

Dear Member,

It is hard to believe October is upon us and the final golf rounds (outdoor) are being played at the club. We pushed to be ready to go as soon as possible with our first rounds going out on April 20th. For the most part we had some great weather this year which made the SGCC an extremely busy place. We hosted the Manitoba Senior Championship a Golf Manitoba event. We also crowned the following Club Champions at our Club Championship weekend:

Mens Champion - Mike Frost
Ladies Champion - McKyla Poponick
Junior Boys Champion - Ryan Cromie
Junior Girls Champion - Skylar Whitford
Men's Senior Champion - Brent Kurbis
Men's Masters Champion - Mickey Wur
Ladies Masters Champion - Gloria Heft
Ladies Open Champion - Carolyn Cox

On the course we did have some damage out of the gate to our greens due to the extended thaw and ice on our tarps. We installed a new larger pump allowing us to water more holes at the same time. We purchased a fairway aerator and plan to seed after aeration to continue to improve our fairways.

We closed the driving range on September 15th to do long needed maintenance. Scraped the tee box down 10" where we found large boulders, steel, and slag and have done some irrigation repairs. We are also levelling the range for better drainage. We plan to have the range open in June 2025.

Lastly, as many of you have seen, we have marked out several new tee boxes. This will be done as part of our evolution in the golf industry. Golfers will play a tee based on handicap/average score. We understand some trees will need to be trimmed in this process. Our goal is to get the base for these tee boxes completed before the snow. Come spring we will continue levelling after the frost comes out and get them ready for play mid-season.

Our restaurant continues to gain more and more customers and people commenting on the quality of food and portion sizes. Diane and staff continue to grow this side of the business. The renovations of the new carpeting and chair recovering has been extremely well received!

The 2024 season was the last year of the contract with Mike Hill (Impact Golf). The Board considered many factors and a decision not to renew the contract past this season was made. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to thank Mike Hill for all his contributions, professionalism and for his years of service at the club. We wish Mike well in his future endeavors.

We have posted on the PGA Canada site for a Head Golf Professional and an Assistant Golf Professional. We look forward to offering more member benefits in this new structure!

Now who said the golf season is over, who said you can't golf in Selkirk in the winter? We are excited to announce, stating this winter you will be able to golf without leaving Selkirk. We have leased golf simulators where members and guests will be able to practice, take lessons, and play golf rounds with their regular golf groups. In the future we will look at league play to further enhance our member benefits. The restaurant will be open to offer a limited menu, and of course drinks. More details to come.

The last bit of news is our MORTGAGE is officially paid off!!! It's been a super long road since the Flood of 1997... a course that was saved at a Christmas Eve meeting with the Government of Manitoba Flood Disaster Assistance and past Board Members such as Berry Grant, Mike Andrews, Wayne Sutherland, Brian Gilhuly (I know he's smiling down on us) and Office Manager, Rosey Martin has never been lost on me. I know at times the lack of progress has been frustrating, but we have tried to make improvements along the way while managing our cash flows and debt repayments. We can now be calculated in our decision making and give our members and guests the best experience possible.

I would like to thank Rosey Martin, Ian Brooks, Diane Thomas and Mike Hill along with their staff for another fantastic golf season!

Have a safe and happy winter, holiday season and see you on the course or golf sims in 2025!!!

Regards,

Chad Krut - President