



THE CLUB AT

WESTLINKS

Membership Booklet
2026

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RESIDENTS AND MEMBERS OF WESTLINKS

Hi everyone, I hope you all had an enjoyable winter season. Mother Nature once again graced us with her presence over the past five months with another “old fashioned winter.” As much as I enjoy the changing of the seasons, I think I speak for most Grey/Bruce County residents when I say, “I’m ready for spring.”

Spring is in the air as we witness the world around us come back to life. And with it comes increased daylight, robins, southern winds and of course, golf on the horizon. For those of you who follow astrology/horoscopes, you will know that this year we are entering spring within the year of the fire horse. As a rare 60-year cycle event, this year is associated with intense energy, passion, rapid change, and high-stakes ambition, balancing potential for great success. Fingers crossed that everyone’s golf game follows suit!

I hope everyone was able to enjoy the winter in our area or perhaps travel someplace warm. I also hope everyone was able to take part in some of the off-season events we had around The Club. We enjoyed our winter market, weekly games days, bi-weekly pub nights, a comedy night, paint and sip, trivia nights and music bingo. Westlinks appreciates everyone who came out to enjoy these activities with us.

I am grateful to communicate that our Leadership Team will be consistent this year from last. We do have one new addition, who many of you are familiar with or may have met last year, Penny Cussen. We welcome Penny’s positive spirit and years of experience as she enters her new role as the Clubhouse Assistant. Be sure to say hi to Penny along with the rest of our Leadership Team at Westlinks.

I am looking forward to welcoming everyone back for another great season. The residents, members, guests and staff are what truly make Westlinks an enjoyable place to live, golf and socialize. I often hear people say that they “like the Westlinks vibe,” and that’s something we take pride in. I believe that vibe to be everyone’s good energy and relaxed positivity shining through.

Jeremy Hubbard

General Manager



We are excited to kick off the 2026 season at Westlinks and look forward to the return of warmer weather and the opportunity to be active outdoors again. We are incredibly proud of our team and the dedication they bring to Westlinks, and we are eager to begin the season together.

We hope you are ready to get out on the course – we look forward to seeing you there!

Heather Rice

Redhawk Construction

COURSE UPDATE

Throughout November 2025, the Turf Maintenance Team was busy preparing the golf course for winter and racing the clock with a few course projects before snowfall. During the first full week of November the greens were aerated using a ¼” coring tine. The cores were shovelled/blown, and topdressing sand was spread on the greens, collars and approaches. This process was completed to help manage the thatch layer on our greens which will provide better drainage, firm greens and improved water percolation. Please be patient in the early days of opening as it will take a few weeks for the aeration holes to heal and the cores around the greens to dissipate.

From what we have seen so far, the grass has overwintered well. With the winter we had, some greens experienced periods of exposure and high winds which can lead to desiccation of the plants, but I am thankful we did not see prolonged periods of ice on the surfaces. The greens will need some time and warmth to come alive this spring to prepare for the upcoming golf season.

The tee decks on #6 were renovated last fall. Unfortunately, the weather caught up to the team before the project was completed. The back tee will be regraded, and the forward tee was moved from the left-hand side of the hole to the right. While it will play at approximately the same yardage, the new forward tee is larger and positioned to receive improved sunlight, encouraging better divot recovery. These renovations take time to complete, and the grass needs time to establish and prepare for “life on a tee deck.” Hole #6 will play as a par 3 to begin the season. We will communicate the introduction of the new tees once they are ready for regular play.

Last season, the red tee blocks were occasionally moved to the beginning of the fairway on some holes, particularly the par 5s. In 2026, the red tee blocks will return to their original positions on the tee decks, as indicated on the scorecard. However, green tee blocks will be placed at the start of select fairways, offering beginners – or anyone who prefers – the option to continue playing from these forward positions. While these tees provide a shorter course option, their yardages will not be reflected on the scorecard. Tournament play may occasionally require the red tee blocks to be moved forward to the fairway, and this will be communicated in advance.

