

The Chesapeake Crab

Newsletter of Ruritan's Chesapeake District
First Quarter 2019

READY FOR SOME GOLF?

Our Fifth Annual Chesapeake District Golf Tournament is set for Friday Sept 20, 2019 at the Queenfield Golf Club in King William County (last year's location) We will be teeing up some fun, food and fellowship. Get your golfing buddies to sign up their foursome teams to arrive that day at 11am to register, eat a hot dog lunch and tee off at 1pm for a thrilling 18 hole round of golf. Your favorite beverages will be served up all day. At the end of the day everyone will come back into the club pavilion for a delicious BBQ meal with all the fixens (furnished by the Doswell Club), drawings for raffle prizes and announcement of the cash prizes for the first place team (\$300), second place team (\$200) and third place team (\$100). Cost of a four man team is \$280 (\$70 per player). Queenfield Golf Club went up slightly on their prices, therefore we went up \$5 per player.

We are asking each club in the district to get a team for the event and/or get businesses/individuals in your area to sponsor a hole for \$100. For \$100 a sign will be prominently displayed at a hole with your name or business. The teams, businesses and individuals do not have to be Ruritans. Last year we netted \$4,000 on the tournament. We had seventeen (17) teams last year and sold twenty five (25) sponsors. This year our goal is to sign up twenty-five (25) teams and sell fifty (50) sponsors which would net at least \$7,500 for the District Treasury.

A team registration form along with a sponsorship form can be found on the Chesapeake District website...www.chesapeakeruritans.org. Fill in the forms and mail them along with your checks payable to the Chesapeake District Ruritan to Gene Campbell, P O Box 95, King William, VA 23086. We need all team registrations in by Sept 6 so we will know how many to plan for but will accept registrations the day of the event. Sponsorships will need to be in by Sept 6 also, so we will have time to print the sponsorship signs.

We also need volunteers (between 15-20 people) to help with the event that day. Contact Gene Campbell or any committee member if you can help. We would also appreciate clubs donating some raffle prizes. Please contact one of our fund raising committee members (Barry Shalowitz, Franklin Jones, Otis Hall, Scott Townsend, Gene Campbell or Bryant Wilson) or email Gene Campbell at genec1781@gmail.com with any questions. You can also call Gene at 804-363-1781 with any questions. Last year we had sixteen (16) clubs participate in the tournament....lets double that participation to as least thirty-two (32) clubs this year!! If each club would send a team or get a sponsorship we will reach our goal of netting at least \$7,500!!

LETS WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR FIFTH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT THE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER!!



A Message from Governor Rose

Welcome Spring! I am sure glad to see the sun shine, birds singing and daffodils blooming. What does Spring bring for our District? Clubs have made and are donating chemo caps, having fish fries and bbq dinners, and a having many more activities. It's so good to see our clubs working in our communities. Let your local newspaper know of your events, take pictures and post to social media. Mike Morrison is our contact for the Chesapeake District Ruritans Facebook Page. Send your pictures and articles to Mike. Don't forget to send it to Sandra Hogge for publication in this newsletter.

So what are clubs doing? Does it make a difference? Why certainly it does! Even the smallest thing you do makes a difference in someone's life. We get one shot at our place here on this earth, why spend it "taking" instead of "giving". I recently helped pick up trash during our Clean Gloucester Day. I met a fellow community member who came out to help clean up our roadsides. She stated she had been doing this for years, and on one occasion as she was picking up trash a motorist came along and yelled to her that she was doing a great job as he threw his trash out. So why would she continue to return every year knowing that this was the mindset of those that threw their trash out the window. Well, it reminds me of the story as told by Cleve Wright at one of our functions and also by Larry Cassell at the National Convention: the story of the little boy throwing starfish in the ocean. Throwing a starfish in the ocean made a difference to that one. We make a difference by picking up just one piece of trash, and doing so much more.

Our first Lady, Nelda Cassell announced that her 2019 Project was Adoption Awareness. Some suggestions are for our clubs to hold a picnic/party for children in foster care. Have parents who have adopted children from other countries to visit and share their experience. More about this initiative is on page 9 of our Ruritan National magazine Spring issue. Let's help Nelda accomplish her Project.

Lastly, we have been saddened by the news that our Lt. Governor, Pete Shepherd, has resigned due to health reasons. I have previously put this in an email to the Cabinet. We will pray continuously for Pete as he undergoes treatments.

