

## Assiniboine Golf Course – Year in Review

Dear Members: This is a reminder that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00. This date was posted in our 2011 Roster book. If you know of any members who do not have email, please communicate this date and time to them. We look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

The 2011 season got off to a wet start this year. As a result, the opening of the course was delayed. However, July and August proved to be fabulous as the weather finally cooperated.

### Membership:

The membership numbers remained fairly constant this year. The discounts that we offer on regular and junior memberships continue to attract people to the course. Congratulations to all of our 2011 club champions.

### Bike Path:

The bike path on the north side of the course is now complete. After much negotiation with the city, we were able to make sure that it infringed on the course as little as possible. In addition, we were able to get a security fence in place to protect those who use the Yellow Ribbon Trail.

### Fires:

This year seemed to be the year of the fire for Assiniboine. Twice our Porto-Potties on #4 were burned. Fortunately, there was no cost to us for this. The compound fire resulted in the loss of several members' carts as well as the complete loss of the AGC fleet. On a positive note, with the insurance monies received, we were able to replace all of the AGC carts as well as updating them to a 2009 model year. However, we as a course were responsible to pay the \$5000 deductible. To date, we have not heard if there are going to be any criminal proceedings against those responsible.

### Financial:

The 2011 season was one that saw AGC post a small profit. This is impressive considering the slow start at the beginning of the season. In addition, we made several improvements to the clubhouse – new flooring and entrance way, the chairs were re-upholstered, and several significant upgrades in the kitchen. These improvements were paid for out of the profits of our club, therefore, no loan was needed or debts incurred.

### Future:

The future of Assiniboine Golf Course has been brought up in many different arenas. The media discussed at length how the City of Winnipeg should get out of the golf business. The Board decided not to speak out in the media as we were concerned that this would bring unwanted attention to Assiniboine Golf Course. That being said, we are continuing to pursue various avenues to ensure the future of golf in St. James.

Thank you for your continued support of the AGC.