



Deer Tracks

Graeme Gordon 3 Club Champ!

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The Wednesday Men's league final day was Wednesday September 27th, with the 3 club Tournament followed by the closing dinner and prize presentations. Winner of the John Gartland memorial trophy for 2023, presented to the player with the lowest net score for the year went to **Ludwik Rydlewski** (below left). **Don Charlebois** finished a close second. The 3 Club trophy went to **Graeme Gordon** (pictured above right with Games Captain **Al Ferguson**). Graeme shot an amazing net score of 25. He was able to beat **John Phelan** who shot a net score of 26.

Great scoring by both.



Deerfield Ladies Fun Tournament



The two-day tournament was held on Saturday, August 5 and Monday, August 7 with 12 Ladies participating. The best net score by hole of the two days were recorded and winners were rewarded.

Thanks to Lee for scoring and to all the Ladies that participated. The following winners were:

1st Place: **Diana Wright**
2nd Place: **Sheryl Keenan**
3rd Place: **Anna Tang**
Proximity Holes: **Sheryl Keenan and Mary Cochrane**

The weather cooperated and a good time was had by all.

Mary Cochrane

Captain's Cup

The annual Deerfield Captain's Cup tournament was held on Saturday August 19th, with 30 golfers fighting it out for the honour of holding the Captain's Cup trophy.

When the dust settled, it required two tie breakers to figure out the winners. In a three way tie with a score of 72, after retrogression **Grant Parson** won 5th, **Neil McDonald** won 4th, and **Clayton Shold** won 3rd.

Graeme Gordon and **Bill Marriott** tied for 1st place with a net score of 70, with Bill winning by retrogression.

Two fun notes. There was supposed to be a prize for 6th place. Yours truly placed 6th, however due to two dropouts on game day, that prize was dropped due to lack of funds. Also, our esteemed president has had enough of retrogression, and has asked that a new format be used. It seems he ends up on the wrong end of the calculation every time. Sorry Grant. You can't win them all.

Thanks to Lee for his help with the organization and scoring. Especially figuring out the tie breakers.

Allan Ferguson
Men's Games Captain



Editor's Note - Bill, stick around next time so I don't have to Photoshop you in to the picture!

Memorial Classic

Good time held by all at the 2023 Memorial Classic!

Always a favourite, this year's Classic took place on an absolutely gorgeous, sunny weekend. The weather didn't disappoint and neither did the gameplay. After a tight race by 11 teams, the end of Day 2 saw teams #3 and #6 tied neck and neck for first place. Players enjoying their pizza and bevies on the last hole rushed to the putting green to watch the finalists duke it out with an exciting chip-off. After a few good (and not so good) chips, team #6 eked out the win!

Final awards for the \$880 purse

Flight A first place – team #6: **Michael Prytz, Ken Richards, Gabe Jennings & Sheryl Keenan**

Flight A second place – team #3: **Grant Parson, Jordan Ross, Mary Cochrane, Anna Tan**

Flight A third place – team #1: **Glenn Byford, Don McIsaac, Judy Killeavy & Jim Boland**

Flight B first place – team #5: **Jamal Junaid, Paul Richarson, Young Hee Son, Eileen Wilson**

Flight B second place – team #11: **Bob MacDonald, Neil McDonald, Carla Shold, & Phil Groff**

Proximity prizes awarded

Closest to the rope: **Joseph Han & Cynthia Quigley**

Closest to the pin: **Steve Novak, Joyce Gordon, Andrea Wainwright & Neil McDonald**

Longest putt: team #6 - **Michael Prytz, Ken Richards, Gabe Jennings & Sheryl Keenan**

As always, thank you to the usual suspects who always pull this all together: **Lee Beauchamp, Al Ferguson, Bob MacDonald, Ken Musgrave, Don McIsaac, Phil Groff & Graeme Gordon.**

If you're a member who has considered helping out but are unsure of what it takes to convene a tournament.....I'd say don't hesitate to volunteer. You'll have a group of very experienced people helping you out!

Sheryl Keenan



Your winners!