As I have stated many times, please continue to invite me to your club events. I will do my best to attend them.

A Message from Lt. Governor Pete

Dear Fellow Chesapeake Ruritans,

As you may have already heard, I have submitted my resignation as Lt.District Governor.

I am going through a serious health issue and will need a bone marrow transplant sometime soon. This procedure will require me to be in the hospital for a month and then stay within minutes of that hospital for another two to three months. I would be unable to perform my duties as Lt. District Governor with that much time away.

I wish to thank District Governor Rose Taylor for her trust in asking me to be her Lt. District Governor. If I had known that this issue (MDS) was coming, I would not have accepted the position.

My wonderful wife, Mary Lou, has been by my side and will be with me throughout this process. Mary Lou and I thank you for all the prayers, thoughts, and support.

So I'm trusting my Lord, trusting my doctors, and expecting to be back sometime next year.

Thanks,

Pete Shepherd

CRAB REMINDER

Youth Photo Consent Forms Must Be Submitted Along With Photos of People Under The Age of Eighteen.

Youth Photo Consent Forms are available online under Member Resources>Forms at Ruritan National's web site

www.Ruritan.org

Be Prepared by taking some blank forms along with you when attending meetings or activities involving youth.



News from Zone 1

Mechanicsville Ruritan Scholarship Golf Tournament

The Mechanicsville Ruritan club is gearing up for its annual golf tournament. All profit from the tournament is used to provide a college scholarship for one graduating student from each of the three local high schools – Lee Davis, Atlee, and Hanover.

Our club has been providing scholarships to students for over 15 years. To qualify, the students must apply by completing an application on which they document their grade point average, extra-curricular activities, recommendations from faculty, and last but certainly not least community service. In years past, we have been able to provide over \$235,000 to 75 local high school students. I ask that your clubs help us reach our goal. Club members can support us by playing in the tournament or each cub can help by choosing one of the sponsorship opportunities. Sponsorship forms are available from Johnny Moore, imoorerxdm@gmail.com

Previous Scholarship Recipients

Melissa M. Jones ('87) Lynne A. Camper ('88) Phillip G. Russell ('89) Stacy O. Lucas ('90) Susan N. Catlett ('91) Sheila M. Hughes ('91) Michele L Rodriguez ('92) Kevin B. Bird ('93) Nicole A. Buckner ('94) Sarah Broaddus ('95) Carrie S. Duke ('96) Rebecca S. Grubbs ('97) Megan L. Roden ('98) Justin W. Ballard (*99) Kathryn T. Rhoades (*99) Kelley M. Rollins ('00) Brock Boston ('01)

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Anne Marie Jones (*92)
Michelle L Pitts (*92)
Timothy C. Williams (*93)
Stephanie L. Jeter (*94)
Bianca B. Bilenky (*95)
Jonathan W. Cray (*96)
Kenneth G. Harmon (*97)
Marlene F. Ratchford (*98)
Thomas L. Harmon (*99)
Ann M. Bruce (*00)
Jakob B. Harmon (*00)
Emmalee C. Cross (*01)
Daniel S. McBride (*01)
Abby T. Bruce (*02)
Phillip Campbell (*03)
Jennifer L. Harrison (*03)

Tayler R. Miles ('04)
Lindsey Harper ('05)
Mark Hazelgrove ('06)
Kelsey R. Bratcher ('07)
Kristyn Ariel Hole ('08)
Bianca S. Thai ('08)
William Taylor Jones ('10)
Dustin Hazelgrove ('11)
Megan Isabelle ('12)
Matthew Peery ('13)
Dylan Brooks ('14)
Sarah Scaplehom ('15)
Emily Falk ('16)
Samantha Waldman ('17)
Marissa L. Genon (18)

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Anna West (*12)
Sara Nicole Killmeier (*13)
Devon Altman (*14)
Tyler Howard (*14)
Allison Teresa Burns (*15)
Samantha Kirby (*16)
Jakob R. Schneider (*17)
Madison Archer (*18)

Mechanicsville Ruritan Club

The Mechanicsville Ruritan Club is a civic service organization formed in March 1973. Our purpose is to create a better understanding among people through volunteer community service and make America's communities better places in which to live and work

The goal of the Mechanicsville Ruritan Club is to continue to award scholarships to Atlee, Hanover, and Lee-Davis High Schools each year to a high school senior planning on attending college. Since 1986, the Mechanicsville Ruritan Club has provided over \$235,000 to 75 local high school students. Since the club's existence, we have raised and contributed in excess of \$825,000 back to the Hanover County Community.

