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MAY 2022 UPDATES

Welcome from Dave Douglas

Director of Golf



2022 continues to propel RTCGC in a great future direction.

Coming off our best winter season on the amazing Platinum Paspalum, RTCGC's plans for significant investment and rebranding are taking shape. These include a pro-shop refit, new restaurant furniture, a new front entrance, solar panels on the cart-barn, a new EZGO lithium battery cart fleet along with a new Titleist Club rentals, new course signage, and renovations to select tees.

Everyone on our team will be remarkably busy for the remainder of 2022 contributing to this successful rebranding venture to bring you an improved facility to complete the vision of our Owner's Representatives. It is an exciting time in our history as we move towards our 30th Anniversary on

November 7th.

This summer we are delighted to announce that TCIGA has clinched the 65th Annual Caribbean Amateur Championship that RTCGC will host in early August. Tim Mack our course superintendent will have both turf and course in tip-top condition for the best amateurs in the Caribbean to compete. RTCGC is proud to host for the 3rd time, and we collectively look forward to a tremendous success.

To our many guests and members, we thank you for promoting Royal Turks & Caicos Golf Club with such positive word of mouth and enthusiastic referrals. The momentum is sure to continue through the next few years and beyond. Your promotion of the facility will help to make the difference. Our best days are ahead!

Sincerely
Dave Douglas
Director of Golf

Rebranding Statement

With the Turks & Caicos Islands name now known worldwide as a luxury destination and synonymous with the majestic beauty of the islands, Provo Golf Club realigned itself by renaming as the “Royal Turks & Caicos Golf Club” effective November 2021.

The rebranding under the new name reflects both the vision for the future and the long history and heritage associated with development in the islands. Alongside the name change, a newly re-designed company logo, tagline and website were developed.

Now approaching its 30th anniversary, the club is moving to a fresher identity, which is instantly recognizable. The new logo pays homage to the national bird of the Turks and Caicos Islands, the Brown Pelican, and through its adoption as its standard bearer, the golf club’s commitment to the future.

The new tagline *“An Exceptional Caribbean Golf Experience”* illustrates the extension of product offerings to guarantee maximum enjoyment from a round of golf, from the moment a golfer arrives to departure.

Sean Wilson Promoted to Head Professional



RTCGC is proud to announce that Sean Wilson (Class A PGA Member) has been promoted to Head Professional as of April 2022.

Sean has been an integral part of Team RTCGC as Associate Professional since 2008 and started to assist on Provo in the winters as early as 1996. Throughout, Sean’s energy and work ethic has made him a popular asset to the operation, guests, and members.

Director of Golf, Dave Douglas, is appreciative of Sean’s endless service over the years as we all now look forward to the future with his guidance.

Another Accolade for RTCGC

Royal Turks and Caicos Golf Club received top honours from 2022 USA Today's 10 Best, recognized as the 3rd best in the Caribbean.



This was the fourth nomination for Royal Turks and Caicos (previously known as Provo Golf Club). 2018 (5th position), 2019 (4th position), 2020 (4th position).

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Our Magic Moment Board

1. Kevin Treanor, Hole in One 8th hole, October 27th
2. Matthew Carinato, Hole in One 8th hole, January 2nd
3. Brooke Rivers shoots 66 from the blue tees
4. Joanne Tawse, hole in One 8th hole, January 15th
5. Stephen Dilascio, Hole in One 15th hole, February 23rd
6. Jack Sims, Hole in One 15th hole, March 29th
7. Kurt Rivers shoots no bogey 66 from the blue tees
8. Alex Romano playing with Matt Kostandoff & Keith Burant, Hole in One 8th hole, March 4th
9. Matt Kostandoff playing with Alex Romano & Keith Burant, Hole in One 17th hole, March 16th
10. Keith Burant's Hole in One – "Pending"

Course Conditions and Improvements

Course Superintendent Tim Mack and his staff have been extremely busy this spring keeping the turf in top condition. Our crossed fingers have bought us many May showers and the entire turfed playing areas have never been better despite the drought of 2021. The highly regarded Platinum Paspalum grass continues to mature under Tim's guidance, and the course is primed to host the upcoming 65th Annual Caribbean Golf Championship in early August. Another excellent job by our maintenance staff this busy winter season.

Summer course improvements will include select tee renovations and new ornamental plantings to enhance both playability and aesthetics. There is not a day that goes by that pro shop staff does not receive several compliments about the condition of the course and the improvement taking place.



New USGA Rating Around The Corner



We are delighted to confirm that the USGA course raters will visit RTCGC this summer to re-rate the entire golf course from all the tee options for both men and women. This will mean

that any man who wishes to play the yellow tees or the new forward orange tees will have an appropriate rating. For women, your ratings will also include from the orange tees all the way back to the black tees. It will be interesting to see the variations of ratings compared the current evaluations when the process is complete as it is possible that a new rating will bring each golfer a new handicap from their regular tees played. Stay tuned!

Charity Events Resume & Captain “Ted Talks” Events Continue!

We have now entered Covid Policy “Phase Three” which allows the larger shotgun tournaments of the past. Naturally, we ask that common sense prevails as Covid has not been eliminated but it sure feels good to allow larger gatherings, few restrictions, and mask-less pro shop visits.

