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Spring 2008

# Intervale Country Club



## **President's Message by Michael Lencki Jr.**

It's time to tee it up.....

Hopefully by the time you are reading this letter the snow will be gone and we are already back playing golf for another season. With the record amounts of snowfall this year it makes for a very long winter and I am sure you are as anxious as I am to get out there and play. I want to thank Brian Lafontaine and his great crew for putting together a great golf course last year under some pretty hard conditions. He managed to give us the best greens I've seen in a long time. I hope he rested up all winter because we need him to continue his program with continued success and I see only great things for the course this year. We will see some new shaped fairways, new tee boxes and some more re-shaped bunkers. The new tee box on six will add a new dimension for the men going down six and for the women a new look at going down number nine. About fourteen trees' came down over the winter on the left side of the number six-tee box to make room for the new tee box. Don't worry. I'm sure Billy Williamson will take down a few more trees as the season goes on.

These are only a few things happening around the course this year. This is through the vision of you, our valued membership. Through your vision, your ideas become a reality without the restraint of money or time. Vision, once established, should be a topic of conversation that takes place with your fellow members of the club throughout the golf season. Yours visions and ideas are always welcomed and entertained by your Board of Directors. Write them down and drop them in the suggestion box or just simply talk to one of your board members or Matty in the pro shop. And, if you are lucky enough to trap Brian working on the course, twist his ear for minute. Remember this is your club. Your ideas and thoughts and very much welcomed and encouraged.

Keeping with the "this is your club theme"; let's remember that when we are out on the course we should remember to replace all of our divots, (and then some) and to repair your entire ball marks on the greens. We need to also pay attention to all the cart signs. Only take the carts where the course dictates it is prohibitable. Every little bit helps. It's always been the goal of the Board of Directors to put more money into the course, but we still need to take care of what we already have.

I would like to welcome back my fellow members for another great year of golf and a warm welcome our new members and hoping their time here at Intervale Country Club is as enjoyable for them as it is for all of us. Let's have a great season. So hit'em long, hit'em straight and hit'em well, but not often...

March 29, 2008

**Green Committee Report  
By George Normand**

Here it is March 29<sup>th</sup> and I'm getting ready to shovel another 5 inches of snow. This is a real test of patience as courses are opening in MA and we have almost a foot of snow remaining on our course.

The Greens Committee met as a group in February to discuss strategies and plans for the upcoming season. All members agreed that the focus again this year will be on greens, fairways and tee boxes. Significant improvement was realized in 2007 and the expectation this year will be to continue moving forward. A liquid fertilizer sprayer, purchased during the off season, will enhance our ability to improve course conditions by allowing Brian and his staff to focus on problem areas quickly.

Work will continue this year to complete the expanded and lengthened tee box on hole 6 and ladies 9<sup>th</sup>. This improvement began last year and should be ready for play in June if the weather cooperates. Numerous trees have also been cut in the area to improve light and airflow. The entire area will benefit from the cutting and should equate to improved turf conditions.

On behalf of the whole committee we would like to thank the entire course crew for the work that they accomplished last year. I have received numerous compliments throughout last year on the work that they have done. Thank You Brian, David, June and Eric for all your efforts and hard work. We look forward to another great year...whenever the snow goes away.

**Entertainment Report  
by Paul Trudeau**

Well it looks like spring has finally arrived! The course should be opened for play hopefully as you are reading this newsletter. Upcoming social events will be posted in the clubhouse and in the next newsletter. If you are in need of a locker, I can be reached at  
603-625-4032

See you soon

The Handicap Committee hopes you all had a good (albeit too long) winter and welcomes you back for a new year. We are all looking forward to the coming golf season with anticipation for the improvements that have been made to the course. Hit 'em straight and please remember to post your scores with your name and handicap on the card. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

The Handicap Committee

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