



Millcroft Golf Club

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2017 FALL / 2018 WINTER NEWSLETTER

Thank you everyone for a much enjoyed golf season!



FROM YOUR GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT & THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Thank you everyone for a great 2017 golf season! The cooler weather is upon us, and we are diligently working to put the course to bed for the winter months.

Compared to the 2016 season where it seemed like everything was against us weather wise, this year was far more cooperative and allowed us to keep the golf course in top condition all year long.

One main project is that certain tee decks will be re-leveled late this fall and should be back in play by early May.

Currently we are preparing the course for winter and for next season doing such tasks as aerating, topdressing and applying dormant fertilizers and snow mold protection.

Winter projects will include the endless task of removing dead Ash trees and replacing them with more desirable trees.

I would like to thank all the members and staff for an enjoyable year and look forward to seeing everyone again for the 2018 season. The maintenance staff and myself would like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday season.

Yours Truly,
Martin Kastrau
Golf Course Superintendent
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FROM THE PRO SHOP

I would like to thank both the members and the public golfers for another wonderful season. We started the season with a wet spring, had a warm and wet summer and finished the season with a beautiful September and October. Martin and his maintenance crew have done a magnificent job throughout the season as most people who played said they have never seen the course in such incredible shape. Thank you to all of our staff for doing such a great job in the pro shop, back shop, etic kids, marshals and starters in keeping the club running with such ease and enjoyment for all the golfers who play.

Thank you to all the captains, co captains and committee members who continue to dedicate their time to the leagues. It is because of all of your efforts that the members know when they are playing, who they are playing with and what game they are playing every week. Your commitment and time put into running the leagues is appreciated each and every day.

Special congratulations to Mark Raven and Deb Finesilver, our 2017 Club Champions. The date for 2018 championships will be Aug 8th, 11th and 12th so please mark your calendars.

I will continue throughout the winter months working with the leagues and scheduling for the 2018 season. I will be working with staff and Marshalls in adapting a pace of play etiquette program, which will be implemented in the 2018 season with more details to follow.

For those of you who ride in power carts, you'll be happy to know that we will have an entirely new 2018 cart fleet next year. Newer design & technology will ensure you have a comfortable ride throughout your round of golf.

I hope everyone has a great and short winter season and we can get back on the links earlier than later. Have a wonderful Holiday season and we'll see you in the spring.

Thank You,

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FROM THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

As our 2017 season comes to a close, we would like to thank all of our members & public golfers for another great year! We are lucky to have such a wonderful group of Members and staff here at Millcroft and we hope to see many familiar faces next year. For any new members coming on board, we look forward to welcoming you into our Millcroft family and the camaraderie we all share. To all of our extremely hard working staff, it takes a little village to run the course each year and we are so happy you were a part of it with us, great team effort all around, thank you! Our annual staff golf tournament was well attended by 45 staff this year and a big thank you to the members who were able to donate towards our prize table this year, your thoughtfulness was appreciated.

Additionally, a big thank you to all of our league captains and all of their volunteer committees for without them, our leagues would not operate. You work so hard all year long to ensure your leagues run smoothly and we appreciate all of your efforts and much valued assistance. Congratulations to all of our winners of various events throughout the season, many who are noted throughout this newsletter!

With respect to our 2018 membership offerings. You will find options for both unlimited play golf memberships, along with specific golf game packages. Our membership applications, league sign-up forms and our newsletter can additionally be found on our website. If you have any questions regarding membership for 2018, please do not hesitate to contact the administration office or pro shop.

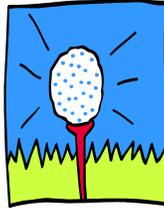
For any new members joining our golf club in 2018, if you already have a Golf Canada account for your score entry/handicap, please let us know that on your membership application. Upon entering your membership for Millcroft, we would then contact Golf Canada and ask them to add Millcroft Golf Club as your "home" golf club. For some members, they may be members at Millcroft and another golf course, so if you would like your other golf club to be your "home course" and Millcroft to be your secondary course on your account, please also note this on your membership application or send us an email.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE CONTINUED....

