

The Greens Scorecard

APRIL 2024 EDITION

It's Finally Here.....Opening Day!

It has been a long winter. Well in truth it really hasn't been but still its always good to get back on the course.

Superintendent Al Binkley and his crew have been working all week to ready the course for opening day 2024. We would love it to be a little warmer and when the decision was made, it was!



Part of the decision to start the season was our contest for First On the Course. Hopefully, you were aware of this raffle and participated. For those not aware, as part of our Community Day at The Greens initiative we sold tickets on who would be the first to get on the course this year and have the day to themselves. Proceeds from this raffle were added to Community Day coffers and we were able to raise just slightly over \$3000.00 for our twenty-seven partner charities.

The first-place winner of the raffle was Derek Breese who brought four of his friends with him. The happy foursome was picked up in Simcoe and delivered to the course for a delicious breakfast before warming up in our simulators for a few swings. We then escorted them to the first tee where their carts and caddy (Mike Earls) were waiting. Through the day they enjoyed twenty-seven holes of golf and a few complimentary beverages as well as lunch before finishing off the day with a hearty prime rib dinner. Just to make sure that they can continue the season we sent them home with a dozen Taylormade TP5's with our First on Course logo, to commemorate the day.

In second place was Leora Ferras who was able to bring out her own foursome with many of the same privileges. In third place was the Al Watson foursome who enjoyed a day on the course with some food and golf balls thrown in.

We would like to thank everyone who participated in this fundraiser, and hope that you will support our April fundraiser. So, without further ado. Our April Raffle is for a 7 day with cart membership at The Greens. This membership is for 365 days to commence at the preference of the winner. It can be delayed for up to 365 days but is not transferable. Come on out to our Bistro or Greens Depot and get yourself a ticket or two. All proceeds go to benefit our Community Day fund.

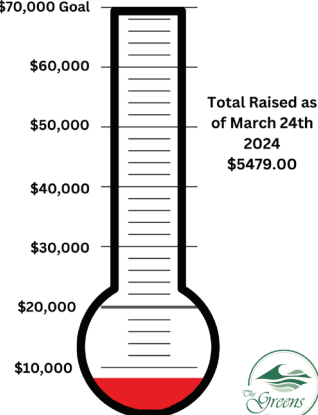
While I am on the topic of our community day, I'd like to mention that we can't do it without your support. Last year we were able to donate over \$32,000.00 to our charity partners and this year we hope to double it. There are many ways to help. Come out and play on June 11th . It will only take 2 hours out of your day. Buy tickets on our raffles, prizes are great, and every bit helps. Lastly, we can always use volunteers to help with the day. If you are interested in donating your time, please Contact Melinda Bell.

With your help The Greens at Renton can hopefully make the claim of being the most charitable golf course in Canada, something that has become a goal that we can all take pride in.

Thanks again!

Brad Halyk | General Manager, The Greens at Renton

The Greens at Renton Community Day
\$70,000 Goal



Ask us how to get involved!



FIRST ON THE COURSE: MARCH 29TH 2024



Derek Breese's foursome ready to tee off on their first hole with caddy Mike Earls and General Manager Brad Halyk.



Derek Breese's foursome enjoying breakfast from the Greens Bistro before heading out.



Mike Earls showing off his caddy outfit.



Leora Ferras and her foursome ready to tee off on their first hole with GM Brad Halyk.



Caddy Mike Earls helping the boys make the perfect putt.



Al Watson's foursome posing after a successful first hole on the greens.



Mike Earls observing a nice tee off from his group of golfers.



THE GREENS GOLF DEPOT SALES AND SAVINGS

NEW NEW NEW

2024 Clubs have started to arrive in the golf store. Visit the pro shop to see our full selection as more clubs continue to be added.



NEW

Electric push carts will be available for purchase or rent in the shop this season.

**ALL
HATS*
30%
OFF**

* excluding logo'd hats

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**BUY 3
GET 1
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available for
Taylormade, Titleist
and Callaway
custom ball
orders.

**SPECIAL
OFFER**

Select level wear gear is \$50.00
or less.
Visit us in-store for more details.

**Taylormade
TP5/TP5x
balls are**

\$50.00

per dozen

*While quantities last



SALE

**Select Bags
30% OFF**

Excluding team bags.

ON THE COURSE AT THE GREENS AT RENTON

April is here, the busy season is starting. The course opened for the lucky draw winners on Good Friday and everyone else on Saturday.

Wednesday was my second favourite day of the season with us getting started with mowing!

