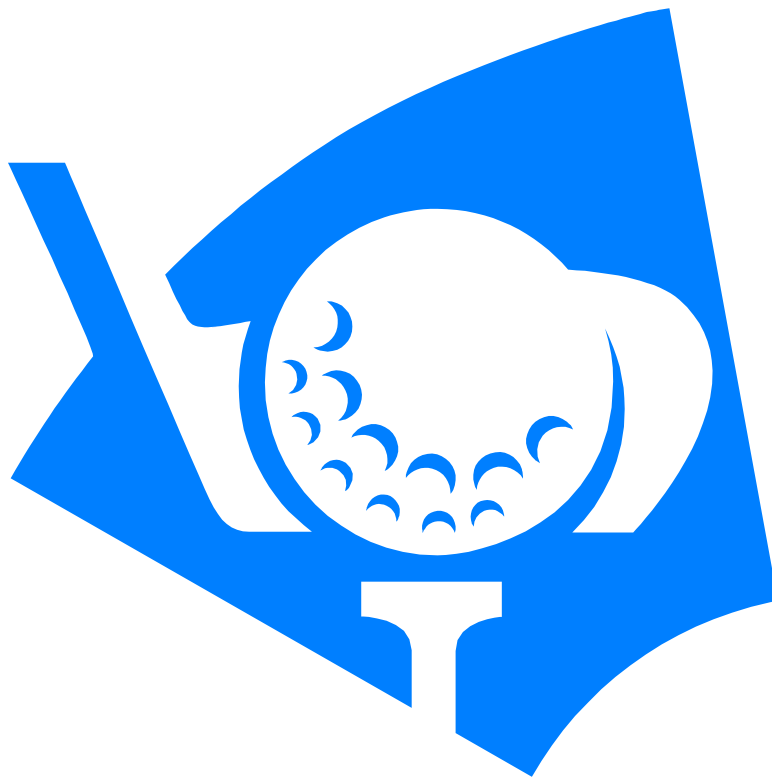


CEDAR HILL GOLF CLUB

NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2011



# President's Message

## Hello Cedar Hill Golfers!

My first couple months as your new president have been interesting to say the least. I'm not much of a mudder, so I haven't played any golf at Cedar Hill yet this year, but I've certainly done lots of golf business and golf socializing!

Even in the winter, this Club continues to contribute revenue to the golfers' lounge. There were a number of Sundays when the golf course was closed because of frost or floods, when a good crowd gathered in the lounge anyway to watch TV golf and football, and keep in touch with golfing friends.

## Golf Advisory Committee Update

This is the time of year when the Golf Advisory Committee discusses the cost of green fees and golf passes, as well as what the passes will include for the upcoming golf season. At the time of writing, there are still some outstanding issues to work out, but I am pleased to say we have had some success so far.

At the December 8 Golf Advisory Committee meeting, we were presented with a recommendation to reduce the number of rounds we can play from 65 to 60 games during prime months. However, we were able to defeat that motion, and our 2011 passes will entitle us to play up to 65 games between April 15 and Oct 15. No change to the quantity of games allowed in the off-months, so our year's total will stay the same at 120 games.

The other news is that the cost of green fees will be going down, twilight rates will be going up, and our passes will stay the same as last year. Of course we will see an increase due to the difference between this year's HST and last year's GST, but we all knew that was coming. Including HST, a Full Pass for 2011 will be \$1,350 and a Restricted Pass will cost \$1,050. Green fee rates, including HST will drop to \$35 mid-week and \$40 on weekends. Twilight rate will go up to \$30 for all 7 days.

Other changes include removing the Passholder/Green Fee blocks Monday-Friday to create "open times" with three exceptions: we will continue to block Tuesday mornings for the Ladies Club, the first two hours of tee-times on Wednesdays will be blocked for Passholders, and the first two hours of Twilight each day will be blocked for Green Fee players. We continue with advanced booking of three days ahead for Passholders and five days ahead for Green Fee players, but the days will begin at 6 pm instead of midnight – hopefully letting some people get some more sleep! As before, any vacant time can be booked by anyone the day before.

Our weekend times are still under discussion, but we should have some decisions made by the next Golf Advisory Committee meeting, scheduled for March 2.

## Be Considerate About Your Tee Time

One thing I need to emphasize...if you love the fact that we can now book tee-times, please understand that you also have to un-book when you can't make it. If you're not going to use your time, for whatever reason, pick up the phone and let the Pro Shop know as early as possible, so they can fill your spot with another player. Be considerate of other golfers – not just Green Fee players, but Club members too – who may be trying to pick up a game at the last minute. How disappointing to be told the field is full, and then find out someone went out as a twosome or threesome.

