



Deer Tracks

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The 2023 golf season has finally arrived! Our membership has grown to capacity for 2023 and on behalf of the Deerfield Members Association (DMA), I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new members and a hearty welcome back to all our returning members. Your DMA executive have been working hard to put together a fun and exciting event schedule for the year. The success of these events are fully dependant on member participation. I hope you will attend as many events as possible as they are a great way to meet fellow members and enjoy the camaraderie that golf affords us all. On that note, our first official event is the Opening Day tournament on

Saturday April 29 (more details on page 2) and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on that day.

Below are the faces of the 2023 DMA executive. Please say hello if you find us wandering the grounds.

Enjoy your 2023 golf season at Deerfield.

Grant Parson



Vern Doupe - Treasurer, **Vlad Mihaescu** - Secretary, **Ardeth Groff** - Ladies' GC, **Al Ferguson** - Men's GC, **Sheryl Keenan** - VP Ladies, **Gary Aucoin** - Handicap CC, **Clayton Shold** - Editor

Opening Tournament!

DATE: APRIL 29/2023

TEE OFF: 8 am SHOTGUN

Deerfield's first member tournament of the season is being held Saturday April 29th with an 8 a.m. shotgun start.

The format is a Best 2 Ball Foursome, mixed event – and will be a great way to meet and WELCOME our new members. As well, we will enjoy a luncheon following the round: choose from a mouth watering selection of pizzas, salads, cookies, tea & coffee @ \$27.20.

The sign-up sheet has been posted on the Pro Shop window. Please register by April 22nd . If you can't make it into the Pro Shop before the 22nd - email one of us to register. Gabe Jennings (gabejennings42@gmail.com) and Andrea Wainwright (wainwrightandrea@gmail.com) are your convenors.

Cost to enter is \$10 which charged automatically to your account. Entry fees form the pot used to return dollars back to winning team members.



Andrea & Gabe



Deerfield 2 Man Better Ball Match Play

For the benefit of our new members, and as a reminder for our long term members here is the basic information for the match play.

1. You may sign up as a two man team or as an individual. For those who sign up as an individual, we will do our best to find a partner for you.
2. The format is the better net score of your team versus your opposition. You will need an existing handicap in the GAO system. Handicaps are reduced to 90%, and the four players play off the low handicap.
3. Winners from the first round will go forward in the championship side of the draw while the losers of the first round will go to the consolation side. Should teams lose after the first round in either side they are eliminated from further play. After the first round, it will be up to the players to organize future matches.
4. A sign-up sheet has been posted outside the Pro shop door. Should you be unable to play the first round, please indicate that on the sheet. It will be up to you to organize your match as soon as possible after that date.
5. As this is usually a season long event with many rounds, it is very important that teams organize their matches as quickly as possible to avoid any delays. We have set time frames for each round, and it is expected that each team finishes their matches by the deadlines.
6. Entry fee for this tournament is \$10.00 per person, which will be charged to your DMA account at the end of the last round. Payouts are dependent on the number of entrants, and will given out in form of a credit to your Pro shop account.

Should you have any questions, please contact Allan Ferguson.

Allan Ferguson
Men's Games Captain



Wednesday Men's League

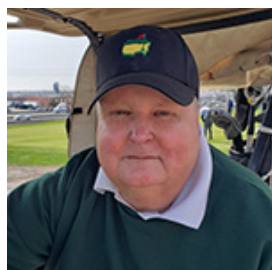
The Deerfield Men's Wednesday League will start May 3rd and ends Sept 27th.

For the benefit of our new members, and as a reminder for our long term members here is the basic information for the league.

1. Golfers may play at any time during the day, as long as they are accompanied by a fellow member. That person does not have to be a league member, but just a member of Deerfield.
2. Scoring for the league is for the front nine only. It is preferable that you keep a second score card to turn in the with the Pro shop, or drop in the black box that is attached to the railing on the right side of the entrance to the club house. Please ensure you have clearly indicated your name and correct score.
3. Cost for the league is \$160.00. This cost includes the weekly individual payouts for low net scores, payouts for the low teams in the first and second sessions as well as prizes for the low net individuals over the entire year. This fee also includes the closing dinner.
4. There will be two sessions of ten weeks each, with teams drawn for each half. Players are also split into two groups based on handicaps. There will be weekly Pro shop credits paid to the low net individuals in each group. Winners of the team prizes will receive monetary payouts at the closing dinner. Weekly results for both individual and team results will be posted on the wall outside the Pro shop, usually by the weekend. Payouts are dependent on the number of golfers signed up for the year. Intent is to pay out all monies collected.
5. Payment may be made by cash, check made out to "Deerfield Men's League" or by e-transfer to afergy1956@gmail.com. You may give your cash or cheque to Allan Ferguson or Don Mclsaac or leave it in an envelope at the Pro shop.
6. Handicaps for the Wednesday league are based on your scores for Wednesday only. All your scores are tracked and updated every three to four weeks. For those who played in the league last year, your handicap will be the average of your last scores at the end of 2022. For new members, your handicap will be based on 47.5% of your OGA handicap for the Deerfield golf course. That % is based on the difference in the rating between the two Deerfield nines. For new golfers without handicaps, I am hoping you can get some rounds in the scoring system before we start. If not a temporary handicap will be established for the first couple of weeks.