Michael Prytz, Gabe Jennings, Sheryl Keenan, Ken Richards

Photo credits
Tony Juurlink

MEMORIAL CLASSIC IN MEMORY OF OUR FRIENDS

Dennis Adams
Bob Bailey
Glenn Carter
Sharon Entwistle
Shirley Estey
John Gartland
Darryl Harris
Paul Haskett
Marg Hornibrook
Ted Jankowski
Mike Killeavy
David Lyons
Carol Moreau
Art Olive
Paula Richards
Peter Ross
Don Rowland
Jim Smillie
Brian Turnbull
Bill Wright

Mac Anderson
Tish Bowes
Pat Edmonds
Les Estes
Min Franchetto
Pierre Gravel
Nancy Haskett
Ches Hornibrook
Joe Jackson
Wanda Jankowski
Sharon King
John MacKenzie
Peter No
Di Pomroy
Jack Robinson
Nancy Ross
Jochen Schmitz
Jim Tapp
Ross Wellings
David Yawney



Closing Tournament

The weather was fantastic for this 4-person team 2 best net event. Players played their own ball, and two low nets were counted per hole. Twelve teams participated with betting on the Friday night.

The early birds teed off at 7:40 followed by the rest of the field in an 8:00 shotgun. We had a lunch provided by Tim and his crew and from all reports was great. I really enjoyed the soup. The annual meeting followed the event and the welcoming of next years executive.

The event recognized the top four teams with the betting paying off the top 3. Winners for the day were **Bob MacDonald, Nick Mittler, Phil Groff** and **Cynthia Quigley** with a 125. Closely behind were two teams at 128. Winning by retrogression to come in second was **Grant Parson, Bill Marriott, Neil McDonald** and **Sheryl Keenan**. In third was **Paul Simpson, Joseph Han, Al Ferguson** and **Cindy Maffei**. Fourth place was the team of **Jim Donaghey, Ken Richards, Ken Musgrave** and **Andrea Wainwright** at a score of 130.

Thanks to everyone that participated in making this event a success!!

Your Convenor
Ardeth Groff



Your winners!
Nick Mittler, Phil Groff, Cynthia Quigley, Bob MacDonald



Second Place - Neil McDonald, Grant Parson, Sheryl Keenan, Bill Marriott



Third Place - Paul Simpson, Joseph Han, Al Ferguson, Cindy Maffei



Ken Musgrave, Andrea Wainwright, Jim Donaghey, Ken Richards



Vern Doupe, Alex Gabriel, Steve Novak



Eugene Zawadowsky, Elieen Wilson Clayton Shold, Jamal Junaid



Michael Chau, Mike Daniels, Gabe Jennings, Don Charlebois

More Closing Tournament Teams



**Graeme Gordon, Carla Shold,
Gary Aucoin**



**Paul Richardson, Susan Koivu,
Colin Jennings, Nick Dunn**



**Glenn Byford, Joyce Gordon,
Ross Jordan, John Wright**



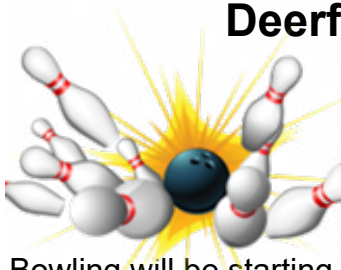
**Andrew Flynn, Judy Killeavy,
Vlad Mihaescu, Young Hee Son**



**Michael Prytz, Alison Holmes,
Ardeth Groff, Don McIsaac**

Thank you **Tony Juurlink**
for taking the team photos!

Deerfield Bowling League Season 2023-2024 Kicking Off Soon



Looking for Spares

Bowling will be starting Thursday October 12 and I am pleased to report that we are back up to 30 bowlers which was our pre-covid numbers. It was once just Deerfield golf members but over the years has grown to include spouses of, friends of and neighbors of Deerfield members. It was started over 15 years ago by Deerfield members to provide a fun way to get together Thursday evenings over the winter months.

We play Thursday evenings starting at 6:30 sharp and if you are interested in sparing the odd night for someone that is away or unable to bowl it is a great way to get started with our group. We are always looking for a few spares to fill in!! We play for 20 weeks which are broken into two 10-week sessions. Games are Thursdays at Classic Bowl in Mississauga. Following games several players generally go out for a bite to eat and catch up. Play is handicapped and you don't play with your significant other. It's about a getting out with friends for a fun night.

Interested please contact Pat and Chris Spruin who are coordinating things this year at cpspruin@gmail.com Alternatively, if you have any questions feel free to ask either Ardeth or myself when you see us at the course.

Cheers, **Phil Groff**

Muriel Going Strong at 93!

