
The Greens Scorecard

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FINALLY!!!!!!!

This little article has been a long time coming. But first some background.

When the idea of this newsletter was conceived it came about mainly because we had some news that we wanted to share with everyone in the off season. Something had come up and we debated about the best way to get our message out to everyone that may be interested. We have weekly meetings like many businesses do to discuss upcoming events and strategies to deal with things on a daily basis and planning for the future. At one of these meetings the ideas were tossed around as usual. Some suggested social media, others just a simple email as well as the idea of an advertising campaign. But one idea in particular seemed to fit the bill and would solve this problem as well as future endeavours.

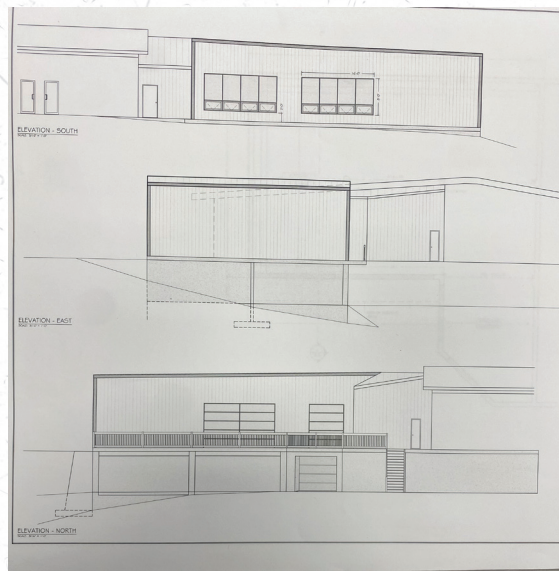
A Newsletter!!! The Greens Scorecard was born. A way to try and entertain and enlighten our members, and others that play at The Greens on a regular basis. Staff were voluntold how they could contribute and with the keen oversight of head server Cynthia Aul a whiz in the social media department we were on our way.

Only one problem. That bit of news that we were hoping to spread. Delayed! So, we soldiered on with other information until the time was right to expose our very exciting secret that we were all dying to tell you.

And that news was?.....Drumroll..... A NEW BUILDING!!!!!!!!!!!!

Well yes, as most of you know there is a new building being erected at The Greens, and now it is a lot more anticlimactic but still I will try to share with you the journey.

It all started with COVID. Yes, we don't want to think about it either, but it is as much of the story as any other part. When Covid struck we were just in the initial stages of planning a revamp of the current operation at the Greens. Part of this plan was to make it a more rounded year-round facility in the heart of Norfolk. We hoped to provide a hub where people could enjoy year-round recreation and dining. With the arrival of Covid it was either abandon or push on and if anyone knows Don Skye the answer was never going to be to play it safe. With his support we decided to put the pedal to the floor and give it our best run. First act of business was to get all of our booked weddings off of the books and to do that Melinda Bell was tasked with informing all of the future brides and grooms and more importantly mothers of the brides of the news that do to government guidelines that no weddings would be taking place in the foreseeable future. We returned deposits and with that we had a hall to fill.



Much time and effort were taken to source the most suitable golf simulators and it was High-Definition simulators out of Toronto would be the most suitable choice and fittingly appropriate as our Director of Golf at the time Cory Pond had taken a lot of the pictures for HD that make up their course portfolios. Cory had worked for HD before joining the Greens. HD was also chosen because of their multi-sport program that would allow families to enjoy time at the Greens participating in other sports besides golf.

Our only option at the time was indoors in the now unutilized ballroom. Although the tent would seem like a viable option logistically it just didn't allow us the same comfort. But in the back of our minds, we always knew that there would come a day that we would need to get back to using the ballroom for events again. Especially with Emilie, our event planner coming into my office everyday asking, "when are we going to get back to using the ballroom for events again".

We looked at a few options. Perhaps we could build an additional building. Nope. Perhaps that church that's for sale across the street? Nope, graveyard, the government said good luck. Ok maybe within the main clubhouse. Contractors were consulted, it could be done. Could be and should be two different things. Don and his son Lyle had the answer. "Let's tear down that tent and put up a new building." One problem, I'm not sure we can afford that. Don was ok with not being able to. He's never let money stand in the way of improving his golf course when he believed it was worth it.

With that contractors were contacted and finally a company with experience building many pre-engineered steel buildings was hired in September 2023 to erect our new simulator and event space. Hooray.

Not so fast. Permits. Not near as simple as it sounds. What we thought was a simple replacement structure turned into many weeks of delays until finally we were able to secure permitting in June.

As many of you have noticed the building is now underway and we hope to have it functional for the winter season. It will house the simulators as well as events for parties of 30-100 we hope. We are currently putting our collective imaginations together to try and come up with ideas that will keep our staff and more importantly our many friends and families coming to the Greens year-round.

Stay tuned. And if you have any ideas for us of how we could put it to use please let us know!

