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2026 Fall Newsletter

From the General Manager, Jeremy Rivando

It's remarkable how quickly the months have passed as I reflect on another successful golf season. We've enjoyed an outstanding season at Pippy Park Golf Club, and we couldn't be more excited about the direction we're heading. The positive feedback we've received from our golfers has been incredibly rewarding, and we're grateful to everyone who has taken the time to recognize the efforts of our team. While we've accomplished a great deal, we truly believe we're just getting started.

On the golf course, conditions continue to improve year after year, thanks to the dedication of Josh Foster and his outstanding turf team. The quality of our greens, improvements to our bunkers, and the overall attention to detail have made a noticeable difference, and we're extremely proud of the progress being made.

Equally important is the experience we provide off the course. We're fortunate to have so many dedicated staff members return each season, bringing enthusiasm, familiarity, and a genuine commitment to customer service. A positive workplace culture translates directly into a better experience for our golfers, and we continue to make this a priority.

Our partnership with Wedgwood Catering has also been a tremendous success. The improvements in food quality and service have elevated our wedding and event experiences, and the positive feedback we've received from clients has been especially encouraging. We're excited to continue building on this partnership.

Looking ahead, there is plenty to be excited about. Although we weren't able to open our new practice range this season, we're eagerly anticipating its opening in June 2027, along with the introduction of the newly renovated holes on Captain's Hill. These projects represent significant steps forward in our long-term vision for the facility.

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Several other important improvements are underway or planned. A new pump station is being installed this fall as the first phase of our future irrigation system upgrades. We're also working toward completing the new on-course washrooms and vending facilities on Captain's Hill. On Admiral's Green, plans include additional tee construction, continued widening of playing corridors to create a more forgiving golf experience, particularly in windy conditions, and strategic tree removal to improve playability, sunlight exposure, and overall turf health.

Behind the scenes, we also have three dedicated Board members completing their terms this month, and I want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank each of them for their invaluable contributions.

Shirley Ryan has played an instrumental role in clubhouse improvements, the continued success of our ladies' leagues, and meaningful advancements in human resources and workplace culture. Her commitment to improving the experience for both staff and golfers has been exceptional.

Brian Shortall has devoted countless hours to strengthening our governance practices and human resources policies. His experience, thoughtful perspective, and dedication have made a lasting impact on the organization, and his contributions at the Board table will certainly be missed.

Mike MacDonald, who has served on the Board for the past three years, has provided valuable financial expertise and guidance, helping shape our financial planning and long-term vision. His contributions have been greatly appreciated.

We're incredibly fortunate to have benefited from the time, experience, and commitment of all three individuals, and I extend my sincere appreciation to each of them.

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There is certainly much more I could share, but I'll close by saying that I've never been prouder to be part of this team or more optimistic about our future. We have an incredible property, a dedicated group of people, and a shared vision for what Pippy Park Golf Club can become.

Our goal is to continue building a golf and event experience that our community can be proud of, and one that golfers from across the Avalon will want to be part of for years to come.

Thank you to our golfers, guests, staff, and supporters for another wonderful season.

We look forward to welcoming you back in 2027.

From the Superintendent, Josh Foster

With another busy golf season nearly behind us, I'm happy to report that Mother Nature was a little more cooperative in 2026. After the challenges of last season, we enjoyed some relatively favourable weather throughout the summer, which helped us maintain good turf conditions across both golf courses. I've been especially pleased with the overall quality and consistency of our greens on both Admiral's Green and Captain's Hill, and I hope everyone enjoyed playing on them as much as we enjoyed maintaining them.

It was another productive year for our Turf team. Along with the day-to-day demands of maintaining 27 holes, we continued tackling drainage improvements, course remediation, and a variety of other projects throughout the property. We also made some encouraging progress with the grow-in of the new practice range and the renovated holes on Captain's Hill. Establishing new turf takes time, patience, and a little cooperation from the weather, but we're pleased with how things are progressing and look forward to seeing these areas come into their own next season.

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Looking ahead, I'm particularly excited to see work beginning on our new pump station, an important investment in the long-term health of our golf courses. We're also beginning to plan for a much-needed irrigation system renovation, which will help us manage water more effectively and provide more consistent playing conditions in the years ahead. There is still plenty of work to be done, but it's encouraging to see these important improvements moving forward.

Finally, I want to thank our team for another outstanding season. Their dedication, attention to detail, and willingness to take on whatever challenges come our way continue to make me proud to work alongside them every day. I'd also like to thank the entire Pippy Park team and, of course, all of our golfers for their continued support and cooperation throughout the season.

Here's to an even better 2027.

From the Chair, Shawn Skinner

As we come to the end of another golf season, I am amazed at just how much activity there has been at Pippy Park Golf Club (PPGC).

Nearly 21,000 rounds played on Captain's Hill and more than 23,500 on Admiral's Green! Almost 45,000 rounds of golf in total. That is a lot of golf and a lot of people enjoying our facilities.

Kudos to our maintenance team at PPGC for keeping the courses in great shape throughout the season and for the improvements we've seen this year. Our new practice range is now complete and growing in nicely and it will be available for use in the spring of 2027. We will also debut new 1st, 2nd, and 3rd holes on Captain's Hill next season. The new washrooms are nearly complete and will be available next year as well, while work continues on drainage and course remediation projects. All of this work is intended to improve the experience for our golfers and reinvest in our golf courses.

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A big part of our efforts is to encourage more youth to take up the game. I am pleased to say that, once again this season, children under 16 years of age were able to play for free, with almost 1,200 rounds played by these young golfers.

Our new caterer, Wedgwood Catering, enjoyed a great season, with over 60 catered events this year. The reviews have been very positive, and the partnership has been a success for PPGC, Wedgwood Catering, and the many people who booked events with us. We look forward to an even busier and more successful season next year.

Thank you to our golfers, staff, and Board members for your ongoing support of Pippy Park Golf Club. We all look forward to continued improvements and another great season ahead!