



WEST POINT GOLF CLUB

Directors 2022

92nd Annual General Meeting

President

John Dawson

Secretary

Ross Cassie

Treasurer

John Evans

Captain

Brian Montpellier

Vice-Captains

Basil Quan-Draw

Jeremy Marr-Scoring

Membership Director

Dave McMurdo

Social Director

Mike Constantinidis

Director at Large

John MacLachlan

Past President

Colin Mallet

Webmasters & Divot Dust

*Wayne Gatley,
Ron Pound*

Advisors:

Bill Titmuss-Handicap

Legal

Carl Jonsson

Tuesday, November 08, 2022

Strathcona Room,

Third Floor - Arbutus Club

Registration @ 10:45 am.

2001 Nanton Ave. Vancouver

11:30 Buffet Lunch

12:15 Awards

12:45 AGM



**John Dawson
President**

**Ross Cassie
Secretary**

Please bring your cheque for dues (payable to **West Point Golf Club**) or etransfer to jevans1@shaw.ca for an amount of **\$150 (\$50 for Associate Members)** less the amount of your winnings for the year (**will be available on the Portal Oct 31** under Helpful Documents and Links - top right corner)

WEST POINT GOLF CLUB 92nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

Welcome/Call to Order by John Dawson, President

- - General welcome to Regular, Life, Honorary and Associate Members
 - President's Opening Remarks – Season Overview

Roll Call of Directors

- - Introduction of Directors, noting their responsibilities

Quorum

- - Count of voting members present in person (20%)

Minutes of the 91st AGM held on November 2, 2021

- - Published in the latest issue of the Divot Dust (See pages 4-7 below)
 - Motion to adopt minutes of the 91st AGM
 - Call for a proposer and seconder
 - Discussion
 - Vote to be conducted in person

Directors' and Advisors' Reports for 2022 Season

- - Published in the latest issue of the Divot Dust and taken as read.
President — John Dawson
Past President — Colin Mallet
Secretary – Ross Cassie
Captain — Brian Montpellier
Vice-Captain, Draw — Basil Quan
Vice-Captain, Scoring — Jeremy Marr
Membership — David McMurdo
Social Director — Mike Constantinidis
Director at Large — John Maclachlan
Handicap Advisor — Bill Titmuss
Sketches — Lorne Lindsay
Website Management — Wayne Gatley, Ron Pound

- Motion to accept Directors' Reports as published
- Call for a proposer and seconder
- Discussion
- Vote to be conducted in person

Treasurer's Report 2022 and Budget 2023

This report covers the financial results for the year just ending as well as the budget for next year (distributed here).

I am pleased to advise that all expenditures have come in close to or under budget for 2022 - no unfortunate surprises.

Our Budget for 2022 was planned to reduce our accumulated surplus by \$2000, hence regular dues were reduced from \$140 to \$120.

Additionally and subsequently, the Board approved additional expenditures of \$1500 for the 90th Anniversary plus \$500 for costs to support the Vancouver Players campaign to preserve Langara golf course, potentially reducing the surplus by \$4000.

The good news is that there were a few savings, particularly on hole-in-one expenses (none) so the surplus will only be drawn down by \$2700. We will end the year with an accumulated surplus of approximately \$6800.

John Evans
Treasurer

- Discussion and Questions
 - Payment process for 2023 fees
 - Motion to waive the engagement of an external auditor to review the 2022 year-end financial results
 - Call for a proposer and seconder
 - Discussion
 - Vote to be conducted in person

Election of Directors for 2023

- Nominating Committee Members: Colin Mallet (Chair), Brian Montpelier and David Wilson
- Nominations of the Nominating Committee - presented by Colin Mallet

President — Ross Cassie (1st Year)
 Past President — John Dawson (1st Year)
 Secretary — Mike Fryzuk (1st Year)
 Treasurer — John Evans (2nd Year)
 Captain — Bill Titmuss (1st Year)
 Vice-Captain, Draw — Basil Quan (3rd Year)
 Vice-Captain, Scoring — Jeremy Marr (2nd Year)

Membership — David McMurdo (3rd Year)
Social — John Maclachlan (1st Year)
Director at Large — Roger Barnes (1st Year)

- Call for other nominations - by Colin Mallet
- Motion to close nominations
 - Call for a proposer and seconder
 - Vote conducted in person

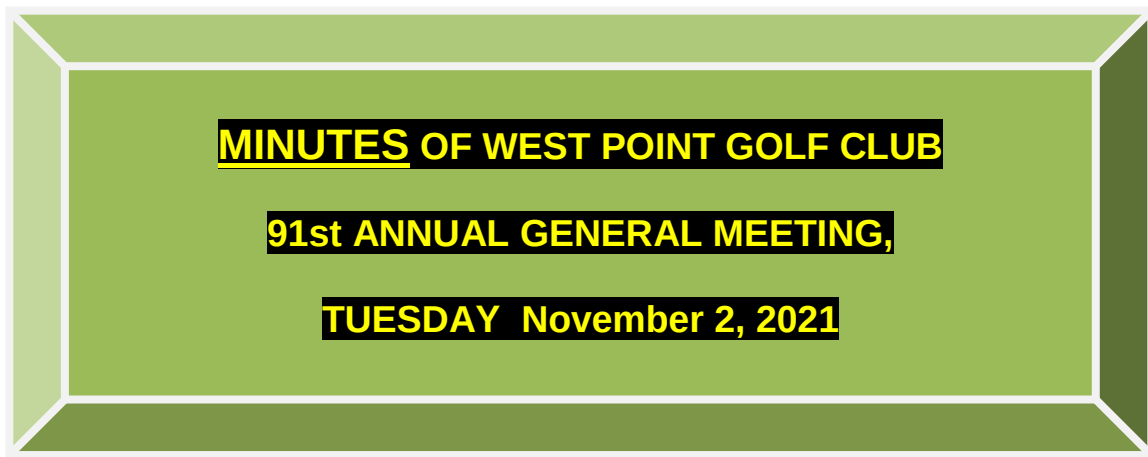
Advisor appointments to be made by Board of Directors in 2023

