

Update from the Snowbird Clubs President's meeting held January 4, 2021:

Most of the clubs have cancelled activities or their group is so small they may attempt minimal meetings.

Michigan golf has lots of openings. Sign up through their website -Michiganclubalabama.com

Minnesota is implementing virtual card games and also expressed openings in their golf schedule. Visit their website for sign up and more information. MNAL.org

Coastal Alabama Business Chamber office at the Wharf, Main Street,. Suite K-6 is open but Gulf Shores office is closed for repairs. Visit the chamber website -mygulfcoastchamber.com for information on chamber and community events. Phone: for 251-968-7200

Upcoming Chamber Events:

10th Annual Shred Day - Saturday, January 9 at the State Park Pavillion. 8 AM to Noon. Drive thru with high school students helping. Tips are allowed to the students for their service work.

Monthly forum breakfast, February 5 at the Orange Beach Event Center 7:30 AM. Go to website for information.

NEW - Women's quarterly luncheon February 24, open at 11:00, Luncheon at noon at the Orange Beach Event Center. Several women owned businesses will have booths. Guest speaker is Stacy Brown (local business owner) from Chicken Salad Chick in Gulf Shores. Tickets can be purchased online from Chamber website. Meals will be served either boxed or served by gloved & masked servers. Only 5 people at tables designed for 10.

City of Orange Beach has prepared a video winter update. Approx. 30 minutes. You can access it at www.orangebeachal.gov/news/video-winter-2021-update-city-orange-beach.

Mardi Gras parades as of 1/4/21: Orange Beach parades are still on - Saturday night (Feb. 13) and Fat Tuesday 2 pm (Feb. 16). (Gulf Shores, Foley, Mobile, Pensacola parades have all been cancelled.) BE AWARE: May affect large attendance at O.B. parades.

Seafood Fest (Feb. 27) is still on, amount of vendors have been reduced. Will have car show and entertainment.

Art Fest (Mar. 13) is still on.

Tourism Bureau lecture series will be held Jan. 11 thru Feb. 26 at The Port at the Wharf. Free admission, but reservations and masks required. Socially distanced seating. Sign up and schedule on their website: GulfShores.com/Lectures.

Zoo had minimal damage to animal exhibits from Sally. They lost both male lions last year - Simba, the oldest, died from cancer and the young male lion had surgery from a bone growth at the base of his skull, recovered from that, but died later. They are searching for a companion for the female lioness.

No information was available on snowbirds being able to receive the COVID vaccine while wintering here. Contact the Baldwin County Health Department with inquiries. Phone: 251-947-3618.

Construction continues on the South Baldwin Medical Emergency Center by the airport in Gulf Shores.

The Wolf Bay Bridge is still in the process and expansion of the toll bridge with 2 more lanes is in process as well. The state bridge between the two cities (Gulf Shores/Orange Beach) probably is not going to happen.

No report was given by the City of Gulf Shores.