Sadly, the emerald ash borer has wreaked havoc on ash trees in Ontario. Several large, dead ash trees were removed from the sixth hole. These trees were removed for safety reasons, the protection of structures and to continue improving the sight line from the back tee.

In 2025, we were able to start a new maintenance program for fescue and natural areas, thanks to an equipment purchase. To enhance playability, we will continue to periodically mow fescue and long grass spaces – with a focus on high play areas. To support habitats for natural plants and wildlife, we will be introducing “pollinator sites,” which will be left untouched throughout the growing season to encourage wildflowers and pollinators. We ask that everyone please respect the signage to help protect these spaces.

The Turf Team has many returning staff for 2026 which we are grateful for. The team and I were very appreciative of everyone’s efforts, especially in the mornings, to respect our need for time and space to prepare the course. Thank you to everyone for being mindful of your tee times and playing partners early in the morning and participating in our divot/ball mark recovery program. This really helps us set up the golf course for you and improve safety and employee satisfaction.

Cheers to a good growing season.

Jeremy Hubbard

Golf Course Superintendent

LEADERSHIP TEAM



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Jeremy is entering his third full season as the GCS/GM at Westlinks. He still hasn't gotten over the Blue Jays losing game 7 of the World Series.



Graham McDowell
Golf Course Mechanic / Foreman

Graham is entering his third season at Westlinks. Be sure to say hi to his dog Melo but please don't feed him!



Melanie Wyatt
Clubhouse Operations Coordinator

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Melanie is entering her sixth full season at Westlinks and her first formal season as the Clubhouse Coordinator. Please congratulate Melanie as she continues to be an important part of Westlinks golf and its community.



Hamish Boddy
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Hamish is entering his third season at Westlinks. Hamish looks forward to another busy golf season and good weather on Wednesdays!



Lisa Taylor
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Lisa is entering her second full season as the Kitchen Coordinator. She is looking forward to seeing familiar hungry faces and working alongside her kitchen team.



Penny Cussen
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Penny is entering her second season, and first in her new role as Clubhouse Assistant. Penny is looking forward to Ladies Day events and continuing to work on her golf game with friends.

WESTLINKS RULES & ETIQUETTE



Our goal is to provide a consistent and enjoyable experience for all guests, both on and off the course.

PLEASE

- Respect the course, grounds, guests, staff, buildings and carts
- Remember that outside alcohol is not permitted as per Ontario Law
- Take as much pride in our golf course as we do. Replace all divots and repair all ball marks
- If using a golf cart, take the cart number that you are assigned
- Keep golf carts on cart paths where possible. Par 3's are cart path only
- Do not drive or park carts near tee decks or greens. Follow cart signs in the approaches
- Do not drive golf carts in the grass that is maintained at a higher height (fescue)
- Respect pace of play. Keep up with the group ahead of you. If your group is playing at a slower pace, invite the group behind you to play through to minimize interruptions for everyone. (2.5 hours for 12 holes, 2 hours for 9 holes)
- Arrive at least 20 minutes prior to your tee time
- All players must check in with the Pro Shop (members and public)
- Follow the course layout as designed, do not skip holes
- All rounds begin on hole #1, unless otherwise directed by staff
- Play with the people you are assigned to play with. Do not split up. Golf is a social game
- Wear appropriate clothing and footwear

Help us keep enforcement to a minimum by following these rules and etiquette practices

Have fun and go fore it!

POLICY AND ETIQUETTE

To keep rule enforcement to a minimum, it is everyone's responsibility to understand and abide by The Club's Rules and Etiquette outlined above. This will ensure enjoyment and satisfaction for everyone. If there is a policy that you do not understand, please reach out to the appropriate Leadership Team member for clarification (*see page 5*).

The saying "it takes a village" is a metaphor meaning a child's upbringing is a communal effort, requiring support from family, friends, neighbours, and teachers to create a safe, nurturing environment. The same can be said at a golf club. There are many moving parts that need to flow in sync for any golf club to be enjoyable. While we collectively made headway in 2025 with booking and playing responsibilities, this is an area of focus for this coming season.