Captain Ted Bayley has kept us active, and “Captain Ted Talks” is busy scheduling the next Captain’s Choice as well as organizing with Head Professional Sean Wilson the 2022 summer league.

Justin Simons our Teaching Professional will be organizing beginner Men and Ladies golf introductory clinics that will feature lessons, three holes, followed by fun socializing in the club house after play. Stay tuned for all these details as well as the summer junior camps in the next few weeks.



Turks & Caicos Sotheby's International Realty

29th Annual Provo Ryder Cup

North America Team Triumphs - Finally"

The Royal Turks & Caicos Golf Club Ryder Cup, kindly sponsored by Turks & Caicos Sotheby's International Realty, witnessed another great weekend of match play golf resulting in a narrow victory for North America by an 18.5 to 17.5 result.

Team North America wrestled the coveted cup away from the firm grasp of the International Team during this member favourite, two-day event which saw forty-

eight golfers compete. The tight North American win snapped the International Team's dominance (four-year win streak) resulting in an International overall record of 20 to 9 over the impressive 29-year history. Captain Carl DeFazio and his Assistants, Ted Bayley and Kelly Ames led a spirited effort against International Captain Paul Murray and Assistant Roberto Stipa in what was the most entertaining confrontation in recent years.

North America found themselves ahead 7 to 5 after the Saturday best ball format. The North American Captains were confident "but nervous" starting Sunday's matches as they had advantages in previous years after day one that were soon crushed by an avalanche of single day International results during the furious paced Sunday play. This year was no different as North America found themselves a large lead halfway through Sunday's play and then tried to hang on as The International side dominated the last seven matches. Sunday singles were won by the Internationals by a single point, one point shy of winning, and only a half point short of retaining the cup!

The event enjoyed great weather, wonderful golf course conditions while the captains did a terrific job creating a unique, competitive, fun atmosphere while observing all Covid protocols.

Although a true team event it is important to note that only seven players captured a perfect two points by winning both their matches. Well played to Carol Brown, Joe Camarro, Paul Murray, Roberto Stipa, Toby Barkworth, Simon Dobbs, and Tim O'Sullivan for your perfect weekend records.

Royal Turks and Caicos Golf Club, the Team Captain's, and all players thank headline sponsor Joe Zahm of Turks & Caicos Sotheby's International Realty for making the weekend another huge success. Impressively TCSIR has been the headline sponsor for the last nine years and in addition this year the TCSIR team generously donated to The BWIC Scholarship Fund as well as the RCGC junior golf fund. The North American win sets the stage for the 30th Annual event next year – possibly the oldest continuous sporting competition in the TCI. Thank you all!

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2022 Golf & Fishing Tournament

The 11th Annual Wine Cellar Golf & Fishing Tournament (WCGFT) took place March 10th through the 13th resulting in an enormous success! Thursday to Saturday saw the Fishing tournament where 15 boats set out from Leeward Cut in a mad dash to their favourite fishing spots.

Sunday afternoon's Golf Tournament provided an exciting round of 18-holes, framed with a perfect day of weather, eventually won by the team of Kirk Stewart, Tim Mack, Andrea Todd and Christina Pretorius with a 1st Net score of 132.80.

[Read the full story here](#)

26th Annual Caribbean Golf Classic

The 26th Annual Caribbean Golf Classic hosted by the Caribbean Golf Association at Casa de Campo Resort in La Romana, Dominican Republic had a total of 237 Golfers participating. The team from Turks & Caicos had 41 Golfers entered with 35 players in the Men's Divisions and 6 players in the Ladies Divisions. A total contingent of 56 people from Turks & Caicos attended to enjoy the experience. We

want to congratulate Ernest Gardiner who has played in the event for the 26th time having never missed participating in a Caribbean Classic since its inception.

The Format was Stableford Competition over 3 rounds (1 Round on each course – Teeth of the Dog which is rated # 32 best golf course in the world, Dye 4 Course and The Links Course). In the individual results Team TCI had 2 players win trophies with Jarrett Forbes finishing in 2nd place in the Men's 6th Flight (tied for 1st but placed 2nd via tiebreaker) and Emer O'Sullivan in 2nd place in the Ladies 3rd Flight.

The Team Event saw the Turks & Caicos finish 3rd Place overall behind Team's from Puerto Rico & the U.S.A. In the Men's Event the TCI finished in 4th place and 5th place in the Ladies Event. Another great result as a country in an International Competition particularly when you consider our size.

The 27th Annual Caribbean Classic will take place in the spring of 2023 and details will be available shortly for this social competition. Hopefully Team TCI will keep the momentum intact with a larger showing and continued great results in 2023!

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19 Bar and Grill



Join us at #19 Restaurant for breakfast, lunch or Sunday brunch or to catch up on some great sporting events. As a busy golf-club bar we know how to create a fun and welcoming atmosphere.

With a selection of wine, beers, cocktails and coffee we are sure you will find just the right spot to enjoy your drink and unwind.

We have both a fun and healthy menu, where you can tuck into one of our great sandwiches or have a quick bite to eat at the bar. During the afternoon enjoy dining overlooking the stunning views of the 18th hole.

We are open from 7.30am daily for breakfast and lunch, and offer Sunday Brunch from 9.00am-2.00pm.

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