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2011 FALL / WINTER NEWSLETTER

Thank you everyone for a much enjoyed 2011 Golf season!

First I would like to thank all the hard working and dedicated staff employed at Millcroft this year who helped the course through a season of extreme and challenging weather. All of your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to next year there are no major changes planned for the golf club. We will continue to plant additional trees on some holes and perhaps naturalize a few more areas around the course. If you have any questions regarding next season please do not hesitate to contact us.

I wish everyone a wonderful winter and I hope to see everyone back early next Spring.

Ed Liptay
General Management

FROM THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Hard to believe we are winding down the 2011 golf season! Time flies!

The 2011 golf season here at Millcroft proved to be my toughest challenge ever in my 11 year tenure as a Golf Course Superintendent. Weather extremes all year long are what caused me to gain many new grey hairs!

It all started in the spring when we received record amounts of rainfall for the months of April, May and early June. It kept the course nice and green however the ground was so saturated we were not able to cut the rough for extended periods of time. After the rains finally subsided we began summer in relatively good shape until record high temperatures and drought set in. We went close to 5 weeks with little or no rain and temperatures in the mid 30s. Our water supply dwindled to the point that we were purchasing water from the city just to keep our greens, tees and approaches alive. Unfortunately some fairways suffered the heat and drought poorly, however looking at them now in the late fall they have recovered tremendously. We still plan to aerate and over seed as many fairways as we can before the snow arrives.

Due to the new pesticide ban we are now monitored very closely on our pesticide usage and must incorporate (IPM) integrated pest management into our management scheme. I am pleased to report that Millcroft Golf Club has now received level II accreditation from the IPM Council of Canada.

After such a challenging season I am really looking forward to 2012 and bringing Millcroft back around to the golf course we have all been used to. A course that has always felt like a second home to many of us, a course we enjoy playing and a course that we can all be proud of.

I look forward to seeing everyone here again next year and wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

Yours truly,

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membership for an enjoyable 2011 season. I would also like to thank the staff and members for doing such a great job throughout the season, we

Club championship weekend was filled with fantastic weather and great golf with two champions winning their titles back. Michaela Dimarcantonio who won the championship back in 2008 was once again top of the leader board with back to back two days of solid golf to clinch the title. Mark Raven proved to be Millcroft's champion winning his 10th title as club champion.

A special thank you to all the members and guests who took part in the Carpenter Hospice tournament, Our Millcroft members raised an outstanding amount of \$ 22,100.00. An additional thank you to Doreen and all the ladies on the committee who made this tournament such a success this year.

2011 was a great season of leagues, thank you to all the captains, co-captains and committees for running such a smooth year of fun competition. Looking forward to hearing from all of you and setting up our schedules for the 2012 season which will be here before we know it.

Have a Merry Christmas and we'll see you early in 2012

Sincerely,
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Hello Millcroft Members,

I would like to thank all of you for making this year fantastic. I can truly say that the members and staff make coming to work everyday pleasure. I'm happy to say that I will be returning next year working alongside Natalie, assisting the pro shop in operating to the best of its ability for all of the various sections and members.

I will again be offering lessons next year at both **Millcroft** or Indian wells. Please feel free to contact me for more details.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon or at the start of what will be another great year at Millcroft Golf Club in 2012.

Happy holidays everyone,

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Take the time to reflect back on this year and thank all of our members. Mother Nature surely didn't cooperate at times, we still managed to get in our golf and have fun with friends along the way. We are lucky to have such a wonderful group of Members and staff here at Millcroft and we hope to see many familiar faces next year. For any new members coming on board, we look forward to welcoming you into our Millcroft family and the camaraderie we all share.

Additionally, a big thank you to all of our league captains and all of their volunteer committees for without them, our leagues would not operate. You all work so hard all year long to ensure your leagues run smoothly and we appreciate all of your efforts and hard work.

