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WESTFIELD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB 757-2250

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Pat Palmer

Well, Olde Man Winter lived up to his reputation over the past four + months in the Maritimes. Now its time to get the course ready for the season and Paul Marr and his staff are doing just that. We covered 15 greens this past winter and will be covering all 18 this Fall. Joe Flynn and his committee of Harvey Miller, Dave Kean, Brian Biggins and Reg Gionet will very soon be starting renovation work on the existing maintenance buildings which will put them in good repair and highly usable for many years. Work should be completed by the end of May. The new maintenance building will be built in the Fall. This building is badly needed so that golf carts and maintenance equipment can be stored out of the weather. The new maintenance storage facility will be a no-frills building set on a concrete slab and have no heat or water in it.

Members' take a look at the renovated and well stocked pro shop. Need a new set of clubs? Contact Marshall so that he can custom fit you with a new set of clubs. Golf clubs that are built to your specifications are always' better than just buying off the rack.

The Board of Directors' has approved a Club power cart policy. Very shortly, General Manager Jim Balcomb and past Club President Judy Comeau will be meeting with the 28 owners of private power carts in use at Westfield to review the policy including the grandfathering provision, general regulations for the use of a private power cart on Westfield property, the Disability clause in the policy, who are the eligible owner / operators of each private power cart and lastly the Private Power Cart contract between each owner[s] and the Club.

T-Timez- Jencess Tee Booking System Comparison

After a very careful and thorough review of the benefits of both Tee Booking Systems by staff, volunteers involved in the administration of the T-Timez System as well as the Board we have come to the conclusion that the Jencess System offers more Tee Booking flexibility to members and is fully compatible with the Jencess Point of Sale System. The Jencess Tee Booking System is very easy to use especially for those members already familiar with the use of the T-Timez System. The T-Timez System has served its purpose over the past two seasons and now we will move to a System that is just as simple to use and has more "Bells & Whistles". The Jencess Tee Booking System is the Industry Standard and is what is taught at the Golf Business Management Program in PEI that Geordie attended. The Jencess Tee Booking System is in use at courses all over North

America and locally at Hampton and Sussex. Training on the Jeness System will be offered a little later this month at the Club as well as through our website.

MANAGER'S NOTES by Jim Balcomb

The course has wintered very well considering the type of winter we had. The outer layer tarps and the straw have been removed from all of the greens. A special "Thank you" to the Seniors who came to help us last Friday afternoon. The extra hands certainly helped.

We will have **two new cooks** joining the staff in the kitchen this year. Both Linda and Diane previously worked with us at Westfield. Lynn and some of her staff have been working with a dietician to add some "healthy choices" to our menu this year.

To facilitate picking balls at the range we have acquired a **used ball picker** that attaches to the front of one of our utility vehicles. It will be delivered this weekend.

Our **new leased bar cart** will be arriving in early May. We are currently exploring the possibility to have a wireless debit machine on the new bar cart. This would be very convenient for both Members, their Guests and during tournaments.

Once **reciprocal arrangements** with other golf courses are finalized they will be sent in an email to the Members and put in the next Newsletter.

This year Warren Lingley, our Back Shop Supervisor, will also be **marshalling** during peak times on the course. Our Super Seniors have also volunteered to assist with course marshalling during visiting tournaments. We expect to be using a colour code flag system that will be explained in the near future.

I am pleased to advise that again in 2008, Members will be able to **bring a guest** to Westfield under the following two discount programs:

- A) *One Free Guest pass for full Members valid on Sundays after 2:00 p.m.*
- B) *Two 50% Off Guest passes for full Members valid anytime Monday to Friday, and after 2:00 p.m. on weekends and holidays.*

Non-full-paying Members (Tuesday Night Ladies; Wednesday Niners; Student; Monday to Friday; Seniors) will be given ONE 50% Off Guest Pass in 2008.

All of these passes will be handled electronically at the Pro-Shop, so no printed passes will be issued.

Please note the change in dates for the **NB Senior Men's 4-Ball** being held at Westfield this year. The 2-day tournament will now start one day later (August 27th and 28th) to permit a number of participants playing in the Maritime Seniors at Riverside to also play at Westfield.

2008 Golf Discount books from Golf NB are available for purchase at both the Office and the Pro-shop this year for \$ 75 plus tax. This represents a great value for green fee play at a number of courses throughout New Brunswick. For a complete listing of the participating courses visit www.golfnb.com.

We have unfortunately lost two long standing outside tournaments this year that have been held in May. The *Cpl. Hanson Memorial* has moved and after 10 years, the *Glenn Carpenter Memorial* is taking a break. Westfield has greatly appreciated hosting these two events. We were recently approached by one of our Members, Scott Graham, to host a *Rally of Hope* fundraiser tournament in June. This week the Board approved this additional June tournament to help defray the lost budgeted revenue from the *Cpl. Hanson* and the *Glenn Carpenter* tournaments, and because of the great cause. This will mean there will be one week with two outside tournaments (June 17th and June 19th). I thank you in advance for your understanding and hope that the spread-out placement of the other outside tournaments during the season is better than last year.

Weather permitting, we are planning the necessary **greens aeration** from Sunday afternoon, **June 1st to June 4th**.

Once the **new Jencess on-line booking software** is received we will create a step by step instructional document and email to all our Members, as well as posting it on our website. Some evening instructional sessions will also be made available at the Clubhouse. We will keep you informed.

Finally, a reminder of our Spring Clean-up Day at **10:00 a.m.** on **Saturday, April 19th**. Your help is greatly appreciated.