- Website Management — Wayne Gatley, Ron Pound
Handicap Advisor — Brian Montpelier
Legal — Carl Jonsson

Other Business

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn
 - Call for a proposer and seconder
 - Vote conducted in person
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12:45 – The 2021 AGM was called to order by Club President John Dawson

Quorum – Ross Cassie indicated to the meeting that we had a Quorum of Members

Opening Comments – John Dawson – Club President

John welcomed the 52 members who were in attendance and the 14 members who were attending the meeting by Zoom. John acknowledged our honorary and life time members as well as our new members who joined the club in the 2021 season. John led a moment of silence to remember Don Rotherham and Neil Watson who passed away this year.

John indicated that although there were many challenges this year there were many highlights as well including:

- A new Club Champion this year. Congratulations to Bill Cartwright
- Gregg Hook and Garry Watson joined the Shot Your Age Club
- Four members recorded holes in one in club play
- The renaming of the Handicap Champion Trophy after long time member, Hugh Marshall, for his leadership and commitment to our club. This year's winner was Robert Wood.

Recognition of the 2021 Board of Directors

John recognized and thanked these members for their service this year on the Board of Directors:

- Brian Montpelier for his work as the Club Captain. Brian has done a great job organizing the ever changing weekly events list and keeping us on track with our winnings pool;
- Basil Quan – our Vice Captain – Draw for managing our weekly draws in both our regular and winter seasons. Also, many thanks to Chris Murray for organizing our Tuesday games at Riverway
- Peter Coyle – Vice Captain- Scoring. A special recognition to Peter for his long and faithful service on the board for 9 years in many capacities, including seeing us through several computer and scoring updates
- Paul Kouri – Social Director – Paul has served in this position for the past 3 years which has not been easy with the uncertainty of Covid. Paul is stepping away from his board duties but will continue to be an active playing member
- Mike Constantinidis – Mike has been our Treasurer this year but is replacing Paul as the Social Director next year.
- John Evans – will be serving as our Treasurer next year. John thought he was going to have an easy time in this role this year because there were no Bling sales. Keeping with tradition John was not made aware that he was going to be responsible for collecting and ordering the trophies until late in year.
- Ross Cassie – our Club Secretary who has stood by me and kept us on track at meetings this year and will continue to do so next year.
- David McMurdo – our Membership Director- who has done a great job dealing with the challenges of dealing with our Wait Listed members who are clamouring to become full members. Some of those members will move up to full membership in the new year and no doubt we will have another long list before the season starts.
- Colin Mallet – our Past President who has provided me with terrific help and guidance this year.

Recognition of Club Advisors and Away Games Coordinators

Bill Titmuss, Wayne Gatley, Ed Watson and Carl Jonsson were acknowledge for the fine work they do in advising our Board and membership in the areas of Handicaps, Technology and Legal Advice.

Bill Titmuss, Gregg Hook, CraigThomson, Paul Kouri and Dennis Houle were thanked for organizing our Away Games this year.

Vancouver Parks Board Task Force

Club members Nick Atkinson, Alex Andrews and Colin Mallet are watching the moves of the Vancouver Parks Board with respect to any decisions that might affect the courses we use especially paying attention to any plans for redeveloping the VPB courses we use.

Other Acknowledgements

The following members were acknowledged for their work with the club.

- The many members who man the Captain's Table each week
- Andrew Hobbs who maintains the Book of Champions

- Lorne Lindsay for his entertaining and informative Members Sketches
- Dave Stephens who maintains our Club History work

October 27, 2020 AGM Minutes

Motion to adopt the Minutes of the October 27, 2020 Minutes was proposed by Gregg Hook and Seconded by Colin Mallet. The motion as presented was carried.

2021 Directors' Reports

Motion to adopt the 2021 Directors' Reports as presented was proposed by Craig Thomson and Seconded by Lorne Lindsay.

Discussion occurred regarding a question from the floor regarding concerns with the new sign up process that was used in September/ October at Fraserview. Specifically the concern presented is that the new sign up system was not providing members the opportunity to play in their regular groups. John Dawson responded by stating that a decision to maintain or not maintain this sign up system will be discussed at the next Board meeting. The new system was used on a trial basis at Fraserview in September and October. A survey of the membership about whether or not this sign up system will be used next season might be sent out in the new year.

Basil Quan, our Vice Captain Draw indicated that on the days that you can request to play in your groups or have a specific tee time 46 of the 88 spots we have are taken up by these requests. Further about 50% of our play dates allow for these requests.

A motion from Bill Titmuss and seconded by Robert Wood was accepted by the Chair for the members to vote on. The motion was "that this topic be tabled to January 2022 for further discussion" The motion was carried.

The motion to adopt and accept the Directors' Reports was carried.

Treasurer's Report – Mike Constantinidis

The budget report for the 2021 Finances and 2022 Budget were circulated. The fees for the 2022 season will be \$ 120 for full members and \$ 50 for wait listed members. The balance in the 2022 budget will be reduced by \$1928 which will create a projected balance at the end of the 2022 of \$7133.

A question from the floor was asked about who we donate funding to. John D responded that we donated \$1500 to the Inner City Golf Program and \$100 to the BC Golf House Society. John also reported that some members on their own donated a total of \$398 to the Inner City Golf Program.

A motion to waive the engagement of an external auditor was proposed by J Dawson and seconded by C Jonsson was carried.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report – moved by M Constantinidis and seconded by R Cassie was carried

Election of the Directors for 2022 – Colin Mallet – Past President

On behalf of the membership, Colin recognized John Dawson for his work and leadership in his role of Club President.

