



CEDAR HILL GOLF CLUB SPRING NEWSLETTER 2018

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

On a bright sunny evening, I am excited about the upcoming golf season. There are a number of events which I hope you are also looking forward to.

There have been a number of items which the Municipality of Saanich has delivered. The drainage on #13 has really made a big difference this winter. No mats and duck ponds down the middle of the fairway like last year. Also you can see the positive impact the improved drainage has had on #7 and #18. Now we just need to wait for the weather to keep beaming down upon the course so we can get out our spikeless summer shoes.

The parking lot lines are scheduled to be painted during the week of April 9-13. The exact day will be weather dependent. The painting will only take one day. The paved portion of the lot will be blocked off that day and all vehicle traffic will be routed to the gravel parking area. There will likely be single lane in/out so that the speed bumps and cross walk can be painted.

The golf passes go on sale March 26th. For those of you who bought a punch card you have until March 31 to use up your swipes. Take your friends out for a game of golf as once we hit April they will expire. 2018/19 will be the last season of the weekday passes, which are only available to those people who had them last year.

Saanich has implemented a new system to process payments. Because of that everyone will get a new card with a new picture on it. Everyone who has a younger and lighter version of themselves will now age about 10 years. Finally for those buying a full pass, the option to pay with 3 easy payments from your chequing account is now available. On April 15, May 15 and June 15, three equal payments will be taken from your bank account to pay for the pass. Saanich will also have the punch cards the same as last year. There is a complete information pamphlet which describes the options available at the counter by the front door.

The Ladies' Field Day is celebrating the 50th anniversary this year so I am hoping to see all the women golfing and the men volunteering on Friday June 8. Perhaps Doreen Hall and Carol Thompson, as the tournament coordinators, will secure some 'golden' prizes.

Paul Mooney is the new chair of the Cedar Hill Open this year. If you wish to volunteer, contact Liz Munn (lizmunnn@shaw.ca) for our May 19-20 long weekend tournament. Volunteers are always needed and all the profits go to course improvements. As evidenced, last year's profit paid for some of the drainage work on #13 this past winter.

Thanks to the Cedar Hill Golf Club board members, I appreciate your commitment to the club. Take a bow Nancy T., Nancy G., Scott, Mick, Val, Jeff, Donna, Graham, Carol and Doreen.

Finally I am looking forward to all the golf activities that our two new captains (Donna and Jeff) plus their willing team of helpers are presenting. Stay healthy, happy and may all your putts drop!

Alison Sweeten ,

President

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CAPTAIN'S REPORT

We are test driving the new bogey free software loaded on the men's new laptop.

Paul and I met with Carol Ireland and Craig re CHO Thursday March 15 at 10 am. and all is systems go.

The course is in great shape compared to previous years due in part to the investment in drainage and care of our grounds staff.

I have requested Golf Canada to switch over our handicap determination to active season effective April 1, 2018. This means that all scores made in BC during the inactive season (November to April 1, 2018) are ignored for handicap computation. As a result, you should see a difference in your handicap rating post April 1, 2018. However, the lift, clean and place and 6 inch rule will remain in effect until further notice.

Finally, we should expect some new members from Glen Meadows.

Jeff Monty
Club Captain

LADIES' CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The official start of our season is on April 3rd, 2018 with a 9 hole 2 ball/best ball format followed by lunch and a meeting.

The Daffodil Cup, our first tournament, will be held April 17 and April 24.

Our numbers for the coming year sit at 82 Tuesday ladies, 21 Business Ladies and 9 Social members

The highlight of 2018 will be our 50th Annual Field Day on June 8th, 2018, a charity event for Victoria Hospice. Work is already well underway to seek sponsors, auction items, door prizes, etc. If you can donate or sponsor a hole please let Carol Thompson or Doreen Hall know. We welcome all donations

Donna Prelypchan
Ladies' Captain

SENIOR MEN'S REPORT

Greetings! and Welcome to Cedar Hill senior men's golf 2018.

The 2018 senior men's/super senior men's championship is 54 holes and is scheduled for August 29, September 5/6 this year. The entry fee is \$30.00

The senior men's interclub competition is open to all senior men, in good standing (fees paid!, no qualification required) and, as in the past, I will do my best to ensure that each player gets a home (no "swipe" required) and away assignment (with accompanying beer and sandwiches). In the unlikely event that there are more than 66 entries, names will be randomly drawn. A great deal for your \$30.00 entry fee. Entry deadline is Noon, Wednesday April 4, 2018

The schedule is now available on Zone 5 website. Six golfers will represent the club in each match. The format is match play and the three foursomes will be determined by current handicaps. Generally, games are on Mondays...lunch at noon and first tee off times at 1pm. Players may request preferred venues and team partners and I will do my best to accommodate you, but please remember that I will not be able to please all of the people all of the time! When you sign up...(cash in the envelope please), you may also indicate your preferred date/location (Please indicate any dates NOT available) and preferred playing companion(s). Please dress appropriately for interclub competition.

It would be much appreciated, if you could please keep Friday June 8 free. This is the Ladies Field Day at Cedar Hill golf club and I am asking for your help, as volunteers, to make this day a success.

Best wishes, Mick.
mickgoodger@gmail.com 250.888.5809

FAIRWAYS & GREENS

We will soon have 30 sand and seed bottles for us to fix our divots. Please make a habit of taking a bottle along with you to fill divots. Make sure that you return it to the pro-shop at the end of your round so the next member can collect it. We are hoping that this will help our fairways be in good shape for our upcoming tournaments.

