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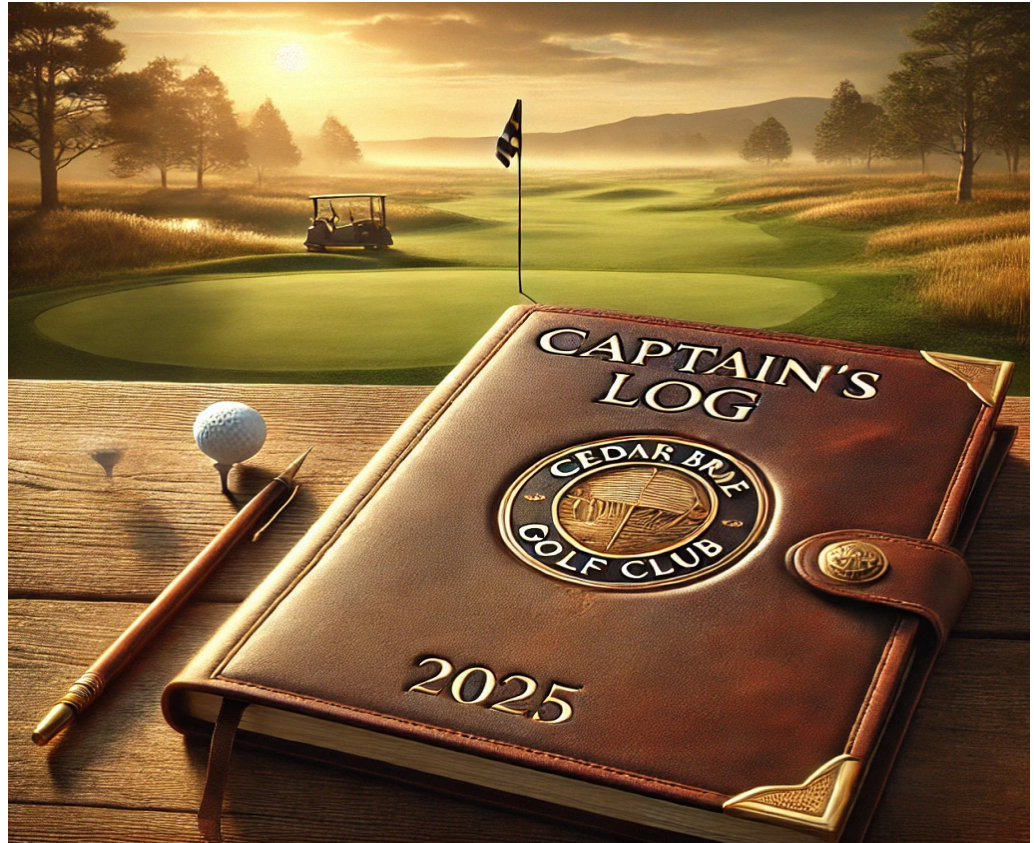
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New Season. New Committee.

– By Scott Mackenzie

A revitalized committee is eager to elevate the golf experience at Cedar Brae

Welcome to the first edition of *Captain's Log*—your direct line to the Captain's Committee. This regular update is designed to complement club communications, keeping you informed on key activities, upcoming events, and any changes that may impact play.

Before we dive into the 2025 season, I want to extend my sincere thanks to **Steve Salt** for his leadership as Club Captain over the past two years and to **Wendy Irwin** for her dedication as Ladies' Captain. Their efforts have been instrumental in strengthening our golf community.



Wendy Adams
Ladies' Captain

With Wendy stepping down and my transition from Men's Captain to Club Captain, I'm pleased to introduce your 2025 Captains.

Working with the committee, **Wendy Adams** and **Neil Gibson** are already hard at work planning a season full of great golf and memorable moments.

Both bring a wealth of experience, strong leadership, and a shared passion for the game. I have no doubt they'll do an outstanding job in the season ahead.



Neil Gibson
Men's Captain

Meet Your 2025 Captain's Committee

The Captain's Committee is focused on enhancing club events, improving communication, and ensuring an enjoyable season for all members. This year, each event will have a **dedicated** committee member serving as a **convenor** or co-convenor, helping to ensure everything runs smoothly.

Your 2025 Captain's Committee:

- ✓ **Wendy Adams** (Ladies' Captain)
- ✓ **Trina Chiarelli**
- ✓ **David Dorey**
- ✓ **Richard Ferraccioli** (Head Professional)
- ✓ **Neil Gibson** (Men's Captain)
- ✓ **John Hayes**
- ✓ **Scott Mackenzie** (Club Captain, Board VP)
- ✓ **David Peca**
- ✓ **Daniel Roccasalvo** (Ass. Golf Professional)
- ✓ **Brett Whalen** (Board Treasurer)



Chiarelli



Dorey



Ferraccioli



Hayes



Mackenzie



Peca



Roccasalvo



Whalen

If you see us around the club, don't hesitate to share your thoughts, ideas, or any concerns. *We're here to make this season the best it can be.*

Improved Communication

We've heard you—**members want better communication**, and this season, we're making it a priority. Along with regular editions of *The Captain's Log*, expect to find event details prominently displayed in change rooms, on club TVs, and on the "Big Board" outside the Pro Shop, ensuring everyone knows what's coming up so you can better plan and *get involved*.

Enhancing Events

We're raising the bar on member events to make them more engaging, competitive, and enjoyable.

