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Dear Prospective WGCC Member,

Thank you for your interest in membership at Western Golf & Country Club! Enclosed, for your consideration, is our membership information and options plus other club details that we hope will be of value and interest.

A bit about the Club... WGCC is a 97 year old, member-owned private club with a rich history and tradition. Our warm environment, friendly and family atmosphere are reasons we are referred to as "The Club of Good Fellowship".

In addition to our Donald Ross Original golf course, WGCC has a spacious heated swimming pool, tennis courts, four Clubhouse dining facilities, TrackMan Simulators, Snack Bars, Junior Programs, and a Kid Kamp. There are also numerous social activities scheduled throughout the year for our member's enjoyment.

Our former Clubhouse succumbed to a fire, and we have since rebuilt. Our brand new, built from the ground-up, Clubhouse officially OPENED April 1, 2021!

If you would like to set up a time to tour the new Clubhouse or have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for your interest in Western Golf & Country Club. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Halley Roberts Membership Director 313.531.1240 x103 734.716.2693 Cell hroberts@westerngcc.com





Brand Men CLUBHOUSE





Donald Ross Room



**Balcony View** 



Member Grille



Women's Lounge

WGCC's former Clubhouse succumbed to a fire in 2018. Our brand new, built from the ground up, state of the art Clubhouse officially opened April 1, 2021!



# Brand Men CLUBHOUSE





**Fairway Room** 



19th Hole



Women's Locker Room



Men's Locker Room





# Brand Men CLUBHOUSE





Member Entrance



**Events Entrance** 



Bridal Suite



Kid Kamp



Membership Inclusions



#### GOLF

- 18 Hole, Donald Ross designed course
- Golf events, tournaments & league play
- Unlimited access to our driving range and practice area
- Junior Golf Program & Instruction from PGA Professionals
- Mill River pricing in our full-service Pro Shop
- 2 TrackMan Golf Simulators
- \*Athletic Social Members have limited golfing privileges'



#### **DINING & EVENTS**

- Four unique dining atmospheres, with upscale cuisine & casual fare
- Year-round social events
- Two Snack Bars with indoor/outdoor eating
- Able to host private events



#### POOL

- Unlimited swim in our heated, six lane pool & baby pool
- Junior Inter-Club Swim Team Program (MICSA)
- Swim Lessons for all ages
- Poolside dining service
- Newly expanded pool deck and updates



#### TENNIS

- Unlimited play on our four outdoor tennis courts
- Junior Inter-Club Tennis Team
- Adult Clinics, Leagues & Pickleball
- Instruction from our Tennis Professional



#### KID KAMP

- Special organized events
- Enjoy all Club amenities while the kids are in a safe environment where they can play and learn



# CLASS A MEMBERSHIP

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### TERMS

- Class A membership includes full golf, swim, tennis, dining, events, simulator, and Kid Kamp privileges.
- Class A membership applies to anyone age 39+. Membership includes spouse/significant other and any children under 21.
- Membership requires two WGCC member sponsors, begins upon approval from the Board of Directors, and after initial payment and New Member Orientation.
- Our annual membership calendar year is April 1 through March 31. In accordance with WGCC bylaws, members are obligated for all dues and fees through March 31 of each year.
- Class A members have voting privileges, equity within WGCC, are able to sit on the Board of Directors, are 1st on our Tournament Priority System, and have the Legacy membership option.

## LEGACY MEMBERSHIP

- Offered to children of Class A members ages 21-30.
- Legacy membership includes your adult child's spouse/significant other and their children.
- Legacy members have access to golf, swim, tennis, dining, events & Kid Kamp.

## FEE STRUCTURE

#### **INITIATION FEE**

- \$21,000 Initiation Fee.
  - Payment Options: \$18,000 upon approval, save \$3,000.
  - Or, \$7,000 at the time of approval and the remainder billed over 2 years, in two \$7,000 installments.

#### **MONTHLY DUES**

• \$600/month. Dues are billed monthly, one month in advance.

#### **ANNUAL CLUB FEES**

- \$1,000 in ACF's billed over 3 months.
- Includes bag storage, driving range, handicap, entertainment, pool, tennis, caddy awards, sundries, locker service, valet, 8 Mill River.
- \$120 per each add'l bag stored / \$30 per each add'l handicap / \$100 per each add'l locker.

#### **GUEST FEE MINIMUM**

- \$440 in Golf Guest Fee Minimum billed over 3 months.
- Bring out friends/ family as golfing guests. Guest rates are \$110 at peak hours & \$80 off-peak.
- Fees are always the lower rate for immediate family (siblings, parents, grandparents, and children 21+).

