote on the ballot yet for a dog park, a canine run, a doggie anything? And here's another question on behalf of my fellow barkers: How come we don't get a voice? Life sure is "ruff".

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## Sports

Pickleball - Continued from page 19

erees, everyone who volunteered played their roles off the courts professionally and respectfully.

Pickleball began slowly in Hollybrook. In 2011, under the guidance of Jerry Umanski, pickleball started on two abandoned courts in Phase 6. The game's appeal grew and grew among the residents, adding more and more players each season. The 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pickleball Celebration proved that the opportunity to compete amicably with each other in "frenzied" but friendly exchanges is surely a reason to rejoice.

Spectator participation was also higher this year than previous years thanks to the advertising support of the Communications Department.

Below are records broken during the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of Hollybrook pickleball:

- More than 100 players participated each week of January and February
- Courts were open all day long and into the evening
- Increased opportunities for players to receive free lessons from a coach
- Almost 40 new players joined in regular play
- Our email list has grown to nearly 160 players

Clearly, the new Board of Administration will likely be giving some serious consideration to making our Hollybrook pickleball court setup more permanent.

## HWGA season ends on high note

By Sylvie Chavanel

The HWGA was as active as ever this season. The pandemic that affected our activities for the last few years seemed to be a problem we've learned to live with allowing us to play with as much fun on the golf course as during our social events.

With the membership more than 140, the Winter League nearly broke full capacity. Now that the President's Cup is successfully over, the HWGA Committee cannot be more excited to call 2023 successful.

The Welcome Back Snowbirds tournament held December 15 was huge success followed by a delicious BBQ and dancing. Everyone had fun.

On January 12, the Opening Tournament was followed by lunch attended by 120 players in the Social Hall where the Committee addressed issues at hand.

The Winter League began activities on January 7 with nearly a full field of 80 players. The fun and colorful competition lasted eight weeks. When finished, either the Yellow- Green, Blue, Pink or Orange-Red team were to be crowned as 2023 champions.

The President's Cup, with 64 players was also at full capacity. Played as a match play by teams of two, it ran January 19 through February 9.

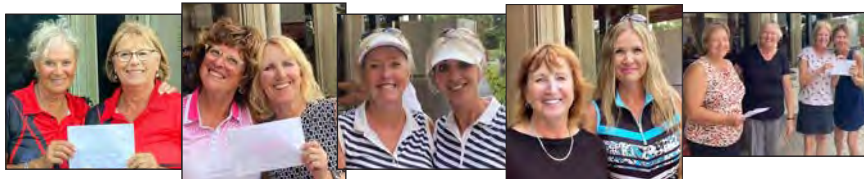
Thanks to all members who participated with great enthusiasm.

For more about activities, to register for activities and for winners of events, please visit the women's locker room near the Proshop. Use the board to write your accomplishments including hole-in-one, eagle, broke 100 and broke 90.



Photos by Sylvie Chavanel

HWGA leaders from left: Sylvie Chavanel, Cecile Bois, Colette Dubois, Monique Robert, Marie-France Lebel



Winners class A - Carmen Desroches and Madeleine Savignac; Finalists Class A - Cecile Bois and Sylvie Therrien; Winners Class C - Andrée Dubé and Odette Bouchard; Winners Class B - Claudette Morin and Diane Painchaud; Class D Finalists Line Carrière and Monique Rich and winners Chantal Allard and Nathalie Mailloux.

## Chavez recognized for chance at Race to Orlando

By Hannah Jackson

Hollybrook's very own groundskeeper, Walter Chavez, was featured in the 2022 fall edition of The Florida Green. He was a highlighted participant in last year's Florida GSCA golf championship and runner up for first place in the championship playoffs.

As the story goes, Chavez was quoted as saying "I told [tournament chairman Deron Zendt], I'm not going to play in any playoff because I know what's going to happen!"

Walter referenced his woeful playoff



Walter Chavez

losses in 2019 and 2021.

However, despite his apprehension, Chavez still went on to the playoffs where he experienced defeat to The Venice Golf and Country Club assistant golf course superintendent, Max Rudder. Max won in favor of the birdie he scored on the 17<sup>th</sup> hole. This would be the second time in a row that he took the playoff trophy

home.