The Nominating Committee Members for the 2022 Board of Directors are Colin Mallet – Chair; John Evans and Wayne Ferry.

The Nominations of the Nominating Committee were presented by C. Mallet

- President – John Dawson – (2nd Year)
- Past President – Colin Mallet – (2nd Year)
- Secretary – Ross Cassie – (2nd Year)
- Treasurer- John Evans – (1st Year)
- Captain – Brian Montpelier – (3rd Year)
- Vice Captain, Draw – Basil Quan – (2nd Year)
- Vice Captain, Scoring – Jeremy Marr – (1st Year)
- Membership – David McMurdo – (2nd Year)

- Social – Mike Constantinidis – (1st Year)
- Director at Large – John Maclachlan – (1st Year)

There were no additional candidates forthcoming so the slate of candidates for the 2022 Board of Directors was carried by the membership

Advisor Appointments for the 2022 Season

The following Advisor Appointments will be confirmed at the next Board meeting

- Bill Titmuss – Handicap Advisor
- Website Management – Wayne Gatley and Ed Watson
- Legal – Carl Jonsson

Other Business

1. By Law Change re the Rights and Privileges of Honorary and Life Members

The current ByLaw regarding Honorary and Life Members reads as follows:

Honorary or Life membership may be conferred on any person for such period as may be prescribed by the Board and such members may enjoy all the rights and privileges of a member save holding office or voting without payment of fees.

- The Board has proposed to delete the bolded words above in order to restore the rights and privileges of those members.
- Motion to approve the ByLaw change – proposed by Carl Jonsson; seconded by Wayne Ferrey. Motion as presented was carried

2. 90th Anniversary of Our Club – 2022

The Board is looking to have some special events during the 2022 season to recognize our 90th season

Motion to Terminate the 2022 West Point Golf Club AGM – moved – P Kouri; seconded G Hook

Membership Fees for 2023 Season:

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91st ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

Awarding of Trophies: (Brian Montpellier]

2022 Trophy Winners		
Trophy		Winners
Bud Brown Eclectic	Gross	Evans
Bud Brown Eclectic	Net	Smart
McIntyre		Selley
Ed Angel		Kennedy, G Watson
Len Brown Memorial		Not Issued (Putterama)
Stroke Play Champion		Hook
Hugh Marshall Net Stroke Play Champion		Grant
Super Senior Champion		Sawyer
Senior Master Champion		Dawson
Joe Dwyer Shield		Maclachlan, Babcock
Fairweather Memorial		Ng
Match Play: Club Champion		Cartwright
Flight B		Van Ostrand
Flight C		Gerein
Ab Miles Tankard		Butler
Laurie Craddock Vintage Cup		McSevney

TNT McCleery	Evans, Chan, Kotzo, Bones
Parker Shield Eclectic Gross	Titmuss, Mueller, J Marr
Parker Shield Eclectic Net	Titmuss, Mueller, Loomer
LeBlanc Shield	Hook, Selley, Schmidt
Champion of Champions	
Bob Jack	Hook
Most Improved Golfer	Smart



Spring at McCleery

President's Report

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John Dawson

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Ross Cassie

Treasurer

John Evans

Captain

Brian Montpellier

Vice-Captains

Basil Quan-Draw

Jeremy Marr-Scoring

Membership Director

Dave McMurdo

Social Director

Mike Constantinidis

Director at Large

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Past President

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Wayne Gatley,

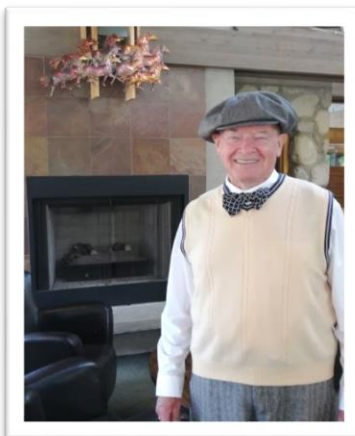
Ron Pound

Advisors:

Bill Titmuss-Handicap

Legal

Carl Jonsson



I would like to start by welcoming everyone to the Club's Annual General Meeting – celebrating our 90th Anniversary. And what a momentous year it has been!

This is my second and final year as your President and, while this has been a recovery year after COVID with its many challenges, I have enjoyed every minute of my Presidency.

Before I start on my comments on the year, I want to acknowledge the passing of one of our most recent members. **Gordon Rogers** joined the Club at the beginning of this year and died recently, having played only 2 rounds with the club. Many of you will not have met Gordon but I can tell you that he enjoyed his time with us and had looked forward to a long membership.

Also, there are a number of our members who have not been able to play for at least parts of this past year due to a variety of health issues or injuries and I would like to acknowledge them and not only wish them well but also hope for their speedy recovery.

On that note, your board instituted a Medical Leave Policy this year whereby any member who is experiencing a prolonged illness or disability may be granted, upon application, medical leave of up to one year duration without loss of his membership status.

I would also like to acknowledge our four Lifetime Members: **Brian Ciccozzi, Lorne Lindsay, Hugh Marshall and Jim Selley** – all who have made significant contributions to our club over many years. We also have two Honorary Members – **Gary Sinclair and Ray Dujardin** – who also have contributed greatly over the years and remain great friends of West Point.

Turning to this past year, I would like to thank everyone for their wholehearted support throughout the year – with a gradual recovery from the COVID pandemic as well as the excellent weather conditions we have experienced from early July through to the end of the season it has added up to quite a remarkable year.

