

The snow is behind us and warmer temperatures are just around the corner, which means we are getting ready for the 2021 season! We believe this year's experience will be as fun as, if not better than, last year's record season.

Since last year, a few things have changed and a few things are the same. Here's a summary to get you dreaming of your first tee shot this year!

# **Opening day**

The 18-hole course will tentatively open April 1 (weather permitting). Current state guidelines permit foursomes and two-passenger cart rentals. When the exact opening date is finalized, we'll send an email communication with tee time booking information.

# **NEW!** Food + beverage provider

We are very excited to welcome Open Kitchens and their excellent food and beverage service to the clubhouse, halfway house, and driving range. A proven partner with park districts, Open Kitchens will enhance your experience at the Winnetka Golf Club. Their service includes:

- A complete breakfast food and beverage menu;
- A full menu for before, during, and after your golfing activities;
- · Beverage service for the driving range; and
- Boxed food options for groups.

Open Kitchens is diligently working to provide nearly all of its menu items by April 1. Once fully operational, Open Kitchens will provide a mobile ordering system so you can order food directly from your phone and pick-up at the halfway house or the main clubhouse.

## Stormwater project

The Village of Winnetka stormwater project will not interfere with the 2021 golf season. Both courses, the driving range, practice areas, and the clubhouse will be fully operational for the entire season. As stormwater plans are finalized by the Village, we will share them with our golfers via email and on our website.

## New equipment

Our maintenance team has purchased some new equipment to ensure exceptional course conditions throughout the season. New equipment includes:

- John Deere tractor
- Pull-behind mower

#### Golf cart fleet

We will soon upgrade our cart fleet to provide you with more power! New carts will coincide with the Village of Winnetka stormwater project.

- The current gas-powered carts will be replaced with a more environmentally friendly battery-powered golf cart.
- The new carts will have naming rights opportunities for individuals and businesses. For example, cart number 18 can be the "John Smith Cart" for

# **Driving range changes**

The driving range will be fully functional April 1, with some operational changes.

- A number of driving range nets are being replaced to prevent golf balls from entering the baseball fields northwest of the driving range.
- To further minimize the risk of balls entering the baseball area, driving range bays will be limited while the baseball fields are in use.

# Course stewardship

To encourage all golfers to be good stewards of the course, we will be enhancing signage and the availability of necessary equipment.

- Increased signage at the first and tenth tee boxes for sand/seed mix bottles.
- Sand/seed dispensers available at most tee boxes and in all golf carts.
- Refill stations available on the course.
- Rakes available in all bunkers.