



# Deer Tracks



July 2016

## Great Start to 2016

The season is well underway both at Deerfield and the professional golf circuit around Ontario. I was able to get off to a hot start in May notching 2 Wins in my first 3 events. The first came at our local professional event at Hidden Lake with a score of 68 and the second win was at



Greystone Golf Club in Milton with a 71. It was my best start to any season so far coming in the top 3 in 7 of my first 8 events.

Just recently, I placed 32nd in the PGA Championship of Canada in Victoria BC at the prestigious Royal Victoria Golf Club. Although the competition was tough I was a little disappointed in my placing. The highlight for the week was my 6th career hole in one in the first round of the tournament. It was a perfect 7 iron, the yardage was 176 yards and the ball flew high and straight right at the hole. It was an amazing feeling to watch it roll and disappear into the cup.

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## Canada Places Second!



After Canada loaned some players to "The World" the Canucks played in typical Canadian fashion. Demonstrating extreme politeness and a desire for our landed immigrants to feel at home in their adopted land.

Team Canada Captain Phil Groff said *"it is always hard to have my team make it close without looking like we gave the tournament away."*

Again this year, Graeme Gordon captained the international squad.

Standing proud as the cup is presented by Deerfield Head Pro John Phelan. Graeme commented *"I am thrilled with the play of our team this year. We don't need to talk about how close the results are; bottom line is we won. Better luck next year. And thank you for being such good hosts!"* It is always great to see all the country flags and colours. We truly are an international lot.

# Canada vs. The World



Paul isn't red a Canadian colour?



Canada Carts Everywhere



Tempers flared at times

*"Diplomacy is the art of telling people to go to hell in such a way that they ask for directions."*  
~ Winston Churchill



Eh!



"No comment"



**Eddie:** Opportunities Ahead  
Looking ahead, I have a couple exciting events coming up in the next few weeks. Wyndance in Uxbridge is one of my favourite courses and I have the Desjardin Open there June 27th and 28th. The winner takes home \$10,000 so I can't wait to play. I also have the Quebec Open in early July with \$100,000 purse for the four-day event. With these prestigious titles up for grabs I'm sure you will see me practicing hard the next few weeks.  
With my busy tournament schedules over the past couple seasons I'd really like to thank John and the pro-shop staff, Gord, Bob and Jake for being so accommodating while I travel across the country pursuing my dream. Also, I appreciate the support and interest from all of you. This is a special place to work and be a part of. It is hard to believe this is my ninth year here, but I could not think of working anywhere else.  
Thanks to you all, Eddie Maunder



## Deerfield 2016 Putting Challenge



A lovely summer evening on Saturday, June 18 saw twenty-three members participate in the 2016 Putting Challenge. After some stiff competition, the field was reduced to a Championship Final and a Consolation Final. Bob Marshall was victorious over Ken Richards in the main event and Tom Hall outplayed Graeme Gordon in the consolation round. John Phelan also organised a side event for those losers – I mean participants - who did not win a match but we will not divulge their names.

Graeme Gordon presented Bob Marshall with the new trophy which was donated by long-time member Bob Shatford. Bob had two wooden putters that he had made and played with and generously donated one as a trophy. Paul Simpson mounted the putter on a plaque which will now see all future winners added to the trophy. In his acceptance speech Bob Marshall said he thought it was appropriate that he won the inaugural presentation as Bob Shatford and he were playing partners for a number of years before Bob Shatford retired.

As you are all aware our membership is declining and, in order to have our many events continue, we need to have more member participation. If you have any ideas for making these events more challenging, enjoyable or whatever, please submit your suggestions to John Phelan or any member of the DMA committee.

Thanks to all who participated and to John Phelan for all his work in making this event a success.



## The Other Read

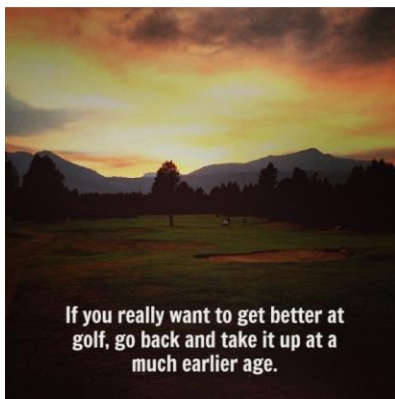
On a lovely evening in mid-June, 23 aspirants gathered on the fabled green of Deerfield for the annual putting fest. John Phelan had set up a backwards course of nine holes this year with some tricky layouts indeed. And John also gave everyone a chance to win at least one match. All contestants had an enjoyable time, replete with barbecue and chairs around the green with cheers and jeers being flung with easy abandon. The usual thanks must go to John for taking the time to set up the course and to officiate so superbly.