Brad Halyk
General Manager
The Greens at Renton





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ON THE COURSE AT THE GREENS AT RENTON

August is here and the days are getting shorter!

The weather in July was up and down. We got lucky and missed the heaviest down pours that a lot of courses recieved; however, we didn't dodge them all. This wet, humid weather has made for perfect conditions for turf diseases. Dollar spot and anthranose have been popping up all over the place where we don't spray. These spots will fill in, we put down an application of fertilizer on the tee's, fairways and rough.

All in all the course is in good shape leading into the last months of the Summer.

If you have been out you can see all three of the young eagles (who no longer look like babies) and their parents flying around or hear them calling out. They are easiest to spot early in the morning as that seems to be their most active time.

I hope that everyone is having a good Summer and staying cool out in the heat!

Al Binkley
Superintendent
The Greens at Renton



Events with Emilie: Re-Introducing the Ballroom!

We are thrilled to announce that our beautiful ballroom is now back and better than ever, ready to host events of all sizes! From unforgettable golf tournaments and festive Christmas parties to bustling multi-vendor bazaars, corporate functions, and dream weddings, our ballroom is the perfect venue. Emilie still has a few prime dates available for 2025 weddings, so don't wait—contact her today and let's start planning your spectacular event!



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Member Spotlight:

Joan Heaslip-McKinley

I had the pleasure of sitting down with Joan Heaslip-McKinley to get to know a little more about her. Joan has lived in the area her whole life and has been a member at The Greens at Renton for the last four years.

Joan was born in Haldimand County and has lived in various locations in Norfolk County throughout her life including Nelles Corners, Jarvis and Simcoe.

Joan has two children, Rob and Christy, as well as 5 grandchildren ranging from 15 - 25 years in age. She had her two children with her first husband, Lyle Heaslip, who owned the dealership W.J Heaslip in Nelles Corners, which is now run by Rob Heaslip, their son. Joan and Lyle met in Port Dover at the Summer Gardens and were married for 47 years until Lyle passed away.

Joan remarried to a man named Paul McKinley that she met online from Sarnia. They were married for three years until he passed away. She is very grateful for both of the amazing men that she married and has nothing but wonderful things to say about them both.

Joan worked at the CIBC as a bank teller and has since retired. She now likes to spend her free time golfing, line dancing, doing aerobics at the seniors centre, going on walks and anything else that will keep her active.

Joan golfs at The Greens about 4 times a week and takes part in the ladies league on Wednesday mornings. She had lovely things to say about all of the ladies involved in the league and pointed out that everyone is so kind and helpful, especially with new golfers who might not have as much experience as others on the course.

Her favourite hole at the course is Green 8 because of the way that it looks with the hill. She says that the course has always looked good, but recently it has been in the best shape ever, Al and his team do an amazing job out there!

She had golfed at many courses in the area before settling on becoming a member at The Greens four years ago. She says that The Greens is the best course in the area and nothing else compares, so it was an easy choice to become a member here. Her favourite thing about the course is the people. She says that the staff are wonderful, always friendly and super helpful. The next time you see Joan around The Greens be sure to give her a friendly hello!



Staff Spotlight - Q&A with Don Erwin:

Don Erwin is a part of Al's grounds crew. You've probably seen him out and about while you were playing a round of golf!

The main thing that he does around the course is cutting grass, but he also works on side projects for Brad and the owners when they need it. For example, Don was responsible for building Jake's new office in the pro shop over the winter months.



When did you start coming to the Greens? I started working here 8 years ago and would golf here occasionally before that.

Where did you grow up? Naticoke, I left for about 5 or 6 years for work and school and moved back to the area after I got married, so around 1990.

What did you do for a living and what do you do for a living now? I worked for OPG which stands for Ontario Power Generation. I worked 15 years as a power engineer and 15 years as a electrical and control technician.

Do you have any kids? My eldest son is Jake who is the Director of Golf here at the Greens and then my younger son, Nolan.

What is your favourite sport? Golf and Hockey. I used to play a lot of hockey competitively when I was younger and continue to play golf today.

Who is your favourite Golfer? Scottie Scheffler.

What is your favourite movie? I don't really have one, I don't watch movies enough, but maybe Top Gun or something like that.

What is your favourite food? Pasta or seafood.

What is your Favourite hole at the Greens? My favourite hole is Red 5. It's probably the worst hole for me, but it's my favourite hole, it's a good challenge.

Favourite vacation spot? The East Coast, I like the scenery and the relaxing atmosphere. We went there for the first time last year and we want to go back. We spent 10 days down there and it was kid of like Northern Ontario.

Where would you like to travel too? The West Coast.

Favourite Vehicle that you owned? My current one, which is a 74 Chevy sort box.

Favourite Pet? Our dogs, we lost one of them, but Kahlua and Bailey, They're Australian Shepherds.

What is your Favourite Dessert? Cheesecake with cherry or blueberry topping.

Dream Golf Foursome? My dad and my two boys.