SUPER SENIORS by Brian Biggins

Another golfing season is just around the corner (we hope). Alex McIntosh (alias Robert Burns), our Treasurer has advised me that he has given up track and field for this year and will not be “running after” us for our \$30.00 Super Senior Membership fee, so please see him as soon as possible and pay up.

The following are most of the key dates on our Super Seniors’ Golfing Calendar for 2008:

Opening Scramble - May 29, 2008

Hampton & Riverside at Westfield -June 12, 2008

Westfield & Fredericton at Sussex – July 10, 2008

Westfield & Riverside at Hampton – July 15, 2008 (Tuesday)

Fredericton & Sussex at Westfield – July 31, 2008

Hampton & Westfield at Riverside – August 12, 2008 (Tuesday)

Closing Scramble - October 2, 2008

A complete schedule will be available at our Opening Scramble.

Hope you all had a good winter and looking forward to seeing you on the course.

GREENS COMMITTEE by Merrill Loughery

What a long winter for those of us who did not get away to those warmer climates for some golf. Clearing the greens this year has been quite a chore to say the least. The course still has a great deal of ice and snow especially on our green covers. The crew has been working very diligently at removing the ice. I am sure that when all is said and done we will once again give you an excellent product.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who participated in the covering of the greens, your help allowed us to accomplish the task in just three days. You were a tremendous help! Thank You!

Once again we will be having our **annual cleanup** which involves picking up broken branches and raking straw and leaves etc. Your help here allows our crew to do more meaningful tasks and get us on the course that much sooner. **Please mark your calendar for 10:00 on April 19th**. Raindate April 26th. This is a good chance to see what we are doing on the course and renewing those old friendships. Hope to see you there.

We have a number of projects on our plate, the major ones being the completion of the cart paths and the trap on number four. We will be introducing a new chemical on our greens this year in an attempt to give those who golf later in the day the same conditions as the early risers. This chemical is supposed to retard the grass growth and in doing so give a more consistent roll throughout the day.

We are also looking at different pieces of machinery with the hope of continually improving your conditions.

Hopefully the weather will break quickly and allow us to hit the links early this year.

LADIES ASSOCIATION by Cindy Hutchinson

We are looking forward to getting started this year, this weather can't warm up fast enough for everyone I'm sure. Honest, spring is just around the corner and down the street I'm beginning to think so!! Soon we will be back into the swing of things.

Just a reminder of our **Annual Ladies Spring Tea and Fashion Show is coming up May 10, 2008 starting at 11:30a.m.** The cost is \$15.00 per ticket. Come one come all enjoy our wonderful fashion show and see our

Westfield Ladies modeling with fashions provided from Sandra's Fashions on Germain St. and the great lunch too!! Bring your mother, daughter, sister and friends!!

Those providing sweets please drop them off at 10:00am. On Friday May 9, 2008.

Also, our **first Tuesday Ladies luncheon will be held on May 20, 2008**. Invite your friends and come and enjoy the delicious meal and deserts and afterwards stay to play cards. The cost of the luncheon is \$12.00 per person. Please reserve by calling the Club Office at 757-2250.

Last but not least we will be having our first golfing event of the year our **Ladies Spring Brunch & Fun Day on May 24, 2008** starting at 10:00am. This is a good chance for everyone to get to meet and play golf with some of the other ladies that you don't normally golf with. Good food, good fun, good friendship by all!

Hope to see you at the Spring Tea and Fashion Show!!

DON'T FORGET APPROPRIATE DRESS, "NO JEANS"

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR ALL SPECIAL EVENTS BY CALLING 757-2250

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER

Thursday, May 8th 5:30 & 7:00p.m.

Price –\$15.75/ person plus HST

MENU:

- ❖ *Pasta Salad*
- ❖ *Caesar Salad*
- ❖ *Stuffed Chicken Breast with Mushroom Wine Gravy*
- ❖ *Glazed Baked Ham*
- ❖ *Whipped Potatoes*
- ❖ *Mixed vegetables*
- ❖ *Homemade Tea Biscuits*
- ❖ *Apple Pie ala Mode*

- ❖ *Carmel Brownie Cheesecake*
- ❖ *Tea or Coffee*

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Sunday, May 11th Sittings 11:30 & 1:30

Price - \$16.75/person plus HST

MENU:

- ❖ *Spring Salad*
- ❖ *Sunshine Mold*
- ❖ *Scrambled Eggs*
- ❖ *Ham/Sausage/French Toast*
- ❖ *Roast Pork/Gravy/Apple Sauce*
- ❖ *Poached Salmon with White Wine Egg Sauce*
- ❖ *Oven Roasted Potatoes*
- ❖ *Carrots/Peas*
- ❖ *Homemade Tea Biscuits*
- ❖ *Fruit Cheesecake*
- ❖ *Butterscotch Pie*
- ❖ *Assorted Parfaits*

OPENING DINNER

Saturday, May 17th

Price –\$24.95/ person plus HST & Gratuity

MENU:

- ❖ *Seafood Crepe*

- ❖ *Orange Almond Salad*
- ❖ *Chicken Cordon Blue*
- ❖ *Potato & Vegetable*
- ❖ *Homemade Tea Biscuits*
- ❖ *Pumpkin Kahula Cheesecake*
- ❖ *Chocolate Nut Layer Cake*
- ❖ *Tea or Coffee*

LADIES LUNCHEON

Tuesday, May 20th – 12noon

MENU:

- ❖ *Tomato Juice*
- ❖ *Stuffed Chicken Breasts*
- ❖ *Whipped Potatoes*
- ❖ *Green Beans*
- ❖ *Homemade Tea Biscuits*
- ❖ *Lemon Pie*