During the winter months the administration office will generally be open Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm (weather/vacation pending). Please give us a call if you are thinking of driving over to ensure we are here. If you have questions regarding membership or otherwise, please call or email us and we will get back to you at our earliest convenience. If you are mailing your membership application and/or league sign-up form in the mail, please note that the club's mail is delivered to a secure lock and keyed mailbox. Alternatively your application can be faxed to 905-332-5624 or scanned and emailed to: jenniphero@bellnet.ca, otherwise, mailing your application is the best method during the winter months.

Have a wonderful winter season, a happy & healthy holiday and a Happy New Year! See you in 2018!

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THE BUSINESS LADIES

What a crazy summer we had - it was certainly no year to use the weather radar to base our decision on as to whether or not to play. We were never really sure if we might be rained on or roasting, but still came out, managed to get in nearly all of the games, and had a lot of fun!

The course was in great shape and we were certainly well looked after. Natalie and Mike in the pro shop kept us organized and Tara, Mike and the entire restaurant staff ensured we well looked after and provided an excellent closing dinner!

This year we had the following awards:

RINGER BOARD:

1st - Laureen Patrick

2nd - (tie) Helen Schiza, Chris Patrick, Vivian Ludlow

3rd - (tie) Beth Kavanagh, Brooke Hutchings

LOWEST PUTTS ON AVERAGE: 1ST – Helen Schiza 2nd – Beth Kavanagh 3rd – Linda Price

MOST PARS ON AVERAGE: 1st – Beth Kavanagh 2nd – Vivian Ludlow 3rd – Helen Schiza

BIRDIES: Kellie Hyde (2), Helen Schiza, Laureen Patrick, Brooke Hutchings (1 each)

MOST IMPROVED: Jan Wallace

Congratulations to all the ladies for their efforts!

On another note, this has been my final year running the league and Vivian Ludlow has volunteered to take over these duties. Please keep the following dates in mind for next season: Opening Meet & Greet – Monday, April 30
1st Game – Monday, May 7

Thank you to all for making this past season so enjoyable! Have a great winter, happy holidays, and a happy and healthy 2018.

Brooke Hutchings

THE SENIOR MEN

This certainly was a banner year for the Senior Men's League! First of all we had record course conditions due to the amount of rainfall, which shortened our drives but made playing very different compared to some of the dryer years. And we had what must be a record number of members- 120!

Through the efforts of Kirby Smith, who was responsible for the Monday game schedule, we had a record number of different games during the season, including the Ryder Cup, two Dream Team competitions, two tombstone competitions, and one that involved rolling the dice after every drive!

The members of your committee this year were: Kirby Smith, Tom Walker, Mike Kasoian, Wayne Tucker, John Daniel, Peter Niggeman, Andrew Hallett, and Murray De Pape. Our dear friend Cye Beechey who was on the committee last year passed away early in the fall. We will all miss his friendship.

The Senior League Championship was won this year by Larry Snow. Our congratulations to him and to the winners in the other flights- Don Bogle, Peter Perrone and Wayne Tucker!

After being Captain for the past two years, I am passing over the honour to Jerry MacDonald. It has been a pleasure to be your Captain, with such a hard working group of committee members to handle the responsibilities. It also gave me the opportunity to meet most of the new members, and I have appreciated the fellowship and the kind comments from many of the members .

As usual, I want to thank Natalie and Jennipher for their valuable assistance in making our League successful. Also Tara and her team for the popular Wednesday luncheon service. Her people are awesome!

Bob Lalancette,

Captain



THE TUESDAY LADIES

2017 golf season will be remembered as a mixed bag of weather. We experienced some extremely hot days, rainy conditions and even winter-like conditions for our Canada 150 tournament in late June. Some ladies even sported their red and white Canada mittens! In spite of the weather we had a great turnout of 76 players including friends and former members.

Thanks to Tara, Mike and their team for putting together some great meals for our opening breakfast, Canada 150 tournament and our closing dinner.

Thanks to Natalie and her team for taking care of us week to week.

Martin, as usual, the course was in wonderful shape. Thanks for all you do. We are lucky to have you!

Congratulations to the following 2017 Winners!

Club Champion – Deb Finesilver

Club Championship Flight Winners

<u>A Flight</u>	Muriel MacLaren	<u>B Flight</u>	Wendy Ross
Runner-up	Mabel Bates	Runner-up	Elaine Dupuis
		3 rd place	Arlene Real

THE TUESDAY LADIES CONTINUED....

The following ladies received awards for their accomplishments on Tuesdays this year.

