Green Woods Country Club The First 100 Years



Through the green woods, a golf course is born

A man named Peter Graham of Lakeville came to Winsted one spring day scouting land for, of all things, a golf course. That was his dream, and he found his track for a sixhole course on some pasture off Torringford Street. A lot has happened in the last 100 years. Two world wars, a depression, Rock 'n Roll, Arnie's Army, Television, the Internet and Tiger. But here in the green woods lies this little 10-hole track that to this day remains as good a test of your short game as any course; it's been a home for generations of families. And it's been a great place for youngsters to come of age, to learn the game when that's all it is − and all it has to be.

As golf's popularity grew in the early 1900s, GreenWoods adapted to the changes. The course's first players and caddies have passed on their memories of the original course, and the changes that followed. Here's a glimpse at the course layout hole by hole, old and new:

- 1 Fairway here used to be the 7th green. The 8th green on the old course is now the area near the 1st green. And hammered to the old Maple Tree to the right of the 1st tee was a large sign with caddy rates and orders to replace all divots.
- This used to be the 9th hole. In fact, the ladies' tee markers on 1 used to be the 9th green. There was a long stone wall that stretched across holes 1, 2 and 9. A small opening let players through. You would get a free drop no closer to the hole if you hit your ball into the wall.



First Tee

First president: E.B. Gaylord, Winsted

First vice president: Dr. Elias Pratt, Torrington

First Treasurer, Secretary: George F. Drake, Winsted

Organized: May 1, 1902

- Caddies used to hide behind a stone area to the right of the 3rd hole and watch players hit down. A metal flag rested in the middle of the 3rd fairway as a guide for players to hit into the blind par-3.
- 4 The old fourth green used to be near the current 8th tee.
- The fifth green was back near the current 3rd green. It was a congested area to be sure. "Fore" was more than courtesy; it was a survival tool. GreenWoods cleared room for two new holes in 1932 (the current 4th and 5th). Dan Humphries blasted rocks that filled the woods on 4 to make room for the fairway. Two boys, Frank and Stan Staszowski, then carried leftover stone to the woods at the left and right of the fairway.
- The club bought land from the LaMontange family in 1936 to construct the 6th and 7th. The original design plans for the 6th called for a more difficult dogleg. The green would have sat farther right in the woods. But wetlands issues prevented construction there.
- 7 Likewise, the 7th would have been longer and more of a dogleg. The plans called for the tee to be set down near the current 6th green. Drives would have come out of a "shoot."
- 8 The tee on the 8th was once the home of the 4th green; now it's the GreenWoods' signature hole.
- Always the closing hole, but for years it was the 6th. The old 6th green used to be off to the left of the current 9th green, and much smaller.
- There are only three known courses in the United States with 10 holes. GreenWoods added its 10th in 1980. It became a player's fifth hole on the back nine, or the 14th. It's one of the tougher par 5s: tight down to the final approach. The club built the hole using money from the sale of land that is now part of Route 8.



1903

Seventeen new member applications are submitted in the spring, as golf popularity spreads in the first full year at the club. Twenty club members present a plan on April 5 to build the clubhouse. Ladies, according to the *Winsted Evening Citizen*, will furnish the club. E.E. Benedict is named to design the building. On April 17, members approve \$800 for clubhouse construction. Local builder N.J. Thibault says he will finish by May 1. The clubhouse opens June 13.

1913

Brooklyn's John Spense, who summers at Highland Lake, donates trophies for four tournaments, including the Rexford Cup on August 30 matching Mr. Charles Davis and Mr. Cann.

1916

Dr. Elias Pratt is the only member to vote against a plan to increase dues. The annual men's fee jumps 25 percent to \$10, women's fees to \$6. Members double initiation fees to \$10. By the way, families needed about \$3 a month to pay for milk in 1916. Henry Smith, who played GreenWoods for years, told a newspaper reporter that if he had to choose between a meal and golf, he'd choose golf.

1917

New president Harry Burgess approves a plan to cultivate potatoes on one acre of club-owned land.

1918

Membership continues to rise, up to 150 by spring, according to treasurer John Seaton.

Birdie In Progress: Todd Schaller, 8th Hole

The Greenwoods Country Club.

TOURNAMENT 1911

July 4th, "Graveyard Tournament"

Handicap.
Men and Women.

July 8th. Handicap Tournament

Rexford Cup. First eight to qualify.

Qualifying rounds July 8th. Preliminaries to be finished by
July 14. Semi-finals to be finished by July 21. Finals July 22.

Pratt Cup

First eight to qualify.

Qualifying rounds July 22. Preliminaries to be finished by July 28. Semi-finals to be finished by Aug. 4. Finals Aug. 5.

On same dates second eight will play for a cup.

Aug. 5 & 19. Handicap Golf Ball Tournament

Entrance fee one golf ball.