- **Men's Day** – Get ready for an improved experience, including the return of Draft Night, format adjustments, and expanded prizeing. Gentlemen, **watch for an invitation** coming this week!
- **Rules Night - Gamified!** – Rules seminars don't have to be dull. This year, we're making it interactive with trivia, challenges, and a hands-on format that keeps things engaging while sharpening your knowledge of the game. Look for an announcement soon from the club.



Focus on Couples

We're always looking for ways to elevate the club experience, and this season, we're introducing new opportunities for couples to enjoy the game together.

First, we're launching a monthly **Nine & Dine Couples** event—a fun, social way to enjoy a relaxed round followed by a great meal. We still need to lock down dates, but we're looking at starting in late May/early June. Stay tuned for more details.

We're also revamping the Couples Open and the Learie Shield tournaments by merging them into a bigger and better event: **The Learie Shield Open**, set for **June 21**.

The Learie Shield is Cedar Brae's longest-standing tournament, with a legacy spanning over a century. Thomas W. Learie and his wife were instrumental in shaping the club's early years, and in 1924, the tournament was introduced in their honour. This season, we're building on that tradition—preserving its rich history while introducing a fresh, revitalized experience.

What Can you Expect?

- No more "ladies ask men" for partners—**open sign-ups** for all!
- **Singles welcome!** The Pro Shop will help find a partner.
- **Scotch 2-ball** format (male/female teams).
- **2:00 PM Shotgun**, leading into a gala dinner event.

Support Your Club - Become a Corporate Sponsor!

Are you a Cedar Brae member with a business looking for increased visibility and engagement within the club? We are actively seeking corporate sponsors for Men's Day, Ladies' Day, Club Championship, and other marquee events. A variety of options are available, so if you or your business are interested in supporting Cedar Brae's events and strengthening your presence within the club, reach out to Richard Ferraccioli at Richard@cedarbraegolf.com.

Policy Updates for 2025

Pace of Play & Guests



Pace of Play Expectation: Adjusted to **4:10** per round (previously 4:05), with a tighter 10-minute grace period for delays.

Friday Guest Policy: Guest play will now begin at **2:00 PM** instead of 1:00 PM, allowing more access for members.

As the season unfolds, we will review guest policies based on access to

the tee by our members. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in making Cedar Brae a club where rounds are fair, fast, and enjoyable for all.

New Drop Zones!

New drop zones will be introduced on holes **#6** and **#16**, complementing the existing one on hole **#4**—all strategically placed across the river.

These drop zones are designed to provide a better experience for players with higher handicaps, eliminating the need to re-tee after a lost ball while reducing intimidation, improving pace of play, and keeping scores in check. The goal is simple: *make the game more enjoyable for everyone.*

Tackling Sticky Issues

*Ensuring enjoyable and efficient rounds is a top priority, and the Captain's Committee is addressing two key challenges: **pace of play** and **tee sheet management**.*

Slow Play Enforcement

To keep rounds moving, we're reinforcing the **Pace of Play Policy** as outlined in the Golf Handbook. The process for slow play violations will be as follows:

- **1st Offense:** Meet with the Head Pro, Club Captain and/or Men's/Ladies' Captain to discuss ways to improve pace and review enforcement policy.
- **2nd Offense:** A documented meeting with General manager, Club Captain and Head Pro. If deemed appropriate, a two-week suspension from tee time bookings will be imposed.
- **3rd Offense:** Automatic **two-week suspension** from tee time bookings.

Let's play efficiently and keep the game moving!

Tee Sheet Manipulation & No-Show Policy

Holding a **prime-time** tee time and failing to show up is unfair to other members. The Golf Shop tracks all **no-shows** and the use of false names ("**dummy**" bookings) and reports them to the Club Captain or General Manager for appropriate action. More detail is contained in our Rules & Regulations document, but please be aware of the following:

- **New Cancellation Deadline:** Tee times must be canceled by **2:00PM** the day before your scheduled round.
- **Enforcement:**
 1. **First Offence**
The member who made the booking will receive an email from the Club Captain outlining the details and issuing a first warning.
 2. **Second Offence**
The member will be asked to meet with the Club Captain and Head Pro to review the infraction and go over the club's booking policies. They'll be advised that further violations may lead to a two-week suspension of playing privileges.
 3. **Third Offence**
The member will be asked to meet with the General Manager, Club Captain and Head Pro to review the

infraction and, if deemed appropriate, will impose a **two-week suspension** from tee bookings. A formal letter will be sent by the General Manager, and a copy will be kept on file for one year. Further violations may result in stronger sanctions.

It's a busy tee sheet, so let's all play fair, play ready golf and keep a steady pace to ensure an enjoyable round for everyone on the course!

Feedback



Have Feedback for the Captain's Committee?

We welcome all constructive feedback and are committed to addressing your concerns and suggestions in our upcoming committee meetings. If you have ideas on how we can improve the club experience, please let us know.

Send your feedback to scott@cedarbraegolf.com , and we'll take it from there!

Have Feedback for the President?

Just a reminder—Club President **Brad Elliott** welcomes your feedback through his ongoing “**Fireside Chat**” invite from last January. Got questions about the Club, committees, or ideas for the future? Brad's happy to chat. Email him at president@cedarbraegolf.com to set up a time for coffee and conversation!