#### FOOD & BEVERAGE MINIMUM

- \$1,200 food and beverage minimum. Balance to be met by December 31, 2023.
- Minimums can be used in all dining facilities, at all events, and apply to any event you host.

#### ASSESSMENT

- Assessments go towards capital Club improvements and are billed \$100/month.
- Assessable as determined by the BOD for any future and/or special assessments.

#### **CLUB USAGE**

- Unlimited Golf Greens Fees are included in your membership.
- Cart/caddy fees, food, beverage, merchandise, etc. are additional.
   Cart Fees- \$34 per person for 18 holes & \$17 for 9 holes.

# CLASS B MEMBERSHIP

## TERMS

- Class B membership includes golf, swim, tennis, dining, events, simulator, and Kid Kamp privileges.
- Class B membership applies to anyone ages 21-38.
- Class B members are required to transfer to Class A membership upon the month of their 39th birthday.
- Class B members are responsible for any initiation fee Class A members have at the time of upgrade. Any initiation fee paid when first joining WGCC is credited against the Class A initiation fee.
- Membership includes spouse / significant other and children under 21.
- Membership requires two WGCC member sponsors. Membership becomes active upon approval from the Board of Directors, after initial payment, and New Member Orientation.
- Our annual membership calendar year is April 1 through March 31. In accordance with WGCC bylaws, members are obligated for all dues and fees through March 31 of each year.
- Bypass Class B membership and join as a Class A member to take advantage of voting privileges, be 1st on our Tournament Priority system, have equity within WGCC, run for the Board of Directors and have the Legacy Membership option.



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#### **INITIATION FEE**

- \$10,500 Initiation Fee.
- Payment Options: \$9,000 upon approval, save \$1,500.
  - $\circ~$  Or, \$5,250 upon approval and \$5,250 due the following year.

#### **MONTHLY DUES**

- \$300/month ages 21-31. Dues are billed monthly, one month in advance.
- \$325/month ages 32-38.

#### ANNUAL CLUB FEES

- \$1,000 in ACF's billed over 3 months.
- Includes bag storage, driving range, handicap, entertainment, pool, tennis, caddy awards, sundries, locker service, valet, & Mill River.
- \$120 per each add'l bag stored / \$30 per each add'l handicap / \$100 per each add'l locker.

#### **GUEST FEE MINIMUM**

- \$330 in Golf Guest Fee Minimum billed over 3 months.
- Bring out friends/ family as golfing guests. Guest rates are \$110 at peak hours & \$80 off-peak.
- Fees always the lower rate for immediate family (siblings, parents, grandparents, & kids 21+).

#### **FOOD & BEVERAGE MINIMUM**

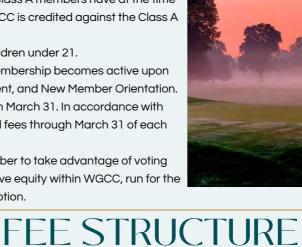
- \$1,200 food and beverage minimum. Balance to be met by December 31, 2023.
- Minimums can be used in all dining facilities, at all events, and apply to any event you host.

#### ASSESSMENT

- Assessments go towards capital Club improvements and are billed \$50/month.
- Assessable 50% of the Class A amount as determined by the BOD for any future and/or special assessments.

#### **CLUB USAGE**

- Unlimited Golf Greens Fees are included in your membership.
- Cart/caddy fees, food, beverage, merchandise, etc. are additional.
  - $\circ~$  Cart Fees- \$34 per person for 18 holes 8 \$17 for 9 holes.





# ATHLETIC SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP

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### TERMS

- Athletic Social membership includes full swim, tennis, dining, events, simulator, and Kid Kamp privileges, with limited golf.
- Membership includes spouse / significant other and any children under 21.
- Membership requires two WGCC member sponsors. Membership becomes active upon approval from the Board of Directors, after initial payment, and New Member Orientation.
- Our membership calendar year is April 1 thru March 31. In accordance with WGCC bylaws, members are obligated for all dues and fees through March 31 of each year.
- If Athletic Social members wish to transfer to Class A or B membership, they are responsible for any initiation fee at the time of upgrade. Any initiation fee that was paid when originally joining WGCC is credited against.