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## President's Message (con't)

### Your New Board

I'm looking forward to working with the new Board; I think we have a great team with a good balance of perspectives. I'm thankful that Arthur Smith will continue on the Board as Past-President, and Reg King and Aki Graber continue as Men's and Ladies' captains – the combined experience and insight of these three dedicated people is hugely valuable to this club.

Mike Cook will continue to provide leadership for our Junior Club, and will be making Cedar Hill proud as he steps up his involvement at the Zone 5 level. Harold Wickstrom will continue the fine job he did last year in organizing activities for our Senior Men. Jamie Millin will soon be unveiling her winter project of redesigning our website, and continuing her role as Communications Chair has already been busy creating this newsletter you're now reading. Phil Gerry will build on his past year's experience to put some ideas into action to as Membership Chair.

Newly elected, but by no means new, another past-president, Craig Lawrence brings his considerable experience back to the Board, taking on double duty as Chair of the Social Committee and Greens Committee. I hear the Spring Fling his committee is planning for April 9 is NOT TO BE MISSED! After working hard for the Ladies Club, Nancy Taylor joined the Board this year, and will be organizing our too-much-fun Mixed Tournaments.

Perhaps the newest of the bunch are Ted Gilbert, our new Vice Captain, and Heinz Burki, who will take on Chair of the Finance Committee. Ted brings new ideas gained through active involvement in other clubs before moving to Victoria, and Heinz has a combination of golf and career experience that makes him valuable to the club in many ways.

We can't forget Geri Simmons of course, who now has the task of breaking in and training a new president. She is a wealth of information and we are lucky to have her as our Club Secretary.

**Happy Golfing Everyone!**

Valerie Mieras

## Communications

Stayed tuned for details of the newly revised website which should be up and running for the start of the 2011 season.

Jamie Millin



*Golfer: Think I'm going to drown myself in the lake.*

*Caddy: Think you can keep your head down that long?*

*Golfer: I'd move heaven and earth to break 100 on this course.*

*Caddy: Try heaven, you've already moved most of the earth*

## Club Captain

The 2011 golf season is almost upon us though it is hard to believe considering our golf course is pretty much under water. From experience we all know how fast this course dries up and I'm sure it will be playable by the time our first tournament rolls around towards the end of March. The first men's tournament of the year will be the Frank Gavin Memorial on March 20. This tournament is also the first qualifying round for the Willie Park and Frank Gavin interclub teams. The second and third qualifying rounds will be the following weekend on March 26 and 27. The fourth qualifying round will be on April 3, which is also the Easter Turkey Shoot, our first mixed tournament. I would like to welcome our new golf club committee and thank them for volunteering their time.

I would especially like to recognize our new President Val Mieras for the countless hours of work she has already put in for the club. Ted Gilbert will be the vice captain this year and I'm sure will be willing to help in any way he can should I be unavailable.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all on the course in the near future.

Reg King

## Ladies Captain

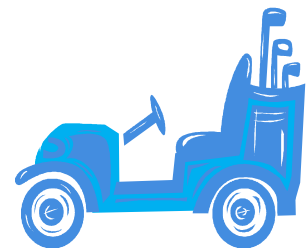
The Ladies' Division is looking forward to an exciting 2011 golf season.

Our Spring Opening takes place on Tuesday, April 5 with a 9-hole tournament and lunch followed by a general meeting. We hope you will all be there. It's a fun and sociable way to start the season, to reconnect with fellow golfers and to meet new members. It's a way to keep yourself informed about your golf club, to pay your Tuesday competition fees and to buy your new 12-month golf calendar.

And thanks to our social co-chairs, Linda Campbell and Marilyn Kraeker, we look forward to new items on the menu with just a small increase in price to cover HST.

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*Golfer: Do you think my game is improving?  
Caddy: "Yes sir, you miss the ball much closer now.  
Golfer: Do you think I can get there with a 5 iron?  
Caddy: Eventually.*



## Ladies Captain (con't)

Thanks to your input from last fall's survey, Match Chair, Shirley Granger, has put together a season of Tuesday competitions which reflects your wishes.

We are pleased to announce that our first interclub will NOT be at Royal Colwood at the end of March (in the rain) as has been the custom for the past number of years. Happily, in response to our desire to play when the weather allows us to enjoy that lovely course, our match with Royal Colwood takes place in May, with many thanks to Vice Captain, Carol Thompson, for the work she has done in scheduling all our interclub matches to everyone's satisfaction. Watch the Interclub bulletin board in the locker room for signup sheets. We encourage everyone with an established handicap to sign up to participate in these matches. It's a chance for you to play at some lovely courses and make new golf connections.