With respect to our membership offerings for the 2012 golf season. In addition to our Full Unlimited Play Memberships, we are happy to introduce (2) new game packages under our Limited Membership. Our (15) & (30) game memberships allow golf being played Monday to Friday, and on Weekends, by paying an upcharge of \$10 in conjunction with using a game for tee times from open up until Twilight. After Twilight, no upcharge would apply and you are welcome to simply use a game from your package. For those that might not wish to pay on the spot their weekend upcharge, they are welcome to estimate the number of games they might play on the weekend from their game package and that add some additional funds to your pro shop account, either via your membership application or in person when you visit the pro shop in the Spring. The shop will then deduct your fee for your weekend game via this account when you check-in. Additionally, you will see that we've introduced an Associate Membership for those that might to try our golf course and membership out for the first time, or perhaps your schedule fluctuates not allowing you to play regularly every week and you prefer less of a commitment, than this membership might suit you; pay a nominal fee to join and then pay as you go for any games after that with a 20% discount off your green fee.

We will still be offering our Guest Rates on green fees, and please note that the discounts are either \$5 off tee times from open up until twilight, and then \$2.50 off tee times from Twilight until close. This will be important to those that buy game packages and might wish to calculate the possibility of them having to buy additional games at the end if they run out and how much they will pay for Guest Green Fees.

With respect to those of you that may use our Public Loyalty Green Fee Card (from the pro shop) please note that for anyone that is paying a Senior or Guest Green Fee rate or playing from Twilight to close, only one stamp will be given on your card. And if you reach a discount box, \$5.00 off will be the maximum discount additionally off your discounted Guest Green fee.

If you are interested in playing in any leagues next season, you will find a separate league sign-up form included with your Membership Package. This league sign-up form can be submitted to the golf club along with your Membership application and we in turn will direct it to the specific league executive for you. The leagues prefer to have you submit your sign-up forms as early as possible so they can draw up their rosters, sign-up sheets, do their accounting, etc. well before the season begins. For those of you writing cheques for the leagues, please date your cheque to be cashed based on the date you are submitting it to the golf club, meaning **please do not post-date your cheques for the leagues**. The leagues are happy to have you on board playing with them, however they do not wish to be responsible for holding onto your cheques in their possession for many months until the season begins in order to deposit them.

If you have any further questions regarding membership, please do not hesitate to contact me as I will be more than happy to assist you. Generally, throughout the winter months the administration office will be open Monday to Friday from 10am to 3pm. For convenience, you are welcome to drop off your membership application in person (during the winter months however, it may be best to call or email in advance to ensure someone is here), fax it in to our office or mail your application to the Club which is delivered to a secure and locked mailbox. If you wish to participate in the payment plan for membership, please note that these payments begin on January 15th, 2012. Leading up to the holidays, the office will be open up until December 19th to submit your application in advance, or will then reopen after the holidays on Friday, January 13th, 2012.

Wishing everyone a happy & healthy holiday and a Happy New Year! See you in 2012!

Sincerely,
Jennipher Orr
Manager of Administration

Once again our annual staff golf tournament in August this year a wonderful day enjoyed by all. A gracious big thank you to all the members who were so kind to donate prizes for our prize table. All fifty staff members in attendance went home with a gift in hand and a smile on their face! Thank you again for your support!



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season and I hope you have all enjoyed it as much as I have. Weather some dry, were a challenge for the maintenance crews, and our thanks they have done under adverse conditions.

We once again successfully completed Match Play, Stroke Play and two Dream Team competitions as well as our various weekly competitive games, thy Cleaners competition and the Ringer board. I have listed the "Roll of Honor" below.

We introduced a bit more variety into the Monday games this year, and also tried out the "Step-away" scramble for our closing luncheon event. We would welcome member's views on any of the changes we have made this year as well as any suggestions to improve our section activities for next year.

I would like to give a big vote of thanks to our committee for the great job they have done in arranging our games, inputting results, managing and distributing the money! Brian Nutter, Peter Niggemann, Bruce Ahrens, Bob Garside, Louis Blanchette, Dave Pope, Cyee Beechey & Tom Walker. A lot of work is involved in these activities and these folks deserve a big round of applause.

