



Millcroft Golf Club

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2017 SPRING NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the 2017 golf season at Millcroft Golf Club!

*Celebrating 30 years
in Business in 2017!*

FROM YOUR GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT & THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

I would like to welcome everyone back for what promises to be an exciting 2017 golf season. An early opening this year is currently being delayed due to inclement weather. The golf course has survived the winter months extremely well and I am pleased to report that there is no ice damage, snow mold disease or rodent damage.

We had a very busy off season out on the golf course removing dead Ash trees and limbing up other trees that required it. Approximately 150 Ash trees were removed that were infected with the Emerald Ash Borer. The majority of the tree work was concentrated to the back nine holes and was all done in house by our maintenance staff.

After last year's record heat and lack of sufficient rainfall this year can only improve. We have already implemented some safeguards to help the turf better cope with such extreme weather conditions.

Certain on course projects we anticipate for this season include the continued removal of dead trees and the re-planting of new trees, additional tee deck re-leveling, and the ongoing improvements to the sand traps. There will be a few new faces on the maintenance crew this year however we will once again strive to provide you with great playing conditions and continue to offer you the top quality greens that you have become accustomed to.

As opening day is quickly approaching, I am confident that the 2017 golf season will be a very successful and highly enjoyable one. I look forward to seeing everyone out on the golf course and hopefully getting in a few more rounds myself this year. I am always available, so please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns regarding golf course maintenance issues.

Hit 'em straight!

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

I would like to welcome everyone back for another great season of golf with another interesting winter season behind us filled with cold, snowy and some days where you could have played golf it was so mild. We look forward to working with all the league committees and members to continue to make 2017 another successful year of golf. Not much has changed with procedures but as always here are some reminders to utilize your membership.

Club Championship: We had a great turn out and great feedback with the new structure and dates of club championship last year that we are going to continue that for 2017. The men playing from the white tees will have their first round on Wednesday August 9th in the morning with the men playing from the blue tees will have their first round in the afternoon on the same day. The final two rounds will be played on Saturday, August 12th and Sunday, August 13th for all men's' flights playing from the blue tees & white tees, and the ladies from the red tees.

Booking Tee Times: All Members are able to book tee times 14 days in advance, this can be done through our online booking system or directly through the pro shop. With an advantage booking this early we are aware that schedules change and things come up, all we ask is that you do your best to cancel 24 hrs in advance if you know you will be unable to make your schedule tee time.

Power cart and pull cart privileges: All members are entitled to a free pull cart for the day and any guests you bring are subject to a rental fee of \$ 5.00. Power cart pricing for members will be \$16.00 for 18 holes and \$8.00 for 9 holes per person. We encourage members who ride the majority of the time to purchase bulk packages. These packages are designed to save you money, expedite check-in at the pro shop and provide the convenience of not having to pay on the spot every time you need a cart. If you purchase a package & still have some remaining carts left at the end of the season they will still be valid the following year. Pricing for our cart packages can be found on our membership application or speak with the pro shop. If you require a handicap flag they are available at the pro shop as long as it is not a mandatory cart path only day. This enables golfers to drive closer to their ball where normally carts are not permitted, however there are still etiquette rules of golf to be followed. Please keep carts approximately 3 yards from tee decks and greens and carts may not pass between the green and greenside bunkers.

Member Guest Discount: Millcroft appreciates the loyalty of you the member and the guests you bring out to our club. Since it works so well we are continuing with our "guest rates". Each guest in a member's group will receive a discount upon paying for their green fee. Your guest will receive \$ 5.00 off the full green fee, and if it is twilight or early bird they will receive \$ 2.50 off the price of the green fee.

Loyalty cards: If you as a member run out of games with your membership you are entitled to receive a loyalty card issued by the pro shop to keep on your person and every time you play you will receive stamps towards money off and free rounds. (1) stamp will be given for 9 holes, twilight, Sr.rate, spring and fall rates, and associate membership rates. Please present your card every check in, we will not back date stamps or join cards together.