Hole-in-One – Deb Finesilver

Most Birdies – MarySusan Snow

Most Chip-ins – Margaret Kostuik

A Flight Ringer Board – Margaret Kostuik

B Flight Ringer Board – Marie Kenyon

C Flight Ringer Board – Janet Futko

PIN Winners – Best Low Net scoring. Best 4 scores out of 6 events.

- Overall Winner - Margaret Kostuik
- B Flight Winner - Betty Cushing
- C Flight Winner - Anita Press

Most Improved – Deb Stafford

Team Match Play Winners – Marie Kenyon and Arlene Real

Ladies who broke 100 for the first time – Val Bennett, Anita Press and Johanna Kendall

Thanks ladies for your comments and suggestions. The committee will review and implement suggestions where appropriate. Those who did not attend the closing dinner are welcome to provide feedback to Wendy Ross.

Christmas Lunch is scheduled for Tuesday December 5th. Details to follow.

Our opening day will be on April 17th. Instead of an opening breakfast on that day we will be having an opening brunch On May 1st. There will be a shotgun followed by brunch.

Have a wonderful winter. Stay safe, keep well. See you next spring!

Tuesday Ladies League Committee



THE MENS LEAGUE

The season may be over for 2017, but it was still a great year & the competition was brisk amongst our members. Although we were a smaller group this year, we still had a great nucleus of players turn up each Wednesday.

The course turned out to be in fantastic condition for the year and the ground staff did a wonderful job with just the right amount of pace in the greens. The way the course was prepared for the Club Championship was quite tough and the scores reflected the challenge. I have rarely seen better greens in Toronto at their peak.

One of the great things about Millcroft is that it's a great course to play and the Par 70 layout means you have to bring some different skills to the course with a little more accuracy. The Par threes were a challenge. We tried to mix up the skills challenge on a regular basis. Ross Bamford seemed to have the measure for PAR 3's for the Nearest to the Pin placements with constant cries in the air from members of "Oh no not him again".

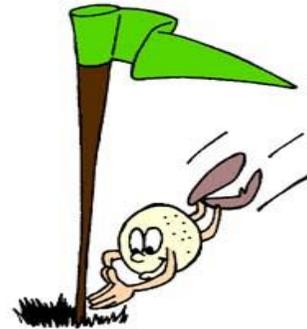
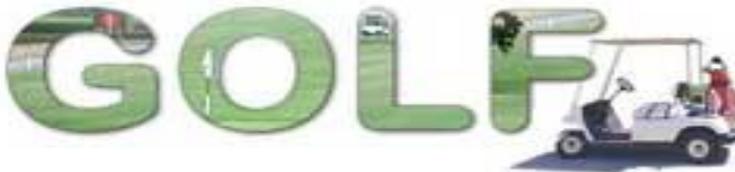
There were a number of highlights and some great scores for the year. The big one being that one of our members, Mark Raven, shot a gross 61 setting a new course record, along with taking the title of Millcroft Golf Club's Club Champion once again! Dave Vervoorn was the Net handicap winner for the year and it was great to see some consistent scores coming over for the year. Congratulations!

Next year we have some great ideas to improve the league with a drive to attract new members to the league including a revamped 9 hole competition to coincide with the 18 hole competition. We already have some great interest from new members and we will be working to improve the prize pool using some sponsors who have shown some interest in supporting the league.

New members are always welcome. The camaraderie and the enjoyment by many of this year's members translates to a great club environment for all. Getting to know other members and playing with everyone is a key objective for the League. We will have a great group of people supporting & organizing the league next year so we are looking forward to a successful 2018.

Julian Bugledich

Section Captain



SENIOR MIXED COUPLES

The 2017 Golf season has been enjoyed by all. We had great small group of members.

Plaudits to all who enabled us to enjoy golf. These people have had their names mentioned throughout the newsletter and need not to be listed herein.

Heather Coles and Ernie Davis had the task of the scheduling and other sundry duties in 2017 and will be doing the same in 2018.

We would like to increase the membership in the 2018. Even though we are titled as SENIOR MIXED COUPLES, we had 6 singles that their partner was not able to play. In this day and age, couples has a connotation to mean many things as a result we would like to have more singles come out to join our Mixed Seniors Couples in the 2018 golf season.

Go and have a great winter and we will see you in the spring.

Heather Coles and Ernie Davis

THE MIXED LEAGUE

Well folks, it's the end of another great season of golf with friends!

