

NEWSLETTER



WELCOME BACK

What an opening week it was, we have had an average of 197 players a day. We also had our opening social at the Clubhouse we're we had over 150 + Members and Guests join us. Our Clubhouse received some much needed attention this winter and looks fantastic. If you have not joined us yet, please do.

We will be hosting many more member and guest events through the season please keep an eye on your emails or posters around the club.

TAGMARSHAL NUMBERS

The CGC has invested in improving our pace of play and member guest experience, we have purchased a new software called Tagmarshal to help. Since we opened April 26th.

- We have tracked 220 Groups.
- 157 - 18 hole rounds
- 63 - 9 hole rounds
- Average round time 4:10
- Expected round time is 4:15

We will provide updates throughout the summer



MEET YOUR MANAGEMENT TEAM



Alex Egan
General Manager



Dean Durnford
**Member Services
& Admin**



Dan Fraser
Head Professional



Matt Blackburn
Superintendent



Joanna Neilsen
**Food & Beverage
Manager**



Jake Ward
Associate Professional



COURSE MAINTENANCE NOTE

There is Nothing Like the shade from a Tree on a Hot Day

Trees are often a controversial topic at a golf course and understandably so. However, trees can significantly impact turf health in a negative way. When we look at trees on the property, we ask questions like:

Is the tree healthy? If a tree is not healthy it can be a safety hazard. Also, if it is significantly damaged the tree can be unsightly.

Is the tree crowing or blocking a specimen tree? Often fast growing and undesirable trees can crowd a desired tree. A good example of this is the clearing we did on the left side of number seventeen green. We exposed the beautiful large oak tree and another oak tree that was behind it.

Are the trees blocking a view? This was also the case on seventeen behind the green and on the right side of number two. In these areas we removed undesirable trees to open up a view to the ocean.

What species are best suited for the property? Trees like white birch and poplar are poor trees for exposed sites. They produce a lot of debris and can become unsightly.

We will continue to manage the trees on the property by asking these questions and evaluating trees before they are removed. When trees are replaced or planted, we will use trees that are suited to our property.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Junior Clinics are just around the corner, for more information on dates and times, and to register your junior member please follow the link below.

<https://www.golfgenius.com/pages/9375920611588618021>

HELLO FROM THE PROSHOP

Just want to say a quick hello and welcome back to all the members for the 2023 season. Everyone loves this time of year, but especially golfers who get to test out that new swing thought with that new driver or golfers who have been stuck in simulators all winter. It's planning to be a great year with some new events on the calendar for members to participate in and enjoy.

Some of you have been in to meet the new staff we have in the pro shop and back shop areas. Were pleased to have so many familiar faces return for the season. Scott and Craig Weagle are off the ice and on the golf course while Mark Chandler also returns after a successful NCAA season. Go Bulldogs!

We do have some rookies on the team this year as Brandon Bailey, James Marchand, Ewan Galloway, and Tamara Kershaw were all a part of our strong 2023 draft class. We're very excited to welcome them all to Chester and I'm looking forward to seeing them get to know all of you too. Also, our Associate Professional and bronze medal winner in our local 3 person PGA of Canada match Jake Ward is back to assist you with all of your golfing needs!

Downstairs, the backshop is just as strong as John Saltzman, Dominick Lowe, Marshall and Mitchell Josey Grace Lantz, Mike Dunlevy, Jaxon Pearson, Adrian Nunn and of course Mark Swinamer all returning but you'll also see some of the new faces in the pro shop helping out downstairs too.

We do have quite a few new team members as Starters and Player Assistants this season. New for this season are Bill Drane, Ron Simmons, Keith Wilesmith and Ed Burdon. They will join Wossie Dauphinee, Wayne Arnold, Rene' Flinn and Nate Stepner as Starters and Player Assistants for the season.

Some dates to keep in mind for May and early June: danfraser@chestergolfclub.ca or jake@chestergolfclub.ca

- May 19th Callaway Fitting Day 11:00-4:00
- May 21st Club Opening Scramble
- June 3rd Men's and Women's 2-Ball Tournament
- June 8th Cobra Fitting Day
- June 9th Titleist Fitting Day.

For more information on how to sign up for the fitting days please see either Jake or myself. Sign up info for the Opening Scramble, Men's & Women's 2-Ball will be out next week.

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One thing to be aware of for events is keeping an updated Golf Canada Handicap. If you need assistance getting started establishing a handicap or need your login details please don't hesitate to reach out and we can help you with that.

