

July 1, 2017

Happy Canada Day Everyone!

Thank you to all of our volunteers here at RGC! Our golf course is looking amazing with all of the work the Flower Girls and Busy Bees are doing! Doesn't the entrance into our golf course (by #10 green) look fantastic! Our golf course signs are back to looking respectable and our clubhouse exterior is in the midst of being re-painted! Thank You, Thank You, Thank You to all of our volunteers. As always, if you have a few hours to spare each week, come by the office and see Kevin or stop one of our volunteers and ask how you can help out as we're always looking for more people to help keep RGC beautiful.

And speaking of keeping RGC beautiful, how about the job our super Superintendent Dave Wilson and his team are doing on our course! Many members have commented that our golf course in the best June shape it has ever been in. Our fairways and rough are lush and always cut, our greens, even with all the rain, are cut and rolled daily, our bunkers are raked and our cart paths are being graded on an almost daily basis. And...no matter how much rain we receive, Dave and his team are ensuring we are able to use golf carts on our course. Not all golf courses can say that this year, but RGC can. RGC is fortunate that we are built on sand and all (ok, most of) the rain goes right through the soil. We are never soaked, which means your feet stay dry and you can use a golf cart if you wish. "Thank You" Dave & team for the terrific job you are doing this year!

Now that our tee signs have been painted and look so much better, we are back to selling advertising on our tee signs. Cost is \$250 per year, or \$600 for three years, plus the cost to create the sign. If you are a business owner, or work for a business that would like a lot of local exposure (in 2016 we had 26,000 rounds on RGC, with 75% of those rounds local golfers) please contact Kevin Sebulski.

Our annual Beef and Greens summer members' meeting is scheduled for Tuesday July 18th @ 6:30 pm here at RGC. For those of you new to RGC, Beef and Greens gives our members a look at how we are doing financially for 2017 (we will have our June Income Statement available for viewing) as well as reports on the future of RGC and where we are headed. All 2017 RGC members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Congratulations to Mary Peer and Richard Barr who are our 2017 RGC Mixed 2-Ball Champions. Mary and Richard beat out 16 other teams to claim the trophy, under less than ideal conditions that included a one-hour delay in starting and a rainstorm with three holes to play. And Thank You to John Wilson of J.S. Wilson for sponsoring the event, which is now back on our calendar on an annual basis.

The Mixed 2-Ball was also a qualifying round for the MyFM Mixed Tournament, held this year at Island Brae on Saturday July 22nd. Our top 7 pairs will represent RGC in this Upper Valley Golf Association event against Mississippi, Sand Point, Pembroke and Deep River. If you are interested in qualifying for our team, let us know in the golf shop and we can give you all the details. Qualifying format is Alternate Shot (Chapman Format) and you must play with another couple trying to qualify.

Thank you to our friends Mike Moore and Merv (Muzz) Wren for organizing the 49th Annual Links of Friendship golf tournament this past weekend. 75 golfers competed in the event, which serves as a great renewal of friendships forged through years of golf here at RGC. During the dinner, Mike announced that the 50th Links of Friendship will be a two-day event on June 22nd and 23rd, 2018, so mark your calendars as this promises to be the event of the summer.

And "Thank You" to Lesley Wright for organizing the first ever Sunshine Coach fundraiser in memory of Lee Sharpe. A great turnout of 50 people raised money for Lee's favourite cause, the Ride the Bus campaign. Ride the Bus is raising funds to replace the accessible bus in the Sunshine Coach fleet and we hope this is the first of many years of this event.

Our second Friday Frolics was played June 23rd with Barb & Mike Asselin, Kelly Coughlin and Gilles Ladouceur “winning” the event. Winning means they get to plan the dinner and golf game for our next Friday Frolics on July 21st. And thank you to everyone who came out this past Friday. We had 32 golfers this past Friday, 20 golfers for our 1st Friday Frolics and are looking forward to continuing to grow the event all summer long.

Even with rain in the forecast (which never appeared) we had a great 1st day in our Home and Home Series against Smiths Falls. Our RGC ladies played great hosts to their ladies and we were treated very well by the Smiths Falls men. The second day of our Home and Home is Monday July 17th and Smiths Falls wants to see 16 ladies from RGC. Sign-up sheet is located just inside the clubhouse and the cost is only \$30 if you play in both events and \$20 if you play in only one. Money includes green fees, cart and prizes!

And our Ladies held their second Shotgun Social of the season on Tuesday. The Shotgun Social is a fun event where members bring their friends and show off our golf course and our social activities. The Tuesday event was a Par 3 contest so golfers of all skill levels could compete and enjoy the evening. The event was won by Mary Ann Abrams with a score of 29. Special Guest Carter Jarrett also shot 29, but was gracious enough to let Mary Ann keep all the prize money so it would not affect his amateur status.

Speaking of Carter Jarrett, congratulations to Carter for placing fourth out of 150 entries in the Drive, Chip and Putt qualifier, on June 22nd in South Carolina. Carter narrowly missed out on qualifying for the Regionals by five points in the 12-13 age category, but is the first alternate for the next round of qualifying.

Our Ladies Member Guest is being held July 29th & 30th. The event is \$40 for members and \$80 for guests. The Theme is Happy Birthday Canada so wear Red & White and you can even decorate your golf cart for the weekend. Saturday begins at 3:00 pm with a Par 3 Contest followed by a Pairings Party complete with appetizers. The Pairings Party is where you find out who you'll be paired with on Sunday. Sunday starts with breakfast, then 18 holes of golf and the day is completed with lunch and prizes awarded. It's a great deal for both members and guests...2 rounds of golf, carts, 3 meals, prizes and a welcome gift for all guests.

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3, to save in our Golf Shop during our July Sale. Buy one clothing item and save 10%. Buy 2 items and save 20%. Buy 3 or more items and receive a 30% discount. This sale is only for the month of July.

A reminder for those who have a house/charge account with us, accounts should be paid in full by the 15th of the following month. Statements can be viewed through your Chronogolf account.

And last, but definitely not least, Congratulations to Sandra Fredette, Bev Savicky, June Larose and Dorothy Sharpe, the owners of the flower bed on our 14th tee. In a really close vote, these ladies were chosen to have the best Spring Flower Bed and win lunch on us here at RGC. We will recognize more Flower Girls in July and August. Unfortunately, Rick Desilets' flower bed on 16 fairway, (apparently you get a free drop if you hit behind the big rock on the left as there are flowers growing out of the top of the rock) did not receive a vote.

Remember our Website is a great resource for all of our internal and external RGC events. You can go to our Calendar (Members Zone) pick a month, pick an event and hover over the event to see the details. Or, you can click on Members Zone to see results and draws from all of our internal events. www.renfrewgolf.com

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