#### **GOLF PRIVLIEGES**

- Golf 2x a month with other golfing members.
  - Golf an additional 3x a year with or without guests.
  - Both excludes Saturdays before 12p & Sundays before 10a.
- Junior Golf Program and Golf Instruction from PGA Professionals.
- No use of the driving range & practice areas except on the days with a tee time or days taking golf lessons.
- No Golf Simulator restrictions.
- No tournament, event or league privileges. Excluding and if there is availability for the Memorial Weekend Mixer, 4th of July Mixer, Labor Day Weekend Mixer, 8 Glo Golfs.
- Greens and cart fees apply, per person, per round for member & guests.
- Cannot play as a guest of a WGCC golfing member in member-guest tournaments.

## FEE STRUCTURE

#### **INITIATION FEE**

• \$5,250 Initiation Fee.

#### **MONTHLY DUES**

• \$200/month. Dues are billed monthly, one month in advance.

#### **ANNUAL CLUB FEES**

- \$450 in ACF's billed over 2 months.
- Includes entertainment, pool, tennis, sundries, valet, & Mill River discount.

#### FOOD & BEVERAGE MINIMUM

- \$1,200 food and beverage minimum. Balance to be met by December 31, 2023.
- Minimums can be used in all dining facilities, at all events, and apply to any event you host.

#### ASSESSMENT

- Assessments go towards capital Club improvements and are billed \$25/month.
- Assessable 25% of the Class A amount as determined by the BOD for any future and/or special assessments.

#### **CLUB USAGE**

• Food, beverage, merchandise, etc. are additional.

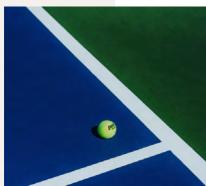
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- Legacy membership is an added option offered only to the adult children of Class A members age 21-30.
- Membership includes golf, swim, tennis, dining, events, simulator, and Kid Kamp privileges.
- Legacy Membership includes spouse / significant other and any children under 21.
- Our annual membership calendar year is April 1 thru March 31. In accordance with WGCC bylaws, members are obligated for all dues and fees through March 31 of each year.
- Legacy members are required to transfer to Class B or Athletic Social membership upon the month of their 31st birthday.
- Legacy members are responsible for any initiation fee Class B or Athletic Social members have at the time of upgrade. Any initiation fee paid when originally joining WGCC is credited against.
- The Golf Tournament Priority System is used for golf events and tournaments. As a Legacy member, it is likely you will not get into particular events.

# FEE STRUCTURE

#### **INITIATION FEE**

• \$2,625 Initiation Fee.

#### MONTHLY DUES

• \$150/month. Dues are billed monthly, one month in advance.

#### **ANNUAL CLUB FEES**

- Includes driving range, pool, tennis, caddy awards, and sundries.
- Mandatory Fees- \$100 Mill River / \$150 valet/entertainment.
- \$150 per bag stored 8 \$30 per handicap if applicable.
- · Assigned lockers are unavailable to Legacy members.

#### **GUEST FEE MINIMUM / FOOD & BEVERAGE MINIMUM / ASSESSMENT**

• Legacy Members are not responsible for these charges.

#### **CLUB USAGE**

- Unlimited Golf Greens Fees are included in your membership.
- Cart/caddy fees, food, beverage, merchandise, etc. are additional.
  - Cart Fees- \$34 per person for 18 holes & \$17 for 9 holes.



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Western Golf & Country Club is pleased to announce passing a multimillion-dollar restoration of our prized Donald Ross designed golf course. Helming the project is Andrew Green and his team, AH Green Designs. Andrew has built a reputation for himself as being the premier restorer of Donald Ross courses including Donald Ross gems such as Solheim Cup host Inverness Club, 2023 PGA Championship host Oak Hill Country Club and Scioto Golf Club.

Beyond Donald Ross work, he has also renovated clubs such as 2022 Women's KPMG PGA and future Ryder Cup venue Congressional Country Club – Blue Course and the PGA Tour Championship's host venue East Lake Golf Club.

With its passing, Andrew will begin an extensive restoration on Southeastern Michigan's most untouched Donald Ross gems.

