

July Newsletter – What’s Happening in July at the Club and Beyond

It certainly has been a hot start to July, so hope everyone is keeping cool. Here is the upcoming news, events and volunteer opportunities.

Restaurant and Bar (The Turn): Haley and Jay are pleased to announce that during the remainder of July the Turn will be extending its hours to cover earlier in the day every day and later in the day on Sundays. This is being done on a trial basis and, if successful, will be extended into August. Please express your support and appreciation to the staff as working in any kitchen is extremely hot these days. Here are the new hours (adverse weather permitting):

Monday to Friday	9am to 9pm
Saturday	9am to 7pm
Sunday	9am to 7pm

MyFM Mixed Tournament (July 15 at Renfrew Golf Club). The DRGC is sending a contingent of 7 twosomes. This is a great opportunity to socialize with other golfers in Valley and should be a lot of fun for the team.

Volunteers needed for Cart Shed painting/staining. This is a fun project and will begin on Saturday July 15 and Saturday July 29 from 8am to noon both days. If you can spare just a little time, please sign up on the Volunteer notice board.

Men’s Section

OVGA Men’s Intersectionals – the Deep River Men’s team are competing in Brockville on July 9th. Good luck gentlemen.

Men’s Invite at DRGC (Saturday July 22 and Sunday 23) – there are still a few spots available so sign up with Drew (forms and information is on the Members Corner website) or check with Drew. Also, the menu for the meal has been finalized and includes a choice of steak or chicken. It would be appreciated if you could indicate your choice on your entry form. If you have already submitted your entry, please email drgc.clubcaptaiin@gmail.com with your choice.

Also, volunteers will be needed for registration, helping Drew with the score keeping and other tasks. Please check the Volunteer notice board over the next week to sign up if you can help out.

Women’s Section

OVGA Women’s Intersectionals - the Deep River team will be playing at eQuinelle on July 16th. Good luck to all.

Juniors

Upcoming in early August (Wednesday, August 2 in the afternoon) is the Junior Club Championship. Volunteers would be appreciated to assist on each hole.

Golf Etiquette – Pace of Play

Pace of play is by far the biggest concern that we hear about. While one's skill level is obviously a big factor in how long it takes you to play a round, there are several things every golfer can do to speed up the game for everyone. Below are a few things to keep in mind:

- Play the tees that are appropriate to your game, regardless of what your playing partners can play. So, if you have a relatively high handicap (>20) you should consider playing the forward tees, especially if you do not hit the ball very far.
- Play ready golf – i.e., move to your ball as soon as you can. If your ball is on the opposite side of the fairway from others, you do not have to wait for the others to play. On the green, if you are ready to putt ahead of others in your group, do so – even if you are closer to the hole.
- If you are within one (1) foot of the hole, and you're not in a competition, pick up the ball.
- Always think ahead to where your cart is best positioned around the green relative to moving on to the next hole. A lot of time can be wasted walking back to a cart that should have been moved up in the first place.
- Do not mark your scorecard at greenside – the time to do this is at the next tee.
- Golf is meant to be a social activity. That being said, there is a time and place for chatting, and it should never slow down the pace of play.

Words from our Greens Staff

Please replace all divots both on the fairway and in the rough – and encourage others to do the same. In a similar vein, repair ball marks on the greens, even if they are not yours!

It is not necessary to replace divots on tees, but please fill your divot on the tees with tee mix from the divot boxes where provided and available. Thank you all for helping keep our course in great condition.