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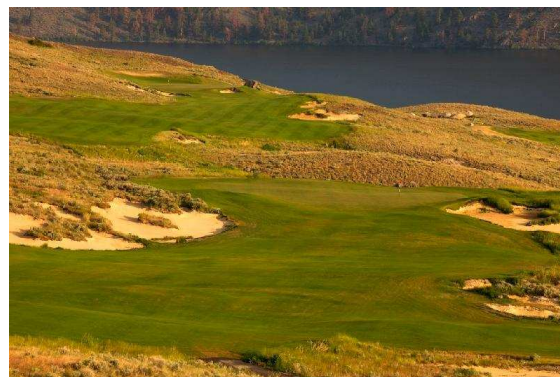
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- [**GOLF DIGEST NAMES SAGEBRUSH 2009 BEST NEW CANADIAN COURSE**](#)



The **Sagebrush Golf & Sporting Club**, in British Columbia's Nicola Valley, has been named the **Best New Canadian Course for 2009 by Golf Digest Magazine**.

"It is a great honor to be recognized by one of the most authoritative publications in golf and by one of the game's most knowledgeable and prestigious panels of course rankers," said **Richard Zokol**, CPGA member and former PGA Tour player. "This very prestigious award is a tribute to Sagebrush investors, cofounder Terry Donald, my co-designers Rod Whitman and Armen



The **PGA of BC** is excited to announce **Russell Brewing** as the **Official Beer of the PGA of BC**.

One of the province's fastest growing companies, Russell Brewing has been producing premium beers since 1995. Situated in the Strawberry Hill area of Surrey, their award-winning products are held to the highest quality standards and brewed without any preservatives.

"As the Official Beer Supplier, Russell will be working closely with the PGA of BC," said **Angie Harris, Marketing Director of Russell Brewing**. "We have a number of exciting promotions in development that will make golfing in BC even more fun in 2010. There will also be some longer term ideas that will help build a strong relationship with our brands and golfers in BC."

Russell Brewing is a Bronze level sponsor of the PGA of BC. They currently distribute their beer in British Columbia

Suny, Superintendent Norley Calder, and everyone who has worked so hard to make this dream a reality."

Earlier this year, **SCOREGolf Magazine** named **Sagebrush Best New Course in Canada**.

The Golf Digest panel of 950 male and female golfers evaluated courses using five criteria: Shot Values, Design Variety, Resistance to Scoring, Memorability, and Aesthetics.

"All four of our winners [Canadian, U.S. Private, Public and Remodel] were designed by senior golfers with decades of grit, experience, and wisdom under their fingernails, working the old fashioned way: by hand, in the field, not a blueprint among the four winners," wrote **Golf Digest Architecture Editor Ron Whitten** announcing the awards in the January 2010 issue. "The three amigos [Zokol, Whitman and Suny] have a distaste for conventional architecture that forces features upon the land."

Faithful to the spirit and origins of the game, while incorporating modern-era minimalist design philosophies and state-of-the-art agronomy, Sagebrush embodies traditional values that golf at its best and most exhilarating represents.

"It is tremendously rewarding that the two most respected and influential golf magazines in North America recognize and appreciate our vision of how golf courses can, and should, be designed," said Sagebrush co-founder **Terry Donald**. "It has been an intense and challenging labor of love to bring our shared vision to reality, and it is doubly satisfying to have our minimalist approach acknowledged and appreciated."

Another PGA of BC facility included in the Golf Digest rankings was **The Club at Tower Ranch**, a **Thomas McBroom** design located in the hills above Kelowna. It was named #3 on the list of best new Canadian courses in 2009.

Last year, **Tobiano Golf Course** achieved the same double honors from SCOREGolf and Golf Digest in being named best new Canadian course of 2008.

- **12th ANNUAL CHILI DIP OPEN - JANUARY 28th, 2010**

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AVALON GOLF LINKS, 19345 Kelleher Road, Burlington, Washington

Thursday, January 28th, 2010

and in Manitoba through their sister brewery called Fort Garry Brewing Company.