Who do you admire most? My wife Colleen, she has been a fantastic mother and my wife of 36 years.

What is your favourite hobby? Restoring old vehicles.

What is your biggest achievement? Raising two successful boys.

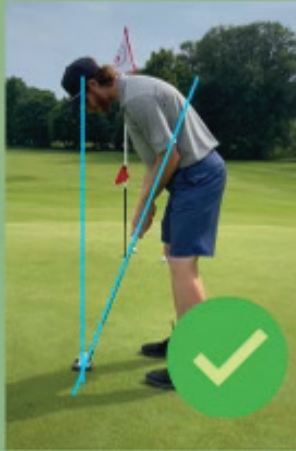
What do you enjoy most about your profession? The people, meeting new people and getting to know the members and staff at the course.

JAKE'S GOLF CORNER

Jake's Monthly Golf Tip - Putting:

Putting Fundamentals

1. Become a good green reader
2. Develop proper speed control
3. Lock-in on setup
4. Be comfortable over the ball



Setup Keys

- Eyes over the ball
- Shaft plane matches forearms
- Putter sits flat on the ground

Rules on the Course

PENALTY AREA RELIEF

Have you ever wondered the rules regarding red and yellow stakes on the golf course?

Red hazard markers provide (3) drop options. Yellow hazard markers provide (2) drop points.

1. Stroke-and-distance (red or yellow)

Play from where your previous shot was taken

2. Back on line (red or yellow)

Drop a ball within one club-length to either side of a straight line from the hole through the point where your ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area, going back as far as you'd like.

3. Lateral Relief (red only)

Drop a ball within a two club-length relief area measured from where your ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area, and no closer to the hole than that point.

Coming up in July

Fitting Days:

TaylorMade Fitting Day
August 14 12pm - 5pm

Member Event:

Yellow Tee Challenge
August 17

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE GREENS BISTRO?

Drinks on the Course

Here at The Greens at Renton we understand the importance of staying hydrated while you are out on the course. That's why we have 3, sometimes 4, different places for you to get drinks while you're playing your round!

Before you begin your round you can stop by the Bistro or the Oasis to grab your first drinks for the round. The Bistro is located straight through our front doors and the Oasis is conveniently located on the corner of the building just outside the pro shop.

While on the course, about halfway through your 9 holes you will come across our Saloon. This is a great place to stop and grab another drink or two to get you through the round! And on our very busy tournament days you can even find a beer cart driving around the course!



Brodie's Monthly Cocktail Recipe: Tequila Sunrise

You Will Need:

- Highball Glass
- Ice
- Tequila
- Orange Juice
- Grenadine
- Orange Slice
- Maraschino Cherry

Steps:

1. Fill highball glass with ice.
2. Add 2oz of your preferred tequila to your glass.
3. Add 4oz of orange juice to your glass.
4. Top with 1/4oz of grenadine to your glass.
5. Garnish drink with a fresh orange slice and maraschino cherry.
6. Sit back, relax and enjoy!

DAVE'S HOMEMADE RECIPE: GRILLED CHICKEN SOUVLAKI

You Will Need:

- 4 Boneless Skinless Chicken Breasts, cut into 1.5 inch cubes
- 1/3 Cup Olive Oil
- 2 Tbsp. Lemon Juice
- 3 Cloves of Garlic, minced
- 2 tsp. dried Oregano
- 1 tsp. dried Parsley
- 1 tsp. Kosher Salt
- 1/2 tsp. Freshly Ground Black Pepper
- Wooden Skewers

Directions:

1. Combine all ingredients in a mixing bowl or large ziplock bag and toss until chicken is evenly coated
2. Seal/cover and refrigerate for a minimum of 30 minutes or for as long as one day to allow chicken to marinate
3. Before cooking, soak skewers in water for a minimum of 30 minutes to avoid burning
4. Preheat your grill to med-high heat
5. Remove chicken from bowl/bag and thread onto skewers
6. Place skewers on grill and cook for 6-8 minutes, turning once, until the chicken is cooked through and no longer pink
7. Serve chicken as desired. I like to enjoy on a pita, salad, rice or simply with a side of taziki!

The Greens at Renton July 2024 Recap



Crossing All Bridges 20th Anniversary Tournament - July 13th



2nd Annual Fred Bridgwater Memorial Golf Tournament - July 27th



Charities Collecting Donations from our 2nd Annual Community Day



**New Building
Construction Begins!**

AUGUST



2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 144 ppl Tournament Shotgun 11am Red/Blue
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 80ppl Tournament Shotgun 12pm Green/Red	17 Yellow Tee Member Event
18	19	20	21 120 ppl Tournament Shotgun 12pm Green/Blue	22	23 144 ppl Tournament Shotgun 12pm Green/Red	24 100 ppl Tournament Shotgun 12pm Green/Blue
25 Prime Rib Night Seating 5pm - 7pm	26	27	28	29	30 168 ppl Tournament Shotgun 12pm All Courses	31

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