



Winter 2009 - 2010 at the INNISFAIL GOLF CLUB

We have just had the AGM and the new rates for 2010 are on the second page of this newsletter and you will note that the **deadline for EARLY BIRD savings is FEBRUARY 1ST (Monday)**.

We had a later start this year and a sudden end but overall the season was busy. Our Christmas parties are just wrapping up, and preparations are being made for the 2010 season.

With the ever increasing cost of operating, the Board of Directors has made every effort possible to hold the cost to the membership as low as possible but I'm sure we all agree the main concern has to be for the fiscal longevity of the club. They also realize the members aren't the only ones with an increase needed so the green fees are increasing as well.

We tried a few new things this year such as the Icebreaker Event which, based on the response, will become an annual event. Our Club Tournament entrants were up slightly, and I hope this is a sign of things to come. We are looking at a possible triple crossover on weekends to increase the amount of play on those days without jeopardizing the pace of play.

A big thank you goes out to Dwayne Simpson, Ernie Harbidge, Jim Boomer, Deb Ramsey and all the staff at our club for their dedication and commitment to our facility over the past year. I would also, like to thank the Board of Directors, members and shareholders for their support in the changes over the past year. Your encouragement means a lot.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us.

Club Manager – Darren Black



INDOOR GOLF LESSONS

To start after January 4, 2010

Call Jim in the Pro Shop to Book your Lesson
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PRO SHOP HOURS for CHRISTMAS

Open Mon – Fri 8:30 to 4:30

Saturday 10:00 TO 4:00

Open Dec 24th until 2 PM

Pro Shop will be closed Dec 25 – Jan 4

Admin Office closed Dec 19 - Jan 4

Up until about 2 weeks ago, we had a fabulous fall. We were able to do several irrigation additions and up-grades, as well as a large amount of dead tree removal. Now however, the weather has significantly turned worse with cold temperatures and snow. On a positive note, we have good snow cover on the entire course which is a good insulator for the turf.

I would like to thank everyone for their patience in the fall during our new entrance construction. We now have a safer & more aesthetically pleasing entrance to the course. In the Spring you will notice a new entrance gate, new golf course sign and freshly painted stalls in our expanded lot.

I would be remiss of me not to thank the Board of Directors & Members for their continued support of the Turfcare department. We are given the resources that allow us to maintain the golf course to the standards that are expected. Also to Darren Black, Jim Boomer & staff, Ernie Harbidge and staff and Deb Ramsey and obviously my staff, Thanks for their dedication to ensuring the Innisfail Golf Club continues to be one premier golf facilities in Alberta.

From the entire Turfcare department – we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Club Superintendent – Dwayne Simpson