



TEE TALK

Pitt Meadows Golf Club

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MAY 2016

Welcome New Members

Shane Hayward
Matt Demkier
Shawn Chapell
Brett Osolin
Steve Rhodes
Keegan Gordon

Welcome Back!

Steve Tindall
Rejean Canac-
Marquis

Spring Update:

FINANCIAL UPDATE

We continue to see positive results in our financial operations. As we ended our 2nd quarter on March 31, 2016, our total revenue exceeded budget, year to date. Our expenses, year to date are equal to budget, including approximately \$28,000 in extraordinary items. These expenses were for repairs and upgrades to the clubhouse, and also equipment acquisitions. We have seen strong performance in membership & guest/green fees, and have solid banquet bookings for the remainder of the year. We are forecasting continued improvement in the overall finances of the club and we will continue to be pro-active in reviewing expenses and maximizing revenue. All departments have been instrumental in these favourable results.

CLUBHOUSE

Resurfacing of the 2nd floor patio deck commenced on Monday May 2nd. Work is scheduled to be completed by May 27, 2016 but is dependent on weather and condition of the existing surface. A new shoe cleaning station will be set up in the next couple of weeks and will be located on the south side of the pro-shop. This will require some re-location of the rickshaw pull carts in that area. Relocating the station will help clean up the breezeway to encourage visitors to the course to access the upstairs restaurant. We will also be adding signage in the breezeway to identify the upstairs restaurant. Power carts will also be eliminated from using the breezeway and signs to that effect will be installed.

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COURSE

Driving Range

New practice mats have been received and placed in the covered area of the driving range. The use of the covered area will be arranged in conjunction with the grass tee hitting areas, to avoid any possible injury. Hitting areas for the grass tee area will be placed in such a way that the covered range area can be used at the same time. We have also added more visible target poles and will be installing distance markers shortly.

#10 Bridge repair

Work on replacing the bridge on #10 will begin Monday, May 16 and is expected to take approximately three days to complete. When work is being done, golfers will access the forward tee on #10, via the bridge on #1 and walking behind the 18th green.

Sand Traps

Additional sand has been added to some sand traps. The sand that has been added is generally used for greens and therefore appears different to members. This different type of sand is significantly cheaper and should not have any effect on playability.

Flag colours

Members will notice that we have changed from yellow flags to blue flags to designate the back pin positions on the greens. This was done to improve visibility against the background.

Cleanup

Work continues to clean up some tree debris on the course. Work has also been done to clear debris near our parking lot which has opened up the view of the 11th hole.

Maintenance

Aerating the green surrounds and fairways will commence during the first week of May. This aeration will be solid tines rather than core tines to minimize debris from plugs.

Overseeding of the green surrounds and some distressed areas of the fairways will follow the aeration work.

Planned work on the tee box of #2 will be the removal of the set of steps in the middle of the tee box rise. A low maintenance material will be put in place once the stairs are removed. The stairs towards the rear of the tee box will remain in place for the time being. Repair to the cart path pot holes has commenced. Additional material has been ordered to complete the remaining pathways.

GOLF OPERATIONS

The club will be implementing a course marshaling program by the beginning of June 2016. The focus will be to manage pace of play during busy public play periods. If you know of any non-members who may be interested in having an opportunity for golf privileges, please have them contact the office.

Although we have encountered some minor introduction issues, our online booking system is working well. We are working with our system provider and encourage members to contact the office with any issues that may arise. Please continue to use the online booking system as it is intended to simplify our business processes.



Member Anniversaries:

Congrats to all the following members for celebrating membership anniversaries in the months of January, February and March

50 Years
Ernie Lemay

35 Years
Al Haggard

30 Years
Marguerite Lemay
Gunnar Miller
Harold Ritchie
Terry Salchenberger

10 Years
Mike Beck
Barbara Heuchert

5 Years
Janice Patracek
Ray Patracek
Gord Schellenberg

Dates to Remember:

Join us for these great events in the upcoming months.

Junior Golf Day - May 29: 1PM - 2:30PM

Call now or email to register for this great event: 604 465

5431 ext 242 or email cwallace@pittmeadowsgolf.com



Sunday May 29th | 1:00 - 2:30pm

COME ENJOY AN AFTERNOON AT
PITT MEADOWS GOLF CLUB!

RECEIVE INFO FOR THE 2016 GOLF SEASON
INCLUDING PITT MEADOWS JUNIOR CLUB
MEMBERSHIP AND SUMMER GOLF CLINIC SCHEDULES.

