Dunany Ladies' Inter Club

Inter-Village History:

The 'Laurentian Inter-Village', as it was then called, was founded in 1962 by Jean Dorken, then a member of Alpine. The Club was a non-profit organization interested in promoting good fellowship and better golf at different courses in the Laurentian area at minimum cost. Originally there were eight clubs whose members got together once a week to play each other's courses in friendly competition.

Bringing the "Inter-Village to Dunany:

In the late 60's, as a member of St. Andrews as well as Dunany, Gerry Palmer was exposed to the "Inter-Village" and its benefits. In 1970 as incoming DCC Ladies' President, Gerry received support from the DCC Ladies' Branch to explore bringing the "Inter-Village" to Dunany.

Approval for the idea was given by Board of Directors President, Gordon Ritchie, and incoming President, Tom Havill. As there were more Clubs than Thursdays in the summer, Gerry worked with St. Andrews Golf Club so that Dunany could 'double up' with them. As well, she worked with the 'Inter-Village' Co-Ordinator to explore the potential of joining them. Dunany ladies played in their **first tournament** at Shawbridge Golf Club in July 2, 1971 and Dunany was formally invited to join the "Laurentian Inter-Village".

By 1975, 13 Clubs were members including: Piedmont, Shawbridge, Val Morin, Chantecler, Les Ruisseaux, Mt. Tremblant, Gray Rocks, St. Andrews, Dunany, Laurentian Golf, Alpine, L'Esterel and Mountain Acres. Many of these clubs are no longer in existence!

How it worked:

Golfers needed to have an earned handicap of 36 or under and be 19 years of age. Any number of golfers from each Club could sign up to play. The tournament was only for 9 holes, but better golfers often got the opportunity to play 18 holes without additional charge. Golfers were matched with those from other Clubs with similar handicaps. Class A was 1 - 24; B 25 - 30; and C 31 - 36.

In 1971, the cost was 50 cents a game which went towards the closing banquet luncheon where the trophy and prizes were awarded. That first year our Dunay Ladies' played Mt. Tremblant, Chantecler, Dunany, Alpine, Shawbridge, Val Morin, Mont Gabriel, L'Esterel and Mountain Acres. A few years later, the cost was changed to \$10 per season. Some time in the 1971 – 1975 period, the name was changed from "Laurentian Inter-Village" to "**Laurentian Inter Club"**. In 1975, as overall Club Co-Ordinator, Gerry put together a little bilingual booklet summarizing the rules and responsibilities for member Clubs and players.

Dunany Ladies in the Laurentian Inter Club

Dunany Ladies played in the Laurentian Inter Club for almost 40 years until 2014. Gerry continued as Co-Ordinator well into her late 70's and was replaced at the DCC level by Eileen Boyne, followed by Sharon Leslie assisted by Maureen Cameron who ably continued the tradition. As competition for golf course time throughout the Laurentians increased, clubs started being less interested in giving away a full Thursday morning for basically 'free' golf. As well, some Clubs ceased existence making having a 'full slate' of courses difficult.

Even though the Laurentian Inter-Club no longer exists, bringing it to Dunany provided our Dunany lady golfers with 40 years of great golf enjoyment and exposed them to the other wonderful courses that we have at our doorstep! Thank you to all who made this happen!



Dunany bringing home the Inter Club Trophy in 1990: L to R - Eileen Boyne, Sylvia Saul, Jean Dorkin, Gerry Palmer, Ruth Swaine, Manny Leslie



Laurentian Inter Club 30th Anniversary Party at Lac Raymond – August 1992



Presenting the Trophy to Laurentian Inter Club winners – Arundel - 1993



Trophy being presented to the Arundel Team – August 31, 1995



Trophy being presented to Arundel team – August 1997

Aug 30, 1992 With Sincere To Gerry. Thanks & deep affreciation for all you have done from the to make our Thursday Dunany + Oasis goef so well Laurentian organized and such good fun Inter club ladres.

Little "Thank you" notes

Dear Gerry. The ladies of Therany and Oasis want to thack you for all you do to make the Inter club so much fren . There ks for a Reat year Ruth Sylvia Reggy Delanor lelro you very m



Inter Club Pin

Inter Club Information Booklet 1975



Bag Tag



Dunany Inter Club at the DCC:
Back Row: Annabelle Moore, Barb Therrien, Caroline Roy, Marilyn Wynn, Claudette Hay, Mary Ruth Ott, Barb Armstrong
Front Row: Jean Stein, Bonnie Swaine, Joan Gale, Angie Macleod



DCC Bringing home the Trophy again!

Joan Gale, Marilyn Wynn, Barb Therrien, Angie Macleod, Jean Stein, Eileen Boyne, Claudette Hay



Dunany Inter Club 2005 – Back Row: Mary Ruth Ott, Geraldine Palmer, Barb Armstrong, Joan Gale, Martha MacDougall, Manny Leslie, Annabelle Wood, Marilyn Wynn, Angie Macleod, Jean Stein Front Row: Sharon Leslie, Eileen Boyne



Dinner at Shawbridge: Back Row: Diane Hislop, Eileen Boyne, Revilla Sauve, Angie Macleod **Front Row**: Claudette Hay, Mary Ruth Ott, Bonnie Swaine, Jean Stein