Club Storage: All members have an option of club storage for an extra fee. This includes having your clubs cleaned after every round you play & having your golf bag ready when you arrive for your next round. **For the safety of the golfer and staff there are a few rules that are to be follow when having club storage. When you finished playing & you place your clubs in the drop off area, please ensure that all zippers are closed, all head covers are on & all clubs are in your bag, including your putter, even if you have a putter holder on the outside of your bag. All bags must be able to stand up on their own and can only have a maximum of a dozen balls at a time in the bag. Golf bags need to be carried up and down stairs and be lifted into the slots of the club storage facility and some bags can be quite heavy so please be aware of the items in the bag and be mindful of our staff who are carrying them.**

Pro Shop Discounts: A 10% discount on most merchandise is given to all Millcroft membership as a thank you for customer loyalty to our club. We are a fully stocked shop with name brands such as Titleist, Footjoy, Ping, Bag boy and more, please ask if you don't find what you're looking for and we will do our best to find it for you.

Sincerely,

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FROM THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

A warm welcome to everyone for the 2017 golf season at Millcroft Golf Club! We look forward to seeing returning members and meeting new members coming on board this year and share in our Millcroft camaraderie!

Tee times may be booked by directly speaking with the pro shop by phone or in person. When the shop is closed, for your convenience, Millcroft also offers 24 hrs. a day, 7 days a week, on-line booking via our website. Using on-line booking via our website allows you to book tee times & view your currently booked golf game times/players up to 10 days in advance. Visit our website at www.millcroftgolfclub.com, and then choose "MEMBER LOGIN" on the left side of our home page. For the on-line booking/viewing program you will need your membership # & password. For new Members, we kindly ask that you speak with the pro shop or myself to retrieve this # should you wish to use the online system. Your password will be the same # as your membership #; however, we encourage you to change your password on-line under the Membership Profile option so your account can remain secure to your exclusive use.

Occasionally, the on-line system will go down if our golf course experiences an outage from our Internet provider or if the software company themselves, Jencess, experiences issues with their servers. Please be patient and try back again in a little while, some things regarding the Internet are simply out of our hands. Additionally, it's sometimes a good idea to "refresh" your page by clicking on your "refresh" button (you'll find this button along the top of your menu bar. The button is generally a box that has two green arrows circling each other; just give it a click.) But by all means, if you are ever experiencing any problems or have questions with the on-line system please feel free to contact either the pro shop or the administration office and let us know.

The Club also has (2) handicap entry computers located on the lower level of the Clubhouse where you can enter your scores & view your scores via Golf Canada's website. Your user name for Golf Canada is the same as your membership # for Millcroft with an "mc" in front of your #. For new members who have never had a Golf Canada account before, your password to start with is 123456, however we urge you to change this to something more private that only you would know. If you already have a Golf Canada account and you are a new member to the club, please let us know through your membership application or speak to us in person, and we will ask Golf Canada to move you over to Millcroft as your home golf club. Rest assured that after you try a couple of times, you'll be in a pro in no time, and when in doubt, please by all means do not hesitate to speak with the pro shop or myself in the administration office.

With respect to the dining room and your Food & Beverage accounts. Please note that the Food & Beverage minimum is an annual fee and these funds are to be used during the year you have signed up for. Any unused funds at season end will expire and will not transfer/roll-over to the following year. However, those members who choose to "add" or "top-up" additional funds up and over their initial f&b funds, included with their membership, will be allowed to carry forward these "additional topped-up funds" over to the following year. If you do not choose to "top-up" your account, then once your initial funds are depleted, you would simply then "pay as you go" in the dining room. Credit card numbers that were provided for your membership payments will not be stored on file any longer, so if you wish to "top-up" additional funds in the dining room or add funds to your "pro shop account", please see the dining room or pro shop directly with your form of payment in hand and they would be happy to process your transaction for you.

