



Fall Divot 2010

President's Message

Dear Members, Friends, and Fellow Golfers:

Thank you for your support in 2010. This was the thirtieth year I have been running Brooklea. The course was purchased January 30th 1980 and the changes since then have been truly spectacular. With the changes theme in mind I have contracted golf course architect Scott Covell to put together a master plan that will guide golf course improvements over the next ten years and more. As we have substantially completed our goals we need to give some careful planning to the future of the courses.

I mention running Brooklea somewhat tongue in cheek this year as if truth be known (as I am sure it is) Barbara, our capable Vice President has stepped up again to the plate and has guided Brooklea through a beautiful if eventful summer. On that note I must report I am slowly recovering from the ski accident in February. I hope to be off my crutches in a few weeks.

I would like to commend Marlon Gieseler and his team on a great effort and excellent course conditioning during a difficult weather year for the turf staff. Yes it was great for golfing, but the humidity, sudden storms, heat and economy was not advantageous for course supers and their staff.

Brenda Throop kept the office humming along and keeping everyone watching their p's and q's. I am sure she did not mind being alone in the upstairs business office either. Not that I am not "fun".

Teresa has been busy garnering business and the number of functions looks healthy for 2011 and 2012. Rico, Chrystal, and Jenna have adeptly provided a great new menu and well trained staff in the clubhouse. Our tournaments and banquets have raved about the service. We have tried to keep service to Brooklea standards during this recession and have done so under difficult conditions. Please let me know of any suggestions you may have so that we can provide you with the service and products you deserve. Justin and his golf shop staff are eager to help you with your golfing needs in their customary friendly manner. We have been implementing new

protocols and standard operating procedures to address the changing needs of the regulatory and business environment. We hope you approve of them. Joel Hicks USGTF has made quite a splash with all levels of golfers and I have heard many compliments regarding his lesson programs. Brooklea has a deep group of professional staff that are here to serve you.

The improvements for this past year included an upgrade to the electrical service in the turf maintenance shop and an electric hoist to keep our equipment in tip top shape. We are planning drainage improvements to the bunkers and an upgrade to our irrigation satellite equipment to bring our irrigation system into the digital age. We also intend to purchase new turf equipment in order to keep the course in the great shape we all enjoyed this year.

Improvements in the clubhouse included new patio surfaces and roofing to the upstairs landings and main patio, as well as painting and decorating changes. Improvements this year were not very visible to the public, but are very necessary to promote productivity, safety and efficiency in the future.

All of our patrons whether you are members, casual golfers, organizations, clubs, service groups, families or tournaments that supported Brooklea in 2010 have my thanks and promise that we will always try to do our best for you. If anything is not quite right please let Barb know (ha ha) and we will attempt to fix it for you. There is always someone that can provide products for less, but I believe our value for what our customers receive is superior in every way. This is in a large part due to our great staff.

Green fee packages sold as ticketrack if purchased now will be sold at 2010 prices for golf in 2011 and 2012 as ticketrack is good for two years. Ticketrack is transferable and they make great gifts. Ticketrack is also good for cart rentals and the range. The more you buy the larger your discount.

Our Brooklea fall membership special is now on. No initiation fee. Play the rest of 2010 for no extra charge. For full details call the golf shop.



Yours in golf

Michael Barbara and Family

**Fun with Michael & Barbara
Golf is the Game in which you yell:
'FORE', Shoot six & Write Down Five**

The Turf Corner

It certainly has been quite a year for Myself & the Turf Crew. April & May were very dry, this dryness created many hours of extra care & nurturing as it did not allow enough time for the turf to build up enough energy to handle the long season & heat of the summer. We are way over budget with fungicides due to the humidity & torrential downpours, battling diseases of: Dollar Spot, Ground patch & Anthracnose. We are winning this battle!

The crew begins at 5:00 am and is full steam until 1:30 pm each day until Labour Day. (We sure look forward to the extra hour of sleep). These early hours are necessary so that we can complete our projects before the first Tee Times begin. We certainly do enjoy our Wednesday afternoons, Golf 9 Holes, have a good view of the shape of the course and add 'many' beer empties to our morning garbage collection! (I love Wednesday afternoons!)