After all the matches were concluded, Tom Hall emerged as the winner of the Consolation Round and Bob Marshall won the Championship Round. Tom capped off his winning weekend with a timely prediction that Dustin Johnson would take the US Open. It was fitting for Marshall to win this year, as he was presented with the Shatford Trophy – made by former member Bob Shatford out of Hawaiian ironwood and looking like a meat tenderizer – since they had played together so long in the same group. Marshall said afterwards that his toughest match was against Jean Hoyle, after he somehow missed a nine-inch putt on the first hole of the match. When asked how on earth he could have done something as colossally hare-brained as missing such a short putt, Marshall replied, “You should have seen the lie.”

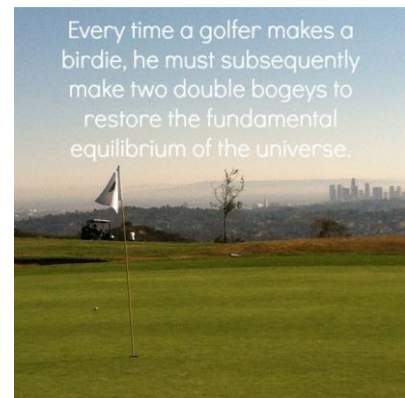
In each match, Marshall found himself behind against Graeme Gordon, Paul Richardson, Glenn Byford and in the final round with Ken Richards, who had defeated him a few years earlier on the ninth hole. Unbelievably, in each match he missed putts of 12 inches, 14 inches and 16 inches and seemed putt out. Most of his matches went down to the final hole and Marshall steeled himself to win with his final putt on the curving 65 foot layout at the base of the green. Interviewed afterward, Marshall was asked how he managed to sink his second putt on the ninth every time. “I observed the first putt very carefully – sort of like closely watched drains”. Bob claimed that a putting secret taught him by an 82 year old Scotsman, enabled him to win his fifth putting championship, although he declined to comment further about the secret. However, “The proof is in the putting,” he said.

**Author unknown...and best left that way.**





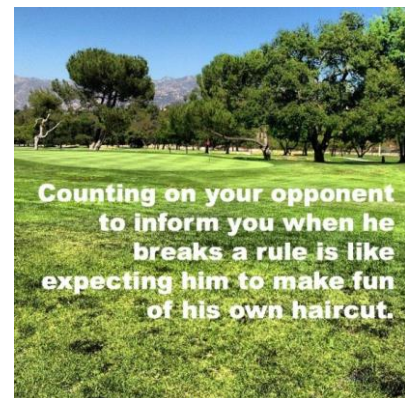
If you really want to get better at golf, go back and take it up at a much earlier age.



Every time a golfer makes a birdie, he must subsequently make two double bogeys to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe.



It's not a gimme if you're still away.



Counting on your opponent to inform you when he breaks a rule is like expecting him to make fun of his own haircut.

## "THE MAKING OF A CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM"

After an outstanding Match Play between Richard Mann/Neil McDonald and Todd Carey/Clayton Shold, the golf gods "SMILED" on the underdogs CAREY/SHOLD to advance match play finals. When interviewed by CBC sports reporter to determine what it took to overcome the incredible odds of their win, Clayton wanted to provide a 'shout out" to GOD and his mentor and friend Tom Hall for his sage golf advice and counsel. As a token of Tom Halls close mentorship and guidance "Golf Hats " were exchanged as a show of sportsmanship and respect.

Submitted by Bob McDonald



## The Five Dollar Game – 2016 Edition

The 2016 edition of the twice weekly \$5 game started on the 18th of April. Just to review the process, the games are played every Monday and Friday and are open to all members of the Deerfield Golf Club. Tee-off time is prior to 08:45. All participants put \$5.00 in the pot and play-off a handicap of 12 with a maximum of 12 strokes. The scores of all participants are compared hole by hole and the player with the lowest net score wins the skin, the pot is divided by the number of skins. In addition, there is a skin awarded to the player with the low net score using full handicap. The 2016 season started slowly as the 1st 6 games averaged about 6 participants. However, since mid-May the participation level has risen to 10 to 12 per game.

Below is a comparison as at 24 June 2016 Vs 2015

	2016	2015
Total Games	19	18
Total funds distributed	\$857.50	\$883.00
Total skins won	134	125
Total low net (ties)	22	19
Total skins	156	144
Average payout per skin	\$5.50	\$6.15
Holes with the most skins	# 2 12	# 14 11
	# 5 12	
Holes with the fewest skins	# 6 4	# 4 4
	# 17 4	

Don Charlebois, 26 June 2016



## Attention Bowlers!

Hello Bowlers

Judy and I are the new convenors for bowling this year. As in previous years, we have 3 free games of bowling during the summer months. The first free bowling was on Thurs. June 16th. The other dates are **July 14th** and **Aug 18th**.