Last but not least, I would just like to touch base on golf etiquette on the course. As you are all aware, homeowners border the majority of our fairways. This said, we kindly ask that you respect their safety, privacy & property when playing out on the course by shouting "FORE" when errant shots are in the direction of homes. Should your ball enter their property, bear in mind that the ball would then become the ownership of the homeowner and attempting to access their property would be considered trespassing. Additionally, golfers are responsible for any damage to houses caused by their errant golf balls. Should you damage a homeowners' house, then by practicing proper, respectful golfer's etiquette, you would kindly ask to speak directly with the homeowners themselves if present and/or report the damage directly to the pro shop. Doing so will ensure that the Golf Club and it's patrons along with the homeowners continue to work together in a harmonious manner.

Should you have any questions regarding the Club's operations, please do not hesitate to speak with us. The main goal is to ensure that your experience at Millcroft Golf Club is the very best it can be.

Thanks kindly everyone.
Have a great golfing season!
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SENIOR MEN'S SECTION

On behalf of your Senior Men's Executive Committee, I want to welcome back all our returning members for the 2017 season, and also to offer a warm welcome to new members. This is my second season as Captain. We introduced several new Monday games last year, and your Committee plans to have another interesting season of friendly competition and friendship. Our games this season will continue with Monday morning team play, and Wednesday morning "Cleaners" Skins games. You will discover, if you don't already know, that Millcroft has one of the more successful Senior leagues in the area.

As in the past, the Monday sign-up sheets with member names will be posted in the Senior Men's Section bulletin board in the locker room 3 weeks in advance of each play date and removed 2 weeks prior to each play date. The Monday foursomes will then be posted 12 days in advance of each play date. Once that tee sheet has been posted, members must make any changes through the Pro Shop. If your name is not already on the sign-up sheet, write in your name and it will be picked up on subsequent sign-up sheets.

For Wednesday morning play, members must arrange their own tee times through the Pro Shop. You can make up your own foursomes, or sign on as an individual, asking to be placed in a foursome. A Shotgun Scramble and Lunch is held on the last Wednesday of each month, and we will continue to challenge all members with a variety of interesting games. The annual Stroke and Match Play competitions will be held during the season, as well as Ringer Board, Dream Team and Ryder Cup competitions as last year.

While we observe the rules of golf of the PGA of Canada, our objective is to provide enjoyable golf and good fellowship for everyone, and so the competitions are set up with this in mind. We welcome your comments, and I encourage you help out with some of the committee's duties, if you haven't had the chance to do so - it's a great way to meet others and keep the momentum going for the coming season.

Opening Day of play is scheduled for Monday, April 17th (but no competition). The first Shotgun & Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26th at 8:30am. Sign-up sheets are already posted in the Men's locker room for April & May.

Finally, I am pleased to announce that our captain for next year (2018) has already been chosen - Jerry MacDonald - and we welcome him to our 2017 committee as a valued advisor.

The committee and I wish you all a great season!

Bob Lalancette
Captain



Give me golf clubs, fresh air and a beautiful partner, and you can keep the clubs and the fresh air
- Jack Benny

BUSINESS LADIES

At last, it is time to ditch the winter parkas! I know many of you have been enjoying warmer climes, but I am happy to simply switch to a nice spring jacket and put on my golf shoes someplace besides the indoor driving range! Millcroft, here I come!

I am again looking forward to the start-up of the Monday Ladies Business League and seeing many familiar faces, hopefully along with some new ones! Whether you like to play 18 holes or 9, this is a great league to join. The 18-hole players generally start around 3:00pm, and 9-hole players will start just prior 5:00pm. We try to time it so that we can all enjoy dinner and wine together afterwards, along with trading some good stories.

BUSINESS LADIES CONTINUED.....

Every week, those playing will be asked to contribute a toonie to the league kitty. In addition, on the front 9, anything more than a 2-putt will cost a quarter (don't worry, if you have the misfortune of more than 4 bad holes, we won't take any more than a loonie off you!). To add a little more challenge, every other week we will have a "friendly" side-game, which will be chosen ahead of time by one of the players.