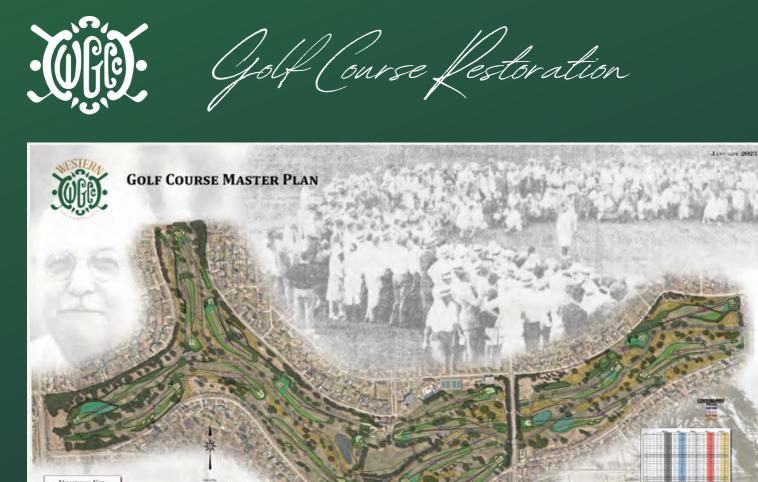
March 6, 2023

Dear Western Golf and Country Club,

I can't express how excited I was to hear that you approved the Golf Course Master Plan and the path forward. You have a fabulous jewel of a layout, and we are thrilled to help you restore its Donald Ross glory! The reclamation of green space, thoughtful hazard placement, and restored width will allow us to showcase original design elements and push the golf experience at Western to a higher level. Drainage, cart paths, and updated construction methods will update your infrastructure and aid in daily play. Protecting your facility is our only objective, and we are steadfast in that direction. We look forward to partnering with Mike and team to make gradual improvements with in-house resources as we prepare for larger projects, through a dedicated sequence. Each step's exact sequence and scope are still being contemplated, but we intend to work with you for many years in polishing the golf course. Thank you for entrusting us with this responsibility, and we look forward to the journey ahead.

All the best in the pursuit of great golf,

Andrew H. Green President Green Golf and Turf, Inc. / A.H. Green Design



A comprehensive Master Plan has been created for the future success of Western Golf & Country Club's nearly 100-year-old Donald Ross design. In conjunction with the Master Plan, WGCC will install a completely new irrigation system.

WESTERN GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

#### Project Timeline Overview

- 2023: Tree work, fairway expansion trial, start green expansions
- Fall 2024: Pump house installation
- Spring/Summer 2025: Mainline irrigation work (minimal disruption to play on course)
- Fall 2025: Bunker, tee, drainage work, Irrigation installation on golf holes
- Summer 2026: WGCC Hosting the Men's Michigan Amateur

#### Notes

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- One hole at a time; with an extra short-yardage par 3 by #9 so we always have 18 holes.
- One of our main goals of this project is to interrupt the daily play of the golf course as little as possible. However, there will be days when hole(s) will need to be closed during the project. The Club's goal is to have the majority of the golf course open to daily play.
- Majority of infrastructure work will take place during shoulder months (Mar-April and October-November).



# 2023 Calendar of Events

Saturday, 1/28 - Winter Wonderland Event

#### FEBRUARY

Thursday, 2/9- Membership Meeting Saturday, 2/11 - Valentine's Day Dinner Sunday, 2/12 - Super Bowl Party

#### MARCH

Friday, 3/10- Dining in the Dark Thursday, 3/16-Saturday, 3/19- March Madness Friday, 3/17- St. Patrick's Day Party **Tuesday, 3/21- Golf Course Opens for the Season** Friday, 3/24- Opening Night with Live Entertainment

#### APRIL

Sunday, 4/9- Easter Brunch Tuesday 4/11- Men's Tuesday Spring League Begins Thursday, 4/13- Men's Thursday Spring League Begins Friday, 4/14- Tax Relief Day Friday, 4/14- Titleist Fit Day Sunday, 4/16- Junior Program Open House Thursday, 4/20- Women's Opening Meeting Saturday, 4/20- Women's Opening Meeting Saturday, 4/22- Annual Meeting Saturday, 4/22- Men's Spring Scramble Tuesday, 4/25- TaylorMade Demo Day Saturday, 4/29- Tournament of Champions Saturday, 4/29- Live Entertainment Sunday, 4/30- Pre-Season Tennis Clinics Begin

#### MAY

Friday, 5/5- Fillies Night Saturday, 5/6- Haig Matches Begin Saturday, 5/6- Women's Spring Scramble Saturday, 5/6- Kentucky Derby Thursday 5/11- Women Play with the Pros Friday, 5/12- The Bolo Cup Friday, 5/12- Wine Tasting Sunday, 5/14- Mother's Day Brunch Tuesday, 5/16- Callaway Fit Day Saturday, 5/20 & Sunday, 5/21- Men's Spring Best Ball Monday, 5/22- Eagles for Children Golf Outing Friday, 5/26- Glo Ball Saturday, 5/27- Swim Team Practices Begin Saturday, 5/28- Memorial Weekend BBO