We would like to invite all bowlers and anyone else who might be interested in joining the league this year, to join us for a fun, free evening of bowling. If you have a friend who thinks they might like to join us bring them along.

If you need to rent shoes or find a bowling ball, please come in time as bowling starts at 6:30 pm. Those interested in dinner that evening we will go to our usual spot---Jack Astor's.

Please let us know by June 9th. if you wish to bowl on June 16 and if a friend is coming as well.

You can email or call us:

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## Les Estey Tournament

It seems a long time ago that we held the Les Estey Tournament.

Ross and I wondered if it would ever get warm for the tournament. Hard to believe it could go from snow and sleet in May to positively balmy weather. We think most people were also feeling their golf game was following a similar path. On Sunday it was great to hear how many were starting to play better. Warmer weather seems to help most of us swing easier.

We ended up with sixteen teams which was a good turn out for the May 24 long weekend. In the end our winners were Mark Richardson and Joyce Gordon, second Phil Groff and Mary Cochrane and third Don McIssac and Jan Payne. Thanks to John for helping us organize the event.

Ross and Drue

## Empathy of a typical Scotsman!

A Priest, a Doctor, a rich Businessman and a Scotsman were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers in front of them.

The Doctor shouted to them, "I've never seen such poor golf!"

The Scotsman chimed in, "Och aye! We ha' been waitin' for nigh on fifteen minutes!"

The Businessman called out, "Move it on you guys, time is money."

The Priest said, "Here comes George the green-keeper. Let's have a word with him."

"Hello, George!" said the Priest, "What's wrong with that annoying group ahead of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?"

George the green-keeper replied, "Oh, yes. That's a group of blind fire fighters. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free, anytime they want to."

The group fell into an embarrassed silence for a moment.

Then the Priest said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

The Doctor said, "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleagues and see if there's anything they can do for them."

The Businessman replied, "I think I'll donate £350,000 to the Fire Brigade Benevolent Fund in honour of these brave souls."

And the Scotsman said, "Why kin they no play at night?"



### Rainbow Clouds



The photo to the left was taken by Alison Holmes on May 19, 2016 from the 18th fairway at Deerfield.

It was a sunny day with scattered cloud. Alison believes that water crystals in the clouds somehow manifested themselves in rainbow colors with the help of the sun.

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*“What are iridescent clouds?”  
~Alex Trebek*

If there are any amateur meteorologists reading this in Deer Tracks perhaps they can shed further light on this phenomenon.

### The King keeping the streak alive

Just a note about shooting my age. Today (June 19<sup>th</sup>) I shot my 2nd 79 at Deerfield this year (my age). As well I had 3 79's in Florida this year. I shot my age for the first time at Deerfield in 2012 on my 76th birthday. So this is the 5th straight year I have shot my age or better. Starting July 3rd I get another shot when I turn 80.



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*“Breaking 80 or breaking par in one's prime is primarily an athletic feat. Shooting one's age later in life is equally an actuarial accomplishment.”  
~John Paul Newport*

### Braggers Bunker



This is Xander Bankes in 2007 at age 2 working hard on his golf game at the Deerfield driving range. He is now 11 and qualified to play in the Junior World Championship at Pinehurst N.C. August 4 to 7.

Xander is also a very good skier and in 2015 he was Canadian Junior Freestyle Skiing Champion.

Xander is the talented grandson of proud Elisabeth Bankes. Good luck at Pinehurst Xander!

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*In the heart of the North Carolina Sandhills, you'll find Pinehurst, the home of golf in America.*

Have someone you want to brag about? Send it in.



## Club Championship News

The executive has made some minor changes to the Men's Championship as follows:

- Championship will be played from the Blue Tees (John uses a variety of set ups) for Saturday, Sunday and Monday
- Championship group will play all 3 days - Sat, Sun and Monday
- Flights A, B, C - will play 2 days - Sat & Monday
- Anyone in Flights A, B, & C can declare before the tournament starts, that they will be playing all 3 days and their 3 scores will be included in the gross scores for the championship group. Their 2 day scores - Sat & Monday - will also be included for their respective flights as well.
- Senior Club Championship (60+) - 2 day scores will only be counted - Sat & Monday
- Cost of the 3 day rounds will increase to \$13 and the 2 day rounds will be \$10 (same last year)
- the qualifiers for the Match Play Championship will be based on the low 8 totals from the 2 day scores only - Saturday and Monday

Don

Report for the Ladies regarding the Club Championship. We had a discussion at our spring luncheon and general consensus was to go to a 2-day tournament format, Saturday and Monday. Pairings will be drawn according to handicap on the first day and then standing on the second day. Awards will go to the low Gross score for Crystal Club Championship trophy and low net plaque. The gross score winner is not eligible for net score plaque.