I have met with DOLL Turf for a quote on the drainage. (Presently we are pumping the traps by hand, 2 & ½ inches just this past weekend!) DOLL Turf are experts in their field and I know personally Brooklea players will be very pleased to see the results. They preformed the work on MSS Soccer Field and have the contract for St. Theresa's 2 fields. We are upgrading the Satellite Irrigation boxes to computer. The computer calculates the best & shortest amount of time to run the water. We will save on hydro, wear & tear on the pumps as well as conserve water. The system runs from a hand held radio which will save continually travelling to each box. We purchased a hoist for the shop and it has made Bill a very happy mechanic! His work is now safer & quicker. This fall we demoed & have tested some new equipment: 2 Toro Greens Mowers, 1 John Deere Sandpro and 2 Gators. The kudos of the past weekend from the Bandits about the performance of the Sandpro certainly were great to hear. Selected equipment will arrive in May 2011.

Fall Aerifying Greens Dates:

Tues. Sept 7 North Course, Tues. Sept 14 South Course

Fall Aerifying Fairways dates:

Mon Sept 20 North, Tues 21 North, Wed 22 South & Thurs 23 South

2010 Turf Crew:

John Foley (Foreman)

Rick Savage (Cuts tees, Aprons, Sidewinds Bunkers, Sandpro, Blocks, Holes & Garbage)

Bill Pilkey (Mechanic)

Wade Shatford (Spray Enviromental Chemicals)

Diedre Schaefer (Cuts Rough)

Dave Henderson (Cuts Fairways)

Marina Josey (Gardener)

Doug Desjardins (Cuts Greens & Rough around the Trees)

Bill Birch (Changes Holes, Blocks, Sandpro & Garbage)

Yours in Golf

Marlon Gieseler

Golf Course Superintendent

'Figure it Out'

Marlon's Wisdom

Golf is a hard game to figure. One day you'll go out and slice it, shank it, hit into all of the traps & miss every green. Then the next day you go out and for no reason at all, YOU REALLY STINK!

Golf Shop Talk



We have been blessed with some outstanding weather so far this year and are looking for a few more months of great golfing weather.

Our Championship 18 and our West 9 have been very busy with this great weather and it looks like there is no sign of it slowing down. Our full service Golf Shop has seen lots of activity as well this year thanks to our new Loft 8 clothing line. We hope to see this activity continue as our year end clearance sales will begin shortly.. If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to see something in the shop, please do not hesitate to ask any of our professional golf shop staff. We are here to help! We try our best to make Brooklea Golf Shop a one stop shop!

As the end of season approaches and the sunrises / sunsets are changing, the hours of both our Main Golf Shop and West Nine buildings will be changing as well. If the West Nine building is not open upon arrival, all range balls can be purchased in the Main Golf Shop. We also ask all patrons and members to check in before teeing off on the West Nine.

Winter is just around the corner, and you know what that means... Christmas! Beat the rush, and buy now! Can't think of what to buy for that person who has everything? Well, we have the answer. If you are interested in **saving money** the smartest way to golf this season (as well as 2011 & 2012) is with Brooklea Golf & Country Club's Ticketrack program. Ticketrack allows you to buy now and **save money** in the future! Tickets are available in booklets of 10, 25, 50 or 100, valid for two years and are also fully transferable. Why wait? Come into the Golf Shop and share the savings with family and friends.

Don't forget to purchase your 2011 membership before the years end.

On Behalf of all Brooklea Golf Services staff we Thank You for making this season such a memorable one and look forward to many more!!

Yours in Golf,

Justin Cummings
Golf Shop Manager



Hot Tip from Justin
Golf: A Five Mile Walk Punctuated with Disappointments!
Visit the Golf Shop!



2011 Fall Membership Special

Golf the Rest of 2010 for Free/Avoid the Increase in 2011

***GOLF *SPECIAL MEMBER GREEN FEE GUEST RATES**

*10% DISCOUNT ON FOOD PURCHASES, DISCOUNTS ON JUNIOR GOLF CAMP

*POOL PRIVILEGES *FITNESS CLUB PRIVILEGES *SAUNA *PRIVILEGED MEMBER GOLF GROUP

*MEMBER ACCOUNT PRIVILEGES *CLUBHOUSE LOCKER * MEMBER DISCOUNTS IN PROSHOP

New member initiation fee WAIVED for Fall 2011 Special
& Complimentary Driving Range Privileges with Platinum Adult Memberships.