The Mechanicsville Ruritan Club is a nonprofit 501(C)(3) tax-exempt organization. Your entry fee is tax deductible consistent with IRS tax laws.



Tournament in memory of Clay Light



Mechanicsville Ruritan Scholarship Tournament

Friday, June 14, 2019 Brickshire Golf Course 5520 Virginia Park Dr. Providence Forge, VA 23140

Captain's Choice

Team Prizes

Awards Presentation (1st, 2nd, & 3rd place)

Hole-In-One Contest

Longest Drive Contest

Closest to the Pin Contest

Beverages on Course (Beer and Mixed)

Mulligans
(2 per person for \$5 or \$20 per team)

Lunch & Food after Play





Brickshire House—Bar and Grille

Event Information

Captain's Choice

Friday - June 14, 2019

Brickshire Golf Club 5520 Virginia Park Dr. Providence Forge, VA 23140

> Registration & Lunch 11 a.m.—12:15 p.m. Shotgun Start 12:30 p.m.

Foursome -\$400 (Team of four)

Foursome + Hole sponsor—\$500 (Foursome plus sign on two holes)

Individual Players—\$100 (One person/individuals placed with a team)

Hole Sponsor—\$100 (1st sign) (\$50 for each additional sign) (approximate size 11"x17")

Banner Sponsor—\$250

Driving Range, Putting Green, Food Area, or Golf Cart Sponsors—\$475

For more information contact
Rickey Dandridge @ (804) 310-5452
Johnny Moore @ (804) 840-5122
Paypal friendly at
www.mechanicsvilleruritan.com

P. O. Box 313 Mechanicsville, VA 23111

Golf Team Registration

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Golfer #4:			
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Atlee High School Ruriteen Club

The Atlee High School Ruriteen Club (29 members) celebrated its 20th anniversary on Tuesday, February 12 with pizza and anniversary cake provided by their sponsoring club, the Atlee Ruritan Club. The Club received its 20th Anniversary Certificate from Ruritan National and their Silver Environmental Award from the Chesapeake District for their recycling project.

Clubs in Zone 2 had no submissions for this issue.

News from Zone 3

The King William Club is busy planning their 80th Annual Fish Fry which will be held on Tuesday April 9th at the club facilities on Rt 30 in King William County. The event starts at 3pm and runs till 7pm. A delicious dinner consisting of catfish, bacon, shad roe, cole slaw, hush puppies, clam chowder and pork skins will be served from 5 - 6m (take outs available). Your favorite beverages will be served up all afternoon while you listen to some live good ole country music. Tickets are \$25 each. Call Gene Campbell at 804-363-1781 to get your tickets.

News from Zone 4

Don Sandridge, long time-member of the **Abingdon** Ruritan Club and Zone 4 Governor of the

Chesapeake District, recently received the President's Golden Key
Award in recognition of the 10 members he has brought into the club.
He is shown at left being presented the award by Mary Lou Shepherd, club president.





Brent Fedors, Gloucester County
Administrator, spoke at the **Abingdon** Club's
March meeting Topics included the County's
budget, the benefits of having volunteer fire
departments and shopping locally within the
county. Benefits of shopping locally include a
tax rate is lower than surrounding
localities. In addition, 2.3% of sales tax goes
directly to our schools, which in turn, keeps
our real estate taxes lower. Fedors also
encouraged more citizen involvement to help
constantly improve the quality of life.

Also in March, **Abingdon** Club President Mary Lou presented three donations to American



Legion Post 7 Commander Sue Broseman, who is shown receiving \$400 to send one Gloucester youth to Boys State; \$350 to send one Gloucester Youth to Girls State; and \$250 for the Junior Cadet Command.



Decked out in reflective vests and armed with buckets and grabbers, Abingdon members picked up 1,540 pounds of trash from sides of several roads on Clean Gloucester Day in March.Participating club members included Mike Ekdahl, David Simmons, Frank Collins, Roger Dick, Selena Collins, Yvonne Scales, Glen Aycock, Betsy Tuttle, Jimmy Leiffer, Dianne Woolley, Allen Scales, Andrea Crawford, Jim Stevens, Julie Woolley, Lynn Onesty, Rick Helton and Kenny Richardson. Also participating, but not pictured: Members Rose and Rick Taylor and guests Kathleen Gillerlain, Kathy Bennett and Brad Bennett.