Our annual Cedar Hill Ladies' Field Day takes place this year on Friday, June 10. This is a charity event in support of an outstanding institution, Victoria Hospice, which provides quality end of life care to people of Victoria. We hope you will all support this very worthy cause and in the words of Linda and Marilyn, "...invite your golfing buddies from other clubs to this very fun event. The more the merrier!" This year the plan is to have a Fashion Show in partnership with the Hospice Thrift Shop which will highlight some of the items available in the Thrift Shop. Watch for further announcements about this exciting new venture.

We look forward to sharpening our golf skills under Jamie Murphy's tutelage with group lessons on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays beginning on April 4 and continuing until the end of August. If you wish to participate contact Gail Hunter or Jamie.

Also on the calendar will be Senior Buttons matches. If you are 60 years of age or older you qualify for Buttons competitions. Find out more about Buttons by contacting Jean Frame. Please watch the Zone 5 bulletin board for the many Zone 5 events and entry forms. You may also go to the Zone 5 website for information and entry forms.

Check your fixtures list for other important dates including the Senior Games qualifying, the Senior Games in Nelson/Castelgar and a rules seminar at Royal Colwood in April.

I'm excited about the new season and hope you are, too. See you out on the golf course or at the 19<sup>th</sup> hole!

Aki Graber



*Golfer: You've got to be the worst caddy in the world.*

*Caddy: I don't think so sir. That would be too much of a coincidence.*

*Golfer: Please stop checking your watch all the time. It's too much of a distraction.*

*Caddy: It's not a watch - it's a compass.*

# Juniors

As the 2011 golf season kicks off, the Zone 5 Junior and Cedar Hill Junior Club tournaments have been finalized. This year's Vikes Junior Tour starts in March with ten events; details have been sent to all the juniors via e-mail and are posted on the Zone 5 Website: <http://www.bcgazone5.org/jrinterclub.html>

The Lyle Crawford Junior Open is scheduled for July 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. As in past years, the excellent work of this committee and help from the club directors and volunteers makes this a very popular and well run tournament.

On behalf of the Junior Development Committee, I would like to thank all club members and pro shop staff for supporting our junior program and wish you all a great golfing season for 2011.

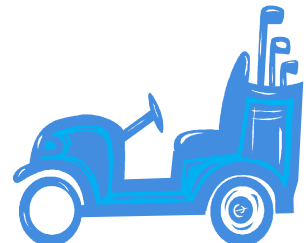
## 2011 Junior Fixture List

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Sunday April 24, 2011	Jr. Meeting	12:00 pm	
Sunday April 24, 2011	Spring Opening	1:30 pm	\$10.00
Saturday April 30, 2011	Claude Barlow (Net)	1:00 pm	\$10.00
Two Day Tournament Monday July 11, 2011 & Tuesday July 12, 2011	Doug Gallop	1:00 pm	\$15.00
Two Day Tournament Wednesday July 27 & Thursday July 28, 2011	Lyle Crawford Junior Open	11:00 am	\$70.00
Two Day Tournament Thursday August 4 & Friday August 5, 2011	Al Davies (Gross)	1:00 pm	\$15.00
Three Day Championship August 29, 30 and September 1, 2011	Club Championship*	1:00 pm Day 1 1:00 pm Day 2 11:00 am Day 3	\$25.00
Saturday September 17, 2011	Jake Logie Jr/Sr	9:00 am	\$10.00

Michael Cook

Golfer: How do you like my game?

Caddy: Very good sir, but personally, I prefer golf.



## Senior Men

Hello all Men's Senior Golfers.

Spring is just around the corner and all Cedar Hill Senior men are invited to attend the many opportunities to mix with fellow members and senior members from other clubs.

Opportunities abound in senior interclub play. All members who sign up will play in the interclub matches. Please keep an eye out for the notice to sign up for play which will be posted on the men's senior bulletin board.

The procedure for **Senior Interclub** this year will be the same as last year. Please enter your name by placing \$10 in a brown entry envelope with your name and handicap on the outside. If you have a preferred partner you wish to participate with please fill out your entries together.

**Senior Open Buttons:** As was determined by the Zone 5 committee last year, interclub buttons matches will only be available in the open category. This being the case the Seniors Committee will be endeavouring to pick the more skilled players to avoid less skilled players feeling compromised. This quite often results in more spots being available for the regular interclub matches.

During the summer golfing season we will also be endeavouring to sponsor 2 or more mid week **Stableford** competitions depending on the positive response of the senior members.

So, senior members should be encouraged to recruit other seniors and passholders to join our very active club, and get involved with these challenging competitions.

