

INVERNESS GOLF CLUB

May 2026

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INVERNESS GOLF CLUB *Celebrating 100 Years of Golf*
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Aerial view of the course and surrounding area in 1938.



A look back...

1938-1940: EXPANDING THE COURSE

Stan Arendt, alongside Alex Cunningham and Joe McMorran, lead the expansion to 18 holes, with Roy LaLonde overseeing surveying and engineering. Joined with the original 9 holes, the complete course was ready for play early in 1940 and was renamed Inverness Golf Club. Arendt serves as head professional and greenskeeper for 37 years, guiding the Club from farmland into a championship-caliber course.

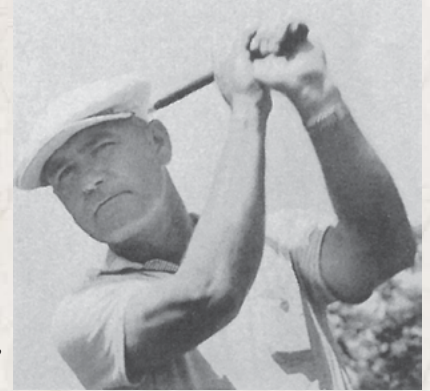
1938-1947: COMMUNITY TAKES ROOT

Inverness grows with its first subdivision, tree plantings of pine, elm, and maple, and membership at Inverness Golf Club rising from 80 to 152 families.

EARLY 1950S: LOOKING AHEAD

With limited facilities and a growing membership, Stan and Frances Arendt alongside Lena Bonin managed daily operations, driving the need for a new clubhouse and pool and ushering in the Club's next phase of development.

**SHARING OUR STORY,
ONE MEMORY AT A TIME**



*"The Old Pro"
Stan Arendt*

**HELP US PRESERVE
THE STORIES THAT MAKE
INVERNESS GOLF CLUB SPECIAL!**

As Inverness Golf Club celebrates its 100-year anniversary, we are collecting stories, memories, and photos from current and former members for a commemorative IGC Green Book. Whether it is a memorable round, a favorite tradition, or a special moment at the Club, we would love to include your perspective.

Scan the QR code to access a short form where you can share your story and upload photos or documents. Thank you for helping us celebrate 100 years of Inverness.



Scan to share your story!

If you would prefer to share your story in a conversation rather than writing it out, we would be happy to connect.

igc@igc-il.org

Centennial Committee:

Scott Beutler, Dane Pinter, Dan Banakis,
John Sapiente, Billy DeGironemo



INVERNESS GOLF CLUB

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FROM THE BOARD ROOM **Scott Beutler**, President



Dear Members,

As we move into May, there is strong momentum across Inverness Golf Club as we prepare for the start of a busy and exciting summer season.

From a financial standpoint, our first quarter results came in ahead of plan. The Club reported a year-to-date operating deficit of \$142,295, approximately \$15,000 better than budget. These results are consistent with the seasonality of the Club's operations and reflect disciplined expense management and steady member engagement.

Membership has shown encouraging signs of stabilization and growth to start the year, with six new families joining the Club in 2026. This is a positive step following declines over the past two years and reflects renewed interest as we head into the season.

At our most recent Board meeting, several capital projects were approved. We will be completing the paver brick patio between the pool and pickleball courts, further enhancing one of the most active and social areas of the Club. In addition, the Board approved the repair and refinishing of the five chimneys on the clubhouse. This work is a crucial step in preparing for the replacement of the main clubhouse roof later this fall.

May also marks the beginning of our golf event calendar, along with a few special dining events throughout the month. It's a great time to reconnect and enjoy all that the Club has to offer.

The pool locker room renovations are nearing completion and are expected to be finished by May 8. This project represents another meaningful improvement to the pool area as we continue its revitalization.

With warmer weather arriving, the Club is preparing for a full calendar of summer activity. Please be on the lookout for upcoming sign-ups for junior sports programs and camps.

I look forward to seeing everyone around the Club as the season gets underway.