Two clubs from Zone 4 working together to peel potatoes!

Barbara and Paul Bauer of the **Gloucester** Ruritan Club and Don Sandridge and Roger Dick of the **Abingdon** Ruritan Club run the ARC potato peeler to help prepare for the Gloucester Club's Brunswick Stew fundraiser.



The **Abingdon** Ruritan Club presented the Abingdon Volunteer Fire & Rescue with stuffed "Rudy" Bears at the February meeting. The bears will be distributed to children that have been involved in traumatic events, such as fires, accidents, abuse, etc., to help ease their anxiety. Barry Foskit (Abingdon Volunteer Fire & Rescue and club member), ARC President Mary Lou Shepherd, Betsy Tuttle (Abingdon Volunteer Fire & Rescue and club member) and Rudy Ruritan, aka club member Jimmy Hogge



Leslie Bowie, of Gloucester Clean Community, spoke at the **Abingdon** Club in January. Topics included litter prevention, the county's recycling program and the "Team Up To Cleanup" event for Clean Gloucester Day on March 16th. She showed examples of what kind of plastics are now acceptable for recycling or not. She is pictured at left holding up an "or not."

The **Gloucester** Ruritan Club held its February dinner meeting at Olivia's. The 2019 Chesapeake District Governor, Rose Taylor, presented past President Paul Bauer two awards for his 2017 leadership of the club: The Blue Ribbon Award as well as an engraved bamboo pen for Outstanding President. In order to receive the Blue Ribbon award, the club had to meet multiple criteria, to include 100% attendance for the year, increased membership by 10%, and completion of a community service project from each of the club's five committees, all of which received a gold award for the year.





Returning customer Mark Marderosian (left) is assisted by Den Leader, Kelly McMillan (center) and Cub Master, Paul Cramer (right) at the **Abingdon** Club's Clam Chowder sale. It was a huge success, thanks to many returning customers who lined up for the club's famous chowder. Club member Walter Priest led the event, whose proceeds will go to our local Cub Scout Pack 133. Several of the Club's members and Pack leaders helped, making the event successful.



American Legion Post 75 conducted a very touching memorial service on February 2 at Bellamy United Methodist Church to honor the 4 Army Chaplains who gave their lives to save other soldiers on the USAT Dorchester which was torpedoed and sunk on February 3, 1943. These brave chaplains gave up their life vests to other soldiers. Just before the Dorchester sank, survivors remember seeing the chaplains standing on the deck with locked arms singing. Shown are **Abingdon** Ruritan Club members who attended: Front Row: Janet Kyle, Mary Lou Shepherd, and Selena Collins; Back Row: Dave Kyle & Frank Collins. Not shown is Marshall Butler.



Several Abingdon Ruritans attended the National Convention in Hampton, January 17-20,



In January, Abingdon Ruritans welcomed new member, Teresa Zaruba. Pictured, left to right: husband and sponsor, Dan Zaruba; Teresa Zaruba; ARC President, Mary Lou Shepherd; and Teresa's co-sponsor, Barbara Priest.



At **Mathews** Ruritan Club's January meeting, Allen Moughon, a dedicated member of the Club for 60 years, was presented with a 60 year service pin and special plaque in recognition of his dedicated service. He is an example of what Ruritan is all about, and his unassuming manner, compassion, and hard work for his community is what we should all aspire to achieve. Allen (left) holds the plaque, presented by club Secretary Henry Krage

During its January meeting at Olivia's, **Gloucester** Ruritan Club President Jackie Beyea welcomed the club's newest member, Susan M. Barbery,(left). President Jackie also presented Sarah Fary (below, right) a Golden Key Award from Clinton Guy Cox, 2018 Ruritan National President, for recruiting at least four new members for the club. To date Sarah has recruited 6 new members.





The **Gloucester** Ruritan Club held its March meeting at Olivia's Restaurant. Chesapeake District Zone 4 Governor, Don Sandridge, introduced the Chesapeake District's Chemo Cap Project and Gloucester Ruritan members presented a bag of knitted chemo hats to Rappahannock Community College nursing students. RCC students distribute caps made by Chesapeake District Ruritans to area



Pictured are (I-r) Janee Ealey, a student in the Licensed Practical Nurse Program; Don Sandridge; Suzanne Nester, student in the Associate Degree in Nursing Program; and knitters Gloria Longest, Sarah Fary (project chairman), and Susan Barbery. Not pictured is knitter

Beverly Thomas.