If you would like to join the Monday Ladies Business League, or would just like more information, please join us at Millcroft on the evening of April 24th. Meet other golfers, and have a few laughs while enjoying a complimentary glass of wine. Please bring any friends that you think might also be interested in our league. See you there!

Dates to Remember:

April 24 - Meet & Greet (7:00)

May 1 - 1st League Game

Sep 25 - Last League Game

Oct 2 - Closing Dinner & Prizes

Brooke Hutchings



LADIES SECTION

A warm welcome to all returning members and new members to the 2017 Ladies Golf Season.

We have a great committee this year, already hard at work, organizing the golf games, and social events. Again, we will have our Handicap (PIN) Days, Match Play games and of course some fun events including our celebration of Canada's 150th Birthday on June 27th. This will be a "Bring your friend day" so mark your calendars and join us in the celebration! We promise it will be lots of fun!

Our opening breakfast will take place on April 18th at 9:00 am. The cost for members, guests and potential new members is \$16.50 which includes taxes and gratuity. Members can opt to have the cost deducted from your food and beverage account or pay by cheque or pay at the club on the day of the breakfast. Please confirm your attendance and payment option with Wendy Ross at wendylross@cogeco.ca by April 11th.

There will be no official golf on April 18th, therefore if you wish to play please contact the Proshop.

We wish you all a great golf season!

2017 Committee Members:

Wendy Ross	Betty Cushing	Janet Farrell
Rochelle Morris	Marie Kenyon	MarySusan Snow
Brenda Blew	Carole Gleeson	Lois Ogilvy

MEN'S SECTION

A big hello and welcome to another season of Wednesday afternoon & evening competition among the men of Millcroft. Each year brings us a lot of good golf and friendly rivalries, but mostly a lot of fun and camaraderie. A new year also means adapting to various changes and challenges, and that keeps life interesting. We look forward to attracting lots of new blood in 2017 to replace several long-time section members that have recently moved on to locales outside of Burlington.

With an unbelievable 3 holes-in-one during last year's section play blowing our annual budget out of the water, we still have maintained the annual section membership fee at \$50.00. Each regular Wednesday league game will come with a \$10 entry fee payable to the golf shop before each round and, as always there will be an optional \$5.00 fee for those wanting to participate in a weekly Skins competition. Regular Wednesday play can be either a 9 hole or an 18 hole game with low net prizes allotted for both. Special tournament events (see below) are scheduled about once a month and come with a \$20.00 entry fee for 2017.

For regular Wednesday games, players book their own tee-times with the golf shop, typically from 2:00pm onwards, up to one week in advance. Tournament play will be more structured with sign-up sheets and assigned tee-times.

Monthly tournament events will offer cash prizes and regular Wednesday league play comes with prize certificates for Millcroft golf shop merchandise. It should be noted, part of the \$10 weekly entry fee for regular Wednesday play is allocated to supplement the cash prizes offered for the tournament events so, to be eligible to compete for prizes in the tournaments, your entry fee for playing in regular weekly games is required.

In addition to the low net scoring prizes offered each week, weekly games also come with skill prizes on a par 3 hole - **Closest to the Pin**, and a par 4 hole - **Closest Approach Shot**. You can also participate (optional) in season long prize pay-outs if you sign up for the **Ringer Board**, **Best 10 Low Net Scores**, and the **Match Play competition**.