Sunday, 5/28- Memorial Weekend BBQ Sunday, 5/28- Memorial Weekend Mixer Monday, 5/29- Hot Dog Roast Wednesday, 5/31- Women's Summer League Begins

#### JUNE

Saturday 6/3 - Women's Member-Member Sunday, 6/4- Sunday Pickleball Begins Tuesday, 6/6- Women's Districts Tuesday, 6/6- TaylorMade Demo Day Wednesday, 6/7- Wednesday Pickleball Begins Saturday, 6/10 - Family Tennis Mixer Tuesday, 6/10 - Family Tennis Team Practice Begins Wednesday, 6/13- Junior Tennis Team Practice Begins Wednesday, 6/13- Women's Tennis Clinics Begin Wednesday, 6/14- Saturday, 6/17 - Men's Invitational Sunday, 6/18- Fathers Day Tuesday, 6/20 - Home Swim Meet at OHCC

#### JUNE CONT.

Tuesday, 6/20 - Junior Golf Begins Thursday, 6/22 - Away Swim Meet at DCC Thursday, 6/22 - Men's Thursday Summer League Begins Saturday, 6/24 - Live Entertainment Sunday, 6/25 - Sunday Social Tuesday, 6/20 - Men's Summer League Begins Tuesday, 6/20 - Men's Summer League Begins Tuesday, 6/27 - Home Swim Meet vs PHCC Wednesday, 6/28 - Away Swim Meet at ECC Thursday, 6/29 - Annual Fireworks Friday, 6/30 - Red Pin Day

#### JULY

Sunday, 7/2 - July 4th Mixer Sunday, 7/2 - 4th of July BBQ Monday, 7/3 - 4th of July Hot Dog Roast Saturday, 7/8 & Sunday, 7/9 - Men's Ross Cup Tuesday, 7/11 - Away Swim Meet at DYC Friday, 7/14 & Saturday, 7/15 - Women's Invitational Sunday, 7/16 - Swim Club Championship Tuesday, 7/18 - Home Swim Meet vs GIGCC Friday, 7/21 & Saturday, 7/22 - Men's Senior Club Championship Friday, 7/21 & Saturday, 7/22 - Women's Club Championship Sunday, 7/23 - Sunday Social Friday, 7/28 - Sunday, 7/30 - MISCA at WGCC

#### AUGUST

Tuesday, 8/1- TaylorMade Demo Day Friday, 8/4 & Saturday, 8/5- Women's Club Championship Saturday, 8/5 - Flick on the Fairway Saturday, 8/5 & Sunday, 8/6 - Men's Medal Play Thursday, 8/10 - Women's Senior Club Championship Saturday, 8/12 & Sunday, 8/14 - Men's Match Play Tuesday, 8/16 - Women's Fall League Begins Friday, 8/18 - Dive in Movie Night Tuesday, 8/22 - Men's Tuesday Fall League Begins Thursday, 8/24, - Men's Thursday Fall League Begins Saturday, 8/26 - Couples Invitational

#### SEPTEMBER

Sunday, 9/3 - Labor Day BBQ Sunday, 9/3 - Labor Day Mixer Monday, 9/4 - Labor Day Hot Dog Roast Wednesday, 9/6- President's Day Drawing Party Friday, 9/8 - Doe Day Saturday, 9/9 - Presidents Day Scramble Monday, 9/11 - Aerify Greens Saturday, 9/16 - Women's Fall Scramble Thursday, 9/21 - Saturday, 9/23- The Westerner Saturday, 9/30 - Men's Fall Best Ball Day 1

#### OCTOBER

Sunday, 10/1- Men's Fall Best Ball Day 2 Friday, 10/13 - The Fellowship Saturday, 10/14 - Fall Wine and Spirits Tasting Saturday, 10/21 - Tuff One Tournament Saturday, 10/28 - Kids Halloween Party

#### NOVEMBER

Saturday, 11/4 - Tuffer-One Tournament Thursday, 11/9- Holiday Boutique

#### DECEMBER

Sunday, 12/10 - Family Gingerbread Event Friday, 12/15 - Holiday Gala Sunday, 12/17 - Santa Brunch

