

HURON PINES

GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

NORTHERN ONTARIO'S BEST VALUE
IN CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF

2023 NEWSLETTER



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BLIND RIVER, ON

Huron Pines

2023 Event Schedule

Unleashed Open	June 17-18
Rotary Scramble	June 3rd
Keith Fullerton Men's Invitational	June 24-25
TKT Memorial Mixed Open	July 7-9
Cameco Ladies Open	July 22nd
Senior Club Championships	August 23rd
Cameco Men's Senior Open	September 6 th
Cameco Ladies Senior Open Men's	September 13 th
Club Championship	September 16-17
Ladies Club Championship	September 16 th
Men's Closing	September 23 rd
Ladies Closing	September 24 th
Steak and Beans	September 28 th
Iron Broom	September 30 th

Host your next event at Huron Pines!

We would be happy to assist you in organizing your event. Many people choose Huron Pines as the venue for business events, family events, and various other types of private golf tournaments.

Email manager@huronpines.com for more information.

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

We are coming up to closing at the curling club and Masters Weekend will soon be here, both of which are sure signs that our golf season will be here before long as well!

Just prior to the course closing last fall the maintenance crew got going on renovation of #9 tee decks flattening them out and increasing the amount of tee space that we have. Hopefully that will result in more shots going on the green and less going left or right although, it may also give us fewer excuses too. We will be doing additional work to tee decks this fall when we have less maintenance to do and when traffic slows down on the course. Areas to be targeted for re-sodding and expanding would be 10 yellow, 11 yellow and 14 tees.



Over the course of the last 6 years we have been fortunate enough to have Dennis Krauter with us as our exceptional mechanic. Dennis has been a great asset to the club and will definitely be missed. Also retiring (officially this time) is Andre Bruneau, who has been a great contributor to the course since 1999 and has an extensive knowledge of our irrigation system. Lastly Gerry Guillette is on to other things rather than mowing rough on his typical route. I'd like to say thanks to Gerry for his many years of solid volunteering. Incoming to fill Gerry's shoes this year is Chuck Rendell. Many thanks to Chuck for stepping in to help out, we'd be lost without our volunteers!

Although it's been a very mild winter, I'm sure that many of you are just about done with it and are anxious to dust off the clubs and get back out on the course. With any luck the weather forecast will improve from about normal temperatures that I'm seeing now and give us a few degrees extra. It sure would be great if we could all get back out on the course a bit earlier this year! It seems that we've had later starts for far too long. See you all in the spring!

Peter Stos

President's Note



Dear Huron Pines Members and Friends,
Spring has arrived, and we are delighted to share the latest developments and enhancements taking place at Huron Pines Golf & Country Club! Our dedicated team has been working tirelessly to elevate your golfing experience, and we eagerly anticipate welcoming you to the course this season.

2022 Highlights

- Record-breaking membership revenues and rounds played.
- Implementation of a skill-based wage scale to attract and retain our valued employees.
- Addition of 12 new carts, with 12 more set to arrive this spring.
- Successful appointment of Kevin Cain as General Manager.
- Integration of the Moneris POS terminal system for streamlined payment processing and data entry.
- Upgraded telephone communication system for an enhanced experience for staff and patrons.
- Overcoming challenges such as doubled fuel expenses and unforeseen irrigation repairs due to a lightning strike.

Course Maintenance and Improvements

Under the guidance of Peter Stos, our maintenance team will be meticulously preparing the course for spring.

Late fall enhancements will be a welcomed surprise to those who declined late season golf. The acquisition of a fairway roller and sod cutter will enable us to showcase the remarkable reinvestments and improvements made to uphold our exceptional course conditions.

Upcoming Events

Our comprehensive tournament schedule is included in the newsletter. We have introduced an online store for tournament entries and payments, with a one-week deadline preceding each event to facilitate planning,

including food orders and preparation.

Food and Beverage

We are thrilled to welcome back Drew and Laura of The Reservoir, who will be offering their acclaimed

gourmet creations, eagerly anticipated cart-friendly menus, and delightful breakfast option(s) for early birds.