Steps are put in place to ensure fair booking rights for residents, members and guests. As our club grows, so does the competition for certain tee times. To ensure that these booking rights do not get taken advantage of The Club asks everyone to:

- **Please book your tee times with intention**
 - Book only for times and players that you know are committed
 - Understand that if you are booking less than a foursome, you may be paired up with other players
 - If you need to change your booking, please do so at least 24 hours before your tee time

- **Please respect your booking**
 - Arrive early (20 minutes), check in, be ready on the first tee
 - Play with the people you are assigned to play with. It otherwise negatively impacts pace of play
 - Understand and maintain pace of play.
 - Strive for 2.5 hours for 12 holes and 2 hours for 9 holes
 - Keep up with the group ahead of you
 - If your group is playing at a slower pace, invite the group behind you to play through to minimize interruptions for everyone

Any persons repeatedly disregarding the booking rules and etiquette will receive:

- A verbal warning
- A written warning
- Risk alterations to their booking rights

Westlinks thanks you for your understanding

LEAGUES AND EVENTS

Event details can be found below. These events are also communicated on our website, social media and in-house. Please follow us on social media or monitor our website for more information.



Please note, that some dates or events are subject to change. Westlinks will do its utmost to communicate any changes, alterations or additions to these dates via social media, its website and in-house.

MEMBERS OPENING

This will be a day of fun, including golf with food and social to follow. Put your foursome together and come enjoy the golf course with family and friends. All members are welcome and public guests may attend if invited by a member. Register in the Pro Shop (capped at 72 players).

MEN'S NIGHT

Men's night will take place every Wednesday from 2-6pm. This year, instead of separate men's and senior's flights, play will be divided into an A and B flight, with similar gross, net, on-course and random prizes. On the third Wednesday of each month, a 2-person scramble will be played in tee times. There are two Men's Night shotguns scheduled (dates listed above). Following play, the Silo Bar and Grill will be open, offering both recurring menu items and special offerings. In 2026, there will not be a final Men's Night prize table based on participation.

LADIES DAY

Ladies Day will be a shotgun every Thursday at 9am, on holes 1-8 and 12. Following golf, the ladies will enjoy a buffet style lunch with recurring menu items and themes. Please note that there will be sign up changes for Ladies Day. Participation will go through Melanie and Penny. We ask that everyone be mindful of the booking process so The Club can properly accommodate golfers and lunch guests. Stay informed for special themed events.

TWO-FORE

The tournament will feature the same 24-hole, multi-format structure as in previous years. This year, teams will be divided into A and B flights after the first 12 holes, with prizes awarded within each flight. The tournament is open to both men and women, who will compete together in the same field (there is not a separate men's and women's division).

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

This year, The Club Championship will feature flights for each division. Men's, Ladies, Senior Men's, Senior Ladies, Intermediate and Junior. Flights will be based on participation levels. Saturday will be tee times and Sunday will be a shotgun with food and social to follow.

POOL AND PUTT

Each year Westlinks welcomes kids from the townships "Pool and Putt" program. It's a great opportunity for young people to learn the game of golf in a welcoming environment. Please be aware that the camp will take place on the driving range and the putting green. If anyone would like to volunteer to assist in these camps, please reach out to the leadership staff at the clubhouse.

LESSONS

ANDY O'LEARY

Andy has been a Member of the PGA of Canada for seventeen years. He began working in the golf industry over twenty years ago and has worked in several areas of golf course operations. Andy spent four years in a management position, most recently as Head Golf Professional and Golf Shop Manager. While Andy now works outside the golf industry, he remains a PGA of Canada member and continues to share his passion for the game as an active Class A Teaching Professional.

Andy has been a friendly face at Westlinks for 7 seasons now. If anyone would like to inquire about lessons, please reach out to Andy directly.