"We are very pleased to have Russell Brewery join the PGA of BC team," said **PGA of BC Executive Director, Brian Butters**. "This partnership will present some great benefits for our members and their associates. Russell brews award winning beers and they have proven themselves as an excellent marketing partner for organizations in the leisure and entertainment industries."

Russell Brewing joins a distinguished list of companies with their corporate sponsorship of the PGA of BC. The PGA of BC looks forward to brewing a tasty 2010 golf season with Russell Brewing as a valuable member of the team.

About Russell Brewing

One of BC's fastest growing companies, Russell Breweries Inc produces premium beers in Western Canada in breweries located in BC and Manitoba. All products are held to the highest quality standards, brewed without any preservatives, ensuring that the passion that goes into crafting the beers comes through in the taste. Russell Breweries Inc. is a public company trading on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol "RB".

For further information about Russell Brewing visit www.russellbeer.ca

[**CLICK HERE TO VISIT RUSSELL BREWING'S**](#)

9:00 AM Shotgun Start

Competition:

Two man teams playing 27 holes. Nine holes each at Scramble, Chapman and Alternate Shot.

Tournament is open to both Professionals and Amateurs. There will be no handicaps used. All prizes awarded based on gross scores.

Entry Fee:

\$150.00 per team includes lunch served at the turn. 70% (\$105.00) of entry fee goes to purse. Pros paid in cash. Amateurs receive merchandise credit. Optional Cash Skins Game.

Entries:

Participants may enter by calling the Pro Shop at (360) 757-1900 or 800-624-0202. Paid entries only! Cash, check, Visa or Mastercard accepted.

Entries also available online at www.avalonlinks.com
Field limited to the first 50 teams.

Proposed Payout: Based on a full field

1st \$1,200
2nd \$ 800
3rd \$ 600
4th \$ 500
5th \$ 400
6th \$ 360
7th \$340
8th \$280
9th \$240
10th \$200
11th \$180
12th \$150

Please follow the link below for further information and to download an entry form.

[**PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR CHILI DIP INFORMATION AND ENTRY FORM**](#)

• PULLCARTS FOR SALE

Butch Kelly of Storey Creek Golf Club is selling 25 pullcarts from his shop.

The carts are



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Bagboy 3 wheelers with umbrella holders and baskets. The carts are 2 years old.

The asking price is \$25.00 per cart.

If interested, please give Butch a call at 250.923.3673.

- **DAVID LEADBETTER TO HIGHLIGHT SPRING EDUCATION SEMINAR**

The **PGA of BC** is delighted to announce that renowned golf instructor **David Leadbetter** will highlight the **PGA of BC Spring Education Seminar March 16-17, 2010, in Vancouver.**



Leadbetter, a PGA of America Master Professional and the world's most recognized golf instructor, will conduct several sessions with PGA of BC members and other seminar attendees. The venue for the seminar will be Marine Drive Golf Club.

Leadbetter's appearance at the PGA of BC Spring Education Seminar is being made possible by **Callaway Golf**, one of our association's foremost and valued sponsors.

The author of seven books that have sold over two million copies, Leadbetter has written and produced more than a dozen DVDs and has designed several golf training aids that have sold well over a million units worldwide.

There are currently 27 David Leadbetter Golf Academies strategically located around the world in 13 countries, including one at the Chateau Whistler Golf Club here in B.C.

Make sure to mark your calendar for these dates. Don't miss out on a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to learn firsthand about teaching the golf swing from the man who took golf instruction to a whole new level.

Stay tuned to the PGA of BC website at www.pgabc.org and your weekly E-News for more details on registration information.

[CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE PGA of BC WEBSITE](#)

- **PLEASE FILL OUT TRADE SHOW SURVEY**

WE NEED YOUR OPINION!



The PGA of BC Trade Show is the single largest revenue generator that our Association has in any given year.

The success of the show is critical to our ability to offer members affordable dues and valuable services.

Now more than ever, there is scrutiny on our trade show from exhibitors and industry associations who want to ensure that their investment in our show pays dividends in the form of solid attendance by PGA of BC members as well as orders written.

Please take a few moments to link to the survey below and fill it out. Information from members will be very valuable as the Board of Directors plans ways to make our Trade Show as meaningful as it can be for members and exhibitors alike.

