



Jim Clouston
Host Extraordinaire!



Steve Harrison
Second in Command!

SIPP Golf Tournament - by Forbes Niemi

July 5th was a blistering hot cloudless day with an occasional light breeze. I am told it was a perfect day for a golf tournament. In fact any day is a good day to golf. Once again Jim Clouston masterfully organized it with the help of Steve Harrison and a handful of volunteers.



Texas Scramble

The main event took place on the nine-hole Executive Course at the Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club. Forty-six players were pre-assigned into teams of three or four to play the *Texas scramble* format. One of the main attractions of this format is that teams are selected with a variation of expertise. Thus golfers with less ability can participate with little fear of embarrassment or of being a burden to their team. If one golfer

drives deep into the bush there is no issue because the best drive is chosen once each team player takes their shot.

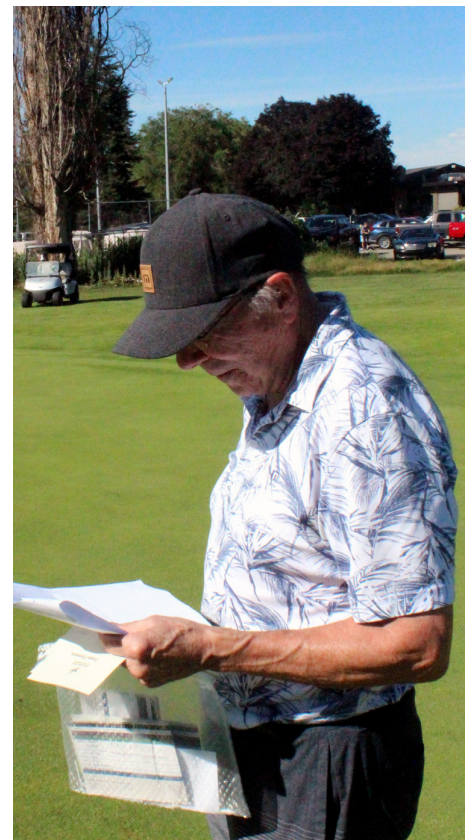
Golf 101

For readers not familiar with the game this is how it works, for example, when there are four players to a team.

The game begins with tee off's by all players of the first team. The elected team captain marks the best drive on the fairway and records who that player was. This player does not take the next shot thus preventing an expert from overwhelming the game. The other three players retrieve their balls and all take their next shots from the same designated location. Again the best drive is marked and the process repeats until a ball lands on the green. Its position is marked and all four players putt from this location in turn. Again the location of the chosen ball is marked and all four player putt from this location. This process repeats until a ball is holed. The team scorecard is then marked with the total number of shots from tee-off to hole. For teams with only three members, the rules are modified to eliminate any disadvantage.

Mulligans

For a fee of five dollars each, a *mulligan* allows a player to repeat the shot if it went really, really badly. This makes the whole game much more relaxed and improves the team's score. Forty-one were needed for this event!



Ok, who's missing?



Players receive their entry package from Jim & Steve at the registration table.

Twenty-four members of S.I. Power Pioneers plus another twenty-two invited players signed up for the tournament. They were pre-assigned to teams of three or four players with specified tee-off times. Thus the first team started play at 12:30 PM and the others followed in 8-9 minute intervals. Jack Roper was enlisted as the game marshal to ensure the play began and progressed in a timely and orderly manner.