The anticipated schedule of events for 2017 includes the following highlights (dates shown are still to be confirmed):

- Season Opening Scramble – Saturday, April 22
- Modified Stableford Tournament – Wednesday, May 17
- Tombstone Tournament – Wednesday, June 07
- Martin's Revenge Tournament – Wednesday, July 05
- 2 Man Better Ball Tournament – Wednesday, August 30
- Season Ending Ryder Cup Event – Wednesday & Saturday, September 27 & 30

Last year's experiment with a Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday (3 round) **Millcroft Club Championship** event in early August proved successful with various flights set-up to attract players at all levels of golfing skill. We will work with the Club staff to plan a similar tournament format in 2017. We also have a score to settle with our cross-town rivals in the Crosswinds Men's League so we can bring back the **Millwinds Cup** to its rightful home within the Millcroft Clubhouse.

With several of our long-time section members moving on, the 2017 season brings the added challenge of making the transition to replace their roles in helping to manage our section activities. We are actively appealing for volunteers to take on some of these important roles in 2017 – either to provide leadership as part of the Section Committee, or as a co-ordinator to run one of our various competitions and tournaments. Please offer up your services and help contribute to making the coming season a great success.

Julian Bugledich

Dave Bloomer

Captain

Treasurer

SENIOR MIXED SECTION

Welcome to new comers & all the returning members for the 2017 season.

Opening day will be Friday, May 5th. A sign up sheet will be posted the week of Apr. 17th to the 21st. If the weather is cooperating and there are enough of us who would like to play a week earlier together, by all means, please speak with the pro shop and they will book your tee off time.

The teams will be posted Mon. Apr. 24th for opening day. If you miss the sign-up sheets before being pulled down, no problem, just speak directly with the pro shop and they will schedule a tee time for you.

We shall make every effort to have couples play with a different couple each week and will try to accommodate special requests regarding tee times. After our morning of golf, please stay for lunch and relax.

After the tee times have been posted, should you wish to sign up or cancel, please contact the Pro Shop.

Hope for good weather & a great golf season. Enjoy your season.

Sincerely,
Ernie Davis
Senior Mixed Captain

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

Hello everyone, and welcome to the Friday Night Mixed League. Hopefully we have good numbers of returning couples this season and many new couples joining the league.

The Friday Night Mixed League is a fun filled afternoon/evening of golf and camaraderie for an initial \$40.00 membership fee per person.

All skill levels are welcome, as each Friday a different game is played, hosted by one of our couples. Every Friday night we also record our putts on the front nine. You can choose to play 18 holes (tee times begin after 2:30 pm) or 9 holes (tee times begin after 4:45 pm) depending on your schedule. An entry fee of \$5 per couple is collected each Friday night for prizes. After your game we all gather in the dining room for dinner, prizes and most importantly to socialize. Sign-up sheets with the tee times are posted on our Mixed League board downstairs by the handicap computers, and they are also circulated as well each Friday night.

This year we will have two fun filled, themed tournaments, end June and end September (dates TBD).

Our opening night will be Friday May 12th. If because of inclement weather we are unable to play golf, we will still meet in the dining room at 6:30 pm to meet for drinks and share a meal. The sign-up sheet for the May 12th Opener will be posted or call the pro shop for a tee time.

Looking forward to another great season of friendship with some fun golf thrown in!

Your 2017 Mixed League Captains,

Rick and Denise Stefiszyn
rstefiszyn@hotmail.com

FROM THE DINING ROOM

Did you know the meaning of a whole pineapple is "welcome friendship and hospitality"? Of course you did! If you go to a party and a whole pineapple is displayed, you know that no expense has been spared in guaranteeing your enjoyment. What made me think of this? Well the comfort I feel in coming back here to Canada and Millcroft after the winter and my travels. It's nice to be welcomed by the guy checking your passport, "Welcome home" he says with a smile. That is not the case you find nowadays, or at least what I found on my travels to a couple of different countries south of us. No smile and no welcome. It really is so nice to come home to Canada and our club where you are always welcome, no matter who you are.

Well, the Gang is all here so to speak, working to make your time with us enjoyable with new menu items from Mike and Kirstie training our new staff members. The other T's, my sisters, Teisha & Tamarin, as last year are coming in occasionally to help out and to visit. Mike's son, Iain, will be assisting him when time permits once again in the kitchen.