As I noted above and as you are all well aware, this was the year for the 90th Anniversary of West Point Golf Club. The main event to mark the Anniversary was the 90th Anniversary Extravaganza stableford team event held on June 23. The day was very well attended, included eight guests from the Parks Board, and was an opportunity for golfers to show their finest in vintage golf attire! The BC Golf House was there with their vintage collection of golf clubs and a great time was had by all. The winners of the event were **Grant Hughes, Marcel Mueller and two members of our Wait List, Mark Griggs and Bert Mollica.**

For the year, we have again had a full membership roll of 110 with a steady wait list of potential members – which we had to cut off again in January because those waiting would have had little hope of becoming full members in the year. Our new members this year were **John Chan, Mike Creed, the late Gordon Rogers, Jim Sutherland, Tim Van Ostrand, Michael Tham and Fred Yasinchuk.** I have played with most of these new members and can tell you that they will make a great addition to the club.

For the second time, the year actually started last November with the club-sponsored (but no prizes!) winter golf programme at Fraserview (12 tee times) and Riverway (4 tee times). Special thanks go to Basil Quan, Chris Murray and their helpers for making those events a great success.

The regular season opened in the evening of March 22 to introduce new members and to lay out the programme for the season, followed by a Red Tee Shamble on March 24 which was won by the great team of Don Edmonds, Jones Lee, David Ng and Jim Sutherland.

Most of the regular season followed the traditional pattern of events with changes made as needed. The Club introduced \$5 deuce pots in 2020 when KPs were not allowed during COVID times and they have proven to be very popular with an average of about 9 deuces per week. Back by popular demand in 2023!

A big change this year was the introduction of signing up on the site for events either to a list or to a tee time depending on the nature of the event that week. By all accounts the new system has been working very well.

Another change this year was the handling of the Palcutta funding format. With declining popularity in past years, it was decided to introduce a \$20 fee from each player instead of the auction format and that proved to be more popular with half the club members participating. The winning team was that ever-popular John Evans, Michael Geller, Hugh Marshall and Mike McSevney.

With the new forward tee boxes on all three courses and new score cards, many members have embraced the combination tee format at each course. The combo tees allow flexibility to choose the yardage that suits their game. I routinely use a combination of tees and highly recommend it, especially for those who can't quite hit the ball as far as they used to! If you don't like to play on the combo tees, simply play more forward and enjoy your game more.

Because of COVID constraints, our social calendar has not been what we have been used to. The courses do not allow shotgun starts anymore which means that we can't all arrive at the clubhouse at the same time. We have found that offering a burger and beer after a round has little benefit when players 'eat and run'. There is no easy answer to this but your social convenor plans to continue with an opening day social as well as the AGM luncheon and work on one other special social event during the year (watch for it!).

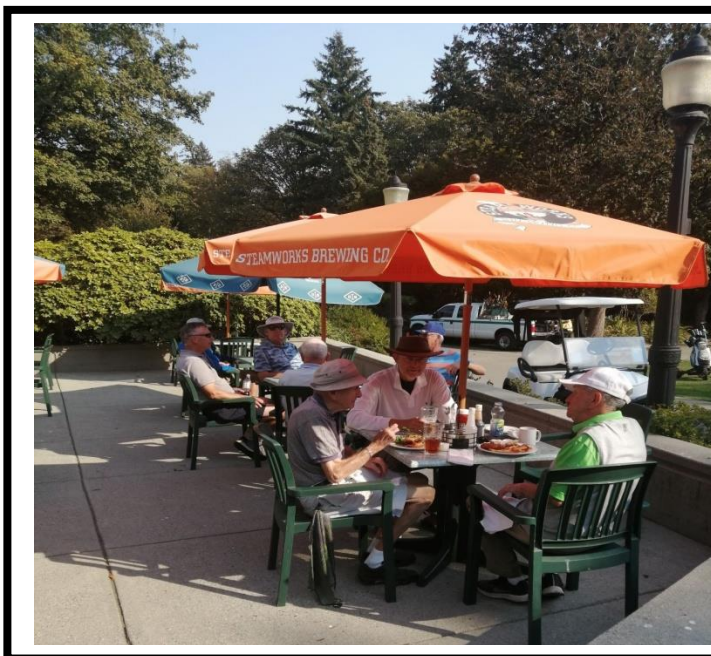
At the winners' table, Bill Cartwright edged out Bill Titmuss to retain the Club Championship for one more year. Congratulations Bill! The winner of the seasonal match play Dave Fairweather trophy this year was David Ng with Jeremy Marr, Basil Quan and Bruce Simpson as finalists. Congratulations David! The Senior Master Champion this year was yours truly with Wayne Ferrey as runner up and Mike Sawyer was our Super Senior Champion. The winner of the Bob Jack trophy for the Away Games was Gregg Hook with Garry Watson as runner-up.

John Evans will file the Treasurer's report at the AGM but I can tell you that we ended the year with a favourable result and a sustainable surplus. Your dues for 2023 and how they are to be settled will be announced by John in his report.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Board members for their strong support over the past two years. It has been tumultuous at times but with their unwavering support we have succeeded and prospered during these COVID times. I would especially like to thank our three retiring board members – **Mike Constantinidis** having served as Social Convenor for a year and as Treasurer for a year, **Colin Mallet** having served a President, Past President, Secretary and Social Director for a total of eight years and **Brian Montpelier** having served as Vice Captain – Draw and Captain for a total of six years. Thank you all.

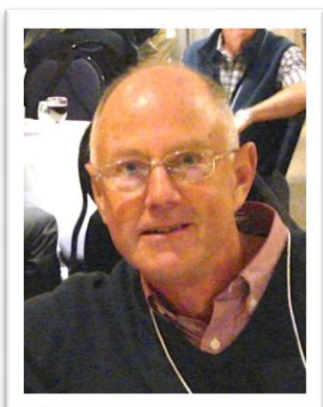
Sincerely,

John Dawson



Fraserview 18th from the Clubhouse

Past President's Report



As Past President, I would like to congratulate John Dawson and the Club Executive on their excellent leadership this year. The Club has never been stronger, and we now have a new Park Board who are very aware of the support for the Municipal Golf courses in Vancouver, as a result of the excellent work of Nick Atkinson and the VGPA. This is my last AGM as a Board member, after 8 years, and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with such a great team.