Special thanks also to NATALIE and JAMES, along with their Pro Shop staff for the assistance they have provided throughout the season. To TARA & MIKE of Millcroft Catering+ and their staff who provided us with excellent quality and variety of food along with service we have all come to enjoy so much. And to JENNIPHER ORR, who continues to provide us with excellent administrative support.

This year we had 116 members. We wish all the best to those who have had to leave us for whatever reason, and welcome our new members and hope you will continue with us next year.

We look forward to seeing you all again next year and hopefully to greeting more new members to replace those of us who sadly have to give up this glorious, frustrating game! If you are a senior male and wish to participate in our section you can contact Jennipher Orr at the club.

I will be continuing as your captain for 2012, and I am happy to say that this year's committee has agreed to continue for the upcoming season. Please note that we will be needing a new captain for next year, a new treasurer, and likely volunteers for several of the other functions. To those of you who have not yet contributed to the running of the section, I would ask you seriously to consider putting your names forward during the course of next season as volunteers for the captaincy or for other functions. Without volunteers we have no section!!

I wish you all a great winter and look forward to spring and another season of golf, stay healthy.

ROLL OF HONOR

Harold Cole Trophy:		Ross Kelly		
Stroke-Play:	A Flight:	Menno Homan	B Flight:	Norm Blondin
	C Flight:	Grant Walton	D Flight:	Larry Dunsdon
	E Flight:	Lou Kulcsar		
Match-Play	A Flight:	Egon Fritz	B Flight:	Tom Walker
	C Flight:	Grant Walton	D Flight:	Joe Downey
Ringer Board	A Flight:	Kevin Murphy	B Flight:	J.R. Gallant & Grant Walton
	C Flight:	Gunner Boeskov	D Flight:	Larry Dunsdon
	E Flight:	Bruce Ahrens		

Holes-in-One Terry Friel, Cyee Beechey, Gord Goobie, Andrew Hallett, Bruce Ahrens

Congratulations to all!

Andrew Hallett
Captain, Senior Men's Section



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ason. From our kick off wine and cheese in April through to the closing had perfect golf weather this summer with very few rainouts. Our lot of fun.

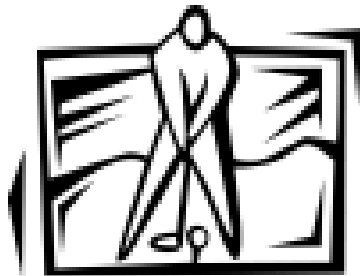
Congratulations to all of our winners, Helen Schiza and Donna Bishop for their success at the club championships. Our combined match play with the Tuesday Ladies League was won by Randa Sabbagh. This year's wringer board winner was Pat Start. And finally, Kathleen Perrone and Muriel MacLaren each had a hole-in-one.

Summer by the Sea, our member guest was a great success. The weather was perfect, we could not have had a better day. The costumes and decorated carts were amazing. Helen Schiza won for the best decorated cart and our winning team was: Deb Stafford, Donna Bishop, Heather Buchanan & Barb Baier. Mike prepared a beautiful meal to match the theme. What a day!

As the season comes to a close, there are so many people to thank for supporting our league. James and Ryan always had a smile as they checked us in each week and Terry cheerfully made sure we played at a good pace. Natalie and Jennipher were always behind the scenes making sure we had everything we needed. Martin and his team made sure that the playing conditions at Millcroft were as good as could be. Tara and Teisha Wood and all the other servers did an amazing job of ensuring that our meals and drinks arrived with a smile. Mike did a super job preparing weekly specials to vary the regular menu.

We will have a new Treasurer for the 2012 Season. Linda Price will take over from Jacky Barrington, who has done a great job for two years, thanks Jacky. Jo-Anne Knox will be leaving us to enjoy her retirement, traveling with George. Thanks for your contribution Jo-Anne. Muriel MacLaren will join Chris Patrick as Co-Convener. Thank you to all our members for making this past season so much fun. Hope you all have a great winter, happy holidays and a happy and healthy 2012. See you in April for our wine and cheese.