Sincerely,
Scott Beutler
President
Inverness Golf Club

CLUB COMMUNICATIONS SCHEDULE

To help keep you informed and organized, we've established a consistent schedule for Club communications:

What's the Racquet (racquets updates and upcoming events) – Mondays at 10am

Inside the Leather (golf updates and upcoming events) – Wednesdays at 7pm

Clubhouse Updates & Events – Thursdays at 7pm

We will do our best to adhere to this schedule so you know when to expect each update.

If you feel you are receiving too many emails or would prefer not to receive certain communications, please reach out to Amber at aburger@igc-il.org so we can tailor your preferences.

Please note: selecting "unsubscribe" will remove you from *all* Club communications, including the monthly Club newsletter distributed on the first of each month.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NEW MEMBERS



Tammy Miller & Jordan Gray
Regular



Jeff & Deanna Hyslop
Social

TRANSFERS

Kevin Gerli Social > Regular
Norb Kaiser Senior > Sr. Social

REQUEST FOR SENIOR MEMBERSHIP

1. Robert Cormack Senior > Sr. Social
2. Russell Fitton Regular > Senior
3. Jerry Finis Regular > Senior
4. William Lutz Social > Sr. Social



Membership Questions?
Contact **Elizabeth Bandura**
at ebandura@igc-il.org

A NOTE FROM THE GM **Charlie Smith**, GM/COO

As we move into May and the start of the summer season, I'd like to share a few updates and highlights from around the Club.

I'm pleased to share that construction and remodeling of the Boys and Girls Locker Rooms continue to progress on schedule. This is an important investment in our facilities, and we appreciate your continued patience and understanding as work carries through April and into part of May.

Please take note of our updated hours of operation:

- Monday:** Closed
- Tuesday - Thursday:** 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
- Friday:** 10:00 am - 11:00 pm
- Saturday:** 8:00 am - 11:00 pm
- Sunday:** 8:00 am - 9:00 pm

We also have a wonderful lineup of events and seasonal openings to look forward to this month:

- Friday, May 1:** Spring Fiesta
- Sunday, May 10:** Mother's Day
- Memorial Day Weekend:** Saturday, May 23 – Monday, May 25

We are excited to announce that Centre Court will officially open for the summer season on Friday, May 22, 2026. Until then, Centre Court will be open for bar service only during the following times:

- Tuesday - Friday:** 3:00 pm - 9:00 pm
- Saturday:** 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
- Sunday:** 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Food service will continue to be available from the Highlands and may be ordered at any time during operating hours.

Warm regards,

Charlie Smith
General Manager/COO
Inverness Golf Club

Easter EGGS travaganza

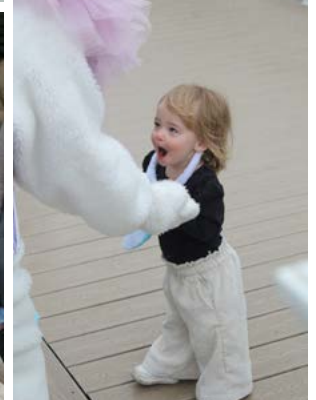


Congratulations to those who found a **GOLDEN EGG!**

- Willow Urban
- Louie Fitton
- Grace Bute

Photo Album

<https://adobe.ly/41N5HGU>



EASTER BRUNCH



Photo Album

<https://adobe.ly/42miobS>

JUNIORS SUMMER OFFERINGS

Summer at the Club is just around the corner, and that means the return of our Junior Sports Programs and Camp IGC. These programs are designed to keep kids active, engaged, and having fun all season long.

From golf and racquet sports to swim and group activities, there's something for every interest and skill level. Camp IGC offers a well-rounded experience filled with games, friendships, and memorable moments, all in a safe and welcoming environment right here at the Club.

Spots are filling quickly as we head into the start of the season. If you haven't already registered your children, now is the time to secure their place for a summer full of fun.