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>Platinum</u> Seven Day	<u>Gold</u> Monday - Friday	<u>Silver</u> Monday - Thursday
ADULT	\$1,695.00	\$1,408.00	\$ 995.00
ADULT COUPLE	\$2,860.00	\$2,376.00	\$ 1,844.40
YOUNG ADULT (18 – 32 yrs)	\$895.00	\$ 895.00	\$ 895.00
JUNIOR (Children 17 & under)	\$ 400.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 299.00
FAMILY (Children under 18)	\$2,900.00	\$2,750.00	\$ 2,332.00
WEST 9 - ADULT	\$ 869.00	\$ 687.50	\$ 649.00
WEST 9 – JUNIOR	\$ 309.75	\$ 273.00	\$ 241.50
WEST NINE- FAMILY (Children under 18)	\$1,550.00	\$1,195.00	\$1,075.00

DRIVING RANGE MEMBERSHIP \$ 262.50 (golf member) \$ 294.00 (non-golf member) limit 3 baskets at driving range per member per day.

(Member use only – not transferable)

ALL MEMBERSHIPS ARE HST Applicable

Member discounts are not applicable with any special offers, discounts or promotions.

Discounts are not applicable to group functions. Gold and Silver Members may play on Holidays after 2:00 pm.

Young Adult restrictions are: Saturday, Sunday and Holidays after 11:00 am.

Junior playing restrictions are Saturday, Sunday and Holidays after 1:00 pm unless playing with an adult.

A Food & Beverage credit charge of \$200.00 per Adult member is mandatory. This fee is a credit that will be applied to Food & Beverage purchases ONLY. Any balance remaining at the end of the 2011 season is subject to forfeit.

All season memberships begin on the first day of Golf & end on the last day of October of each year
Club Storage Lockers are available for a fee of \$110.00 on a first come, first serve basis.

ALL FEES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST GAME OF GOLF

PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

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Business Development

Thank Goodness we have finally had a great year of Golf Weather! You have no idea what I had to do to get this, Church every day beginning last October 31st, Promises to God: No Drinking, No Laughing, No Swearing, No Partying & No having Fun!!! Whew, the pressure is off & I am totally back to normal!

Fall is a great/popular time for Staff get-togethers & Family Reunions! Be sure to keep the West Course in mind for a great afternoon of friendly family competition. Or, maybe a round of Wacky Golf as the Tacky Tourist! I have all of the info how to set this up and it is a HOOT!

We have a new promotion in our 2011 Fall Membership Special Young Adult Category! We have extended the age from 18 – 32 years. After much consideration of the times we are in, we realize how seldom this age group is able to play golf. Working full time, Paying University/College Loans, Mortgages & Raising Young Families they are missing out on “Golf, The Game of a Lifetime”.

As a **Thank you** to ‘you’ our Brooklea Members, any new member you bring into this Category, Brooklea will give ‘you’ a \$100.00 credit on your Food & Beverage Account.

Dates have been set for our Annual Corporate Christmas Parties, Friday December 10th & Saturday December 11th. “The Big Party for Small & Medium-sized Businesses”. Sumptuous Festive Buffet & Dancing to the tunes of Scotty Warnock in a Christmas Wonderland of décor! Call me to book your group early to avoid disappointment.

The 2nd Annual National **Fore Pink** Mixed Classic is set for Friday October 1st. ALL proceeds to the Kelly Shires Breast Cancer Foundation. 11:00 am shotgun start, signature events, dinner buffet, live entertainment & loads of fun!

Memorial and Corporate Opportunities Available:

Bench & Granite Tee Signs

Cheers,

Teresa Alphonse-Grattan
Business Development

World’s Shortest Fairy Tale

Once upon a Time a girl asked a guy “Will You Marry Me?” The guy responded “NO”. And the girl lived happily ever after playing a lot of Golf!
The End

Accounting & Bookkeeping



If anyone has had the opportunity to check out the farmer's almanac prediction for the summer, they would have found that "HOT" was quite right!

Hopefully everyone has been able to make it out and enjoy the weather we've experienced. We all know that Michael hasn't been able to knock around any balls, but his presence has been more noted in the clubhouse rather than on the course.

Statements will be sent out shortly and if ever anyone would like to know their balance at any time please feel free to come and see me.

A reminder that credit balances will expire after the season and if you have a balance owing, payment can be made at the Pro Shop.

Enjoy the remainder of the season!