This year, Brian Montpellier and Dave Wilson joined me on the Nominating Committee to propose your new Directors for next year. Brian and Mike Constantinidis will be retiring from the Board, and they deserve the thanks of all of us for their yeoman service. Each of the proposed new slate of Directors has agreed to serve if he is elected. They are:

- Ross Cassie as President
- Bill Titmuss as Captain (Year 1 in this round, but having served as Captain previously in 2018 and 2019)
- Basil Quan as V-Capt Draw (Year 3)
- Jeremy Marr as V-Capt Scoring (Year 2)
- David McMurdo as Membership Director (Year 3)
- John Evans as Treasurer (Year 2 in this position)
- John Maclachlan as Social Director (Year 1 in this position)
- Mike Fryzuk as Secretary (1st year)
- Roger Barnes as Director at Large (1st year)
- John Dawson as past President

The Advisors to the Board are:

Brian Montpellier: Handicap and Technical Advisor;
Wayne Gatley and Ron Pound: Web Advisors and Divot Dust editors;
Carl Jonsson: Legal Advisor;

Sincerely,

Colin Mallet

Membership Fees for 2023 Season:

Full Membership: \$150.00 minus winnings
Associate and Wait List \$50.00 minus winnings
Payment details on p. 30.

Gallery of Candidates nominated to serve as our Board of Directors for 2023

Presenting the members who have agreed to stand for election:



President
Ross Cassie
1st Year



Secretary
Mike Fryzuk
1st Year



Treasurer
John Evans
2nd Year



Captain
Bill Titmuss
1st Year



Past President
John Dawson
1st Year



VCapt Draw
Basil Quan
3rd Year



VCapt Scoring
Jeremy Marr
2nd Year



Membership
David
McMurdo
3rd Year



Social Director
John MacLachlan
1st Year



Dir@Large
Roger Barnes
1st Year

FORMER WPGC BOARD MEMBERS

28 currently active members and two Honorary members have served our Club as Directors

Atkinson, Nick
Blackman, Doug
Brett-Davies, Neil
Carter, Mike
Ciccozzi, Brian
Constantinidis, Mike
Coyle, Peter
Dawson, John

Dickinson, Rob
Dickson, David
Dujardin, Ray
Foster, John
Grant, Eamon
Hobbs, Andrew
Hook, Gregg
Jonsson, Carl

Kouri, Paul
Lindsay, Lorne
McHattie, John
Mallet, Colin
Martin, Richard
Marshall, Hugh
Schmidt, Andy
Selley, Jim

Sinclair, Gary
Stephens, Dave
Thomas, Dave
Thomson, Craig
Trunkfield, Geof
Wilson, Dave

Captain's Report



Captain's Report end 2022 This will be my last report. It's been a pleasure captaining the club for the past 3 years. Members couldn't have been more co-operative and professional. The members are the reason we're the favourite group of all 3 pro shops and the Marshalls. Bill Titmus, a seasoned veteran, will take over for 2023. Captain's Table Jeremy Marr's crew (David McMurdo, Roger Barnes, Jim Bones, Peter Coyle, Michael McSevney, Dave Marr and Richard Martin) did a stellar job of scoring. Using the Software they were able to get accurate results for even the most complex fixtures - Stroke Play Gross/Net, Super Senior and Senior Masters all scored together over a 2 week period!! We encourage members who have a smart phone with a data plan to score their foursome while playing. The smile you will get from the Captain's Table when they see your scores are already posted, will be just reward.

We might investigate porting the scoring results to a TV screen to avoid the effort of filling in sheets of paper on the wall for major tournaments.

Web Site: Ed Watson retired from web duties and we thank him for his contributions. Ron Pound and Wayne Gatley are managing the site, which is a valuable store of club data and history. Ron and Wayne also did a great job of streamlining the website so that there is a minimum of data duplication between the web site and the Portal. This has simplified the webmaster's job as certain tasks (like tracking earnings) have been moved to the Portal with the Club Captain responsible. The Portal has our day to day operations. The club website is where you'll find club history preserved.

Golf Operations: No change from our traditional set of fixtures other than a "new Palcutta" was added. This was the same format as in previous years, but the funding was changed from an auction to a \$20 fee from each player. Those not interested in participating played for our usual weekly low net medal. The new format was very popular with half the club participating. We are pretty well on budget with prizes. Deuces came in at 9.1 per game against a budget of 10. Combo tees on all 3 courses have allowed our members the flexibility to choose the appropriate yardage to match their game. There has been a lack of interest in away games, compared to previous years. I'll send a questionnaire out soon, to see if there are any significant reasons for this.

Winter Golf: Winter Golf over 2021/2022 proved popular and the weather co-operated most weeks. Participation rates may be lower this season as many members plan to head South again. We've booked 12 tee times at Langara for the 2022/2023 fall/winter which we will adjust in December according to turnout. We have 34 players signed up to date for the opening winter game, November 3.

GolfSoftware The promised GolfSoftware: Update due September 30 has been pushed off to the end of October. The update will include the ability to select the tee you want to play, to request a cart, to add a comment for the Drawmaster when you signup, to sign up to a waiting list if the draw is full, and an option to pay the away game fee with a credit card when signing up. These are mostly items we (and I suspect other clubs) have asked for over the last 3 years. We'll run the update over winter golf to make sure it is suitable for our 2023 season.

Sincerely,

Brian Montpellier

Vice-Captain (Weekly Draw)



We had 20 tee times at both Langara and Fraserview. There have only been very few instances where we had more than 80 members registered when registration closed. On one or two occasions were there any members on the waitlist by the time the draw was sent to the pro shop on Tuesday evenings.