The bookings for functions are looking good in both places. You may wonder why I mention this so often. Essentially, it's because outside functions help to keep our (food) prices down for our members allowing us to buy in larger quantities and offer more exotic specials. On that note, if there is something you would like to see on your menus or specials at anytime please let us know. Toad in the Hole, Tripe and onions, Beef Wellington ...now there's an idea get a party of six or eight together and get Mike to knock up a Wellington, mmm don't forget to invite me....tripe not so much.

So welcome home to the smell of fresh mowed grass, clear fairways, the smell of fresh brewed coffee and something good cooking in our kitchen. Who would have thought the not so humble pineapple could say so much.

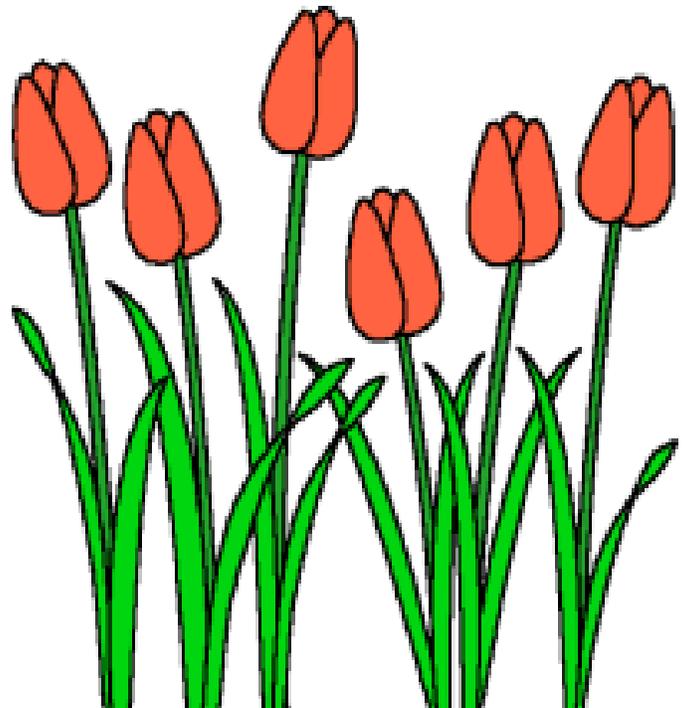
See you soon,

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*Please join us for Easter
Sunday Brunch on Sunday,
April 16th, 2017. One seating
is available at 11am.*

*Reservations are required and
space is limited. Please call
the dining room to make your
reservation at 905-332-5111
ext. 34 or email Tara Hill at
tara@millcroftcatering.ca*



Millcroft Golf Club

Sunday, April 16th, 2017 - 11:00am seating

Sample from our fresh salad station

Mixed seasonal greens with assorted dressings
Caesar salad with freshly shaved parmesan and bacon
Roasted root vegetable salad with maple dressing
Mexican quinoa salad
Deviled eggs

Chilled Seafood Display

Poached salmon, shrimp, mussels, smoked salmon

Fresh baked scones, croissants and turnovers

Selection of local and imported cheeses with berries

Artisan deli platter
Spring vegetable and dip

Eggs Benedict with our own Hollandaise sauce

Bacon and sausage
Herb roast new potatoes
Seasonal vegetable medley
Lemon herb roasted chicken

Omelette station

Carving

Roast striploin with red wine sauce and horseradish
Maple glazed pork loin

Artisan bread display with fresh unsalted butter

Sample from our spectacular dessert table including

Fresh made apple crisp with vanilla ice cream
Assorted tortes
Fresh fruit platter

Complimentary Columbian coffee and assorted teas

\$36.95 per adult plus HST, \$19.95 per child 6-12 plus HST, Children 5 and under eat free
A 18% gratuity will be automatically added to groups of 8 and over.

Reservations are required. To book your reservation,
please contact Tara Hill at tara@millcroftcatering.ca or 905-332-5111 ext.34