2023 Focus

- Encourage online booking for members and non-members via our cutting-edge TEE-on cloud-based system. Ad hoc training will be available using the old members' computer if needed.
- Elimination of '10 packs' due to management difficulties and ensuring proper use, even in digital form. Prepaid online bookings will qualify for a 5% green fee discount.
- Enhanced Tournament Schedule to provide competitive pricing and capitalize on word-of-mouth advertising.
- Continuous efforts to maintain and enhance the course through investments in staffing, equipment,

and up-to-date turf management education as we continue to be Northern Ontario's Best Value in

Championship Golf.

Cart Shed Project and Clubhouse Reconstruction

Unforeseen delays and complications have resulted in the cart shed project budget doubling. We are actively exploring funding options and potential grants to ensure the project's completion and protection of our partially rejuvenated fleet of carts. To modernize our facilities and comply with accessibility requirements, the

board unanimously endorsed rebuilding a single-story, ground-level structure with a larger footprint than the existing clubhouse, without incurring debt. We will seek the town council's endorsement and support for fundraising and grant applications to turn this vision into reality.

Acknowledgments and Farewell

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Kevin Cain, our pro-shop staff, Superintendent Peter Stos, his

maintenance team, dedicated volunteers, Cameco, and departing board member Sally Hagman. We are pleased

to welcome Jim Dunbar as our new town representative and board member. Additionally, we bid farewell to retiring mechanic Dennis Krauter and Andre Bruneau, our irrigation specialist since 1999, and thank them for their years of unwavering dedication and service.

We are excited for the 2023 season at Huron Pines Golf & Country Club and look forward to sharing it with you!

Mark A.V. Deverell

Manager's Greeting

Happy spring everyone. As the calendar turns to April I can't help but get excited as golf season is fast approaching. This winter a great deal was accomplished including our online store that is up on our website www.HuronPines.com. You can currently pay for your 2023 membership and will be able to register and pay for any club sponsored events.

We are looking forward to welcoming back a great group of employees with a renewed effort and enthusiasm to help customers enjoy their experiences at Huron Pines. As always, thanks to Peter Stos and his staff, we will have one of the best courses in the north for our members and green fee players. I learned a great deal in year 1, and continue to learn everyday.

I'm looking forward to adding some programming like Learn To Golf for kids in the community. I am also working on someone to provide lessons through the season. Thanks to everyone, and look forward to seeing everyone again soon. Thanks

Kevin Cain

Membership

<u>Membership Type</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Price with tax</u>
Single Adult Membership	\$1,430	\$1,615.90
New Member Special	\$1,115	\$1,259.95
Out of Town Membership	\$1,115	\$1,259.95
Student Membership	\$585	\$661.05

Membership vs Green Fee

To break even on your membership, play ____ rounds per month

Single Adult Membership = 4.7 rounds per month

New Member Special = 3.6 rounds per month

Out of Town Membership = 3.6 rounds per month



HURON PINES GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB **2023 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM**



Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street Address _____

Mailing Address Box # _____

Town & Postal Code _____ **Updating TEE- on database – Please provide all info!**

Phone Number _____ Email _____

DESCRIPTION	RATE	AMOUNT
Adult*	\$ 1430.00	
New Member* (Not a member for >2y)	\$ 1115.00	
Out of Town Member* (Further than 50km from Blind River)	\$ 1115.00	
*Early Payment Discount for above memberships paid in full by cash or check by March 31 st .	(-\$100.00)	
Student (age 19-23 enrolled in school) **	\$ 585.00	
Junior (age 13-18)	\$ 220.00	
Child (Resident of Blind River <13)	Free	
Child (Non Resident <13) 1/2 price Green Fee/Round		
Unlimited Power Cart Rental (½ cart only)	\$ 655.00	
Club Storage Upper or Lower	\$57.50	
Club Storage 3-wheel Room	\$68.00	
Power Pull Cart Storage	\$ 115.00	
Power Cart Storage	\$ 600.00	

SUB TOTAL	\$ _____
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13% HST Applicable to all rates \$ _____

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP COST	\$ _____
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Free reserved tee time on Ladies or Men's Night with your membership. Time Requested: _____

OFFICE USE:

Method of Payment _____ Cheque Number _____ Cash \$ _____

RECEIVED BY _____ Date _____