Putting Contest

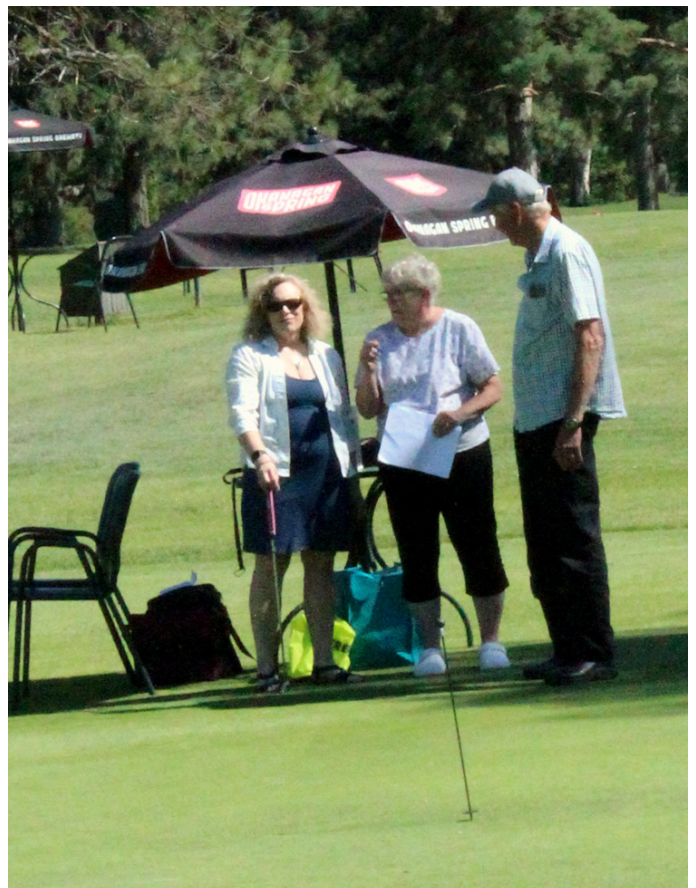
This popular addition to the event is designed to occupy players while not golfing or guests waiting for the Awards Banquet. The action took place on the practice green adjacent to the Snack Shack. Forty-four players each paid the \$5.00 entry fee for three balls plus one practice shot.

Here's how it worked.

The contestant putts from the line at the edge of the green toward a one-yard diameter circle twenty yards away. The first ball that lands within the marked circle advances the player to the next round. If all three balls miss the circle the player is out but can buy in again, and again, until sales close for the first round. Thus ten repeat entries were sold.

After the first round was completed, eight successful contestants played off in round two. By the time the first round was completed the remaining participants were somewhat reluctant to leave the air-conditioned lounge. Nevertheless eight successful contestants returned to the sun-baked putting green to play off round two.

Round two resulted in two players advancing to the final round where they had only one ball to play and the ball closest to the pin won the game.



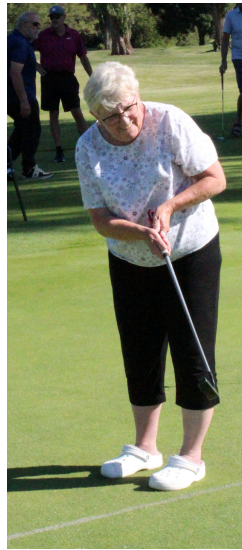
Volunteers Stew & Donna Wallach sell entries, instruct players and keep score.



Ok, how many in the final round?



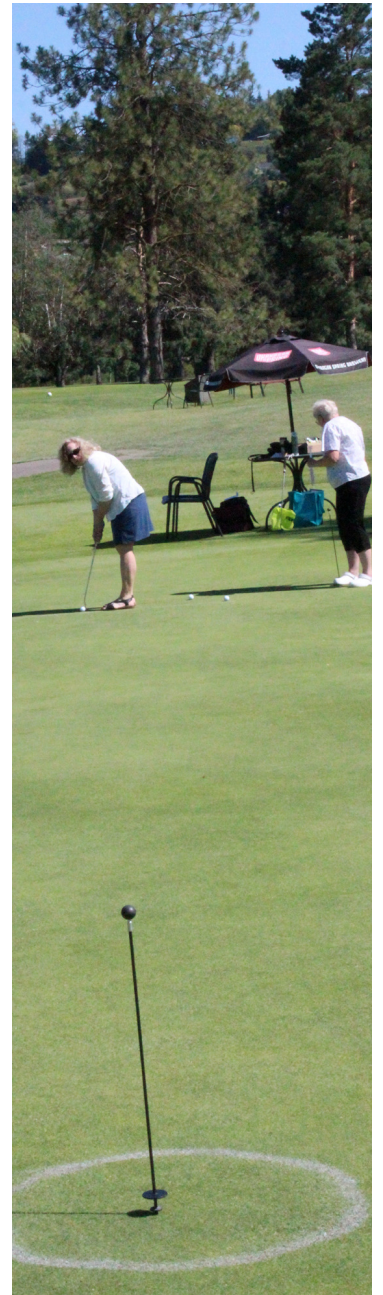
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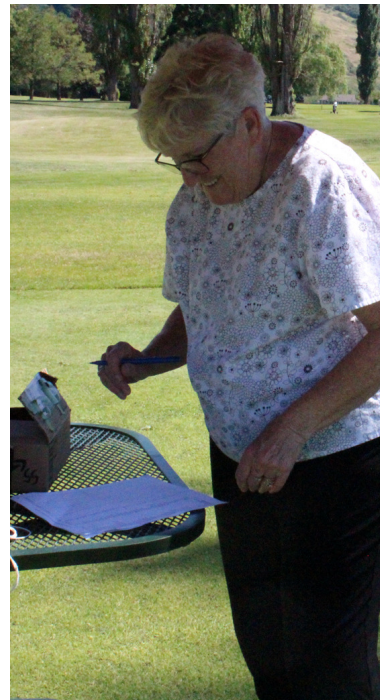
Easy-peazy



The winner!