Brooklea Credit Policy;

Any account that has not been paid within 45 days of the billing date will be placed inactive and tee times will not be able to be booked until the account has been brought back to a current balance.

Yours in Pencils & Pens



Brenda Throop
Bookkeeper & Office Manager

Brenda's 2 cents!
Golf is an Expensive Way of Playing Marbles!



Clubhouse Chatter



Hello Everyone!

I cannot believe that fall is upon us and my first season at Brooklea is drawing to a close. I have had a lot of adjusting to do since my arrival in Midland. My family and I had quite the adventure last summer as we packed up our home and lives in Okanagan, B.C and headed across country in our family vehicle and huge U-Haul. Five provinces, one sprained ankle & subsequent ambulance ride, two near misses on the highway, 100's of Tim Horton's & bathroom stops, several hotels, endless tanks of gas and numerous "are we there yet?" whines from the back seat, we arrived fairly unscathed and settled into our new home. My position at Brooklea has been a fun challenge for me, I have worked in the hospitality industry for years, owning my own catering company and managing banquet and conference centers in large hotels, however the golf side of the business was new to me. I have yet to master my game, but hope to get out more next year, please don't laugh if you see me and try to be supportive!

Sunday Brunch continues to be a great success! And our Friday Night Buffet has been increasing in popularity as well. Our fabulous brunch continues through December and is a great idea for entertaining out of town guests or when you're just too tired to cook after all that hectic shopping and wrapping. Reservations are still highly recommended however as to avoid disappointment.

We have made some adjustments to our menu and clubhouse hours this season as we strive to find a good balance of menu offerings and clubhouse access to best suit our members and other customers. Feel free to speak with me if you have any ideas for next year!

It has been a pleasure getting to know many of you, even if I am still learning everyone's names. My staff and I have enjoyed serving all of our valued members, leagues and of course regular customers and first time visitors alike. The Scherloski family and the rest of the Brooklea management staff have been very welcoming and supportive and I appreciate it immensely. Karina was a patient teacher and has trained me well. I know I have big shoes to fill there! I have a great team of clubhouse staff and thank them for their patience with a management transition and their hard work and dedication to Brooklea!

I look forward to another busy season next year and hopefully more golfing! Looking forward to a great Fall and wonderful Christmas season! See you in the Clubhouse!

Yours in Hospitality, Cocktails, Buffets & Brunches,
Jenna Savoie

**Many a Golfer Prefers a Golf Cart to a Caddy!
Why? Because it cannot Count, Criticize or Laugh!**



Hawkeye The Mastermind



My experience over the past few months working at Brooklea Golf & Country Club has been interesting and most enjoyable. After owning and operating my own hospitality business for 27 years, I know how important it is to have good employees that work well as a team and I feel that Brooklea has that. Most of the credit must be given to owners Michael and Barbara who I have found to be supportive, understanding and very knowledgeable in their industry.

Currently I have a consulting business (BSC) Beverage Control Service and that is one reason I am here. After Michael's skiing accident, I was asked if I could help him with some of his daily duties. During my time here, I have updated policies and procedures, tweaked some computer programs and supplied support to other management personnel. I have also had the pleasure of meeting and working with some really great staff from all areas of this business.

It is hard to believe that the summer is coming to an end but not without supplying us with one of the best seasons for golfing. Hopefully the fall will be just as good! So... get out and keep swinging your clubs and afterwards, drop by the clubhouse for some delicious food and a cool beverage.

To the Saturday & Sunday Morning Boys: or should I say "**Bandits**"? Particularly Mr. Yates "there will be no more taking advantage of this 15 handicapper. You have won enough for one season. See you Saturday"!

Yours in Eagles, Birdies & Skins

Jim Monteith

Hawkeye's Wisdom

**Golf was once a Rich Man's Sport,
Now, It has Millions of Poor Players**

(Thank Goodness)

Out of the Pot

Flavours & Thoughts

Huronian Dental Society spends an Evening at
"The Hunting Lodge"

With Chef Enrico & Dr. Jim Shaw

Forester Style Pate with Brioche & Cranberry Sauce

Venison Sausage with Herb Flavoured Baguette

Fresh Shucked Oysters

Marinated Rabbit Loin Skewers

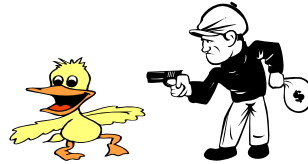


Traditional Risotto ai Fungi



Smoked Breast of Duck Phyllo Bundles

Nested Atop a Sweet & Spicy Red Currant Sauce



Lancaster Style Perch Fillets

Pan Seared in a White Wine reduction,
Complimented with Truffle Scented Aioli Sauce