At Gloucester's March meeting, President Jackie presented Sarah Fary a Golden Key Award and read a letter from 2019 National President Larry Cassell for bringing new members to the club.

Also in March, Gloucester Ruritan Club President Jackie Beyea presented new member Mike Barbery with his club pen and welcomed him to the club.



News From Zone 5

Callao Ruritan Club Ladies Night

The Callao Ruritan Club held their Annual Ladies Night Christmas dinner at Henderson United Methodist Church on Thursday, Dec. 6. A delicious dinner was served by the women of Henderson UMC prior to the evening's program.

Drawing for the penalty pot preceded the distribution of Consecutive Year Pins to the members. Special mention was made of Phillip Deitz and Jim Harper who were two founding members in attendance. Mr. Deitz received a 48-year pin for having been a member since the Callao Ruritan Club was organized in 1970. Mr. Harper received a 56-year pin since he was originally a member of the Northumberland County Ruritan Club before being instrumental in forming the Callao club.

Just recently the community lost a dear friend and loyal individual who was also a founding member of the Club. Howard Nash would have received a 48-year pin this year. In addition to all the other activities he engaged in, Howard was the man behind the maintenance of the Ruritan Club Recreation Park softball fields for some 37 years.

Billy Harper was named "Ruritan of the Year" for his dedicated service during the Ruritan softball season. Players and fans were greeted at the gate every evening by Billy as they came to participate in and cheer for the league games held three nights of the week this summer.

Elliott Hogge, President's Advisor for the Chesapeake District, installed the new Board of Directors. Officers for 2019 are David Parr, President; Curtis Albrite, Vice-President; Ruth Turner, Secretary; Jim Michel, Treasurer and Alice Swann, Jim Keller and Henry Boughan, Directors.

Members then enjoyed some beautiful Christmas selections performed by Diane and Wayne Brann. Door prizes were given out before the Club members sang some traditional Christmas carols and closed the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country.



News From Zone 6

REEDY CHURCH RURITAN CLUB PENDLETON COMMUNITY CENTER 26238 SUNSHINE ROAD, RUTHER GLEN, VA 22546 2019 EVENTS

APRIL 20, 2019, EASTER EGG HUNT, 2-3 P.M.

APRIL 20, 2019, PORK BAR-B-QUE, 3-6 P.M.

APRIL 27, 2019, WOUNDED WARRIORS FISHING TOURNAMENT AT MOUNT OLYMPUS FARM, 8 AM-5 PM

JULY 4, 2019, CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE, 3-6 P.M., (THURSDAY) TICKETS; \$10.00 AND UNDER 6 \$5.00

SEPTEMBER 14, 2019, VARIETY SHOW, 7-TIL, TICKETS: \$8.00

OCTOBER 12, 2019, PORK BAR-B-QUE, 3-6 P.M., TICKETS: \$10.00 AND UNDER \$5.00

DECEMBER 7, 2019, CHRISTMAS VARIETY SHOW, 7 P.M. – TIL, TICKETS: \$8.00

News from Zone 7

Short Pump Golf Invitation: We hope you will join us or provide sponsorship in the annual Short Pump Ruritan Charity Golf Tournament at The Hollows Golf Course on May 9th to benefit The Fisher House, local charities and honor WWII veteran Russell L. Scott.

Attached for your use is the golf team registration / sponsorship form. Please note team registration is needed by April 15th to order golf shirts.

Please post and share with your colleagues and business partners.

Many thanks.

Bruce Brooks Director Short Pump Ruritan Club Captains' Choice 4-Player Teams (Limit 25 Teams) Tournament Shirt, Door Prizes & Multiple Awards \$80 per golfer

Sign In: 11:00 - 11:30 am
Briefing: 11:45 noon
Shotgun Start: 12:00 pm
Awards Banquet: End of Play

*Tournament proceeds are given to
the Fisher House at the McGuire
Veterans Hospital, Richmond
provides lodging, support and
respite for families of patients
receiving medical care at the
hospital and other local charities

Registration/ Payment Deadline: April 15, 2019

and schools.

Mail registration to: The Short Pump Ruritan Club Attn: Bruce Brooks/VP 1609 Logwood Circle, Richmond, VA 23238

Thursday, May 9, 2019

The Hollows Golf Course 14501 Greenwood Church Rd, Montpelier, VA 23192

Sponsored by Old Dominion Insulation, Inc.