We have about 6-10 cancellations weekly between close of sign-up and Tuesday cutoff when the draw sheet is submitted to the pro shop. Direct cancellations or no shows with the pro shop are not tracked.

About 50% of the cancellations are health-related or medical appointments while no reasons are provided for the remainder.

A number of members have emailed to advise that they were wrapping up their seasons early due to health-related issues.

All Bob Jack events have been poorly subscribed to. Tsawwassen – 40, Mayfair Lakes – 27, Kings Links – 27, Squamish – 27, Northview – 28 and Westwood Plateau – 19. Not sure what the reason is but have to wonder if we are providing too many golf opportunities for members to play – Bob Jack or Interclub on Monday, Riverway on Tuesday and Vancouver municipal fixture on Thursdays while many members also belong to University/McCleery Mens Clubs as well.

Multi-round events like Bud Brown Eclectic 1,2,3; Neil McIntyre 1&2; Roli Parker Eclectic 1,2,3 are difficult to set up and keep track of which often leads to many questions and misunderstandings especially around signing up for the week and why they are on the waitlist.

We play a total of 9 times at Fraserview and 5 of them are multi-day events. We should revisit the fixtures and see if we can revise the dates of some of these events.

The sign up format – tee time or list has been working fine. Recommend that we move forward with sign-up-to-a-tee time as the primary sign-up method for all events that do not require drawmaster input next year.

Preferred tee times are only assigned by request for individuals on a week-by-week basis.

Signup to events opening 4 weeks in advance seems to be working well. It is recommended that we keep the same lead time next year.

Winter golf has been set up and is on the portal until the end of the year. We have 12 tee times at Langara and 4 tee times at Riverway. Brian will be the drawmaster for winter golf.

Sincerely,

Basil Quan

Vice-Captain (Scoring)



I am happy to say that Covid-19 was no longer an impediment to the operation of the Captain's Table and its associated activities. I find it very satisfying that groups of volunteers can make our club run so harmoniously. From the Captain's Table perspective, it starts with the Draw and thanks to Basil Quan for arranging the tee times exactly when requested to accommodate those entering scores into the computer. That was performed admirably by a very flexible team – Roger Barnes, Jim Bones, Peter Coyle, Dave Marr, Richard Martin, David McMurdo and Michael McSevney, none of whom ever once refused an assignment. Thank you.

Behind the scenes, I have to thank Brian Montpellier for helping me come to grips with the understanding and the eccentricities of the computer system and the reporting of results. The system continues to be improved and I take my hat off to those who processed the scores prior the computer age.

We returned to the practice of using the time clock and it has been accepted. Gaps in excess of 20 minutes have only occurred twice this season. While members are aware of the need to keep the Parks Board, and other members, happy, the time clock is a proactive incentive to finish close to the group in front.

Finally, the accuracy of the results and prizes is only as good as the input. Here it is thanks to the accuracy and legibility of the scores on the scorecards by the Team Captains and the communication with the Captain's Table. Now, if the cards always had surnames and the tees played on them, I would have been able to say that, unlike my golf, the operation of the Captain's Table was perfect!

Sincerely,

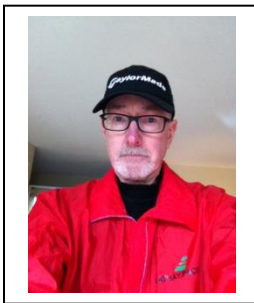
Jeremy Marr

'Golf is a game whose aim is to hit a very small ball into an even smaller hole, with weapons ill-suited for the purpose.' Winston Churchill



Hickory clubs used on #5 par 3, McCleery, during the 90th Extravaganza.

Thanks to the Members of our Captain's Table



Michael McSevney



Roger Barnes



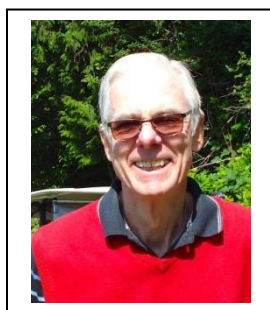
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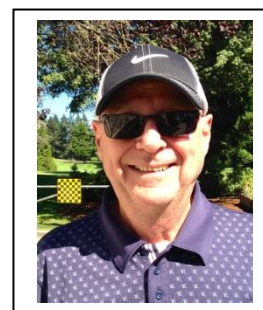
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Dave Marr



Richard Martin



Jim Bones



Membership Report

The strong interest in our club experienced in 2021 continued with applications for membership well exceeding opportunities for admission created by retirement. Total membership increased slightly to our established quota limit of 140.

Members leaving our club at year end were Ken Whitelaw, Bill Steele, Paul Kaushal, David Dickson, Neil Griggs, and Roger Jung. Angelo Dakis retired following a brief renewal of membership. George Drew and Dennis Selby elected to take associate membership

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Members	109	110
Associates	6	7
Life	4	4
Honorary	2	2
Med Leave	2	0
Wait List	17	15
Total	140	138

Year end admissions from the Wait List were seven, John Chan, Mike Creed, Gordon Rogers, Jim Sutherland, Michael Tham, Tim Van Ostrand and Fred Yasinchuk. Kerry Isbister became a new member in July following the retirement of Ed Bobinski who had a long and distinguished presence in West Point. Grant Hughes returned to membership following a long period of convalescence as an associate. Sadly, Gordon Rogers passed away recently. Our thoughts are with his family.

Some retirements are to be anticipated at the end of this season, but I believe we have sufficient qualified wait list candidates to replace them and maintain our normal quota.

A new feature this year was notification of the opening of the Wait List at a strictly enforced precise date and time. Some fifteen new applications for membership were added to the Wait List and that brought our total membership, all categories to 140. There has been an enthusiastic participation in our events from many of these new applicants which is good to see. Applications for membership have continued to arrive throughout the season and have been declined.