OPEN TO ALL JR. GOLF MEMBERS AND
NON-MEMBERS!

CALL THE PRO SHOP FOR MORE INFORMATION
604-465-4711

To sign up for this free event, please register online at
pittmeadowsgolf.com on the upcoming events page
or call 604 465 5431 ext 242.

Join us for Pasta Nights:



Join us each Thursday Night in Four Nine North Bar & Grill to enjoy all you can eat pasta, dessert and buffet! Reservations are recommended 604 465 5431 ext. 272



Account Payment Options:

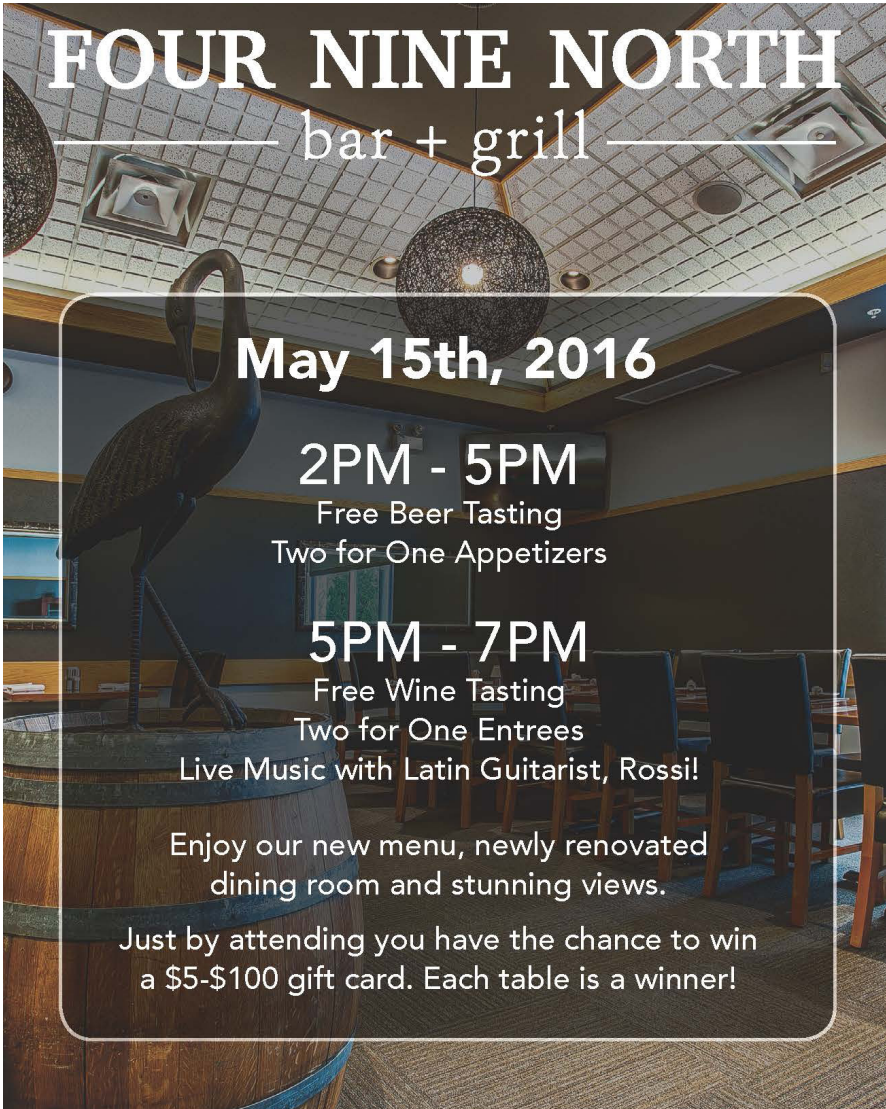
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- Pre-authorized visa and master card (authorization forms available in the office)
 - Cash
 - Personal check
 - On-Line payments through:
 - all credit unions
 - CIBC
 - Scotia Bank
 - TD
 - BMO

We are currently investigating setting up with Royal Bank for on-line payments if there is enough interest from the Membership. Please send Jane MacKenzie an e-mail at jmackenzie@pittmeadows-golf.com if an on-line payment option with Royal Bank would be beneficial to you.

Note - Statements for April will be delayed until May 10, 2016

Restaurant Grand Re-Opening:

Join us May 15 for live music, 2 for 1 appies and entrees and free beer and wine tastings. Reservations recommended 604 465 5431



FOUR NINE NORTH
— bar + grill —

May 15th, 2016

2PM - 5PM
Free Beer Tasting
Two for One Appetizers

5PM - 7PM
Free Wine Tasting
Two for One Entrees
Live Music with Latin Guitarist, Rossi!

