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CATARAQUI GOLF CLUB OFFICIALS LOOKING TO GOOD SEASON

Fifteen Holes Will Be In Play This Year—Full Course Nearly Completed—Grounds Improvements And Tennis Courts Added to Facilities.

With the local 1923 golfing season in its infancy, the Cataraqui Golf and Country Club has every reason to be optimistic over its outlook for the season. Since its organization this club has one ahead by leaps and bounds and it is safe to say that its success has more than surpassed the expectations of the founders and charter members. Every season sees the membership list, including the new memberships permitted yearly, filled and a long list of applicants on the waiting list and this year's quota totaling 375, is almost full.

T. J. Rigney, K.C., president of the club and Frank Smythe, secretary, are both very enthusiastic over the 1923 outlook. Good committees have been selected to look after all branches of the club's activities and a live and energetic board of directors is at the head of the organization. Speaking to a member of the Whig staff Mr. Rigney said: "Last year's showing was really a surprise to us and was very gratifying to the members. We look for even better conditions this year."

Following the resignation of Mr. Newman, it became necessary to secure a new professional and the club has been very fortunate in securing Mr. Robert Cunningham, who comes to Kingston with an enviable reputation both as golfer and instructor. Ford Nicholson has again received the appointment as assistant professional and groundsman and it is expected that Stewart Campbell will resume his duties with the club again this year.

The dining room service inaugurated last year was at first considered merely in the nature of an experiment but it proved such a suc-

cess and was so great a convenience last season that this year it will be necessary to make an enlargement on the dining room and kitchen quarters and equipment. This will be undertaken on the northwest side of the club-house, out of view of the road, and will be so designed as not to detract at all from the symmetrical outline of the building, but will, if anything, add to its beauty.

The grounds about the club-house have been greatly improved and starting with a beautiful driveway from the Front Road into the grounds, have been laid out, levelled and beautified in a manner that will make this beauty spot one of the most attractive scenes in the country.

Tennis, that long neglected sport in Kingston, will be aided greatly by the club in a very short time. It is the intention to lay out courts in the little valley directly in front of the club house, an admirable place where the progress of games and the ever-changing scenes on the courts may be viewed from the verandahs. This plan will be enthusiastically received by many of the club members for Kingston, in spite of the fact that it harbors many devotees of tennis, is greatly handicapped for good courts.

During the season the usual dances and entertainments will be in progress at the club's headquarters. An understanding has been reached with the Kingston Yacht Club and it is proposed to hold the Yacht Club dances and those of the Golf Club on alternate weeks, with one each fortnight by each club. The younger set of the city have in many instances voiced their approval

of this arrangement and it will no doubt be a great success.

This year the golfers will be playing over a fifteen-hole course as compared with a thirteen-hole round last year. Two more greens have been added to the main grounds and it is altogether likely that the full eighteen holes will be available next season. The property known in the popular mind as "Sandy Bottom" belongs to the club and some of the rougher clearing work has been done this winter and spring. It is the intention of the board of directors to lay out the three greens which will complete the full course on that side of the road and at least two of the greens will be easy of adaptation and the third will not be so difficult as at first supposed.

The Cataraqui Club will this year adopt the system of handicapping which is almost universally recognized, instead of that which they have been using heretofore—an almost purely local system. This will permit of better matches when visiting golfers play here or when Kingston golfers are playing on other courses. Several tournaments with outside clubs are planned for this season and the usual home tournaments will soon be in full progress.

Many local golfers have been seen in back yards, drive-ways, on front lawns, and even on verandahs lately, taking vicious swings at inoffensive pieces of light wood, or chunks of mud and the warm weather of the past week or so has driven them to a frenzy by tramping the links once more. They have a wonderful course out there, a beautiful clubhouse, and, all-in-all club to be proud of and one which should furnish them with unlimited recreation and enjoyment.

Small Cars Will Run In Indianapolis Race

Eleven cars have been entered in the international five hundred mile automobile race to be held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway May 30th according to T. E. Meyers, manager of the track.

Six drivers have sent in their entries. They are Tommy Milton, 1921 champion; Cliff Durant, Ralph De Palma, Joe Boyer, Harry Hartz and Eddie Hearne. Milton will drive a car he has built himself. Durant also will pilot one of the four machines he has constructed. De Palma and Boyer will be behind the wheels of two of three cars that are being built on the Pacific coast. Hearne and Hartz will team with Durant.

Louis Chevrolet is completing work here on three speedsters. He has options on eight prominent pilots.