2023 Golf Event Schedule								
Event		Day	<u>Date</u> April 202	Time	<u>Format</u>	<u>Notes</u>		
Aen's Tuesday Spring League	Men	Tuesdav	April 18 Start	5:00pm SG	Stableford	7 Weeks (No League May 30)(June 6 - Rain Day		
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ax Relief Day	Joint	Friday	April 14th	All Day	Guest Day	Guests are \$10.40 + Cart Fees		
Ien's Spring Scramble	Men	Saturday	April 22nd	SG to follow meeting	Scramble	Individual Sign Up / 5 Man Teams		
ournament of Champions	Joint	Saturday	April 29th	9:00am SG	Net Stroke Play	Open to All 2022 Event Winners		
May 2023								
he Haig Season Long Match Play	Men	TBD	May Start	TBD	Match Play	Season Long Match Play May-Sept		
/omen's Opening Day Scramble	Women	Saturday	May 6th	TT/Mod. SG	Scramble	4-Person Scramble		
Vomen's Play with the Pro	Women	Thursday	May 11th	TT at 9:00am	Best Ball	Groups of 1 Pro & 3 Women		
olo Cup	Men	Friday	May 12th	10:00am SG - All Day	TBD	3 9 Hole Matches		
Ien's Spring Best Ball	Men	Saturday/Sunday	May 20th/21st	9:00am SG	Best Ball	2 Day Best Ball Event		
lo Ball	Joint	Friday	May 26th	8:30pm SG	Scramble	9 Holes / Teams of 4		
1emorial Day Mixer	Joint	Sunday	May 28th	1:30pm SG	Scramble	6 Person Teams		
/omen's Summer League	Women	Wednesday	May 31 Start	5:00pm SG	Stableford	8 Weeks (No League on 6/14 and 7/5)		
			June 202					
/omen's Member-Member BB	Women	Saturday	June 3rd	TT/Mod. SG	Best Ball	Teams of 2		
023 Donald Ross Invitational	Men	Wednesday-Saturday	June 14th-17th	All Day	Combination	Men's Premiere Event		
len's Tuesday Summer League	Men	Tuesday	June 27th Start	5:00pm SG	Stableford	7 Weeks (No League 7/4) (August 15 - Rain Da		
unday Social	Joint	Sunday	June 25th	TT 11:30am-12:30pm	Scbl/BB	Scramble Flight & BB Flight		
			July 2023					
h of July Mixer	Joint	Sunday	July 2nd	1:30pm SG	Scramble	4 Person Teams		
len's Ross Cup	Men	Saturday/Sunday	July 8th/9th	7:30am TT	Match Play	Team Event - Pro's Draft Teams		
023 Women's Invitational	Women	Friday/Saturday	July 14th-15th	9:00am / 1:00pm SG	Combination	Women's Premiere Event		
Ien's Senior Club Championship	Men	Friday/Saturday	July 21st/22nd	Tee Times	Net Stroke Play	Flighted Medal Play		
omen's Club Championship	Women	Friday/Saturday	July 21st/22nd	Tee Times	Net Stroke Play	Flighted Medal Play		
unday Social	Joint	Sunday	July 23rd	TT 11:30am-12:30pm	Scbl/BB	Scramble Flight & BB Flight		
			August 202					
Ien's Medal Play	Men	Saturday/Sunday	August 5th/6th	7:30am TT	Stroke Play	Qualification for Champ Flight		
Iomen's Senior Club Champ	Women	Thursday/Friday	August 10th/11th	9:30am TT	Net Stroke Play	Flighted Medal Play		
len's Match Play	Men	Saturday/Sunday	August 12th/13th	Tee Times	Match Play	CH. Flight Playing for Club Champ		
omen's Fall League	Women	Wednesday	August 16th	5:00pm SG	Stableford	6 Weeks (September 27 - Rain Day)		
ouple's Invitational	Joint	Saturday	August 26th	2:00pm SG	TBD	Premiere Couples Event		
len's Tuesday Fall League	Men	Tuesday	August 29th	5:00pm SG	Stableford	7 Weeks (No League 9/5)(October 17 - Rain Da		
Ien's Thursday Fall League	Men	Thursday	August 31st	5:00pm SG	Stableford	7 Weeks (No League 9/21)(October 19 - Rain Da		
			September 2					
ollege Pride Mixer	Joint	Sunday	September 3rd	TBD	Scramble	Format: TBD		
oe Day	Women	Friday	September 8th	TT/Mod. SG	Guest Day	Women's Guest Day		
residents Day Scramble	Men	Saturday	September 9th	9:00am SG	Scramble	5 Man Scramble Honring Club Pres		
omen's Fall Scramble	Women	Saturday	September 16th	TT/Mod. SG	Scramble	Women's Season End Event		
ne Westerner	Men	Thursday-Saturday	Sept 21st-23rd	All Day	Match Play	Ryder Cup Style Invitational		
len's Fall Best Ball	Men	Saturday/Sunday	Sept 30th/Oct 1st	9:00am SG	Best Ball	2 Man Best Ball		
a Followship	Man	Friday	October 20		Combination	Mon's 1 Day Marshar Cusat		
ne Fellowship	Men	Friday	October 13th	All Day	Combination	Men's 1 Day Member-Guest		
uff One uffer One	Joint Joint	<u>Saturday</u> Saturday	October 21st November 4th	AM Shotgun AM Shotgun	Scramble Scramble	Men's Division/Women's Division Men's Division/Women's Division		
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#### It all started in 1926 with the Golf & Country Club District...