The course came through winter, or what there was of it, in really good shape. There is a little damage on Red 2 from a tree coming down on the front right corner, other than that though we are ready to go. Everything has been cut except for the rough. Greens have had their first application of fertilizer applied with another to come this week.

You will see we have all new tee blocks with the Greens logo on them. Thank you to Dan and Judy Ouellette for the wonderful job they did on them! They are a huge improvement over the old steel ones we were using.



Additionally on the Greens we have all new flags, flagsticks, cups and ring liners.

As the season moves on we will be adding more new garbage cans and benches out there. There are currently 9 garbage cans and a bench out there.

Another project we started last fall was the reshaping of the green's collars and adding in run off areas. They have been cut in already and now we will be working to getting them to fill in thicker. Let Jake, Brad or myself know what you think of them!

We think the Eagles have hatched and will be waiting to see them sitting on the edge of the nest in the next month or so.

I hope that everyone had a good winter and we will see you out on the course.

Thanks.

Al Binkley



GET TO KNOW OUR EVENT COORDINATOR: EMILIE KERSHAW



When did you start coming to the Greens? May 2022
Where did you grow up? Born, raised and still living in Brantford.

What did you do for a living before coming to The Greens? I was a manager at a multi-space convention center then COVID hit and so did the job. A contract came up with Disney Cruise and I worked there for 9 months as a high-end sales associate. I sold anything that was shiny and expensive. After the contract ended, I was offered a renewal but I wanted to stay local and that's when the job with The Greens came up.

Favourite Sport? Baseball

Favourite Team? Milwaukee Brewers

Favourite Movie? Godzilla

Favourite Food? Chicken fingers and The Greens are the best!

Favourite Actor? Kevin Hart

Favourite Hole at The Greens? Blue 2 because it's my nemesis. Always a challenge and I'm determined to beat it.

Favourite Vacation Spot? Disney World. I have been there over 100x's. It's always fun, never boring, love the castle and the fireworks.

Somewhere you've never travelled that you like too? Fiji. I love seeing how exotic it looks there.

Favourite vehicle that you owned? Dodge Durango but I would like to have a Yukon.

Favourite pet? My pet Rabbit – her name was Ninja and she was black and white. She was awesome.

Favourite dessert? Vanilla cake

Dream Foresome? Me, Mike Earls, The Rock and Jason Derulo.

Who do you admire most? Besides my boss (hahaha) just kidding, I admire a lady that I met since I have worked here named Bonnie Tutin. Bonnie is a member of the Greens. The best way to describe her is her personality is just bigger than life. She says how it is and I admire that.

Favourite Hobby? Shopping!!!!



Emilie is The Greens Event Coordinator. She went to school in Windsor for Hospitality Management and did her Internship with Disney Cirque du Soleil. Emilie is also a certified Canadian Travel agent. She was the 1st student in the Grand Erie District to be certified. And to top off her qualifications Emilie is now a certified Wedding Planner. If you need someone to help you with your next event be sure to call her. She will help you every step of the way.

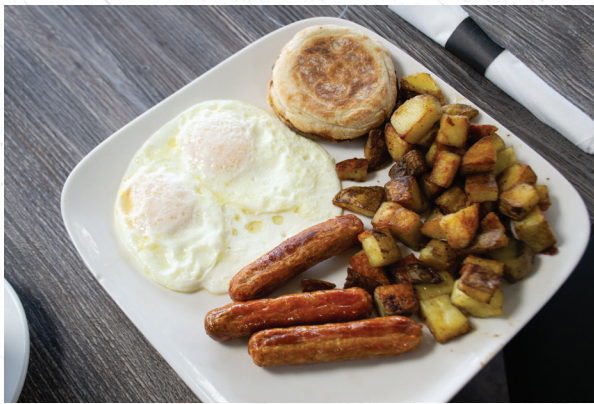
JAKE'S GOLF CORNER

What's Happening in April?

The Course is now officially open and tee sheets are filling up! Call the Pro Shop 519-426-3308 EXT 1 to book your next tee time!

Member's Breakfast:

Members breakfast is taking place on April 27 from 9am-11am. Please RSVP with Jacob if you plan on attending. All members receive (1) free classic breakfast. Depending on weather, you may have the opportunity to golf following breakfast.



Jake's Monthly Golf Tip: Ball Striking

Use a piece of masking tape face down on your carpet to work on consistently striking the ground in the same place. If the tape lifts as you swing, you know you have hit behind the tape. You should see slight markings on the front side of the tape to demonstrate proper execution. This can help to create a consistent strike and work on your contact during the off-season. You do not need a golf ball to work on this skill. Try and do this 5-10 times in a row. If this becomes easy, add a water bottle on either side of your club head and repeat the drill without touching the water bottles.