The race this year will be for cars having a piston displacement of not more than 122 cubic inches. The machines in most instances will be single seaters. Each must be provided with a reflector so that the driver may see another car pulling up from behind. They will be smaller in every way than previous contestants. The engines will be smaller than the smallest motors used for commercial or pleasure purposes in this country.

Golf Links Open June 15th.
The Thousand Island Park Golf club course will open June 15th and remain open until September 15th. The Golf club committee named for 1923 include the names of many Syracusans. Among them are: Greens, E. M. Ross, chairman, and O. J. Westfall; house, H. L. Pasage, chairman; finance, E. T. Shepard, chairman; J. F. Green and E. R. Bishop; dock, R. L. Andrews; publicity, F. H. Ebeling, chairman, and H. W. Kreuzberg; entertainment, Miss Ann Leonard; officers, Dr. H. C. Fulmer, president.

Blooded Horses Find Few Buyers.
High cost of upkeep and the general economic depression have put the German market for blooded horses in the doldrums. Eighty animals were registered for sale recently at the close of the annual fashionable horse show in Berlin, but only seven of them found buyers. A stallion offered through the Rhenish-Westphalian Association for Breeding of Cold-Blooded Stock went for 19,500,000 marks (or nearly \$1,000) the highest sale of the auction.

MERCANTILE AND JUNIOR SECTIONS

Discussed at Last Night's Meeting of City Baseball League.

Another very successful meeting of the Kingston Amateur Baseball League was held in the Whig office last night with President James Kane in the chair. The meeting was called especially to deal with junior section matters and those pertaining to the Mercantile branch of the league but some senior section matters were also disposed of.

The minutes of the previous meeting and executive meeting having been adopted a communication was read from T. H. Sargent, offering a trophy for competition in the senior series of the league. The offer was accepted gratefully and a vote of thanks to Mr. Sargent passed. The new cup is a very fine one and has been on display for the past few days.

The Mercantile League matters were discussed at some length. There is a possibility of a five-team league but it will more probably be four. The names of A. Davis & Son, Civil Service, Retailers, Plumbers and Printers were suggested pending consultation with their supporters by the different clubs. A resolution was passed allowing three senior city league players and one senior C.O.B.L. player to participate for one team in a Mercantile League game, providing no battery positions are played by these men. The matter of entries was left open indefinitely.

The junior section's business caused considerable attention. It was decided to affiliate them with the junior O.B.A.A. and when the entries closed four teams were on the list, namely: Hillcrest, Park Nine, Midgets and Circle-Six. A committee composed of the third vice-president, the secretary and a representative from each junior team was appointed to draw up the junior schedule. The matter of grounds was broached but the full policy of the league in this respect has not yet been outlined for publication.

In the senior section a resolution was proposed and passed that no team be allowed more than eighteen players on its roster and that the names of those eighteen men be handed in to the league not later than July first as final.

The secretary reported on several financial matters about which he had made enquiry and it was deemed advisable to wait until nearer the playing season before taking action. The matter of umpires for the junior section was also brought up but will be dealt with by the executive.

Patrick Moran, second vice-president of the league, was introduced to his fellow-members of the executive and to the club representatives. Mr. Moran has for many years been identified with baseball in Kingston and the league looks upon his acceptance of a place on the executive as a great boost and will be aided greatly by his counsel during the coming season.

The meeting was enthusiastic all the way through and things are looking "better and better in every way" as the opening of the schedules draws near.

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Every evening the cricket field is crowded with players of all sizes, ages and descriptions. The good ones and bad ones, the short and tall, the fat and lean, are all out running their fool heads off and enjoying it immensely.

That poet fellow should have written: "Oh, wind, if winter comes, can baseball be far behind?"

The soccerites, too, are showing

signs of life. The Hussars have decided to practise tomorrow afternoon and see what they can call their own for their team. They have a good field from which to draw and should give a good account of themselves.

With such players as Fulton, Cay, Singleton, Partiss, Honeysett, Roach, Elliott, Andrews, Hurst, Fleet, Halsgrove, Carey, Montgomery, Heap, Harrison and Garrity, not to mention dozens of others, kicking around the city, the Hussars should be able to round out a neat eleven.

The junior city baseball players are going to put up a lively session this season and their class of baseball will be something that the seniors must work to keep ahead of.

Hurray for the glorious old Mercantile. In spite of gloom spreaders and knockers it is alive and kicking and going ahead. The fans must not forget that the Mercantile built the foundation for the city League.

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