B.E. Taylor, Community Builder and Realtor, bought much of the available land west of Telegraph Road and south of Fenkell Ave. The property belonging to Burt Farms would become the recreational jewel of the area. The Golf and Country Club District would be created from these farmlands. The "District" would consist of upscale houses on spacious lots along with a Donald Ross-designed Championship golf course.

Taylor announced the development in the February 21, 1926 Detroit News Sunday edition with a full-page advertisement with the headline that read, "This Club House will be built this year". The ad focused on the amenities of the clubhouse and the 170-plus acres that the Donald Ross golf course would be built on, but the last statement the reader saw would be a solicitation for purchasing lots, building houses or simply investment opportunities.

#### 1926 - Construction begins on the clubhouse & golf course

Early summer of 1926 saw the construction on the clubhouse begin, while at the same time Donald Ross was designing the golf course. The clubhouse was completed later in that same year. Simultaneously, the golf course was being built with the rolling hills and meandering river only partially giving way, since both play a part in how the course would challenge the legions of new members trying their skills on this unique layout.

#### June 4, 1927 The Club's Grand Opening

With the clubhouse's final coat of paint, furnishings in place and staff ready to serve, the golf course also got its final nod of approval. All was ready for the Club's Grand Opening. Invitations were sent out to new and prospective members to attend an informal Saturday evening dinner dance to be held on June 4th, 1927, followed the next day by an afternoon tea.

#### June 9, 1927 "Unofficial" opening of the Donald Ross designed golf course

With much anticipation, on Thursday, June 9th everyone was invited back to the unofficial opening of the golf course for play. That same afternoon, the ladies held a bridge tea, and to complete the day, a dinner dance for members and guests offered dancing and socializing well into the night. Later in the same year, the Club received both its USA and Golf Association of Michigan Charters.

#### 1945 - First shareholders & the beginning of a private country club

In May of 1945, the B.E. Taylor Company agreed to sell the Club to its members. Although no records exist detailing either the terms or purchase price, a mortgage was applied for and granted. The interested members who led the transaction and re-incorporation included A.Z. Schmina, Dennis Boyle, James A. McIntosh, Burt Burman and Joe Dragoon. Until October of 1950, the Club had been re-incorporated under the name of the Western Lands Company and, after securing a new mortgage for \$35,000, it then became, as it is known today, the Western Golf & Country Club. Those charter members now held one share of stock as their portion of ownership.

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#### The Board of Directors vision for growth

At this point in time, the Club was now under the stewardship of its own Board of Directors who charted the future path for not only the Club, but also those many members who would join in the coming years. In 1945, 118 Charter Members were already on board. It is noted that those charter members paid \$250 for their membership plus \$16 monthly dues for 8 months of the year. From the 1950s on, the Club's Board of Directors embarked on the many issues facing them for future growth. They were well aware that golf clubs were becoming more desirable to prospective members, and to remain competitive for these new applicants, improvements and additional amenities were a must.

On June 19, 1952 a new swimming pool and pool house opened. The Albert Kahn-designed, and R.E. Daly constructed swim facility measured 35' x 75' and was surrounded by a generous deck. Immediately, the swimming program was active and remains so today. The Club also decided to put the golf course to the test for the State's top golfers for the second time by submitting a bid for the 1951 Michigan Open. Upon acceptance of their bid, the Club would host the first of many district, state, and professional competitions. The Board was still on its charted course for the club's future.

#### **Golf Tournament History**

By 1954, its roster showed 300 active members whose participation in the activities began to shape the culture that represents Western Golf & Country Club today. Western has been the site of many notable matches and tournaments throughout its history beginning with its inaugural match on April 28, 1927. In 1928, U.S. Open Champion Johnny Farrell lost a match to British Open Champion Walter Hagen. Mr. Farrell, who held the course record of 71, had earlier teamed victoriously with Gene Sarazen against Western's pros Jimmy Kinnear and Stanley Hancock in a best ball match.