WHO TO WATCH OUT FOR IN THE WORLD OF GOLF

The 2024 Masters Championship at Augusta is coming April 11-14. It will be another eventful tournament with a few key players to watch.

Jon Rahm will be returning to defend his 2023 title after going to the LIV Golf League this season.

Scottie Scheffler has won back-to-back events, including the Players and looks to pick up another green jacket this season. Lastly, Rory has been on the hunt for his win at Augusta to pick up his grand slam. Coming in as the 2nd ranked player on the World Golf Ranking, he will have another good opportunity to clinch the last major championship title he is looking for.

Along with these 3 players, there are several other key players to watch for including Viktor Hovland, Jordan Spieth, Brooks Koepka and many more.



HAVE YOU TRIED SANDBAGGER COOLERS?!



Adam Baylis is our representative for ‘Sandbagger’. Adam is from and still lives in Hamilton with his wife and 4 children. He has worked in the golf industry most of his life. He turned pro at the age of 18. Adam first started as an Assistant Pro at Glendale Golf & Country Club. As he advanced in his career, Adam was in the manager role at various golf courses in the Hamilton Area until 2020.

At the last golf course Adam was managing, the owner of a beverage called ‘Sandbagger’ came by to have the course sell his product. Adam put the product on the beer cart, and it sold like hot cakes. Men and Women loved it. Looking for a better work/life balance Adam decided to go into the sales industry and teamed up with Sandbagger. With his golf industry background and a passion for sales Adam said it’s been a great career move.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can find Lemon lime and Boysenberry available at The Greens at Renton. Be sure to try one the next time you are out on the course or just enjoying a meal with friends in the Bistro.

The owner of Sandbagger is Jay Rowan. Jay’s dad, Wiliam (Bill) Rowan, created the original recipe and it was very popular on the golf course he was a member of and in the local bars. The drink was so popular that he Trademarked the Sandbagger name. Unfortunately, Bill passed before he was able to market the product, but Jay decided to take on the project to honor his father. After some trials Jay decided Gin, cane sugar and natural flavours made the product they were looking for. Originally there was only one flavour – Lemon Lime and it was a favorite being simple, refreshing and having a great taste. Since then, they now have 3 more flavours available – Boysenberry, Pink Grapefruit, and Transfusion. Transfusion is their first Vodka based drink. To continue to honour his father, you will find his father’s initials ‘WJR’ on every can produced. Sandbagger became available in the LCBO 2 years ago. This was a major milestone for the company.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE GREENS BISTRO?

PRIME RIB DINNER

The Greens Bistro features a Prime Rib Dinner on the last Sunday of every month. These dinners have been a huge success thus far bringing in crowds from all around the area and we cannot thank everyone who continues to come out enough.

The Dinner has a pre-made menu featuring starter options, the main course, and delicious dessert options. Each month the starter and dessert options vary to help bring variety to our guests while still delivering the same outstanding plate of 10oz prime rib cooked to medium rare and topped with beef gravy, a side of garlic mashed potatoes, a medley of roasted vegetables, and finished off with a yorkshire pudding.

Our next Prime Rib Dinner will be taking place on April 28th and it's one that you won't want to miss out on! Seatings are available in both our Garden Room and our Skye Room between 5PM and 7PM at 15 minute intervals. If you haven't attended one of these dinners yet, make sure to give the Bistro a call at 519-426-3308 EXT 2 to reserve your table as spaces fill up quickly. We look forward to seeing everyone there enjoying everything Chef Dave and his crew of skilled cooks have to offer!



DAVE'S HOMEMADE RECIPE: CITRUS VINAIGRETTE DRESSING

Ingredients:

- 1 can of frozen concentrate orange juice (thawed)
- 1 Tbsp dijon mustard
- 1 Tbsp honey (or maple syrup)
- 1 cup white vinegar
- 4 cups oil (your choice)

Directions:

1. Mix first 4 ingredients in a blender or with immersion blender
2. Slowly incorporate oil while mixing on high.
3. Season with salt + pepper
4. Once blended, place in an air tight container, preferably a mason jar so you can shake before serving
5. Enjoy!