Junior Golf

Please contact Rick Sargent at rsargent@igc-il.org

Junior Racquets

Please contact Stephen Larko at slarko@igc-il.org

Swim Team

Please contact our Aquatics Director Emma Busch at aquaticsdirector@igc-il.org



Sign up

<https://bit.ly/26campigc>



INVERNESS GOLF CLUB

RACQUETS **Jonas Merckx**, Director of Racquet Sports

The month of May is synonymous with the red clay courts of Roland Garros. For all the tennis fans at the club, we are looking forward to the opening of our own clay courts next week - weather dependent of course. Make sure to look on the CourtReserve app for tennis and pickleball offerings this month. Weekly clinics such as the Ladies Social Open Play on Tuesday Nights and the Men's Tennis Night Play on Wednesday Nights will start later this month. For the pickleball enthusiasts, the popular Pickle Open Play with the Pros on Saturday Mornings will serve as a practice for the Fox Valley Travel Pickle League and In-House Leagues starting in June. Also, look for the bootcamp offerings if you are looking to kickstart your game for the Summer as we bring in other teaching Pros to help you with your game! Lastly, registration for the Memorial Day Jr. Mayhem is now open on CourtReserve as well - a fun event for all juniors at Inverness!



Reservations for all racquets events are made through CourtReserve. If you are a new user to this system, please see the links here:

[CREATE AN ACCOUNT](#)

[COURT RESERVE FAQs](#)

WINE OFFERINGS **Jason Gruenwald**

As the weather warms and May flowers bloom, we're excited to share some refreshing new beverage offerings perfect for the season:



Open Air Spring Wine Festival

Celebrate the Season!

Friday, May 29th
6pm - 8pm

Join us on the patio for an intimate tasting experience featuring five outstanding vendors with selections of both domestic and European wines. Sample and discover new favorites to enjoy all summer long! This event is complimentary and open to all members. Mark your calendar, and be sure to reserve your dinner table if you'd like to dine after the festivities.

Featured Wines by the Glass

Maison Philippe Viallet Rosé

Crafted from Gamay, Mondeuse, and Pinot Noir grapes, this elegant rosé delights with a silky texture and subtle notes of strawberry and hard candy.

Domaine Dupeuble Beaujolais Gamay

Hailing from the southern part of Bourgogne, this Gamay is a light-bodied red wine with a lively, fruity, and floral character, complemented by gentle earthy undertones. Reminiscent of Red Burgundy, it offers similar elegance at a more approachable price. Domaine Dupeuble is an easy-drinking red sure to please any palate.



CADDIE CORNER Jeff Steele, Caddie Manager



IGC CADDIE PROGRAM GOALS

CONTINUING the IGC legacy for Caddie Program excellence through quality training and member training augmentation.

IMPROVING the member golf experience.

MAINTAINING the high quality conditions of the course.

ENABLING the development of young women and men through social, scholarship and scholastic modeling in youth employment.

CONTRIBUTING to the welfare and wellbeing of our neighboring communities through youth employment and scholarship opportunities.

This past month, 27 new Caddies took part in a three-day Caddie Training Class. This class provided a valuable opportunity for aspiring caddies to learn the fundamentals of the role in a hands-on, supportive environment. The event combined classroom instruction with on-course training, covering everything from golf etiquette and club selection to reading greens and effective communication. A heartfelt thank-you goes out to the members who generously volunteered their time to mentor and guide participants throughout the training. Their involvement not only enriched the experience but also helped foster a sense of camaraderie and community between members and future caddie staff. Caddies are a great addition to your game. Please support their growth and consider using them during your rounds this season!

If you are interested in continuing their training augmentation and being a mentor for this group, please let us know and we will match you with a new "B" caddie. Class "B" Caddies are the beginner caddies (remember, every Honor Caddie started here). As young recruits, they need practice, understanding and encouragement as they develop the core values of caddying. "B" Caddies can be identified by their hunter green caddie bibs.