Jacky Barrington
Jo-Anne Knox
Chris Patrick



FROM THE MEN'S SECTION

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of yet another golf season at Millcroft. This year brought many challenges to our section. The wet spring forced us to revamp our tournament schedule and extended our Wednesday League into October. However, all hurdles were met and surpassed thanks to an understanding men's section and a team of dedicated committee members.

Congratulations to all the winners of our tournaments and Club Championship flights. They are too numerous to name here. A special thanks once again goes to Win McInnis, whose generous contribution made our 2 day McInnis Cup event a huge success.

As we look forward to next year, some major changes are in the works. Discussion surrounds the future of our Sunday League and Tournaments. Your incoming captain, Ross Bamford, will be heading up a committee that will oversee these changes. Once we have finalized the schedule, all members will be contacted and advised accordingly.

I hope we all have a safe and short winter season and I look forward to seeing everyone in the spring!

Costa Schizas
Men's Section Captain



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...e did the time go!

...ing Day was rained out, as were the following 4 weeks, but finally the ...ing on Tuesday mornings. We also had 10 new ladies join our league this year who we were all very pleased to have with us. The summer was beautiful, weather wise, after all the rain in the spring, the course still dried out during the ...og days+of July and August, but Martin and his team did their very best to keep the approach to and the greens in good shape. Thanks to these men for all their long hours and hard work.

Our support people, Natalie, James, Michael and Tara and their staff, once again performed admirably and with great cooperation, the pro shop were as always accommodating and our food and beverage people kept our tummies and thirst happy. Thank you to all.

The Games Co-Captains, Sue and Sheila did an excellent job of putting out the schedule each week and making sure we all were aware of what was happening each Tuesday. The Match Play format of combining with the Business Ladies worked well, congratulations to Randa Sabbagh for winning the Match Play Championship and runner-up was Gail Hedderson.

Livia and Jane being the Co-Captains for RCGA (Handicap Day) presented the awards as follows:

Low Net Winner was Deb Finesilver, runner-up Elaine Dupuis, and most improved for Handicap Days was Janet Farrell, runner-up Sylvia Stockwell.

A few milestones took place, breaking 100- Elaine Dupuis, Ruth-ann Nothof, Deb Stafford, breaking 90- Pauline Billinge, breaking 80- Heather Buchanan, Deb Finesilver

Hole-in-Ones were obtained by Kathleen Perrone, (Deb Finesilver and Muriel McLaren- later in the season) well done ladies.

The Ringer Board A flight winner was Heather Buchanan, runner-up- Deb Finesilver; B flight winners- Betty Cushing and Joan Davies, runner-up- Kathleen Perrone; C flight winners- Ruth-ann Nothof and Rochelle Morris, runner-up- Sue Woodland.

The August first weekend was again the date of our Club Championship, both men and women, this is a fun event, we just need more women to take part, and it's all flighted so everyone has a chance. Each year, we alternate organizing the womenspart with the Business Ladies, it was their turn this year, thanks Business Ladies.


The Womens Club Champion was Michaela DiMarcantonio ; flight A winner- Marg Bickerton, runner-up- Donna Bishop; Flights B&C combined (lack of ladies) winner- Ruth-ann Nothof, runner-up- Betty Cushing.

Once again we had an extremely successful charity event. The Carpenter Hospice was again our charity of choice, they became the recipient of \$22,000. Well over the goal that was set from last year. The Carpenter Hospice and staff are most grateful for our contribution. Doreen Pomeroy who is our %leader, extraordinaire+for this event, managed to make the event so worthwhile for everyone, and we all had a lot of fun which included a great meal and wonderful prizes. Thanks to Doreen and all her committee.

A little arm-twisting and smooth talk by Heather Buchanan has resulted in a new executive for 2012. President-Gail Hedderson, Past President-Betty Cushing, Games Co-Captains-Deb Stafford and Heather Buchanan; RCGA Co-Captains- Elaine Dupuis and Ruth-ann Nothof; Treasurer- Deb Finesilver; Social- Pauline Billinge; Secretary- open. The 2012 Schedule has already been put to print, with Opening Day, set for April 17,2012, looking forward to another great year of golf and friendship, see you then.

