

NEWSLETTER



RAIN RAIN STILL GO AWAY!

Well August decided to be very similar to July with lots of temperamental weather, continuing to dampen the golf course and the 23 Golf Season.

We remain positive that September the usual best golfing month will hold strong to that claim and produce us some good golfing weather and give our fantastic members & staff, something to look forward to.

We have many Corporate events in September & October so please take a look at the calendars below to be sure you know what is going on at the club.

The highly anticipated annual Schooner Two-person event is nearing. To secure your spot, we encourage you to sign up as soon as possible, as limited spaces are available.



TAGMARSHAL NUMBERS

We are starting to see longer round times, for two main reasons. Lots of walkers due to no carts and having to work around the wet areas are seeing the average time creep up to 4:12. The below numbers are just for June and July.

- We have tracked 4316 Groups.
- 2656 - 18 hole rounds
- 1660 - 9 hole rounds
- Average round time 4:12
- Expected round time is 4:15

We will provide more updates throughout the summer, This system and our marshals have helped us keep the pace at the club consistent. Please remember to drop your tags off in the Bins located on by #9 & #18 Greens. Thank you for embracing our TagMarshal system.

NOTE FROM OUR GM

I hope you are all doing well and enjoying the month of August. Despite the continuous rainfall, our course is managing to cope with the weather conditions. It's worth noting that this time last year we were facing water shortages in our pond.

Unfortunately, we've had 17 days this year that we consider washouts, meaning half a day of play was affected by bad weather. Additionally, we had a total of 8 closed days. Despite these challenges, our rounds are down by 3,718 compared to last year, which is relatively good considering the weather conditions. Whenever we have nice weather, the tee sheet is consistently full.

I'm pleased to inform you that our annual staff party was a huge success. Over 50 out of our 70+ staff members attended the event, representing all departments. This turnout truly reflects the camaraderie and enjoyment our team experiences at the CGC.

August was a busy month at the club, featuring a sold-out Nine and Dine event, our club championship, and the JN Pew and. Looking ahead, we are optimistic that September and October will be strong months for us.

Our Team consisting of Matt B, Dan F, Rick R, Craig D, and myself attended the AGSA annual scramble in PEI at Fox Meadow Golf Club. It was an enjoyable day, although we didn't win, finishing at -11. During our visit, we had the opportunity to network with industry representatives, as well as course managers and staff from other courses.

On a different note, Jake Ward took four juniors to the annual PGA Pro Junior event. Due to weather conditions, the event was hosted by Amherst Golf Club. It turned out to be a great day, with our juniors winning fantastic prizes and creating lasting memories and of course Ice Cream.

Thanks,
Alex



NOTE FROM OUR ADMIN AND MEMBER SERVICES DEAN DURNFORD

Important Notice: Update Your Contact Information

With the end of the golfing season in sight, we want to remind all our valued members about the significance of keeping their contact information up to date.

During the off-season, it is crucial for us to have accurate contact details for all our members. This ensures that we can effectively communicate any updates or news, happening at Chester Golf Club.

If you have recently changed your address, phone number, or email, we kindly request that you inform us as soon as possible. By doing so, you will continue to receive important club announcements, invitations to exclusive member events, and other valuable information.

Updating your contact information is quick and easy. Simply reach out to our proshop at 902-275-4543, extension 1, or send an email to memberservices@chestergolfclub.ca. Our friendly staff will be more than happy to assist you with any changes or updates.

At Chester Golf Club, we strive to provide exceptional member services, and keeping your contact information current is an essential part of that commitment.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us maintain accurate records and ensuring effective communication with all our valued members.

COURSE SUPERINTENDENT NOTE

I feel like we are in the same situation as when I wrote last month's newsletter. We are dealing with the same conditions. We may have a better handle on the clippings, but the stubborn wet spots are still wet. Just when things start to get close to drying up, we get another major rain event. Since July first we have received 540mm of rain and counting as I write this. We have changed priorities this fall from building some tee decks to installing drainage and extending some cart paths.

The following are some highlights of the recent work we have completed:

- We removed the sod from a portion of 18 tee, levelled the tee and reinstalled the sod.
- We used our big fairway slicer to aerate the wet fairway spots to help move water through the profile.
- We aerated greens with a small pencil sized solid tine.
- We did some more tree pruning.
- We have started edging bunkers as well.

Much of the work this month has been cleaning up after the rain events. We are hoping that this rain stops, and we have a more enjoyable fall.

Please take care and follow the signage and stay out of the wet areas that are pegged off.