Rhubarb Sorbet

A Delicate Infusion of Locally Grown Fruit
Presented in a Sugar Rimmed Champagne Flute

Medallions of Elk Tenderloin

Roasted Apple & Calvados Glace de Viande
Accented with Braised Red Cabbage & Sautéed Spatzel



Cheese Plate with Maple Chestnut Vermicelli & Fig Chutney



Freshly Roasted Coffee & Tea

Annual Members Field Day

Sunday September 19th
12:30 pm Shotgun Championship
2:30 pm Shotgun West Course
Open to All Categories



\$28.00 per Player

Includes: 18 Holes on Championship or Nine Holes on West Course (pending your course membership), Scramble Format, Prizes & BBQ Chicken Dinner Buffet

Sign up as a “Single, Twosome, Threesome or Foursome”

**Husbands, Wives or significant others welcome to join us for Golf \$55.00
Champ Course-Golf \$29.00 West (includes prize money)
Or Dinner \$23.00 or Both \$78.00! ☺
Sign up Sheets in the Golf Shop**



Leaving Church on Sunday, a man asks his Priest, “Father, is it a sin to play golf on a Sunday?” “My son,” says the Priest, “I have seen you play golf and for ‘you’ it is a sin any day!”

Brooklea Senior Men's Headline News



Summer is on its way out and we had a very good season-as usual we lost a few members but have been joined by more new members, and I hope they feel welcome in our group.

Match play matches are completed in **Flight 'A', won by Dave Henderson** and **Flight 'B' by Paul Wilkinson**. Final play off to be completed by September 3/10. The second week Championship was held in August and produced New Champions:

Overall Low Gross went to Brent Howell with 158
Low Net in Flight "A" Heinz Schiller with 132
Low net in Flight "B" Ron Gibbons with 137
Low Net in Flight "C" Bill Wakish with 141
Low Net in Flight "D" Bob Fortin with 138

Our luncheons were well attended, and as usual the Food & Service "Excellent"! Our last luncheon will be held at the end of September and will be sponsored by the Sr. Men's

On the Interclub side, this year we played as a combined Brooklea/Midland group and we averaged 28 – 30 players at each event. Actually we are leading in the Low Net Category, 4 Points ahead of Hawkrigde. Keep it up at the Barrie meet and we will bring home the Trophy.

I would like to remind everybody to please attend our last luncheon as we need volunteers for various positions on our Committee. Have a great end of season & winter.

Regards

Claude Henning
League Captain

<p>Claude's Pet Peeve "Golf is an Expensive Way of Playing Marbles"</p>

Fairway Shot

Brooklea AM Ladies League



We are more than halfway through the Season Now and has it ever been a HOT one! The Tuesday Morning Ladies League have been very busy. We have started a 9 Hole Group and are still ironing out the bugs but are determined to provide an alternate for those who find eighteen holes just too much (especially in this heat).

We are very happy to welcome new members: Elizabeth Broughton, Nancy Deenen, Jeanne Stacey, Betty Wakish and welcome back to Arlyn Keast. It is always nice to see new faces and returning ones too!

This year we had seven ladies participate in the "Huron District GAO June Days". Ainslee Birrell, Pat Cowden, Donna Earl, Fiona Love, Lynda McGregor, Pat Maurice and Ailsa Robinson all represented Brooklea Golf & Country Club. Ainslee took first prize for low gross against some 160 participants. WAY TO GO Ainslee!

Midland Ladies hosted our Ladies on June 8th and a good time was had by all. A new addition to our 2010 golf adventure has been a weekly challenge and the posting of the winners pictures in our "Star of the Week" photo Frame in the Ladies locker room. The winners include: Arlyn Keast, Donna earl, Lynda McGregor, Diane Patchell, Ainslee Birrell, Vivian Shaw, Doreen Thompson, Betty Lou Rothwell, Bonney Parsons, Marg Bourgeois, Pat Maurice, Marilyn James, Jeanne Stacey & Dorothy Coles.