But Chavez was undeterred by this loss, still happy with his round despite this being his third consecutive defeat

in the playoffs and supporting Rudder and expressing camaraderie on the field, no doubt making the tournament very proud of its playoff players. As The Florida Green says, "Despite their tight run-ins over the past two years, Rudder and Chavez enjoyed each other's company in a way that would have made the tournaments namesake proud."

Chavez was still impressed by the score he managed to achieve. Citing his new job as a superintendent without a director at Hollybrook earlier in 2022. Due to this he didn't get to practice much on the field, shooting a 90 at the Poa Invitational in May of 2022 but making him even prouder of the score he made at Longboat despite the unplanned setback.

# Sports

## 2023 Ladies Club Championship Winners

Compiled by Golf Director Bill Freising

Congratulations to the  
Hollybrook Ladies Club Champion  
Eva Mazur who scored a 152!

And the winners of each flight in the  
Ladies Club Championship are:



### AA Flight

Gross - Eva Mazur  
Net - Carole Biron

### BB Flight

Gross - Guylaine Boulanger  
Net - Nathalie Mailloux

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### B Flight

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Net - Diane Picotte

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## Hole-in-One!



Courtesy photo

Tim Eiken scored a stunning hole-in-one  
March 1, 2023 at the Hollybrook PGA Golf  
Course. The ace was the third for Tim. Wow!



Courtesy photo

Diane Pelletier shot a hole-in-one January 6,  
2023 on the Par 3's Hole 10 during the first  
day of the annual Jim McCambly tourney

## But wait! There's more!

*Congratulations to Christine Paquet  
who hit a hole-in-one* at Hole 17 on Feb-  
ruary 9, 2023. Using a pitching wedge,  
Christine shot a 78 yard drive for the  
coveted ace during a round played with  
Anne Marie Boyer and Carmen Dionne.

*Sheila Matus scored a hole-in-one* at  
Hole 17 February 2, 2023. Playing with  
Claudette Lamarche, Joanne Trudel and  
Linda Wehrli, Sheila used a driver for  
her first ever hole-in-one.

On March 3, 2023, *Claude Voyer*  
*scored a hole-in-one on Hole 3 of the*  
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## Jim McCambly Par 3 Tournament launched 2023 with tradition

By H el ene Gagnon

This year's annual Jim McCambly Par 3 Tournament boasted 76 players for the fun competition played Fridays on the Executive Course. The 23-year-old tourney was re-named for long time resident Jim McCambly who is credited for bringing the Par 3 to acceptable standards.

After each game, players gathered at Pool 3 for refreshments. Prizes went to three men and women for gross/net



Photo by H el ene Gagnon  
Jim McCambly (center) is flanked by tournament winners Marcia Kessler (left) and Michel Gagnon.

score within three flights according to handicaps, and six winners were awarded for closest to the pin.

None of us will ever forget a very exciting thing that happened on the very first day of the tourney - Diane Pelletier made a hole-

in-one at her first starting hole, Hole 10. Super congratulations to Diane. On March 3, Claude Voyer scored a hole-in-one on Hole 3.

The two week final tournament was

held March 17 and 24. A pizza meal to cap the season was served on the last day and winners Marcia Kessler and Michel Gagnon recieved trophies.

Thanks to the great prganizers and players for the amazing tourney. Special thanks to Paul Blockoms of the Pro Shop

## Hollybrook tennis fans, friends field trip to Miami Open at Hard Rock



By Judy Thomas, Sports Section Editor



From left, Hazel Nisbet, Lucienne Maheu, Karlene Atterbury, Irena Niedbala and Judy Thomas pose at the Miami Open.

In spite of gray skies and an eleventh-hour transportation crisis, 17 Hollybrook tennis fans pressed forward to attend an Administration sanctioned trip to the Miami Open.

The April 1 matches at Hard Rock Stadium featured the Men's Doubles Final and the Women's Singles Final. This year, the Miami Open hosted a concert series called the Final Set. Hollybrook tickets entrance to watch the Kool & the Gang perform. The special section tickets also included

semi-private dining and restrooms plus a commemorative hat.

The outing was the second Miami Open group event organized by this reporter.

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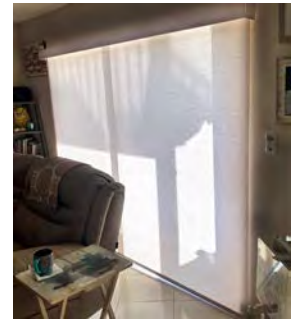
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