Betty Cushing
Past President





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mixed feelings as Mother Nature+threw us some curve balls; we had stoked up the furnace and we had heat and thunderstorms to contend

Thirty-six golfers signed up for 2011 which included three new members. Despite our share of injuries, we managed to juggle the foursomes and tried to have each couple play with everyone else. This year's golfing highlight was Andy Blew's hole-in-one on #17. Congratulations Andy! We had an excellent turnout for our member guest day in September for which the weather was fantastic. On our closing day we invited past members to join us for golf, followed by a very enjoyable dinner in the evening.

Thanks must go to everyone associated with the 2011 season. To Martin and staff; who tried their best to keep the course in good shape, their job not made easy by the rains in the spring or the heat of the summer. Jennipher in admin was as usual, Ms. Efficiency; hats off to Tara and Mike who served us royally all season with the help of their great staff. Last, but by no means least, Natalie, James and the pro shop staff. Your help this year was invaluable.

To everyone, we have enjoyed being your coordinators this year and hope you all Winter Well+and come back with your golf swing in good shape. We extend an invite to all senior couples who would like to join our section for golf and companionship on Friday mornings.

On behalf of our section members, we would like to thank John & Janet Dillane who have agreed to be our coordinators for the 2012 season.

Sincerely,
Ed & Joan Davies



THE MIXED LEAGUE

The end of another great season "too soon"!

Even though we got off to a "wet start", we still had many wonderful afternoons/evenings of golfing fun and friendship!

This year we were pleased to see Tony Lepore and Linda Price back with us on Friday nights and we welcomed to our league Brian Herod and Jane Robertson. Hope to see you back next year!

Congratulations to the winners of the Putting Contest Kathleen Perrone for the ladies and for a 2nd year in a row Bill Reck for the men's. Excellent putting abilities both!

Thanks to Martin and his crew for their diligent efforts in keeping the course playable, as best as they could, considering the wet and dry conditions they faced throughout the season. To Natalie, James and the Pro Shop staff, we thank-you for accommodating all our needs. Special thanks to Millcroft Catering for our Friday Night dining experiences and the great food and service at our two tournament events. And a "big" thanks to all of you that donated prizes/gifts for our tournaments.

Thanks to all our member couples for hosting a Friday night event. Many of which were challenging and fun for all!

To everyone.....have a safe and healthy winter!!! We look forward to seeing all of you next year and hopefully a few new couples as well!

IT'S GREAT FUN! IT'S A GREAT COUPLES LEAGUE! IT'S A GREAT SOCIAL EVENING!

Take care!
Rick & Denise Stefiszyn



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le conclusion. Some of our members will of course extend their game ng as possible. We here in the dining room are doing the same so to speak. After the success we had with our Christmas function bookings last year we have started to build a business which is now extending into the winter months through functions, many which have come from our members or members recommendations. Thank you to all for your kind support & please accept our most heartfelt thanks.

Teisha, my sister & all-round Busy Bee, Mama Sita our pie lady, were with us again this year as was many of our staff from last season. Mike will be working through the winter months on new items for the menu and on new menus for our outside and in home catering clients which he is pleased to report has doubled over the previous year. So please donq forget us when you need catering in home.

With respect to our menu, this yearq fish and chips and popcorn shrimp were big hits, and last seasonq hit, back bacon on a bun, did strong sales again this year. Fridayq %All You Can Eat+Mussels Night, wow, who can forget those balmy nights sitting on the full patio while dining on a bowl of fresh plump mussels, the crusty baguette and a glass of crisp dry white wine, overlooking the manicured 18thō .living the life.

We could not of course have any measure of success without the assistance of yourselves, the 2 Edq, Jen, Natalie and of course our new father James. On a rather sad note, we will miss our members and friends Al Scarrow and Desmond Simm. Our heart goes out to their families and friends.

So in conclusion, if you see our lights on through the winter and fancy a cup of coffee %Our Treat+and a chat, pop in, a warm welcome awaits you from your friends at Millcroft Catering. Until we meet again, have a wonderful Holiday Season!

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Holidays
& Happy
New Year
Everyone!