Your Pro Shop is fully stocked going into the season and we brought in some new lines we're hoping you'll like. You'll see popular lines like Foot-Joy, Nike, Puma along with an expanded selection of Level-Wear, Sun Ice and some new brands like Travis Matthew and Stoney Wilds will keep you looking like a golfer if you struggle being one.

If you're like me, I get fired up to play in the offseason while I'm watching a big tournament or the Netflix PGA special. I really should be doing much better in Andy's golf pool, but I'm hoping last place pays out too. To start the season I'd thought I would go over some quick driver setup tips to potentially help you improve your tee shots this spring.

1. Pick a side of the tee box-When you tee up your driver, the side of the tee box you pick should match your shot shape. You want to hit across the fairway, to give yourself more margin for error. The left side of the tee box would be a better side for a player who moves the ball from right-to-left. The right side is better for a player who shapes it from left-to-right. This is for a RH golfer.
2. Half the Ball Over the Crown- To get the most out of a tee shot, you want to hit the ball with an ascending blow. Tee height is essential to help you with that. The best drives are the ones where the bottom of the club hits the top of the tee. To give yourself enough room with the modern day drivers, that means pegging it so about half the ball is above the crown of the driver. Our new Martini Tees can help with that too. (Shameless Plug)
3. Add Some Side Bend / Tilt- Just to build on hitting the ball with an ascending strike, it's best to add some side bend at address. You want to feel like the center of your upper body is slightly tilted away from the target. Creating that angle with your shoulders will help you hit the best drives of your life!
4. Check that Ball Position! - Another key checkpoint to create that ascending blow is to have the ball placement in line with your lead shoulder. That will allow you enough room to extend your arms and create the most speed into the ball.
5. Swing Away- Once you have the setup basics, you'll be in a good position to swing away freely. It'll give you your best chance of hitting a great drive. If one of these basics is off when you tee up your driver, you'll probably see a loss in distance and direction. With a little driving range time and practice, they'll become second nature and you'll be hitting them out there with Jake!

That's all for now. Let's have a great season!

Dan

HELLO FROM THE CLUBHOUSE

The 2023 season kicked off to a great start with our members and guest social! Thank you to everyone who came to try out some of the new menu items and celebrate the start of the season. The turn out was incredible and it was great to see everyone again.

So far there has only been positive feedback on the renovations and the new menu items. We have kept a lot of the classic favourites but added some great new additions including ribs, a tuna poke bowl and cauliflower wings. When you come into the clubhouse you can expect to see some returning staff but we have lots of new people joining our team this year. Please make sure to introduce yourselves and make them feel welcome. This also makes it even more important to take the time to sign slips when putting things onto your accounts!

We are very excited in the clubhouse for the new season and the upcoming events. The Gals Night out celebrating 65 years of The Women's Division is on May 9th, followed very closely by the start of the WOW and Mens league. We look forward to welcoming everyone back!



MAY & JUNE CALENDAR

May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Ladies Night Out Clubhouse 6 – 8	10	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day Special's in the ClubHouse	15 Start of Women's Clinics	16	17 Start of Junior Clinics	18	19 Men's League Opening Tee Times 12 – 6 Callaway Fitting Day 11- 4	20
21 Club Opening 8 & 1:30 Shotgun's	22	23	24	25	26	27 MJT Junior Event 11 – 2 Tee Times
28 MJT Junior Event 10 – 12:30 Tee Times	29	30	31			



June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 BlueGoose Event 9:00 Shotgun Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	2	3 Member Member 2 Ball 9:00 Shotgun Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30
4	5	6	7 SR Men & Members Shotgun 8:00 Dept of Surgery Event Shotgun 12:00 Wow Shotgun 5:00	8 Cobra Fit Day 10 – 3 Nine & Dine Shotgun 4:00	9 Titleist Fit Day 11 – 3	10 Member & Green Fee Shotgun 8:00 East Chester Com Event Shotgun 1:00
11	12	13	14	15 Shipbuilders Event Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	16	17 Member & Green Fee Shotgun 8:00 RBC Scramble Shotgun 1:00
18 Father's Day	19	20	21	22 Dal Hockey Event Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	23	24
25	26 Member & Green Fee Shotgun 8:00 Ernst & Young Shotgun 1:00	27	28 Super Senior Shotgun 8:00 Car Dealership Shotgun 1:00 Wow Shotgun 5	29 Ashrae Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	30	