Thanks in advance for your assistance on this important issue.

[CLICK HERE TO GO TO THE TRADE SHOW SURVEY](#)

- **2010 EMPLOYMENT VERIFICATION FORMS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE**

2010 Employment Verification Forms are now available online on the PGA of BC website - www.pgabc.org - in the Members' Only Section.



CPGA membership cards for 2010 are currently being mailed out to members who have submitted their 2010 Employment Verification Forms and PGA of BC Members' Contract.

*****Please note: PGA of BC Members' Contracts only need to be submitted ONCE. So if you submitted a Members' Contract last year, you do NOT need to submit one again*****

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<http://www.pgabc.org>

604.303.6766 1.800.667.4653

Both the 2010 Employment Verification Form and the PGA of BC Members' Contract may be downloaded from

the PGA of BC website Members' Only Section.

Both forms may be submitted via fax to the office at (604) 303-6765 or you may email a scanned version to stacy@pgabc.org

Any changes to your contact details such as address, phone number or email changes should also be reported to the office by email to stacy@pgabc.org or call the office at (604) 303-6766.

The Employment Verification Form and Member's Contract can be downloaded by clicking on the link in green below, or by going to the website at www.pgabc.org , click on the Members Only icon, click on Forms, and then click on "2009 Employment Verification Form" or "PGA of BC Member's Contract".

If you're planning a trip to somewhere warm and sunny and need your card in a hurry, contact the office.

Thank you to all members for your cooperation!

[CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE 2010 EMPLOYMENT VERIFICATION FORM](#)

- *****IMPORTANT REMINDER - ALL MEMBERS*****

ALL MEMBERS MUST UPDATE ANY CHANGES TO THEIR CONTACT DETAILS WITH THE PGA OF BC OFFICE.

It is very important for the PGA of BC office to have your most up-to-date contact information so we may effectively communicate with you. This includes your preferred email address, your home mailing address, and your contact phone number(s).

As well, please inform us of your preferred mailing address, for example, do you prefer to receive mail at your residence or at your place of work?

A number of member cards went missing in the mail last year due to incorrect mailing addresses. Please prevent this from happening to you by ensuring we have your correct mailing address.

*****Please note - The PGA of BC office is NOT notified of any updates you make to your contact details on the National website. So if you make any changes on the national website, please notify the PGA of BC office as well.**

Any changes to your contact details may be reported to the office by email to stacy@pgabc.org or call the office at (604) 303-6766.

Thank you to all members for your cooperation!

- **MEMBERS ON THE MOVE**

- **As of December 9, 2009**

Graham Frey is no longer at The Harvest Golf Club and moves to Mountain View Golf Club as an Apprentice Professional for the 2010 season

Mark Forrest leaves Fraserglen Golf Course to become the new Head Professional at Peace Portal Golf Course

Kyle Mejaki is no longer at Morningstar GC as he has transferred to the Ontario Zone to become an Apprentice Professional at Idylwyld Golf & Country Club

Brent Macduff is no longer the Head Professional at Guildford Golf Club

Tyler Desantis has resigned from the Canadian PGA

Ashlee Claydon has passed the Class A exam and becomes a Teaching Professional at Bear Mountain Golf & Country Club

- **As of December 2, 2009**

Tim Debolt has resigned from the Canadian PGA

Mark Romanelli is no longer an Apprentice Professional at Mountain View Golf Course

Miles Palahniuk has resigned from the Canadian PGA

John McLellan is no longer an Associate Professional at Cultus Lake Golf Club

- **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE AT www.pgabc.org**

Assistant Golf Professional
Cranbrook Golf Club

Assistant Golf Professional
The Harvest Golf Club

Assistant Golf Professional
Shuswap Lake Estates Golf & Country Club

Pro-Manager
Kananaskis Ranch Golf Course

Associate/Assistant Professional
Castlegar Golf Club

Associate or Assistant Professional
Golden Golf Club

Teaching, Associate and Assistant Professionals
Green Room Golf Performance Centre, North Vancouver

Assistant Golf Professional
Lakepoint Golf & Country Club

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