Nice try!



Keeping score.

The winner of the Putting Contest, **Jon Bevan-Pritchard**, collected the \$130 cash prize and the bragging rights!

Should someone wonder, the runner up was **Ray Lapointe**!

Awards Banquet

Sixty players and guests enjoyed the buffet of salads, steamed vegetables with choice of chicken & ribs or beefsteak hot off the grille. The dessert table featured choice of brownie topped with whipped cream or hot apple crusty topped with ice cream.



50/50 Draw

Audrey Perry and Sonja Laschuk coordinated the 50/50 draw. The winner was Rose Stevenson collecting \$150.00



Rose Stevenson



A big thanks to our wait staff!

The Winning Teams

The MC called up the teams in order of their score. The winning team having the lowest score of 33 strokes was Team Wasylnka. Besides bragging rights they had first pick from the opulent prize table. All runners up also got to visit the prize table thus every player was rewarded for participating.

First Place – Team Wasylnka (33s)



L->R: Alex Stratton, Wes Lightfoot, Morris Alger and Mike Wasylnka

Second Place – Team Egerton (34s)



L-R: Jim Clouston, Alfred Egerton, Jon Bevan-Pritchard and Ray Lapointe

Third Place – Team Janz (37s)



Al Janz, Avis Janz, Chris Balardo, Dave Mehner

Runners up

- #4 (36s) Team Wille: Fred Wille, Dennis Deyagher, Fred Wernicke
- #5 (37s) Team Hill: Mike Hill, Tracey Hill, Wade Sorochuk, Jen Sorochuk
- #6 (37s) Team Killmartin: Niel Killmartin, David Hurl, Dylan Dawson, Ryan Swann
- #7 (37s) Team Zucco: John Zucco, Tammy Zucco, Rick Marshall, Faye Marshall
- #8 (38s) Team Perry: Audrey Perry, Mark Perry, Sonja Laschuk, Peter Laschuk
- #9 (39s) Team Hein: Dave Hein, Chris Hein, Nick Stevenson, Rose Stevenson
- #10 (39s) Team Stasiuk: Helen Stasiuk, Sue Olafsen, Rick Hayek, Jeff Richardson
- #11 (40s) Team Spinney: Hugh Spinney, Colin Kenney, Phil Rutter
- #12 (40s) Team Harrison: Steve Harrison, Andrea Harrison, Bob Paulhus, Linda Paulhus

Long Drive & KP Prizes

- Ladies LD: Sonja Laschuk \$35.00
- Ladies KP: Sonja Laschuk \$35.00
- Mens LD: Ray Lapointe \$35.00
- Mens KP: Steve Harrison \$35.00

Congratulations to everyone!

Acknowledgements

We recognise these people for their contribution to the success of the tournament.

Volunteers

Jim Clouston – event coordinator, registrar, MC.
Steve Harrison – event assistant
Stew & Donna Wallach – putting contest coordination.
Forbes Niemi – event photography, publicity.
Audrey Perry & Sonja Laschuk – 50/50 sales.

Thank you everyone for your time and effort.

Sponsors

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Your valuable donations are greatly appreciated.

Venue

Spallumcheen Golf and Country Club

Thank you to management and staff for successfully hosting our event.

Guest Players

BC Hydro: – Dylan Dawson, Rick Hayek, Mike Hill, Tracy Hill, David Hurl, Neil Kilmarten, Sue Olafsen, Jeff Richardson, Wade Sorochuk, Jen Sorochuk, Helen Stasiuk, Ryan Swann.

Friends of SIPP: - Chris Balardo, Andrea Harrison, Al Janz, Avis Janz, Wes Lightfoot, Dave Mehner, Bob Paulus, Linda Paulhus, Alex Stratton, Tammy Zucco,

Thank you for participating and making this tournament possible.

**A big thanks to all the South Interior Power Pioneers who supported the tournament.
We hope you all had fun and an enjoyable get together with your fellow Power Pioneers.
Hope to see you again next year!**



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