



Deerfield
Golf Club

Deer Tracks



November 23, 2016
Special Edition

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This is the last edition of Deer Tracks for 2016. I know I said that last month but this really is the last one.

Wishing all members, a very Merry Christmas and the best for the New Year.

Clayton Shold
Deer Tracks Editor
DMA President

Sniff & Snort 2016

There were 42 golfers who turned out to play on a cold November 12th morning.

After one of the longest frost delays in current memory, the 8:30 am start was pushed back to after 10 am.

This gave those who showed up a good opportunity to hang out in the clubhouse and compare their winter mittens. As the morning went on and the temperatures went up, the clothing began to be peeled off.

From all reports, the imbibing of liqueurs and coffee at every opportunity had nothing to do with removing the outer layers. Heh, heh, heh! Heh, heh, heh. Get your gear off. Heh, heh, heh!

The obstacle course was again well designed by John and one hole was eliminated to ensure we were in for lunch at a reasonable hour. One team (Brian Turnbull, Mike Cook, Ross Jordan and Brian Coffey) turned their score card in, only for John to tell them they still had two holes to play! Oops – did that hit Deer Tracks?!



Andrea Wainwright Aces the 4th Hole

On November 15th, playing with Laurie Parsons and Jan Payne, Andrea using a 3 wood and playing from the temporary tees, got her first hole in one.

She commented, "I waited 70 years for my hole in 1. We knew it was tracking but couldn't see the hole from the t-blocks." Yes, it was after the "official" golf season, but never-the-less, still an achievement. Way to go Andrea!



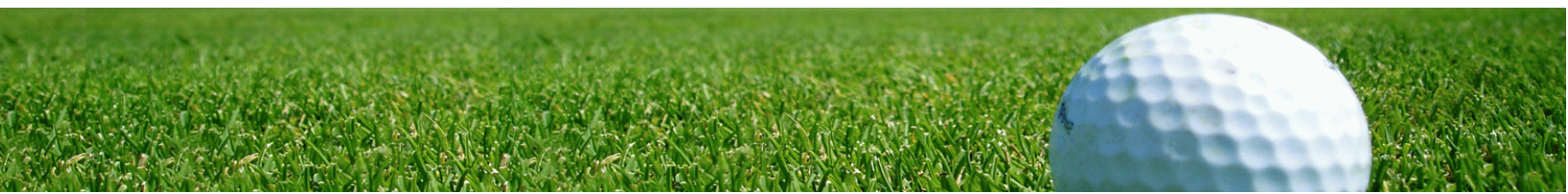
Steve Novak said "You know wearing a Santa hat wasn't very smart. I had no brim. Got a sunburn on my forehead that gave me a headache." Steve, we wonder if it wasn't the coffee?! Didn't hear complaints from anyone else, and it wasn't like you were the only Santa. But hey Steve – if you have a line to the "big guy" let him know I want a lower handicap for Christmas.



Jim King likes to golf early. The wait must be killing him. He was so bored he was reading the menu. Tell us Jim, what do guys who shoot their age have for breakfast? Birdies?



Tournament co-convener Graeme Gordon looking like the proverbial deer in the headlights when asked what the coffee additives would be this year...and he bought them!





I'm telling you Brian, if we play our cards right, stick to my plan, we'll be in, warm, and drinking before anyone else. Just make sure Turnbull fills out all the holes on the scorecard. I've already bribed the marshals so we'll have no issues there. Gee I hope Turnbull doesn't screw up.



Ron I'm going to go over this plan one more time. You put on your disguise, then go over and steal the bottle next to the coffee dispenser and give it to Carla. Got it? Don't let Joyce see you.



Stu and Rick, if we look hard enough, we should be able to find some cool hats. We buy them and go over and sit with the young guys. Man, are they hip. Just think, we could be one of them.



Some final adjustments to the scorecards and teams... "Can I have your attention please?"





Time to head out. Along with the four pages of instructions, the unwritten instruction was to look for the men in the little red sports car. They reported Carla was the most innovative golfer, able to navigate the course in such a way as to intersect with the cart a total of 17 times. Boom.