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More information about Andy along with pricing can be found on our website.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Pro Shop Apparel (soft goods, including clothing, hats and gloves)
 - Residents – 15% discount
 - Members – 10% discount
- Tee Times
 - Residents – 14 day advanced booking
 - Members – 13 day advanced booking
 - Public – 12 day advanced booking
- Internal Golf Events
 - Residents and Members will receive discounts on internal golf events
 - Please note, that external golf events such as charity tournaments or privately hosted tournaments, are subject to regular pricing

Residents and Members must show their membership card at checkout to claim discounts. For any membership or apparel inquiries, please contact Melanie Wyatt

OPEN AND CLOSING DATES

OPENING

The opening and closing dates are always a popular discussion point at Westlinks. The opening date for the course will remain fluid and will depend on the weather, course conditions and Club preparedness. If the weather allows for an early opening date, The Club will strive to open the golf course as soon as possible. It wouldn't be a course opening date discussion without mention of my first robin sighting.

First Robin Sightings:

- 2024 – March 8
- 2025 – March 18
- 2026 – March 4

The maintenance team requires good weather to prepare the golf course and its grounds. We typically receive spring rains throughout April. Hopefully not quite the amount we received last year. As customary, please be prepared to walk the golf course until the course conditions allow for the consistent use of carts.

DRIVING RANGE

The driving range will open shortly after the golf course to allow the surface to recover from last season and the winter. Look for updates on our social media and around The Club. Similar to last season, the driving range will close early on Tuesday evenings for maintenance and will re-open later on Wednesday mornings once the maintenance process is complete.

CLOSING

This year, the golf course will close on October 30th. While The Club may consider extending play depending on conditions, members should plan for the 2026 golf season to conclude at the end of October.



FROST

Frost delays are common in the spring and fall when overnight temperatures approach +5 degrees Celsius or lower. Especially on clear, calm mornings without wind or cloud cover. Avoid walking or driving on turfgrass during a frost event. When there is frost, the frozen plant tissue becomes brittle and traffic can rupture cells causing damage that is slow to recover, especially on closely mown golf turf.

Please be aware of frost potential during the shoulder seasons when booking your tee times. The Club will be proactive during periods of frost risk by delaying tee time availability, but there will inevitably be scenarios where booked tee times are delayed the morning of. If your tee times is delayed by frost, please stay off any grass (including the driving range and practice green) and check in with the Pro Shop for updates.

LIGHTNING & INCLEMENT WEATHER

Throughout the season we encounter several severe storms that produce lightning or severe conditions (such as tornados). Staff will do their utmost in communicating to golfers that lightning may be imminent during their round or occasionally delay tee times if it is inevitable. We encourage everyone to monitor the weather prior to their tee time. If you are on the golf course while lightning or severe wind conditions occur:

- Keep your eye on the sky
 - Be aware of weather conditions that may produce lightning or tornados
- Listen for the warning horn
 - If you hear the horn, immediately return to the clubhouse or seek shelter
 - This is nonnegotiable regardless of your opinion on the weather
 - **One prolonged horn blast** = stop play immediately and seek shelter
- Seek immediate shelter
 - Clubhouse
 - Maintenance shop
 - Gazebos located on #6, #7, #11
- Do not
 - Wait it out or finish a hole
 - Lie down
 - Drive or walk long distances
 - Hold your golf clubs
 - Remain in your golf cart
 - Use trees as shelter



COMMUNICATION

Please use the following resources to follow along with course updates, activities and events:

- Social media – Facebook, Instagram @theclubatwestlinks
- Website – www.theclubatwestlinks.com
- Email – if you are not receiving email updates, please contact Hamish or Melanie
- Newsletter – newsletters will be sent out via email with updates and information
- Clubhouse literature – bulletin boards, QR codes, calendars and notices
- Verbal – if you have questions or require details, feel free to ask the Pro Shop attendant. They may not have all the answers, but can direct you to someone who can help

CONCLUDING REMARKS

I want to wish everyone all the best in 2026, golf related and beyond. The Westlinks Team and I very much appreciate your continued support. We look forward to seeing everyone in the next few weeks and getting back to playing golf in the sunshine with family and friends.

Jeremy Hubbard

Golf Course Superintendent / General Manager