On the eve of the Hagen-Farrell match, Hagen wrote a letter to the Club in which he stated "It is my opinion that the Western course is a very excellent test of golf, both for finesse and accuracy." Two other notable winners participated in matches during Western's early days; one was two-time PGA Champion Leo Diegel, and another was Mike Brady, the unexpected winner of the 1922 Western Open. Western has been host to the Michigan Open on two occasions. Marvin Stahl won the first in 1939 and John Barnum won the second in 1951. The Motor City Open was held at Western in 1956 and was won by Bob Rosburg in a playoff with Ed Furgol. The winning score was the highest of any PGA event during the previous 15 months, and it attests to the difficulty with which Western can play, even for the pros.

The Western Open was held in 1960 and, once again, a playoff was needed to determine its eventual winner. Stan Leonard defeated Art Wall on the first playoff hole. It must be said this Club has faced and has overcome all challenges presented during it's 93 year history. From the 1950s forward, its growth and reputation in the District has flourished.

#### **Clubhouse Fire & New Clubhouse**

Devastatingly, on June 1, 2018 Western Golf & Country Club's Clubhouse completely succumbed to a fire. The golf course, Pro Shop, pool area, tennis courts, and greens barn remained unharmed. We spent the next two years rebuilding the Clubhouse and it officially opened in Winter 2021.

By definition, history chronicles people and events. In the case of Western, its history goes beyond the Club as an institution; it is really defined by its people - those who were responsible for its inception, followed by the visionaries who took the Club private: to where it is today and all of those who are currently bound by the common cause that is for the good of Western.



#### 2023 WESTERN GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**CANDIDATE INFORMATION** 

Today's Date:							
Mr. 🗆 Mrs. 🗆 Ms. 🗆 Dr. 🗆 Judge 🗆 Clergy 🗆							
First Name:	Middle:		Last Na	ame:			
SSN:	Date of Birth:						
Home Address:							
City:	State:	Zip:					
Cell Phone:		Home Phone:					
Email Address:	Anniversary (if married):						
Business Name:	Title:						
Business Address:							
City:	State:			Zip:			
Business Phone:		Years at Business:					
Combined Annual Income:	Existing Handicap GHIN#:						
SPOU	SE / SIGNIFICANT	OTHER'S INF	ORMA	TION			
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CHILDREN- Include all 30 & Under							
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PAST / PRESENT COUNTRY CLUB MEMBERSHIPS					
Club Name:		Years Active:			
Club Name:		Years Active:			
Committees Served:					
WES	TERN GOLF & CO	UNTRY CLUB SPONSORS			
Name:	Relationship:	Phone:			
Sponsor Signature:		Date:			
	MEMBERSHIP	CLASSIFICATION			
<ul> <li>Class A</li> <li>Class B</li> <li>Athletic Social</li> <li>Legacy- available only to children of Class A</li> </ul>	A members ages 21-30				
	AUTHO	RIZATION			
true and correct. Applicant hereby authorizes application, including, but not limited to, Applie Western Golf & Country Club utilizes All-State Applicant understands that lack of information Initial:	use of the information a cant's financial condition credit Bureau, Inc. as a or false or misleading i and understands that m	icant") represents that the information contained in this application is and contacts provided to verify any and all information set forth in this on, family and professional background and consumer credit history. a third party in providing credit and background check services. information may result in the rejection of this application. nembership goes through March 31 <sup>st</sup> of every given year and club dues, 1 through March 31 of each year.			
Initial: In the event that I default on my account, I acknowledge and agree I will be responsible for all 3 <sup>rd</sup> party collection fees, legal fees, and court costs. I acknowledge, accept, and understand that I am personally liable for all financial obligations relating to my membership and any of my family members who will be utilizing Western Golf & Country Club. Initial:					
Applicant has read the bylaws and agrees to ol Club, as may be amended from time to time. Initial:	serve and be bound by	the current bylaws and rules and regulations of Western Golf & Country			
Signature of Applicant:		Date:			
Signature of Spouse:	Date:				
*A \$40 non-refundable	Application Fee (for credi	5.2.2023 it and background check) is due with you application.			

\*Please submit your completed Membership Application to Halley Roberts by mail, drop-off, or email to hroberts@westerngcc.com. \*Upon receipt, a summary of your application is sent to the Board of Directors for review.



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