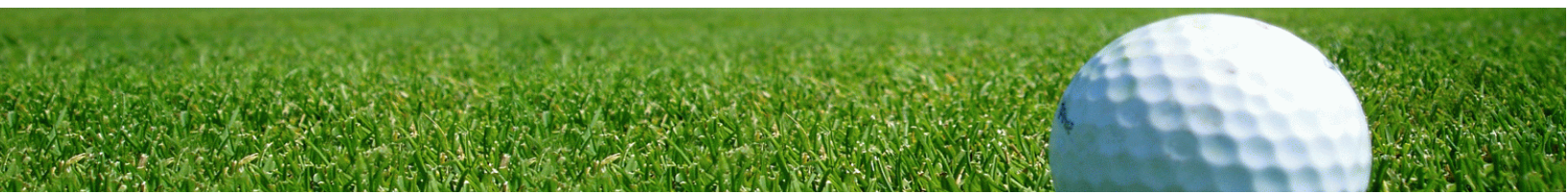


Ross said "What?! It was the perfect plan." Turnbull was heard saying "Dam it anyway. The holes weren't numbered. Who came up with the brilliant idea to use letters. Not my fault." Busted by Deer Tracks cub reporter who ably caught it all on film.



Warming up inside with many stories to tell. A great event to end the season. Thanks to John, convenors Graeme & Joyce, and to all who braved the elements to show how hardy we are!

But wait – there is more on the next page!



Your Sniff & Snort Champions for 2016

Bob Cherrett, Richard Mann, Bob McCrudden and Jim King



When Mann was asked how this compared to his club championship win, he sniffed, then snorted *"Man the club championship isn't even close to the demands this track put up today."* He went on to say, *"The conditions were trying, the delayed start really played with my mind, but I was fortunate to have such a great group to play with. We all contributed in our own way. You know nobody can find balls like McCrudden, and Jim got in to the smaller spaces. We used Cherrett occasionally when we could find his balls."*

One of the most exciting moments of the day was the beer guzzling contest to break the tie to determine 7th spot. Stu Bryan and Ron Fleck faced off. Both gentlemen have some experience knocking back a beer. We knew it was going to be close and it was – captured on video for instant replay if necessary. Ron was declared the winner as the ever-popular Stewart "Down-it" Bryan had left ½" at the bottom of his glass.

Well done boys!



Prizes were awarded to 1st, 4th, and 7th place finishers.

1st – B. Cherrett, R. Mann, B. McCrudden, Jim King

4th – Graeme & Joyce Gordon, Phil & Ardeth Groff

7th – Ron & Kelta Fleck, Clayton & Carla Shold

Payouts: Each person won \$28, Ron and Stu got a bonus beer!

Clubhouse Taking Shape

Ron Fleck took the opportunity to update me on the progress of our new clubhouse. He stated construction is on time and on budget. Kelta was thrilled with the women's new gym and locker facility. Treasurer Graeme Gordon could not be reached for an update on his success in collecting the first "capital fund assessment" from DMA members. Some members told me "my cheque is in the mail."



DEERFIELD MEMBERS ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT
November 12, 2016

REVENUE

Members annual dues (89 x \$20.00)	\$1,780.00
Classic Tournament - Excess from wagers	96.00
Closing Tournament - Excess from wagers	0.00
Thieves Tournament - Excess from wagers	81.00
Memorial Classic - Excess expenses	(268.18)
	<u>\$1,688.82</u>

EXPENSES

Annual dues refunded	\$20.00
Bank Service Charges	15.63
Club Championship prizes	201.50
Donation re Paula Richards	100.00
DMA Initiatives	209.67
Hole-in-One Celebrations (3)	385.01
President's Framed Photograph	272.16
President's Gift	138.99
Sniff 'n' Snort refreshments	184.60
Stationery, ink etc.	127.53
Trophies, engraving etc.	475.13
	<u>\$2,130.22</u>

EXCESS REVENUE - \$441.40

OPENING BALANCE OF FUNDS, January 1, 2016 \$3,804.46

TOTAL FUNDS, November 12, 2016 \$3,363.06

RECONCILIATION

Bank balance	\$3,363.06
Due to Deerfield Golf & Country Club	0.00
	<u>\$3,363.06</u>

Graeme M. Gordon (DMA Treasurer)

Graeme Gordon asked to have the final DMA Financial Report included with this edition of Deer Tracks. This statement will be formally presented at the Spring AGM.

The small subsidy to the Memorial Classic and three hole-in-ones caused a modest shortfall but as you can see the DMA bank account remains healthy. Great job Graeme!

I use the same methodology as I score my games... Scottish accounting!



Mike Mallon recently sent out an email to the **Deerfield Men** announcing the annual get-together at the Mandarin on Dundas west of Winston Churchill. It will be on December 6th at noon.

It will be a different procedure this year. Instead of collecting money from everyone and paying the bill, each person will be responsible for their own tab and we will pass the hat to collect funds for the **Toronto Star Santa Claus Fund**. This way, the seniors will get the advantage of their discount and hope fully take this into account when we "pass the hat".

Please let Mike know if you are attending so he can then make appropriate arrangements with the Mandarin. His email address is mmallon@rogers.com