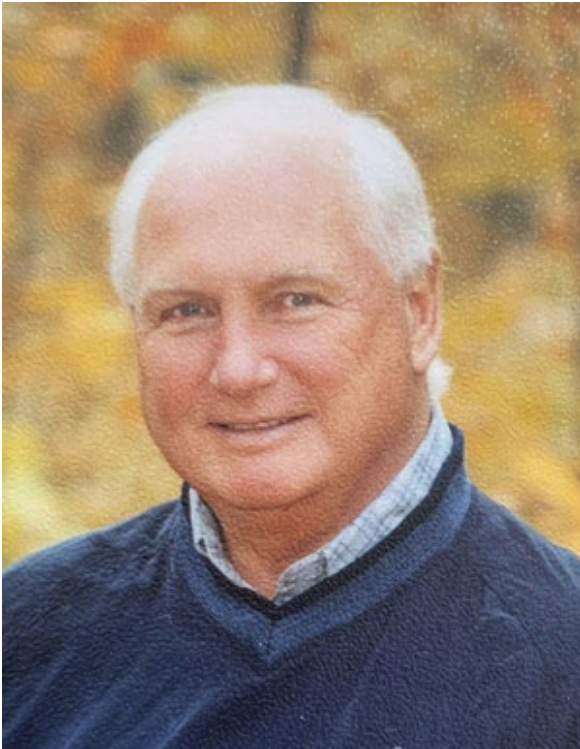
The photo on the left was taken Tuesday September 26 at 9:12 am. Hole # 4. Muriel's comment "Too early for drinks for a hole in one, so held back a bit!" No problem making the bird though. The photo on the right was her second shot on 14, she got past the corner no problem! What form for a 93 year old! Or anyone for that matter! One of the original group that came over from Richview and we believe our oldest member.



And, Lee told me today that Sam Sabetti shot 79 today and he is 92!

Stories submitted by Judy Killeavy & Carla Shold

Bill Wright



Long time Deerfield members will be saddened to hear of the passing of **Bill Wright** on September 13 in his 81st year. Bill played with Rodney Read, Ziggy Hummelbrunner and myself for 20 years, being a regular early morning foursome.

Bill would often invite his daughter Alison to join the group and she would regularly thrash the other members besides outdriving them.

Bill was originally from Montreal and him and Norma settled in the Oakville area when he came to Toronto to work for CP-Rail as an executive. He had a large house and an extra-large backyard complete with pool and gigantic sundeck. All his children were big successes in their chosen fields and Bill doted on his family and his several grandchildren.

Besides golf, Bill was a superb athlete in many sports including canoeing, hockey, skiing and in later years, pickleball. He was a world traveller and he covered much of North America in his journeys and wintering in Florida in the Destin area was one of his favourite pastimes. Lunching with Bill and Norma in Florida was always great fun as was our regular game of golf at local clubs. He was a wonderful golf companion mainly because of his steady mindset, never becoming too downcast over a bad shot nor too excited over a birdie, coupled with his delightful - and often understated - sense of humour. Bill would be the first to agree that he valued the social over the competition, but he was a tiger playing double-or-nothing on the last hole.

He scored his only hole-in-one at the 11th one day and in his usual nonchalant response, he laughingly shrugged it off whilst others raved and clapped him on the back.

In typical Bill Wright style, his memorial was low-key with family, close friends and neighbours paying tribute to him, with sons Brian and Mike delivering superb speeches. Alison, Brian and Mike arranged it all and the delicious food was catered and set out by Bill's daughters-in-law. Bill would have been proud.

Submitted by **Bob Marshall**

Bill's obituary was in The Oakville Beaver, dated September 23.

Sunday Couples Almost Done for 2023

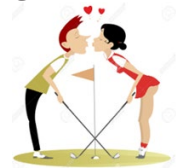
It has been a great summer for the Sunday Couples that participated this year. With 24 golfers participating we had between 16 and 20 golfers each Sunday. Couples has been around Deerfield for many years and provides an opportunity for a relaxed round of golf followed by some fellowship around a beverage and bite to eat.

Members are encouraged to bring out a significant other, a friend or pair up with another Deerfield member to play. We throw \$5 per couple into a pot each week just to provide a chance to create a bit of competition. If your partner does not have an official handicap, we will figure one out.

Games varied from two player and four teams. We varied the tees and added a few twists to the rules. The teams competing in scrambles, low nets, alternate shots and a local game favorite called knives where we randomly draw which players will score after the game over lunch. This usually results in significant laughter and kibitzing as no one wants a score to be selected on a particularly bad hole.

Couples is a great way to get to meet new friends and catch up with old friends. Our thanks to those faithful players that participated most Sunday's and those that helped organize things when Ardeth and I weren't around. We still have some hearty folks coming out to play but see the season coming to an end in a couple more Sundays.

Cheers, **Phil & Ardeth Groff**



Thank you **Jim Donaghey** for sending in this photo he called "Early Morning" he took on August 20th on the first green. Beautiful!