This year our Friday Night Mixed League was well attended by many returning members and five new couples who joined the league, making our league the 2nd largest at Millcroft, just behind the Senior Mens. We had many great Friday afternoon/evening games, as well as two fun-filled themed tournaments. Congratulations to our year-long putting competition winners Sheila Finn and Greg Real.

Thanks to all of you for your support in hosting a game one of the Friday nights. It's much appreciated when everyone takes an active role in the league. Well done to all the hosting couples!

Thanks to Natalie and the backshop boys, Jennipher, Mike, Tara, Kirstie and Lyndsey for supporting our league and making our regular and tournament events a success both on and off the course. A special thanks to Martin and his crew for maintaining and providing us with a well groomed, pristine course to play on.

To those of you heading south for the winter be safe....for those of you staying behind keep warm!
Wherever you are..... enjoy!

We hope that all of you return to the Mixed League next year and that more new couples join as well. It's a great way to meet new friends and enjoy the friendship of others.

Looking forward to the Spring of 2018 and another great season of fun!

All the best....Rick & Denise Stefiszyn



FROM THE DINING ROOM

"The sun did not shine it was too wet to play. So we sat in the house all day" - Dr Seuss. Yes, more than one day I think. I think we can call 2017, "2017 the year summer forgot"

The globe did not fair too well either, we had earthquakes, so many devastating hurricanes and tropical storms, fires and floods. In the light of all that we here did not fair that bad. We have our friends and a beverage at hand here safe and sound at our club.

It was a fun year! We had many familiar faces amongst our team this season, with many of our staff returning from last year. Kirstie, Niki, Marissa, Meredith, Jessica, Jenna, Ashley, Megan & Lauren were your main team at Millcroft, all happy to serve you! And we had our occasional visit from some of our staff at Indian Wells help along the way as well!

On the "Wood Girl" front my sister Teisha is expecting her first child in January and it's a girl... of course, the last 7 births in the Wood family have all been girls. My sister Tamarin has finally past her last exam, is now a fully-fledged Dental Hygienist and is working in Burlington. Both sisters have informed me they would like to return to the club next year for a few shifts to see you all.

As regard to the function side of our club we are proud to have the Burlington Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club as regular customers, both being a perfect match for our club as they are a really nice group of people.

This coming winter Mike will again be working on our menu and wine list so any suggestions would be appreciated. Before that of course we have a pretty full agenda of Christmas Parties so please if you are going to have one please, please let us know as early as possible. You are our first priority.

Well here goes my annual sales pitch. "If you are looking for that special stocking stuffer well look no further. We have gift certificates for food and beverage redeemable here at Millcroft or at our sister club Indian Wells". One of the nice points of these certificates is that you can choose the denomination you wish to gift. If interested, please contact me.

Finally Mike, myself and all at Millcroft Catering would like to wish you the very best of the season and a great New Year.

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Your time to complete and return this comment card is appreciated, thank you. You may include this with your Membership application, or submit separately.

1. OFF COURSE

	<u>Satisfaction</u>					<u>Comments</u>
	Unsatisfactory				Satisfactory	
Ability to book tee-times	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Appearance of Entrance	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Appearance of Gardens/Grounds	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Friendliness of Staff	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Handicap Computers	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Locker Room Cleanliness	1	2	3	4	5	_____
On-line Booking & Game Viewing	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Pro Shop Service & Merchandise	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Value of Membership	1	2	3	4	5	_____

2. ON-COURSE

Ball Washers Filled	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Beverage Cart Availability	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Bunkers Raked	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Distance Markers Visible	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Fairways Well Groomed	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Greens Consistent	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Pace of Play	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Rest Areas	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Tees Well Marked	1	2	3	4	5	_____

3. FOOD & BEVERAGE

Quality	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Presentation	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Value for the price	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Menu variety	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Food prepared as ordered	1	2	3	4	5	_____

SERVICE

Greeting upon arrival	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Server knowledge	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Server friendliness	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Server attentiveness	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Timeliness of service	1	2	3	4	5	_____

AMBIENCE

Cleanliness of dining area	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Cleanliness of restrooms	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Lighting	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Music	1	2	3	4	5	_____
Décor	1	2	3	4	5	_____

Additional Comments:

Feel free to submit this form anonymously, or if you wish, complete the information below. Thank you for your time.

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