Class "A" Caddies are usually the younger, less experienced caddies who have some experience and earn ratings of "Satisfactory" and "Good" from golfers. They have the desire and aptitude to become Honor Caddies and are capable of handling double loops. "A" Caddies wear silver bibs.

Honor Caddies have earned their rating by faithful attendance, outstanding work and help in training younger or less experienced caddies. These caddies know the duties and responsibilities of caddying and have a record of consistent high-quality performance. IGC Honor Caddies can be identified on the course by their blue bibs.



"B" Caddies
Hunter Green



"A" Caddies
Silver



Honor Caddies
Blue

Of note, caddies are assigned based on the time stamp on your golf reservation on Foretees. Last minute caddie requests may or may not be filled based on availability. I will always do my best to be as accommodating as possible.

I would also ask that everyone complete the caddie rating cards and note areas that still need improvement so that I can address your concerns with the caddies.



SIMULATOR LEAGUE Josh Pius, PGA, Golf Pro

The Winter Simulator League has officially wrapped up its fourth season! The league once again provided a fun and competitive indoor golf experience throughout the winter months, bringing members together across multiple divisions.

Congratulations are extended to all participants for making the season a success, and special recognition goes to this year's division champions for their outstanding performance.

Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make the Winter Simulator League another great winter tradition.

SEASON LONG STANDINGS:

TEAM LADIES DIVISION	TEAM MEN'S DIVISION
1st Place Joanie Stern / Paula Graunke	1st Place Patrick Mitchell / Sean Crowley
2nd Place Diane McGrath / Kristie Carlson	2nd Place Edward McGrath / Thomas Carlson
3rd Place Suzanne Dewulf / Maya DeWulf	3rd Place - TIE William DeGironemo / Tim Grodek and Brian Nelson / Chad Watson

Golf Leagues start this month! If you are considering joining a league this season, please see the appropriate contacts below:

MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

Tuesday night is Men's Golf League night at IGC. The season begins on Tuesday, May 12th. To sign up, please call or visit the Golf Shop.

SENIOR GOLF LEAGUE

Signups for the senior league have ended. For information on the league please contact the captains listed here:

MIDWEST LEAGUE

Captain: **Gary Conrad**

INTERSTATE LEAGUE

Captain: **Herb Johnson**

LADIES 18 HOLE

We're gearing up for a great 18-hole season! Opening day of official play is Tuesday, May 5. Save the date for our fun Guest Day on Tuesday, June 30. For more information contact **Lisa Tworek** or **Paula Graunke**.

LADIES 9 HOLE

Play on Thursday mornings that began April 30th with their opening breakfast and clinic. Guest Day is Thursday June 18th. Contact **Lisa Holloway** or **Rita Mormando** for more information.

GROUNDS Brian Mores, Golf Course Superintendent



April certainly kept us on our toes this year. We recorded rain on 16 of the first 20 days and totaled over 8 inches for the month. That's an unusually wet stretch even by spring standards. There were a few positives that came with all that moisture. The golf course responded with an early green-up, the tulips put on a great show ahead of schedule, and the newly renovated bunkers performed exceptionally well with minimal washouts.

That said, the challenges of excessive rain have been significant. With saturated conditions, we simply couldn't get equipment onto the golf course without risking damage. As a result, rough heights reached upwards of 12 inches in spots before we could safely mow and cart availability was understandably delayed. Additionally, we had to push back a number of critical spring tasks including time sensitive fertilization and spray applications, sod repairs, and mulching landscape beds. While it may seem counterintuitive, too much rain can actually be detrimental to turf health by limiting oxygen in the soil and restricting root development which is the most important long term concern moving forward.

We are now working through that backlog as conditions allow but it will take some time to fully catch up on our normal spring schedule. We appreciate your patience as we navigate these challenges. To get the latest updates on course conditions, be sure to follow the IGC Grounds Department on Instagram at @igcgrounds. As always, please feel free to contact me with any additional questions you may have.