Unfortunately no-one won the "Potty Putting" Challenge this year but we all went out to a great lunch in our "Pizza by the Pool" day. We'll do better on the putting next year!

If you are interested in having a good time and a bit of a laugh, come on out and join us. New members are always "Welcome". We are having a Blast!

Yours in Birdies & Pars,

Fiona Love
League Captain

2010 Brooklea Ladies League Executive:
Captain Fiona Love 549-0118
Vice Captain Ainslee Birrell 427-0572
Treasurer Lynda McGregor 526-1776
Secretary Pat Cowden 534-4032



Fiona's Tidbit

The Secret of Good Golf is to hit the Ball: Hard, Straight & Not Too Often!

Never in the Rough

Tuesday Night Ladies League



When I was asked to submit a column for the Divot, the first thing that popped into my mind was: Have many of you had the pleasure of golfing with Angela?now that woman knows what a “DIVOT” looks like. She takes more chunks out of the golf course than Marina's famous groundhogs.

Well ladies we have 70 Members this year for our Tuesday Night Ladies League. I would like to extend a huge welcome to our many ‘guests’ that have joined us weekly sharing in great golf nights, the banter and maybe a few glasses of wine. Hopefully, you will join as a member next year!

It pleases me that our League is treated so ‘Special’ here at Brooklea! Not only does the Golf Shop Staff remember our names, they have also been accommodating to allow us to Tee Off both the North & South Courses.

General consensus is ‘We enjoy the Wonderful Buffet’ prepared by the Brooklea Kitchen staff every Tuesday! Mind you, there are Gals that prefer the ‘Roadhouse Menu’ (FRENCH FIES & Low Fat!.....(cigarettes, Ya think?!))

Our 50/50 draw is a major contributor to our year end Banquet prizes. Please keep participating

Mark your calendar:

<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday Night Ladies League Wind-up Banquet Tuesday October 5th 5:17 Pm Cocktails & Putting Contest 6:30 Pm Delightful Three Course Array of Chef Rico’s Finest Cuisine, Fabulous Gifts and Prizes</p>
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I will send a follow-up reminder e-mail to all Members

RSVP is Mandatory

Remember ladies, a bad day on the golf course is better than housework, so looking forward to seeing you many more Tuesdays and don't forget the 3 rules of golf....Eat, Drink and be Merry, because it just makes the game!

Cheers

Linda Robitaille

Tuesday Night Ladies League Captain

Linda’s Input

There are “Three Ways” to Improve Your Golf Game:
Take Lessons with Joel, Practise Constantly ---or start Cheating



It's been a busy summer to date, as the Head of Instruction. The Brooklea Academy has been busy with new and experienced golfers trying to break a hundred and those trying to get that first eagle.

Some of the lesson highlights of this summer, that have brought some new faces to Brooklea, as well as helping our Brooklea family are the multiple clinics and series of lessons that have taken place. In May we held a Tiny Township golf clinic for residents of the area. June was ladies clinic month, and entailed Mondays being the best day of the week for the ladies that participated, in the half day instruction, golf and lunch event. For the months of July and August were junior clinic and camp months, with the all day golf camps learning lots Monday to Friday, with a closing tournament on Fridays which allowed the juniors to showcase their skills. Wednesday mornings through July and August was junior league day. On average 20 juniors came out between the ages of 11 and 18. A major highlight of Wednesday mornings was the 18th of August when one of the boys shot a 31, one under par for 9 hole on the west course, his only bogey came on the 2nd hole and he went on to birdie the 5th and 9th.

Some highlights for teaching came when I acquired video evaluation equipment. This is very useful in teaching especially for players that are visual learners. I have also been building my knowledge of injury prevention in the golf swing, so everyone that I teach can have a long and enjoyable golf career.

I would like everyone to remember that a pre shot routine is GREAT at every level. For those of you that don't know what a "pre shot routine" entails, it is something that you do before every shot. Some basics of a pre shot routine are, #1 looking at where you want to go: look for trouble, #2 address the ball: make sure you are aiming in the right direction, #3 take a deep breath: fresh oxygen to the brain helps in the making of good decisions and helps your muscles work efficiently, #4 make a smooth swing: smooth tempo, not fast not slow but smooth.

Joel's 'Duffer'

Never subtract so many strokes on any one hole that you wind up with the honour on the next hole. The best wood in most amateur's bag is their pencil!

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