BRODIE'S MONTHLY COCKTAIL RECIPE:

APEROL SPRITZ

What you need:

- Aperol
- Proccesecco
- Soda Water
- Large Wine Glass
- Ice
- Orange for Garnish

1. Add 2oz of Aperol to your glass
2. Fill glass halfway with ice
3. Add 3oz of Proccesecco
4. Top with Soda Water
5. Garnish with a orange slice
6. Enjoy!

A tip from Brodie:

Adding the Aperol before the ice creates a nice ombre effect for the drink. Adding the ice first won't change the taste but will affect the presentation.

A tip from Dave:

This dressing is perfect to be used on summer salads and I like to use it on my salmon to give it a great taste.

Happy cooking!

COMMUNITY DAY CHARITIES: DAVE FERGUSON OF THE JARVIS LION'S CLUB

Dave Ferguson was born in Toronto and at an early age his family moved to Mount Hope. He started practicing law in Caledonia in 1989 and lived in Caledonia for 25 years. 5 years ago, he and his wife Diane decided to move to Jarvis. Dave was involved in the Rotary Club for years and was a founding member with the Rotary of Caledonia. When he moved to Jarvis, he wanted to join a community-oriented organization and decided that the Jarvis Lions Club met his expectations. His wife Diane actually joined the club first and helping her with some activities, and seeing the community involvement, Dave decided to join also.

The Jarvis Lions Club celebrated their 75th anniversary last year. They were originally sponsored by the Port Dover Lions and at the start they had 20 members. By the end of 1948 the Jarvis Lions had 39 chartered members. They now have approximately 60 members. The Lion's Club is known worldwide. It was started in 1917 in Chicago by a man named Melvin Jones. He invited business clubs from around the USA to a meeting where the association of the Lions was formed. Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.4 million members in approximately 46,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas around the world.

Helen Keller challenged the club to be 'Knights of the Blind' in 1925 and now the Lions has impacted hundred of millions of lives through vision related work by providing medicines, surgeries, eyeglasses, and outfitting hospitals and eye banks. The Lions also started 'Leader Dog training' and have provided guide dogs and service/medical support dogs to many. The Jarvis Lions have and continue to support dogs in training. The Lions mean it when they say their motto is 'WE SERVE'.

From their website 'the Jarvis Lions support many different community organizations, including but not limited to':

- Local hospital fundraising
- Local youth organizations
- Lions driven camps for kidney dialysis, children with cancer, the deaf and the blind.
- Food drive for our local Food Bank.
- The Jarvis Lions Walking Trail in the Jarvis Lions Ball Park.
- Our annual fund-raising events
- An Evening With the Jarvis Lions, Fish Dinner and Turkey Raffle, Breakfast With Santa, Annual Show (our major fund-raiser), Girls Night Out and our revamped Victoria Day Weekend Chicken Barbeque.

Dave said their involvement with The Greens Community Day was amazing. It was a great opportunity to see other organizations and see the fun the golfers were having. He wanted to commend The Greens for bringing the community together for a great cause supporting many charities in the area. The Lions are looking forward to this year's Community Day on June 11th.



MEET GREENS MEMBER: GREG ANDERSON

Greg Anderson grew up in Oakville, Ontario. He is married to Kim and between them they have 4 children and 7 grandchildren ranging in ages between 1 and 13. Needless to say, they have a very busy life. Greg started his career as a teacher in 1976 and has taught in both elementary and secondary schools and was a principal of schools in Oakville and Georgetown before becoming a School Superintendent with the Grand Erie School Board in 2000. Greg and Kim live just south of Oakland, Ont. and are neighbours with fellow Greens golfer Randy McDowell. After being a member at both Burford and Oaks of St. George, Greg decided to make Greens of Renton his home and became a member here in 2018 and has thoroughly enjoyed his time at the Greens.



Since Greg became a member he has seen plenty of improvements. The course management team is awesome and the staff are always friendly and make you welcome. Greg has praise for Al Binkley and his crew for keeping the course looking so good and making sure it is well manicured. He is lucky enough to have had a hole in one on both Blue 4 AND Red 7 in the last couple of years (and a third hole in one at Fescues Edge!) so he thinks our Par 3 holes are terrific.

Even though Greg is busy being Board Chair of Grand Erie Child and Family Services and also an elected school board trustee, he finds plenty of time to play golf at the Greens. He plays in the Monday Mens' League, the Tuesday Seniors' League and usually most weekdays. He also plays in the indoor Simulator league during the winter. Greg was happy to hear that the Simulators will soon be finding a new home in the soon-to-be built building.

Greg participated in the Community Day event last year and says: "Hats off" to the Greens for the unique way it brings so many organizations together for the great cause of helping local charities.

