



Managers Report for 2015

The harsh winter of 2015 brought a late opening to our golf season. We officially opened the front 9 at noon on April 27th and all 18 holes were opened for play on May 1st.

Many golf courses in Nova Scotia opened 4 to 6 weeks later than us. This was to our advantage. Our green fees revenue was up by 35.5% for the month of May and we received new golfers that never played here before. Many of them came back several times in the summer. Our overall increase in greens fees revenue for 2015 was up 26.9% compared to 2014.

Throughout the summer we had 31 tournaments. Our Tournament Income was up 5.46%. The highlight was hosting the NSGA 4 Ball. This championship was intended to be 36 holes but day two was cancelled due to weather conditions. A total of 97 teams played in the championship. In general, whether the tournaments were by members or sponsored, participation was up compared to 2014.

With the exception of a couple of heavy rain falls in the summer of 2015, the season was very dry. Andrew and his grounds crew kept our golf course in pristine condition. All summer visiting golfers would tell me that our course was beautiful and well maintained. This gave me pride to be part of this organization. It's easily seen that the grounds crew also takes pride in their work. Congratulations to Andrew and his Team on a job well done.

The kitchen did quite well in 2015 with its Friday nights "All You Can Eat Haddock". A total of 3,215 people were served. A big "Thank You" to Mariette, her Staff and all the Volunteers which helped make this event a huge success once again. Planning and coordinating of these Friday nights, 31 tournaments, breakfast buffets, weddings and Christmas parties takes a lot of dedication.

The Pro Shop struggled in 2015 with its clothing sales. In 2016 we will have new lines of clothing for both Senior & Junior golfers.

Although my entire work career has been in management, 2015 was a learning year for me. I would like to thank everyone who helped me throughout the year. I am confident that 2016 will be a fun, enjoyable and productive year.

Regards,

Mark R. Comeau
General Manager