We will set a date for opening of the Wait List, most likely early January, advertise it well in advance, and follow the same format used this year. Watch the West Point web site for that notice and let others who may be interested know.

I think we can all look forward to another successful year ahead.

Sincerely,

David McMurdo

'Advertisements claim that golf scores can be improved by purchasing new golf equipment. Since this is financially impractical for many senior players, one-half stroke per hole may be subtracted for using old equipment.'

The Following member passed away this season.

HE WILL BE MISSED.



Gordon Rogers
(New Member 2022)

Played only a few rounds before cancer struck. Gordon was well known in BC Soccer. Honoured in the BC Soccer Roll of Honour.
<https://heritage.bcsoccer.net/entries/gord-rogers/>

Social Director Report



2022 was our 90th year. We had a variety of events to build our social net starting with the opening social. In late March, 70 of us gathered at Langara golf course for a Greek dinner put together by Mike Constantinidis. What other kind of dinner would you expect from him!

It was our first post Covid indoor event so the turnout was considered excellent. At a cost of \$2047 it was a bargain. We were told about the upcoming year on the courses and shown samples of commemorative shirts and hats that would be made available for purchase. A good time was had by all despite the lingering Covid fears! The 90th celebrations included the shirts and hat where 65 orders were placed and a wonderful tournament was held on June 23rd. The board had granted a \$1500 subsidy for the 90th events and it was all used on the tournament. Shirts and hats orders broke even and members provided an extra \$20 per golfer to defray tournament costs which included a sleeve of WPGC logo balls and a divot repair tool. There were 94 members plus 7 parks board guests who golfed.

We were all encouraged to dress in vintage outfits from the 1930 's era. John Dawson took home the prize for best dressed. Brian Montpelier was a close second. All enjoyed a hot dog and beverage after golf.

Prize were all donated and included foursomes at 8 different courses! With perfect weather the McCleery patio was busy with our members for many hours.

There was one after-round lunch and beverage provided in August at Langara for a cost of \$1147. Again perfect weather saw the patio busy with our members for many hours.

The AGM is scheduled for November 8th at the Arbutus Club. With COVID restrictions lifted we won't be required to mask up but it is of course optional. Once again we will have an Italian buffet with a no host bar to start. We are expecting 70 members to attend.

Submitted by John MacLachlan

2022 SOCIAL EVENTS



Opening Social March 22 at Langara

90th Anniversary Extravaganza



John MacLachlan Organizer Extraordinaire



Freebies

More photos on p. 24

The full 90th Anniversary Extravaganza photo album is on the website under Golf>Teetimes. Click on Photo Album.



Director at Large Report

This year there have been three major areas taken on by the Director at Large

- 1) BLING. Tee shirts and hats
- 2) 90th Anniversary tournament
- 3) Trophy collection and engraving

Bling

65 orders were placed including 61 shirts at \$49.50 and 36 hats at \$26.50. Hats were all unisized but offered in 6 different colours with 5 different embroidery colours. 5 sizes of shirts were offered in 7 different colours with 5 different colours of embroidery. All 61 orders were done perfectly with one minor exception where the embroidery was black not white as requested, but the purchaser happily accepted the product.

All monies were collected before the orders were placed. Final result was a profit of \$169.49 due to a slight reduction in costs due to volume.

Recommendation for the future: Do not offer so many options. Say four colours of shirts with two colours of embroidery.

90th

The 90th tournament was a great success based on all reports. 100 members signed up and paid the \$20 fee, but only 94 ended up golfing. 7 complemented guests rounded out the field to 101 golfers. First tee gifts of a sleeve of monogrammed balls and a divot repair tool were well received and the hot dog and beer after the round was enjoyed. We didn't receive one complaint about any of the above. The committee consisted of Gregg Hook, Bruce Simpson, Brain Montpelier and John Maclachlan with significant help from Kim Cooper at McCleery.

All 24 prizes were handed out within two weeks of the event.

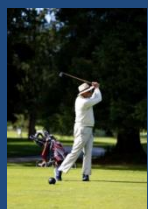
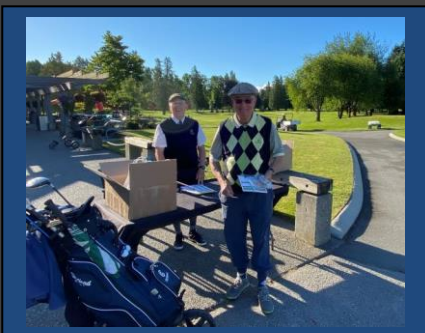
Trophies:

All trophies are accounted for and will be taken in for engraving on the 17th of October and be ready for pick up before the AGM.

Sincerely,

John Maclachlan

90TH EXTRAVAGANZA



Handicap Report



The system ran smoothly this season as we came out of Covid. There were very few duplicate entries. It seems some members got impatient when the Thursday scores were not transferred to the Handicap System right away.

Members need to remember all Thursday scores are inputted by the Captain's Table. It may take several days before the scores are transferred from the Tournament section to the Handicap section where members see their scoring history. Members can also view the scoring history of any of our members.

Many of our members keep an official handicap with Golf Canada. Often there will be a discrepancy between the Golf Canada index and the WGCG index. Occasionally the two indexes do not match.

Golf Canada takes information from a current data base to adjust scores because of weather and other factors. If a course is playing much easier or more difficult than usual scores may be adjusted for handicap purposes. They also make adjustments that limit the amount an index can go up or down. Members can see their detailed history of their scoring on the Golf Canada website. If any of their scores have had one of these adjustments, it will be indicated in the detailed history.