Enjoy our new menu, newly renovated dining room and stunning views.

Just by attending you have the chance to win a \$5-\$100 gift card. Each table is a winner!

Golden Ears Men's Invitational:

The Golden Ears Men's Invitational Tournament will take place on July 31st - August 1. Registration is now open for this event. First priority will be given to 2015 event participants.

Pitt Meadows Golf Club members receive the special rate of \$165.00 for amateur registration. To register or for more information please click [HERE](#).



BGCA Cards Ready for Pick Up:

BCGA/Membership cards can be picked up in the admin office during office hours.

Hitting Cages & Mats:

Hitting cages are available for purchase for \$125.00 each. The cages are approx 5 years old. Several mats are also available free of charge. Please contact the office at gm@pittmeadowsgolf.com

Parking Lot Safety:

A friendly reminder to remove all valuables from your vehicle prior to heading out onto the course. This will help to prevent theft.

History of PMGC Needs You:

Several years ago, long time member Andy Smith wrote a history of the club. Fellow member Margarite LeMay helped with keeping the book up to date. But the last time the book was updated was in 2007.

Howie Stevenson has offered to get the book going again and has proposed that it be stored online as part of our club website. He has suggested that the history should be somewhat interactive. Pieces submitted will be published in the TEE TALK and then pasted into the history. We are looking for interesting aspects of the history of PMGC or a fun, interesting experience of yours or your group that you want to share.

Howie has already asked some members to share their stories and experiences. Among these are:

- The time I won \$16,000 in the Pitt Pot. And other Pitt Pot stories. By Brian Van Os and others
 - How we started a wine club at Pitt Meadows and what we have learned. By the Wine Doctor
 - The day my group scored a 2, 3, 4 and a 5 on the 4th hole. By Gord Fairbairn and Brian Monks
 - The "oopsie" that meant we had to rebuild all our greens in the years after the course opened. By some members from the 70's
- The current history book contains no pictures. Please contact Howie Stevenson if you have pictures or your own contributions: stevensons@shaw.ca

Friendly Reminders:

- Please remember to rate the bunkers prior to moving on to the next hole
- Fill your divots! Please remember to take sand and seed with you before heading on to the course. If you take a divot, please remember to sand and seed, and replace.
- Help to preserve the grass tee driving range. Check out this great article and learn how you can help: [CLICK HERE](#) to read.
- Power carts are no longer allowed in the parking lot, or in the breezeway. This is for safety and insurance purposes.
- The restaurant now has an access point via the the side door in the breezeway. Weekly specials and menu will be posted shortly
- Member cards may be required for purchases made from the beverage carts



Pro Talk:

Our 2016 golf apparel from Adidas, Under Armour, Antigua, Loft 8, Levelwear, and Lopez has arrived along with a wide selection of Adidas and FootJoy golf shoes. A complete selection of 2016 golf equipment has also arrived including new product from Callaway and TaylorMade. For anyone who has credit in the pro shop, now is a good time to use it while the pro shop is fully stocked.

The Men's Spring Kickoff is scheduled for Friday May 27th, cost is \$110 which includes a great buffet dinner and guaranteed prize value of \$50. For more information or to sign up, contact the pro shop.

We would like to invite all junior members and non-members of all ages to enjoy a fun afternoon for Junior Golf Day at Pitt Meadows Golf Club, Sunday May 29th from 1pm-2:30pm. This day will include a FREE BBQ for all juniors who attend, putting and chipping instruction and access to the driving range for FREE tips to help with golf swings. Brad Ewart will also be on site performing his golf shot trick show at 2pm.

We encourage all adult members to invite and bring along any juniors that are interested in golf to take part in an enjoyable afternoon at Pitt Meadows Golf Club. Any adult members who would be interested in volunteering their time for this event are asked to contact the pro shop as we will need a few extra bodies to help make this event a success. Information about the golf club junior events, drop-in driving range sessions and summer lesson clinics are also available. Please give us a call at the pro shop for more information or any questions you may have. We look forward to an exciting year for Junior Golf!

With this fantastic weather continuing, it's a great opportunity to get your game tuned up with a golf lesson. Our CPGA Professionals are available to help you with any part of your game, please contact the pro shop to book a lesson.

Thank you for your continued support.

Your pro shop staff,

Neil, Craig, Wes, Phil, Larry