Scott Spence, Vice-Captain

JUNIOR REPORT



Our Bill Leutwyler Junior Golf program continues to grow. Last year we had 24 juniors in the 8-17 program. This year, we have 44 juniors enrolled. With a maximum of 48 we have only 4 spots left. All those enrolled in the program will become junior members of the club.

The SNAG program for 6-8 year olds has 13 children enrolled. We are sure that this will fill up before the lessons begin.

These are exciting times for Junior Golf at Cedar Hill. Well done Craig Rencher with your organization of the program and thank you Bill Leutwyler for your wonderful bequest.

Doreen Hall

Chair, Junior Committee

REVISING CLUB BYLAWS

In response to changes that were made to the BC Societies Act in November 2016, the Board is now in the midst of revising our Club's bylaws. We have until November 2018 to make these changes, and in addition to ensuring we are compliant with the new Act, we also recognized an opportunity to consider other changes that might benefit our Club.

When our Club began more than 60 years ago, our membership was much larger, majority male, and online technology did not exist. Our bylaws have, of course, been updated over the years, and this is another opportunity for the governance of our club to evolve.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee presented a number of options to the Board, and received direction to pursue some new ideas, including:

- Replace Club Captain with Men's Captain
- Change name of Ladies Captain to Women's Captain
- Add new elected position of Finance Director
- Introduce new AGM process allowing members to vote by proxy

We are now working with the Club's lawyer to implement these ideas into a newly drafted set of bylaws. Sometime this spring we will hold information meetings with you, the membership, to explain, discuss, and receive feedback on the new ideas and revisions. That feedback will then be incorporated, with a goal of presenting the final revision to a special meeting in September. This will allow changes to take place at the November AGM elections.

So stay tuned. The info meetings will be announced via email, and posted on the Club notice boards.

Val Mieras

Chair, Constitution & Bylaws Committee

MIXED TOURNAMENTS

Cedar Hill Golf Club has 12 mixed tournaments each year which include the Spring Fling announcing the start of the season. The first mixed is the Bob Gillespie Memorial which will be held on April 8th. From there we continue on April 22nd with the Frank Dutton, May 6th the Captain vs President, May 10th the Cedar Hill Members Memorial, June 24th the Bill Pepper Scramble, July 8th His and Hers, August 9th the Cedar Cup, August 26th Lorrie Genn, September 16 the Charlie Gibb Memorial, October 28th the Tombstone and November 1st the Survivor.

I urge you to support our mixed tournaments. The format for each tournament is different and notices with date, format and rules are sent out and posted on the Club website well in advance for you to make plans. I look forward to another great season at Cedar Hill

Respectfully submitted
Nancy Taylor,
Mixed Tournament Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Although we lost a few members throughout the year, we are rapidly replacing these with new members. The Cedar Hill Golf Club would like to welcome the following new members:

Clayton Snow	Claudia Lang
Billie Niblock	Elaine Crossley
Susan Czypyha	Russell Crossley
Brian Gandy	Jeannine Scoular
Craig Johanson	Jo Ann Dubney
Ed Toth	Glenda Hartigan
Lillian Kurtz	Linda Taylor

Congratulations to the following: Holes in One

February 6th, on a rainy, blustery day, Marsha Mallow scored a Hole-in-One from a long way back on Hole #10.
March 13th Joyce Adams sank a Hole-in-One on Hole #15.

Well done ladies! Sadly there were few people around to help celebrate.

Carol Thompson, Chair, Membership and Holes-in-One

CEDAR HILL PARK PLAN

Early in 2017, Saanich set up a Stakeholders Working Group (SWG) to come up with a master plan for the future of Cedar Hill Park. This group included staff from Saanich Parks & Recreation and the CRD Bowker Creek Initiative, as well as volunteer representatives from the Friends of Cedar Hill, three neighbouring community associations, (Quadra-Cedar Hill, Camosun, Mt. Tolmie), and I have been attending the meetings on behalf of the Cedar Hill Golf Club.

The primary focus of the discussions was about the park itself, which includes the chip trail, Kings Pond, the baseball diamonds and the natural areas. The golf course and rec centre were considered "out of scope", which means that the SWG was not mandated to discuss changes to those two established facilities. However, there was discussion about aspects that are shared with public access, such as the clubhouse, parking lot, and the intersecting bike trail. As well, the Bowker Creek Initiative has strong interest in daylighting the creek where possible, including where it runs through the golf course.

Two concrete things were accomplished by the SWG, including an agreed-to outline of the topics and themes that should be included within the plan, as well as the following new vision statement:

Cedar Hill Park balances nature, community, and recreation in a harmonious way. People, place and the environment share an intimate connection that fosters mutual health and well-being. We are all stewards of the park, committed to its long-term preservation and enhancement.

For the next steps, staff will present the vision statement and plan outline to Saanich Council in April. With Council's approval, staff will then spend the next several months writing the plan. The SWG will be reconvened sometime after the October municipal elections to review the draft plan and a public consultation process will occur after the SWG's review.

If you have any questions, let me know.

Val Mieras

SPRING FLING

APRIL 20, 2018 at 5pm



\$20

SWING INTO THE GOLFING SEASON

Book 9 or 18 holes and play with whomever you like & then join the fun in the Club house at 5 P.M. The fun includes, games, a putting contest, food & prizes.

Tickets available in the office from Moyra or, from Nancy G or Leigh

COMMUNICATIONS

Cedar Hill Golf Club's new and modernized website is up and running. It provides easy access to all your information, needs and questions. You can find tournament details, rules, draws, results, information about club events, and much more. Please provide feedback from your experience with the new face for Cedar Hill Golf Club. www.cedarhillgolfclub.com so that we can make it even better.

Doreen Hall, Communications Chair