Allan Ferguson

Wednesday Convenor



DMA Event Schedule for 2023

T Designated tournaments : enter as T score...Also all matches following for those marked with: T*									
Date	Day		Event Name	Team Formation	Playing Format				
Apr 29	SAT	Mixed	Opening Day Tournament and SPRING GENERAL MEETING	Pick your own	Best 2 ball Foursomes (Lunch)	ShotG	8:00 am		
May 6	SAT	Men	Better Ball Match Play - 2 Man Teams - First Round	Pick your own	2 person better ball		8:30 am		
May 28	SUN	Mixed	Les Estey Memorial - Mixed 2 Ball / Better Ball	By Convenor	2 person better ball (Lunch)	ShotG	8:00 am		
June 9	FRI	Men & Ladies	Damsels & Thieves Draw and Parimutuel Betting				7:00 pm		
June 10	SAT	Men & Ladies	Damsels & Thieves Tournament - 4 Person Teams	Random Draw	Best 2 ball Foursomes (Lunch)	ShotG	8:00 am		
June 24	SAT	Mixed	Putting Competition	Individual	Match play		5:00 pm		
July 2	SUN	Mixed	Canada Day - Canada vs. World	By Convenor	Better ball match play (Lunch)	ShotG	8:00 am		
July 15	SAT	Men	T President's Cup - 2 Man Team Better Ball Net	By Convenor	2 person better ball		8:30 am		
Aug 5	SAT	Men	T Men's Club Championship & B flight - 1st Round	Individual	Stroke play		7:00 am		
Aug 5	SAT	Ladies	Ladies' Event - 1st Round		TBA		7:00 am		
Aug 6	SUN	Men	T Men's Club Championship – Champs 2nd Round	Individual	Stroke play		8:00 am		
Aug 7	MON	Men	T Men's Club Championship - Champ 3rd round & 2nd for B flight	Individual	Stroke play		7:00 am		
Aug 7	MON	Ladies	Ladies Event - 2nd and final round		TBA				
Aug 19	SAT	Men	T Captain's Cup	Individual	Stroke play - net		7:00 am		
Sep 1	FRI	Mixed	Memorial Classic - Draw and Parimutuel Betting				7:00 pm		
Sep 2	SAT	Mixed	Memorial Classic -1st Round	Random Draw	Scramble				
Sep 3	SUN	Mixed	Memorial Classic Final Round (BBQ at 9th Green)	Random Draw	Scramble		7:30 am		
Sept 17	SUN	Mixed	Mixed Tournament- Better Lady and Better Man - Net	Pick your own	2 person better ball (Lunch)	ShotG	8:30 am		
Sept 27	WED	Men	3 Club Championship and Wed League Dinner	Individual	Stroke play - net				Wed League Times
Sept 29	FRI	Men & Ladies	Men's/Ladies' Closing - Team Draw and Parimutuel				7:00 pm		
Sept 30	SAT	Men & Ladies	T Men's/Ladies' Closing Tournaments - Men's Year End Awards AGM	Random Draw	Best 2 ball Foursomes (Lunch)	ShotG	8:00 am		
Oct 10	TUE	Ladies	Ladies' Closing Awards Lunch		Lunch		1:00 pm		
Oct 15	Sun	Mixed	Harvest Tournament & Hot Potato	Pick your own	Best 2 ball Foursomes (Lunch)	ShotG	8:30 am		
Nov 4	SAT	Mixed	Sniff'N Snort Scramble	Pick your own	Scramble (Lunch)	ShotG	9:00 am		
DMA WEEKLY LEAGUE									
May 2 to Sep 26			Ladies' Tuesday A.M. League				8:00 AM		
May 6 to Sept 23			Ladies' Saturday League				9:00 am		
May 3 to Sept 27			Men's Wednesday League				All Day (Book Tee Times)		

More details will be provided before each event. To be able to play in any DMA tournament you will need to have an established handicap, do remember to put in your score every time you play. You can speak with our Handicap Committee Chair **Gary Aucoin**, or our Club Pro **Lee Beauchamp** if you need help getting started.



Just a reminder **Ladies League** on Tuesday and Saturday start the week of May 1. Details were included in the email sent earlier this month but if you have any questions feel free to contact me at Groff@rogers.com.

Sign-up sheets have been posted on the pro shop window. Look forward to welcoming old friends and new members.

Ardeth Groff
Ladies' Games Captain



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The purpose of the Deerfield Members Association is to help you enjoy your golf. We are all volunteers, some of the members have been here for many years, some are new this year. You don't have to participate in events, but it is a fun way to get to know other members. Like many organizations, more hands make for a lighter workload. If you are interested in helping out with tournaments please let us know. We have a need for convenors for a couple of events.

You'll get to know Lee Beauchamp and his Pro Shop staff who work hard to make sure our playing experience is a good one. Be patient as they get to know all the new members, you'll be surprised how quickly they do.

Your DMA executive is happy to take your input and suggestions. I think you'll find we are a pretty good group!



We love our swans!

Deerfield is fortunate to have swans return each year to start new families.

Please be patient with them crossing fairways. If you think you are at risk of hitting one, take a drop (unless you are in competitive play).



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