Harold Wickstrom

## Social

The first social of the season will be on **SATURDAY, APRIL 9.**

See poster at back of newsletter for details.

Craig Lawrence



*Golfer: Do you think it's a sin to play on Sunday?*

*Caddy: The way you play, sir, it's a sin on any day.*

## Mixed Tournaments

This will be my first year as Mixed Tournament Chair and I have to say I am looking forward to the challenge. I have a great committee which includes Pauline Smith and Al Foster as well as many offers of help from members so it should be a fun year. The mixed tournaments are a wonderful way to come out and meet the members of Cedar Hill as well as have a lot of fun.

Not only will you have fun on these eight Sunday's but you also get a nice tee time, a chance to try out several different formats of golf , you might get a prize, you could win a trophy or you could just have plain old fashion fun!! I encourage all members who come out for the tournaments to join us in the golfer's lounge after the game for a nice cold beverage and the opportunity to meet all the golfers who played that day.

Entering our tournaments is easy. Watch for the notices on the bulletin board near the computer about 4 weeks before each tournament. Once all entries are in the draw will be done and posted in the same spot. If you wish to be on my email list, please write your email address on your entry envelope of the first tournament you enter.

At the time of writing this the fixture list has not been approved so I will give you a tentative date for our first tournament The Easter Turkey Shoot. The planned date is April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Watch for posters announcing this and all other tournaments.

Have a great golf season and see you all on the links!!

Nancy Taylor

## Membership

During the past year we have welcomed the following new members.

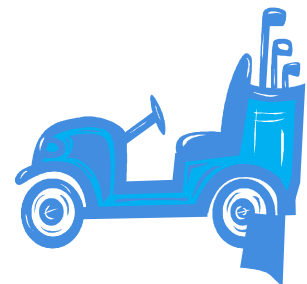
Art Antrobus, Yvonne Audette, Chris Bowles, Glenys Bradford, Paul Chartrand, Rhea Diamond, Doreen Hall, Gillian Hawkins, Robert Heath, Dave Irvine, Randy Jones, Chris Kyla, Bonnie Leard, Marion Mallory, Joan McPhie, Peter Nieuwhof, Ada Oegema, Jack Pepper, Ray Rae, Wendy Swonnell, Sheryl and Stelio Tedesco, Teresa Wong, Judith Young, Bud Foster and Greg Wallingham.

I hope you are all enjoying what your membership has to offer - please contact a member of the board if you have any questions. As we look forward to the upcoming season we encourage members who have ideas of how we can improve your club experience to contact any board member.

Phil Gerry

*Golfer: This is the worst course I've ever played on.*

*Caddy: This isn't the golf course. We left that an hour ago.*



# Greens

Some of the projects being explored this season are:

1. Redoing the tee on #8 to utilize a larger area;
2. Adding forward tees on #12 and #18;
3. Drainage issues on #16.

Craig Lawrence

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*Golfer: That can't be my ball, it's too old.*

*Caddy: It's been a long time since we teed off, sir.*

# An Ode to Golf

*In My Hand I Hold A Ball,  
White And Dimpled, And Rather Small.*

*Oh How Bland It Does Appear,  
This Harmless Looking Little Sphere.*

*By Its Size I Could Not Guess,  
The Awesome Strength It Does Possess.*

*But Since I Fell Beneath Its Spell,  
I've Wandered Through The Fires Of Hell.*

*My Life Has Not Been Quite The Same,  
Since I Chose To Play This Stupid Game.*

*It Rules My Mind For Hours On End,  
A Fortune It Has Made Me Spend.*

*It Has Made Me Curse And Made Me Cry,  
And Hate Myself And Want To Die.*

*It Promises Me A Thing Called Par,  
If I Hit It Straight And Far.*

*To Master Such A Tiny Ball,  
Should Not Be Very Hard At All.*

*But My Desires The Ball Refuses,  
And Does Exactly As It Chooses.*

*It Hooks And Slices, Dribbles And Dies,  
And Disappears Before My Eyes.*

*Often It Will Have A Whim,  
To Hit A Tree Or Take A Swim.*

*With Miles Of Grass On Which To Land,  
It Finds A Tiny Patch Of Sand.*

*Then Has Me Offering Up My Soul,  
If Only It Would Find The Hole.*

*It's Made Me Whimper Like A Pup,  
And Swear That I Will Give It Up.*

*And Take To Drink To Ease My Sorrow,  
But The Ball Knows ... I'll Be Back Tomorrow.*

Author Unknown



# CASINO NIGHT

Saturday—April 9th, 2011

\$25/person

Music, food, games, silent auction

Tickets on sale beginning of March in Grab 'n Run

