

A SLICE OF RIVENDELL 2016

Winter in this part of Canada has, for the most part, been a non-event for us to date. With the exception of a cold snap and one day's heavy snowfall you would think we were residing south of the border rather than the Great White North. We expect the course to winter well as ice has not been an issue and the greens are getting some sun and wind.

NEW AT RIVENDELL....

Some of the changes for 2016 you may have had a sneak preview of in 2015 and some may be news to most.

The change for forward (red) tee yardage has taken place on #6 with a new tee deck that should be ready to play as things firm up. Our score card will also reflect the change to the status of the 15th hole which will now be a par 5 from the forward (red) tees. We therefore have a new ranking of the red tees for the scorecard. This is mainly used in match play and to give an indication of the relative difficulty of the holes to those new to the course. Please remember that odd numbered ranking must be on the front 9 and even on the back, no matter if we think that #11 is the hardest hole on the course. It will be rated number 2 according to GAO rules.

We have lost a couple of more elms to disease one near 10 tee and another on the left side of 13. Neither one will affect play on the holes but they will be missed after gracing the course for so many years.

RIVENDELL HAS A NEW COURSE GUIDE

The guide should be a great asset to those who do not play the course often or who may be brand new us. Members may find it handy to input their own yardage or club data from certain landmarks on the course. **For now the red tee ranking will be accurate on the scorecard only.** The guide will be updated in the next printing. This discrepancy is due to the lead time required for the guide. These guides are free to anyone who desires them but a donation will be accepted from those inclined to support local initiatives and charities in the area. Please take note of the sponsors in the

guide who made this project possible and patronize their businesses if you can.

For 2016 you will find the membership prices listed in this newsletter have gone up about 1.8% for this year after no increase in 2015. Green fee base prices will remain the same with some changes in timing of rate changes during the day.

Leagues at Rivendell will be starting up in May with a similar format to last year. 2015 had a bit of a learning curve to get used to the Golf Scoring.net system for the two leagues. However by mid season it had generally come together and wrinkles were smoothed out with the cooperation of players. If you played last year and had enough games you will be automatically listed with a new team. Great effort has been taken to ensure the teams are as even as possible however a lot of variables influence the final outcome. Participation points are an important part of the system so try to get out on a regular basis to support your team. If you are joining this year for the first time or if your participation may be different from last year drop us an email so we may give the league a heads up and adjust the teams accordingly. Emails will be added to our database for the league to provide better communication. **Volunteers to assist in the league are still vital** to its success so consider helping out if you can.

RIVENDELL FEE SCHEDULE 2016

TAXES WILL BE ADDED TO PRICES LISTED

GOLD	\$1329.00	SR. GOLD	\$1267.00
COUPLES GOLD	\$2331.00	SR. COUPLES GOLD	\$2255.00
INTERMEDIATE GOLD 19 TO 35		\$815.00	
SILVER	\$1023.00	BRONZE	\$820.00
STUDENT GOLD	\$667.00	STUD. SIL	\$570.00
		STUD BRZ	\$520.00
JR. GOLD	\$473.00	JR. SILVER	\$335.00
		JR. BRONZE	\$260.00

POWER CART TRAIL FEE 330.00

POWER C PACKAGE	170.00	PLUS \$5.00	9 or 18 holes
CLUB STORAGE		30.00	
MEN'S LOCKER	35.00	LADIES' LOCKER	15.00
10 PLAY ANYTIME		375.00	
10 PLAY WEEKDAY		355.00	
20 PLAY WEEKDAY		665.00	
30 PLAY AFTER 1:30 WEEKDAY		665.00	
SEASONAL PULL CART		38.59	
CLUBS FULL SET		10.53	
PULL CART		3.51	
POWER CART 18 HOLE		26.55	

RIVENDELL DATES TO REMEMBER

MEMBERS MEET AND GREET	APRIL 22nd 7pm
LADIES LEAGUE START	MAY 3rd
MENS LEAGUE START	MAY 4th
SPRING TOURNAMENT	Sunday MAY 15
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	JULY 16,17th
MIXED TOURNAMENT	AUG 21
FALL CLASSIC	TBD
LADIES LEAGUE WRAPUP	SEPT 17TH
MENS LEAGUE WRAPUP	OCT 1ST

NOW ONLINE

The www.golfscoring.net website now has the new team rosters for 2016 Men's League. New members will be added as necessary and adjustments are always a possibility for the good of the league. Formats for regular play and playoffs will be determined prior to the start of each part of the season. See Jim, Martin Thomas or Jerry Irwin to assist in operation of the league.

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Meet and Greet April 22nd Bring your significant other and join us for treats and a glass of wine at 7pm. Find out who practiced their game all winter and who stuck out another winter in Canada. Sponsored by your Golf and Activities Committee and Rivendell Golf Course.