Each year Greg and Kim go to Maui for a 3 week vacation and enjoy the warmth, water, and sunshine there. They also bring their golf clubs and get a few winter rounds in! However as much as Greg likes Maui, he is looking forward to getting back out playing at the Greens soon!

EVENTS WITH EMILIE

Get ready to say "I do" in style because wedding season is in full swing at The Greens at Renton! With versatile spaces like the Garden Room and Skye Room accommodating up to 60 guests, it's the ideal setting for intimate bridal showers or smaller weddings. And mark your calendars for the return of the Ballroom in mid-summer 2024, promising to be the perfect space for all upcoming weddings. Emilie and our dedicated team are here to make your day unforgettable, from crafting menus to planning picture-perfect moments.

Trust us, you're in for a truly magical experience!



THE GREENS AT RENTON CORPORATE SPONSOR: ROD FESS - HALDIMAND NORFOLK REALTOR

Rod Fess is a realtor in Haldimand and Norfolk specializing in both residential and commercial properties. He is passionate about helping clients buying or selling the right property whether it is their first home, dream home or investment property. Rod has been successful in his career and has been the recipient of many Remax awards. He is thankful for all of his clients and friends that have helped him achieve this success.

Rod and his wife Kristen have been on the renovation and design side of the real estate business and have years of experience to share with someone looking to buy or sell. During their 25 years of marriage, they have bought, renovated, and sold over 10 homes. Their biggest job was the complete exterior/interior renovation of their 1860 farmhouse. They have finally settled in Port Dover, of course after completing another extensive renovation.

Before Rod decided to focus his career on being a realtor he worked for many years as a Service Manager for Winegard Motors, WJ Heaslip, Simcoe Toyota and Blue Star Ford.

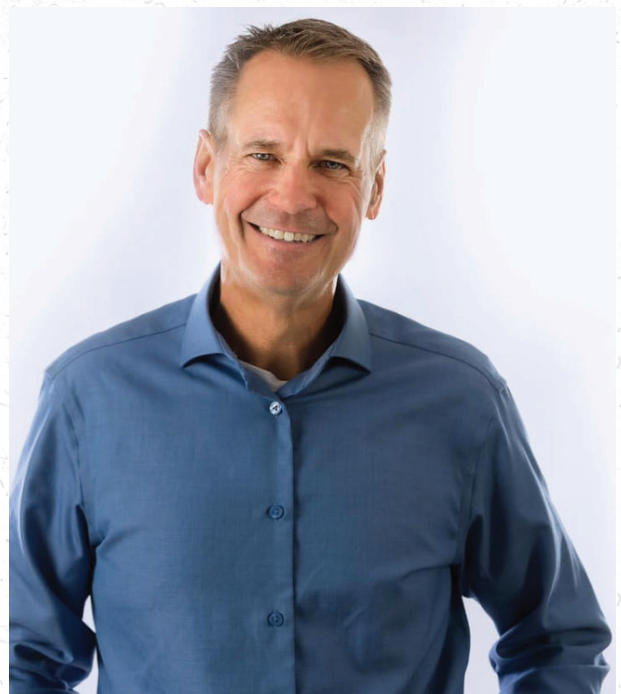
Rod loves his work and spends many hours with his clients however, when he does have some free time Rod and his family have a passion for boating and you can find them at various spots on Lake Erie. They are hoping to travel to Put-in-Bay, Cleveland and Sandusky, Ohio this summer.

Rod and Kristen have two grown daughters who they love to spend time with either snowmobiling, skiing and of course boating. Their oldest works in the school system with children in specialized services and their youngest is a Business Commerce student at Carleton University in Ottawa.

Rod and Kristen recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in Greece.

Rod enjoys the game of golf but he admits he is much better at the social aspect than the game itself. This past winter Rod played the Greens Simulators with friends and really enjoyed the game, food and staff. The service was fantastic. He plans to try and make it out onto the course this year on a regular basis, but only if it is not boating weather!

Rod also likes to participate in the Community Day at the Greens and support the local charities that participate. He is looking forward to the event again this year.



APRIL AT A GLANCE

April 19th Simulators are officially closed until the fall.

April 20th Best of the Rest - Final Theme Night
Seatings available 5PM - 6:30PM

April 27th Member's Breakfast 9AM - 11AM

April 28th Prime Rib Dinner 5PM - 7PM

MAY AT A GLANCE

May 12th Mother's Day Brunch

May 26th Prime Rib Night 5PM - 7PM

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