Hopefully we may get a few more ladies out. *Drue*

**RICHMOND GOLF CLUB**  
TEMPORARY RULES. 1940

1. Players are asked to collect Bomb and Shrapnel splinters to save these causing damage to the Mowing Machines.
2. In Competitions, during gunfire or while bombs are falling, players may take cover without penalty for ceasing play.
3. The positions of known delayed action bombs are marked by red flags at a reasonably, but not guaranteed, safe distance therefrom.
4. Shrapnel and/or bomb splinters on the Fairways, or in Bunkers within a club's length of a ball, may be moved without penalty, and no penalty shall be incurred if a ball is thereby caused to move accidentally.
5. A ball moved by enemy action may be replaced, or if lost or destroyed, a ball may be dropped not nearer the hole without penalty.
6. A ball lying in a crater may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole, preserving the line to the hole, without penalty.
7. A player whose stroke is affected by the simultaneous explosion of a bomb may play another ball from the same place. Penalty one stroke.

 **The Weekend Golfer**  
Public

I have two tickets to the US OPEN final round but just realized I'm getting married that day and can't go.

If you're interested in going in my place it's at the St Pauls church and her name is Emily.



Date	Day	T	Event Name			
July 9	SAT	T	President's Cup - 2 Man Team Better Ball Net			7:00 am
July 24	SUN		Aquarium Charity Tournament - Stableford Competition	(Lunch)	<b>Shotgun</b>	8:00 am
July 30	SAT	T	Men's Club Championship - 1st Round			7:00 am
July 30	SAT	T	Ladies' Club Championship - 1st Round	<b>Following Men</b>		
July 30	SAT	T	Ladies' Net Score Championship - 1st Round			
July 31	SUN	T	Ladies' Club Championship - Champ Round			7:00 am
July 31	SUN	T	Men's Club Championship – Champ Round	<b>Following Ladies</b>		
Aug 1	MON	T	Men's Club Championship - Final Round			7:00 am
Aug 1	MON	T	Ladies Club Championship - Final Round	<b>Following Men</b>		
Aug 1	MON	T	Ladies Net Score Championship - Final Round			
Aug 14	SUN		Mixed Net Progressive	(Lunch)	<b>Shotgun</b>	8:00 am
Aug 20	SAT	T	Captain's Cup and Golden Boys			7:00 am
Aug 20	SAT	T	Ladies' Field Day	(Lunch)	<b>Shotgun</b>	8:00 am
Sept 2	FRI		Memorial Classic - Draw and Parimutuel Betting			7:30 pm
Sept 3	SAT		Memorial Classic -1st Round (Dinner/Dance - cocktails at 6:00 pm)	<b>Dinner at 7:00 pm</b>		
Sept 4	SUN		Memorial Classic Final Round (BBQ at 9th Green)			7:30 am
Sept 14	WED		3 Club Championship and Wednesday League Wrap-up Dinner	<b>Wed League Times</b>		
Sept 18	SUN		Couples Tournament- Better Lady and Better Man - Net	(Lunch)	<b>Shotgun</b>	8:30 am
Sept 30	FRI		Men's/Ladies' Closing - Team Draw and Parimutuel			7:30 PM
Oct 1	SAT	T	Men's/Ladies' Closing Tournaments - Men's Year End Awards ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	(Lunch)	<b>Shotgun</b>	8:00 am
Oct 4	TUE		Ladies Closing Awards Dinner	(Dinner)		6:30 pm
Oct 16	Sun		Couples Harvest Tournament & Hot Potato	(Lunch)	<b>Shotgun</b>	8:30 am
Nov 12	SAT		Sniff'N Snort Scramble	(Lunch)	<b>Shotgun</b>	9:00 am
TBD			Shoot-out Competitions - Men's & Ladies			
<b>DMA WEEKLY LEAGUE</b>						
Apr 19-Sep 20			Ladies' Tuesday A.M. League	8:00 AM		
Apr 19-Sep 20			Ladies' Tuesday Evening Play	5:30PM		
Apr 23-Sep 24			Ladies' Saturday League	9:00 am		
Apr 20-Sep 7			Men's Wednesday League	All Day (Book Tee Times)		

## Deer Tracks Submissions...

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