Now, guys disdain Rule 19, the unplayable lie rule (now, officially, the "unplayable ball" rule). Often that's because they don't know the options, as Jordan Spieth so memorably did in the final round of the 2017 British Open. Sometimes it's because they're strong enough to extricate themselves from deep rough, gorse, heather and other unpleasantness. Most of the time, though, their fragile egos won't allow them to admit that a lie is, indeed, unplayable. Women, however, do not have a male ego to protect. And so we will eagerly follow the steps to an unplayable lie if it means we do not have to crawl under that bush and attempt a shot that will likely result in the waste of two or three more.

The other submission read - Oh look where my ball landed. On a bright and sunny day, this ball indeed decided to cuddle up to a tree. The owner of the ball thought about it. Hmm, should I try and hit it out or should I use my toe wedge. Being the honest golfer that she is, she opted to take a penalty stroke, hit the ball onto the green and bogeyed the hole !! Congratulations Cindy. (Oops - out of space to credit the submitter!)

Quiz Time



What is **Cynthia Quigley** doing in this photo?

a) Seeking shelter from a thunderstorm?

b) Trying to put another hole in the shelter?

c) playing her ball after ending up in the shelter from her drive on #13. (Yes you read that right!)

We don't know the score she took on the hole.

Beaver Spotted on #14

Just when you thought you have seen everything at Deerfield in terms of wildlife, you just keep getting surprised. Most of us have seen deer, swans, mice, Canadian geese, copper tailed hawks, bald eagles*, marmots, foxes, and coyotes. (* Please see Ken Musgrave for a complete listing of all the birds I'm sure he'd be able to add at least another 20 bird types here).

On a warm sunny Wednesday morning, Phil Groff, Ross Jordan, John Phelan, and Clayton Shold had teed off on #14, with no one going in the water or the trees. We knew it was going to be a special hole. As we were nearing the end of the pond, Clayton, who may have been keeping an eye out for wayward golf balls spotted the beaver! What a beautiful animal. It took a minute to get the phone for a photo which is included on page 14.

Brian Turnbull Passes



We were sad to hear of Brian's passing from an email from member Ray Pomroy on October 20th "Just a quick note to let you know that Brian Turnbull died last night peacefully in hospital. I have no information re cause or date for funeral or celebration of life. I assume there will be an obit in the papers. Just heard the funeral and celebration of life will be private."

For many years Brian organized the Aquarium golf tournament which was a fundraiser for Halton Women's Shelter raising \$283,000 in the 23 years it was held.

Brian was larger than life. He boasted he was "The World's Greatest Putter" having balls labeled to back up his claim. He was also rather loud. It would not be uncommon to hear him on the green on #1 from the tee block on #14. Well maybe if the wind was in the right direction.

Thankfully the opportunity for someone else now opens to claim the putting title. RIP Brian.



Thanks for sending along the jokes Judy K.



2023 Sniff & Snort Tourney

We have 22 signed up already for this fun event.

Deadline to sign up is **Noon November 1st**. Sign up outside Pro Shop or email clayton@shold.ca. Don't forget to indicate if you are staying for some of Denny's famous Chili.

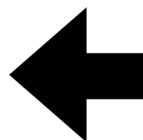
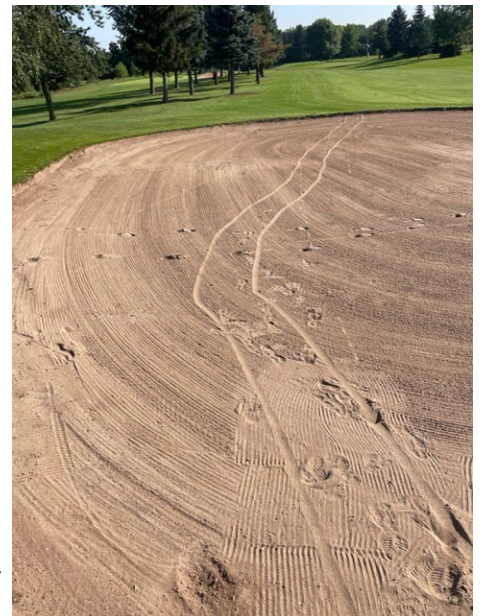
Remember to enter your scores for games played up to and including October 31st.



If I needed to match up the hands meeting (as if to shake hands) Bill would have had to shrink down a bit. I think he is shrinking a bit each year...



Jim Donaghey sent this in August 16th with the email title "What's wrong here?" Some might have thought you'd need a certain IQ to play golf. Apparently not.



This is the photo of the beaver I happened upon on the 14th fairway only 20 feet from the pond. Cute little guy!

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