Matt Blackburn
Golf Course Superintendent



"Golf Like No Other"

HELLO FROM THE PROSHOP

UOh hello everyone, I'm sure other submissions have already touched on the weather (Most likely Matt) so no need to talk about meteorologists who are awesome people, never wrong and how everyone loves them.

As we move into September I would like to make sure to thank the staff members we had who worked with us during the summer. James Marchand, Grace Court, Mark Chandler and Marshall Josey are all heading back to their studies and I'll be keeping tabs on their grades too. Many thanks to all of them for their hard work, and early mornings over the summer! We do have more students on staff, but you'll be seeing them on some weekends as they just can't get enough of this place!

This past month saw the playing of the Women's Handicap, J.N. Pew and the Club Championships. Mike & Sherry Brine took home the titles for the J.N. Pew and Women's Handicap but they weren't done there. The both took down their respective titles in the Club Championship too as Mike won the Sr. Men CC and Sherry won the Overall Women's Title. The overall Men's Champion was Chad Pearson who won his third straight Men's Championship and his 4th overall title. Harry Davis (1981,82 & 83) and Ross McNeil (2011, 12 &13) are the only other Men's Club Champions to win 3 titles in a row.

Other winners were Barb Arsenault who won the Women's Sr Title. Barb had won the previous two Club Championships and is developing a friendly back and forth rivalry with Sherry. Sue Hennigar won the Women's Masters Title for the second year in a row. Joey Burry won the Super Sr. Men's Title while Jaxon Pearson won his third straight Junior Boys Title and Lila Bishop won her first Junior Girls Title. Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to everyone who played.

I wanted to take a second to let you know about the Robinson Cup Matches that are being held at Osprey Ridge and CGC on Sept 30th & Oct 1st. The Robinson Cup is an annual competition between Osprey, Bluenose GC and Chester and this year is its 25th year. Captain Mike Richardson has put together an all star squad that is destined to bring the Cup back where it belongs. It would be great to have you come out on the 1st to cheer on the lads!

One common theme on the range is to aim too far to the right and swing over the top which leads to a loss of power and can cause a big slice. Practicing with an alignment aid is one of the easiest ways to train your aim and reduce your chances of coming over the top. To do this, place an alignment stick in line with your target, just outside of your ball position. When you get over the ball, make sure your feet, knees and hips are square to the alignment rod.

If you're someone that needs to look at the target before you pull the trigger, swivel your head, not your entire upper body. Players that aim too far right have a tendency to move their entire upper torso when peaking at the target.

Or you can do what legendary instructor Harvey Penick says to do and Take Dead Aim!

Until next time, you're up!

Dan



JR Girls
Lila Bishop



Women's Overall
Sherry Brine



Women's Senior
Barb Arsenault



Women's Masters
Sue Hennigar



JR Boy's (11-14)
Elliott Bishop



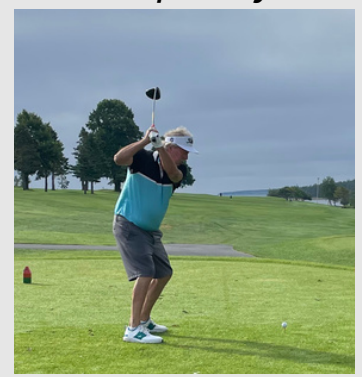
JR Boys
Men's Overall
Jaxon Pearson
Chad Pearson



Men's SR
Mike Brine



Men's Super SR
Joseph Burry



NOTE FROM JAKE ON THE ATLANTIC PRO JUNIOR EVENT

The annual PGA of Canada Atlantic Pro Junior tournament was hosted at the Amherst Golf Club on August 23rd. Chester sent a team of juniors along with Assistant Professional Jake Ward. This year's team included Elliott Bishop, Owen Swinimer, Evan Nauss and Fisher Schnare.

The group had a very fun day and finished with an impressive 7 under par. The Pro Junior event is a unique way to give junior golfers an opportunity to play with their local professional and come home with lots of prizes. Highlights of the day included an all day BBQ and plenty of free golf balls.

Jake Ward
Associate Professional



HELLO FROM THE CLUBHOUSE

August has been an incredible month for the CGC Clubhouse restaurant, and we are immensely grateful for the overwhelming support you continue to show us. We have been very fortunate to have such a fantastic team in the clubhouse this summer. They have worked hard to ensure we are serving quality food with great service everyday. The team has done a great job keeping up with the ever increasing numbers dining with us this summer.

