

## President's Report

As I write this, it feels like we are finally turning the corner on a very frosty winter. Although we did cross-country ski on the course and surrounding trails, I'm very much looking forward to seeing those long green fairways and hitting one or two good balls under a sunny sky!

As you will see in Mike Fehr's report, last year was a bit challenging from a financial perspective – weather, lower membership and fewer social events impacted our revenue, although we basically came out as planned. Our lower than usual revenues were very much offset by our **Memorial Bench program**. I would like to thank Mac Cairns for the tremendous work that he did with all of you in bringing this program to reality.

We are, however, looking into how we can reduce some costs and are sending out our **Newsletter and calendar electronically** to minimize printing and postage. We will be sending out our **Invoices electronically**, as well. If you haven't already provided Diana Minty with your email address, you can still do so at: [diana.minty@bell.net](mailto:diana.minty@bell.net). We will still be asking members to pay by mail this year, but hopefully will have an electronic option for next year!

Our Board of Directors has been working on a **lot of projects** over the winter. Chris Wynn and Sergio Mastronardi have been working on developing our new website – when you take a look at our existing one, I'm sure you will agree that this is important! Pierre Demers and his Committee have been working on finalizing some improvements to the kitchen and Club House. Norm Castator and Scott Laekas have been working on getting the Nine and Dine and Night Golf back on the calendar and we will be adding a new "Bluegrass Festival" on August 8.

Diana Minty works all winter on financial requirements, but has also been working with Andrea Minty to upgrade our computer and accounting system which was in dire need of replacement! Caroline Roy and Sharon Dubiel have put together a great program for the Ladies and we will be offering Group Lessons again this year. Caroline will also be looking at adding yoga to the agenda! Marina has all the coordinators in place for the junior program and Francois is actively keeping up with new requirements from the Province from an environmental perspective to ensure that we are compliant...and in some cases leading edge! Our Club Captain, Barb Armstrong, has been working to get all our tournaments and timings organized, in addition to working with me on expanding our membership. And Bill Gauley has been working with Dave Armitage and his team on strategies to maintain and improve the course. Fewer weeds are on the agenda!

I would like to **thank** the Members of the **Board** for the tremendous work that they have done last year and in planning another exciting golf and social season in Dunany. I would also like to thank all the **volunteers** who work hand in hand with our Board in making all our activities happen. *Thank you, thank you, thank you* – it wouldn't happen without your help! Special mention should go to **Diana Minty** for the tremendous amount of work that she does to support us all year around and to **Dave Armitage** and his team for everything that has to happen so that we can enjoy our wonderful course.

We had great success last year with our **Green Day!** If you would like to come out and help us clean up the course from the winter and get ready for spring planting, please join us on **May 16**. We will be moving the **Annual General Meeting** this year to 4:00 p.m. on **July 4** to increase member attendance. In prior years, the AGM had typically been in June, however, most people aren't up on a regular basis until after Canada Day. The bar will open at 3:00 p.m. and I encourage all to attend.

We **lost some wonderful members** of our Club and Community since our last Spring newsletter: **Margaret Campbell**, Ladies' Chairperson in 1966/67, **Ron Price**, our DCC Treasurer, **Jim Minty**, former Men's Club Champion and long serving Chair of the Greens' Committee and, in February, **Jane Tilden**, Ladies' Chair in 1974. We so much appreciate their friendship and all that they did for the DCC over the years. We are most devastated by the recent unexpected loss of our Club Champion, **Mike Roy**. Mike was a Junior Club Champion, Golf Pro to many of our children, frequent Men's Club Champion over the past 15 years, member of our Board and incoming Club Captain. He will be sorely missed. A celebration of his life will be held in Dunany in June. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to all their families.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me or any of your Board members if you have **questions and suggestions**. Remember, this is a volunteer run organization – if you want to step forward and take a leadership role in anything that you are interested in – we would be most interested in having your involvement.

See you in the Spring! Keep your fingers crossed for drier weather and fewer mosquitoes!

Lynn Palmer,  
President, Dunany Country Club

### **Members Wanted!**

We still have some openings for Introductory A and B members. If you know someone who is interested in joining the DCC and being part of our great community, please contact Barb Armstrong at [armstrob1010@gmail.com](mailto:armstrob1010@gmail.com) or Lynn Palmer at [lynn.palmer@rogers.com](mailto:lynn.palmer@rogers.com)

Thanks to everyone for spreading the word!

**Only 5 Memorial Bench Opportunities Left!**



If you would like to dedicate a bench to a loved one, please contact Mac Cairns at [cairnsmr@cs.com](mailto:cairnsmr@cs.com), or Lynn Palmer at [lynn.palmer@rogers](mailto:lynn.palmer@rogers).

Benches that were ordered last summer will be on the course this Spring!