Brian Mores

Golf Course Superintendent

Office: 847-358-7030

Email: bmores@igc-il.org

Memorial Day

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FOLDS of HONOR

POOL

SOFT OPENING Friday from 3pm-7pm
Pool open Saturday-Monday 10am-7pm
DJ POOL PARTY Monday Noon-3:30pm

GOLF

Chits will be available at the first tee to fill out with the desired donation amount to the Folds of Honor program.

RACQUETS

Themed Cardio from 9-10am Monday for adults followed by games and activities for Juniors from 10am-12pm. *All levels of play are welcome.*

MONDAY BBQ

Monday, May 25 4pm-7pm
\$50**/Adults \$25**/Children ages 4-12
Seating by reservation ONLY. No a la carte available after 3pm on Monday.



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CENTENNIAL

CELEBRATIONS

AT INVERNESS GOLF CLUB

Join us as we celebrate 100 years with a series of special events for members, families, and guests.



MEET THE ARTIST - GRAEME BAXTER

Friday, May 1 | 5:00pm | Highlands Bar

An intimate cocktail gathering with renowned golf artist Graeme Baxter, commissioned to create a legacy Centennial piece for Inverness.



CENTENNIAL FAMILY CELEBRATION & FIREWORKS

Friday, June 12 | 3:30pm

Family activities, BBQ buffet, live entertainment, fireworks, and the unveiling of our Centennial painting.



MEADOW GROVE HERITAGE CLASSIC

Saturday, June 13

Men's Event: 8:30am Women's Event: 12:00pm

Golf the original 9 holes with hickory clubs.



CENTENNIAL CLUB EVENING

Saturday, June 13 | 6:00pm

Adults-only evening of cocktails, dining, and dancing. Gatsby-inspired attire encouraged.



MEADOW GROVE FAMILY FAIRWAYS

Sunday, June 14 | Tee Times

A relaxed family golf experience on the original nine-hole course.



MONDAY (Closed)

TUESDAY - THURSDAY

Front Desk 8am-8pm
 Golf Shop: 8am-6pm
 Highlands 10am-9pm
 Centre Court **Bar Only** (Highlands Menu) 3pm-9pm

FRIDAY

Front Desk 8am-8pm
 Golf Shop: 8am-6pm
 Highlands 10am-11pm (kitchen closes at 9pm)
 Centre Court **Bar Only** (Highlands Menu) 3pm-9pm

SATURDAY

Front Desk 8am-8pm
 Golf Shop: 8am-6pm
 Highlands 8am-11pm (kitchen closes at 9pm)
 Centre Court **Bar Only** (Highlands Menu) 10am-9pm

SUNDAY

Front Desk 8am-8pm
 Golf Shop: 8am-6pm
 Highlands 8am-9pm (kitchen closes at 8pm)
 Centre Court **Bar Only** (Highlands Menu) 10am-5pm

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	29	30	1 Cocktail Reception w/ Graeme Baxter Spring Fiesta *A LA CARTE CLOSED	2 Private Party
3 Private Party	4	5 Ladies 18-Hole Opening Breakfast	6	7 Private Party Ladies 9-Hole Opening Day TaylorMade Club Fitting	8 Ladies Tennis Opener	9
10 Mother's Day Brunch	11	12 Men's Tuesday Night League Begins	13	14 9	15	16 Private Party
17	18	19 18 M	20	21 Private Party 9	22 Pool Soft Opening CENTRE COURT REOPENS	23 Private Party
24 Private Party	25 MEMORIAL DAY Cardio Tennis Jr. Tennis Mayhem DJ Pool Party BBQ Buffet	26	27 Interstate League	28 Private Party 9	29 Spring Wine Fest	30 Private Party
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■=Clubhouse Closed ■=Dining ■=Social Event ■=Wine Event ■=Golf M=Men's League 18=Ladies 18-Hole 9=Ladies 9-Hole
 ■=Paddle ■=Pickleball ■=Tennis ■=Kids ■=Recreation G=Swim Meet