In terms of events, the past month was relatively calm, with the highlight being our Nine and Dine event featuring the talented Jon Cyr. It sold out rapidly, exceeding all expectations and leaving a lasting impression on all attendees. We really appreciate your enthusiasm and support for this monthly event. Stay tuned for details of our final Nine and Dine later in September. We recently hosted our annual staff appreciation day - It was a wonderful afternoon celebrating the hard work everyone has put in this year and a great opportunity to say goodbye to the students returning to school. Wrapping up the month, we had the pleasure of hosting the WOW closing. While it was unfortunate that the golf portion of the event was cancelled due to rain, we were delighted to see that everyone who attended enjoyed the delicious meal.

Moving into September we will be adjusting our hours slightly. The beverage cart will be going out Wednesday to Sunday and breakfast will only be served on the weekends. September is tournament season and we have a large number of events coming up. Unfortunately, these mean closing the restaurant for lunch or dinner service so make sure to call ahead to avoid disappointment. We will do our best to stay open for our members as much as possible.

As we look ahead to the coming months, we are excited to continue providing you with unforgettable dining experiences and memorable events. Our team is devoted to consistently surpassing your expectations and creating a welcoming environment where you can relax, savor delicious food, and create lasting memories. Once again, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support, as it is your enthusiasm and loyalty that make the CGC Clubhouse restaurant thrive.

Joanna Neilsen
Food & Beverage Manager

F & B fall hours of operation & closed dates

September	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Restaurant	11AM - 8PM	11AM - 8PM	11AM - 8PM	11AM - 8PM	11AM - 9PM	8AM - 9PM	8AM - 8PM
Bar/Snack Bar	9AM - 8PM	9AM - 8PM	9AM - 8PM	9AM - 8PM	9AM - 9PM	8AM - 9PM	8AM - 8PM
Bev Cart	No Cart	No Cart	10AM - 6PM	10AM - 6PM	10AM - 8PM	10AM - 6PM	10AM - 6PM

September 6th – Closed all day

September 8th – Opening at 5 pm for dinner

September 9th – Closing at 3pm

September 10th – Closed all day

September 14th – Closing at 3pm

September 15th – Opening at 5 pm

September 23rd – Closed all day

September 26th – Closing at 3pm

September 27th – Closing at 3pm

September 28th – Closing at 3pm (Nine & Dine)

CLUB PICTURES

PRESIDENTS NIGHT



**OUR ANNUAL STAFF PARTY WE HAD
OVER 50 OF OUR 70+ STAFF**



**HOLE IN ONE
ANDREA MOUNCE-HALASZ
WITNESSES: JOANNE DYKEMAN, JOHN
HALASZ, NEIL MACGILLVARY HOLE 8**



**HOLE IN ONE
TOM MACKAY 6 IRON WITH
BARRIE JARDINE, JEFF LAMB,
TOM KOSTANDOFF. HOLE 8**



**HOLE IN ONE
GARY GRAVES ON HOLE 2**



**DAN & JORDAN MILNE FINISHED T3 AT
THE CALLAWAY 2 PERSON EVENT @
HAMPTON GOLF CLUB IN NB**



**MATT, ALEX, DAN & RICK ATTENDED THE AGSA ANNUAL
SCRAMBLE AT FOX MEADOW IN PEI FINISHED -11**



SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER CALENDAR

September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 Labor Day	5	6 Member & Green Fee Shotgun 8:00 BBB Shotgun 1:00	7	8 NSIWA Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	9 Member & Green Fee Shotgun 8:00 Men's League Closing Shotgun 1:00
10 Bonny Lea Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	11	12	13	14 Member & Green Fee Shotgun 8:00 IPONS Shotgun 1:30	15 Building Trades Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	16 Member & Green Fee Shotgun 8:00 Pro Kids Shotgun 1:00
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Schooner Invitational No Tee Times Till 6pm
24 Schooner Invitational No Tee Times Till 6pm	25	26 Women's Day Closing 8:00 Legendary Hospitality Shotgun 1:00	27	28 Bob Boucher SMU Shotgun 9:00 Nine & Dine @ 4	29	30 Robinson Cup Matches @ Osprey Golf Club



October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Robinson Cup Matches @ Chester Golf Club	2	3 Women's Div AGM Shotgun 10:00 9 Holes Member & Green Fee Split Tee 12:30	4 Chester Golf Club AGM 7:00 PM	5 Champions Dinner 5PM	6	7 Chester Minor Hockey Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30
8	9 Thanksgiving Day	10	11	12 Women for Wishes Shotgun 9:00 Member & Green Fee Split Tee 2:30	13	14
15 Club Closing 8 am & 1pm	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 IronBall 10:00 am Shotgun	30	31 Halloween				