IN HONOR OF RUSSELL L. SCOTT, WWII VETERAN
Tournament Proceeds to Benefit The Fisher
House & Local Charities*

Registration Form

Complete this form and send with check for your participation and/or hole sponsorship before **April 15, 2019**

Company/Team Name:	Team Captain:			
Address:	Email Address:			
	Day Phone Number:			
Names of team members with shirt sizes - S, M, L, XL:				
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3size	4	size		
Number of Players: x \$80 / player = \$ (includes 18 holes of golf, cart, beverage cart and Awards Banquet per player)				
Golf Course Hole Sponsorships:	x \$100 / hole = \$			
Additional Guest(s) Meal (optional)	:x \$20 / meal = \$			
Total Amount of Enclosed Check	¢\$ Check No			



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News From Zone 8



Joel Hubbard "Secretary" & Woody Sanders "Vice President" represented Warwick Ruritan at the Boys & Girls Club 31st, Annual Steak ' N Burger event, 21 March 2019.



Michele Benson, CFRE for the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Virginia Peninsula was **Warwick's** speaker. Michele spoke how approximately 6,000 kids take part in the many programs/ opportunities that they have & thanks to all the support from the community. Michele is pictured receiving a check from Woody Sanders, VP Warwick Ruritan.

Warwick had six (6) members for Nettles Dr clean-up. L-R, Lloyd Ware, Steve Laurent, Marion Vaughn, Dave Gwaltney, Woody Sanders, & Bo Turner not pictured



Five Forks Ruritans share photos from their January Meeting:



Dale Jamison, Zone 8 Governor installed new officers for 2019.

President Jerry.
Stone presented a
Community Service
Award to Officer
Randy Otis of the
James City County
Police Dept. With
Chief Bradley
Rinehiner present.





3 President Jerry Stone presented a Community Service Award to Fire Chief Ryan Ashe accepting the award for Lt. Jason Plocharczyh of the James City County Fire Dept.



Above Right: Stuffed animals collected and donated by me!best of the club to the Police and Fire department to give to small children in difficult times.

<u>Editor's Note</u>: Beginning this year, The Chesapeake Crab will come out once every quarter instead of bi-monthly. Please continue to send your club's news to this email address: Crab18@cox.net.

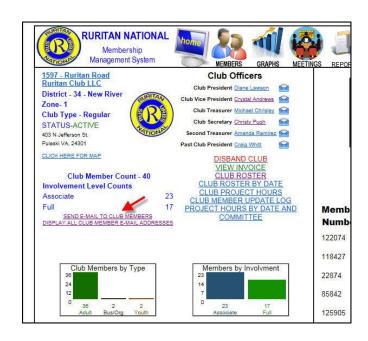
The Chesapeake Crab is distributed via email to club presidents, club secretaries, and district cabinet members using email addresses as published in the 2019 Chesapeak District Ruritan Directory. When no email address is provided for a club president, the Crab will be sent to a club officer whose email is provided in the directory.

Club presidents and secretaries are encouraged to distribute the Crab to their own club members, either via email (using your own method or using MMS) or by printing copies for those who cannot accept electronic delivery. Ruritan National has shared two methods for sending email to club members by using MMS. (See below.)

Two Ways to Email Club Members

First method:

If you are familiar with the MMS (member management system) you may know that you can choose to email your club members within the MMS system by clicking on "Send Email to Club Members" on the club's home page.

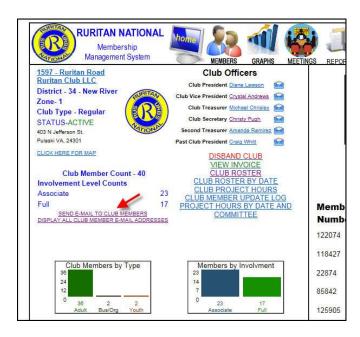


That opens a new screen with a text window. Compose your text and choose "send email now." This is good for quick messages like meeting reminders. However, there may be drawbacks to this method. First, you can't add an attachment. Second because the email appears to be coming from the MMS system - spam blockers (on the recipients' email programs) may prevent the messages from getting through.



Second method:

You can also choose "display all club members' email addresses." This pops open a new window with all the club email addresses. You can then copy and paste those into the "to" line of your personal email - adding attachments if necessary. The email will be seen by the recipient's email server as coming from you personally instead of



from the MMS and may reduce blocking .

*NOTE - if you use this method, copy a fresh list every time as members may have changed their email addresses between mailings.