Sincerely,

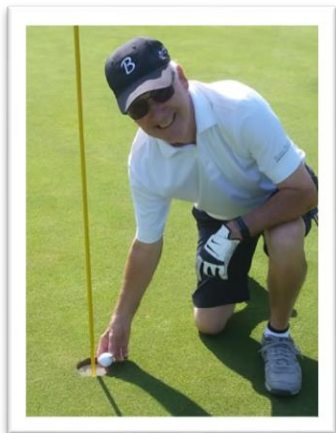
Bill Titmuss



Sandbagger

That's what friends are for.

Sketch of a West Pointer



2022 has been a very lean year when it comes to Sketches. Fortunately, **Brian Montpellier**, **Chris Murray** and **Stephen Loomer** provided excellent background information about their careers and lives - and we were most appreciative of that. I'm hopeful that next year will be a bumper crop!

Our Club was very fortunate that **Wayne Gatley** stepped forward at the end of 2016 to succeed former Life Member and current Honorary Member, **Gary Sinclair**, as editor of our prestigious **Divot Dust**. *Gary celebrated his 90th birthday on September 30.*

While serving on the Board in a number of capacities, I had a lot of contact with members and an idea that had been percolating for some time, finally came to a boil when the "Sketch of a West Pointer" project was launched in 2012. It began as an attempt to get beyond the superficiality and learn more about the background and golfing history of West Point members. The first Sketches portrayed **Ed Bobinski**, **Jim Appleby** and **Michael Alms**. Sixty-three more Sketches have been published, bringing the current total to 66. This season the following members have been featured: **Stephen Loomer**, **Brian Montpellier**, and **Chris Murray**. You can read any of the past sketches by going to our website, "Galleries/Members" and clicking on Sketch under the photos.

Over the years, the willingness of members to share some of their background and personal information with the Club membership has been very much appreciated. A template is always provided as a guide to getting started but members are invited to include any details they feel might be of interest. All articles are approved by the member prior to publication.

The focus has been on long-time and senior members. All those who became members from 1989 to 2015 have been invited to participate. Some have preferred not to be included and others are still working on their first draft! I hope to get to some of our newer members in an effort to learn more about their backgrounds.

In addition to those listed above, over the years the following members have generously shared a bit of their golfing history with us: *Chris Allen, Nick Atkinson, Tom Becher, Doug Blackman, Brian Boone, Neil Brett-Davies, Mike Carter, Don Clancy, David Cooke, Peter Coyle, Joe Davison, Rob Dickinson, David Dickson, George Doiron, George Drew, Ray Dujardin, Don Edmonds, Mel Endelman, Wayne Ferrey, John Foster, Wayne Gatley, Neil Griggs, David Haddleton, Andrew Hobbs, Joe Hurley, David Johannson, Carl Jonsson, Phil Joughin, Roger Jung, Colin Kelly, Peter Kidd, Chuck Kotzo, Andy Leekha, Paul Levy, Lorne Lindsay, Gordie MacCulloch, Dean MacKinnon, John McHattie, David McMurdo, Bill McNichol, Colin Mallet, Dave Marr, Hugh Marshall, John Matkovich, Peter Morse, Russ Quinn, Art Roberts, Don Rotherham, Lloyd Shippam, Gary Sinclair, Dave Syme, Norm Thiessen, Dave Thomas, Bill Titmuss, Bill Trory, Jim Trotter, Neil Watson, Ken Whitelaw, Al Williams and Dave Wilson.*

Sincerely,

Lorne Lindsay

Club Communications



The webmasters want to thank the following who have provided the data required to post tournament results, weekly prizes, holes in one, shot their age, away game results, membership updates and more.

Thank you, Jeremy Marr, Brian Montpellier, Bill Titmuss, David Johannson and David McMurdo.

Their jobs often require extensive research to determine accurate and appropriate results so we appreciate the extra effort they take before submitting to the website.

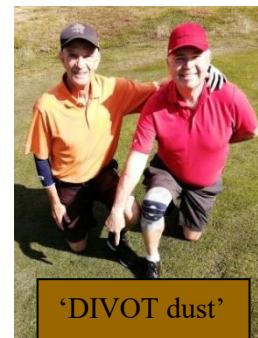
We also want to acknowledge the work of Brian Montpellier to reduce duplication and clarify the roles between the Portal and the Website. Now the Portal handles all of the pertinent information about members, games, money tracking and the handbook, while the Website is the repository of weekly results, photo galleries, player and club historical information.

The Member's Gallery has been kept up to date with photos so members can check it out before teeing it up with newbies. It's always nice to be able to greet a new member by name.

Special thanks to Lorne Lindsay, unofficial editor of Divot Dust and other sundry communications.

Gary Sinclair & Ed Watson (Emeritis)

Wayne Gatley & Ron Pound: Webmasters



West Point Golf at Riverway G.C. 2021



Throughout the year WPGC has had 4 tee times reserved each Tuesday at Riverway.

Participation has been good with most tee times being fully utilized each week. On a few occasions late cancellations, for a wide variety of reasons, has meant one or two spots have been made available to Riverway management for a member of the public.

This winter we again have 4 tee times and it is hoped that members will continue to use them to the full. If we do not then there is the risk that Riverway management will reduce the availability of tee times for WPGC not only for the winter, but also into the summer season.

I would like to thank Tim O'Meara for his support with the draw during my absence in June and July

Sincerely,

Chris Murray



"Your main problem is you are standing too close to the ball... after you have hit it."

Long Drive Competition



"Did you win?"

Over the winter, to improve your golf, get your clubs fitted for next season.

SEE YOU ALL NEXT SPRING

Membership Fees for 2023 Season:

Please bring your cheque for dues (payable to **West Point Golf Club**) or e-transfer to jevans1@shaw.ca for an amount of **\$150** (\$50 for Associate Members) less the amount of your winnings for the year (**will be available on the Portal Oct 31** under Helpful Documents and Links - top right corner

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