President's Cup

Qualifying rounds Aug. 12. Preliminaries to be finished by Aug. 18. Semi-finals to be finished by Aug. 25. Finals Aug. 26.

Mixed Foursome

Qualifying rounds Aug. 26. Semi-finals to be finished by Sept. 2. Finals Sept. 9.

July, August, September and October

Ringer Tournaments for Men and Women.

Chapin Cup

Handicap

Qualifying rounds July 8. First four to qualify. Semi-finals to be finished by July 12. Finals July 15.

Vice-Presidents Cup

Handicap

Qualifying rounds Aug. 19. Semi-finals to be finished by Aug. 23. Finals Aug. 26.

All contestants not playing on schedule will be defaulted. No postponements on account of rain.

1920—1930



No ordinary Joe

Joe and Aniela Staszowksi purchased a house on the course's northside in 1920. Joe worked at the American Brass company in Torrington during the week. On Sundays, he helped out a man named Bachman with mowing the green fairways at the local golf course. Bachman was the head groundskeeper and club manager. Joe used his own horse to pull a three-unit mower. The third mower, centered behind the other two, helped keep the fairways short and rolling in those days. He mowed the greens with a push mower.

Joe's work paid off, as he was offered a full-time summer gig. American Brass executive Frank Klein was a GreenWoods' member and let Joe take the summers off to work at the club. Joe learned club manager duties, too, and when Mr. Bachman died, he took over. Two other men—a Mr. Lewis and a Mr. Alcide LaMontagne were hired to work the grounds to help Joe. During the winter, two of Joe's sons, Frank and Stan, would drive their horse and sled to West Hill Pond, cut blocks of ice from the frozen pond, and haul them to GreenWoods to keep the refrigerators cool. Aniela Staszowski had a part in the business, cleaning towels and making sure the members had everything they needed in the clubhouse.

All this time, the course was filling up. The lot was full on weekends, as interest in golf continued to swell into the late 20s. But the course couldn't handle the volume of play. Minutes from board meetings back in the 20s told a tale of major tension among members. Many were agitated about the long waits on certain holes and the fact that it was difficult to complete two matches a day with so many people playing. A group of members who wintered in New York City eventually withdrew their memberships and financed a course down the road. That course is Torrington Country Club. It opened for play in 1929.

A single match has the right-of-way through three and four ball matches

—Sign on Course, circa 1922

1924: By the numbers

\$3,019 Total receipts at GreenWoods from golf dues

\$167 Total sales of golf balls

35 cents For a gallon of Grade A pasteurized milk

First known ace

There wasn't a single hole-in-one recorded at GreenWoods in the first two decades of play. At least none on record. But on the 20th anniversary in 1922, golfer A.W. Burg popped one in on the 149-yard 3rd hole. Burg's feat set off a bit of a tear of aces, as two golfers—F.N. Hesse of Torrington and an unknown player who was visiting from Dallas, Tex.—posted aces two years later.

Tee shank luck

Jiggs Burwell, who owned a local lumber company in Winsted, whistled his tee shot left on the par-3 third one day back in the 1920s. The ball took dead aim at a telephone pole across Torringford Street. It riccoched off the pole, bounced high off the hard road and, wouldn't you know, the ball rolled down and into the cup.





addyshack's producers just wish they had thought of this storyline. It was the 1920s, and golf was growing in popularity. One afternoon, GreenWoods' William Brunson blazed his tee shot on the 6th (the current 9th) out to the current 150-yard marker. As Brunson and his group approached their drives, someone hollared fore from the second fairway. Everyone ducked, turning back toward the 6th tee for cover. But no one heard the ball land. The wayward-hitting player soon approached looking for his shank. "Did you happen to see it?" he asked Brunson's foursome.

No one knew. The player was shocked and he confronted Brunson's caddy: "Did you take the ball son?"

"No sir," the caddy said. But the player, angered over losing a ball in open space, didn't believe him. You see, balls we're hard to come by in the 1920s. Young caddies needed them for their Monday rounds. Others sold the balls they found to course members. It was a lucrative business for some. The caddy stuck to his story. And so the player, unhappy that he would have to take a penalty for a lost ball, huffed off.

Time passed and Brunson and the group finished their round. Afterwards, Brunson was looking to pay his caddy the standard 50 cents, plus a tip. He reached into his pocket to look for change and to take out his golf balls. You always knew a Brunson ball, because it had a special logo on it: his initials, 'WDB.' He pulled out two with WDB on them, and then another from his left pants pocket, but this one wasn't his. Turns out it was the ball that the player was looking for. Sucker had flown into his pocket!

Players wore baggy pants in those days so it's somewhat conceivable that the ball snuck in without Brunson feeling anything. Brunson gave the caddy the evidence. The caddy will never forget the story. The caddy's name is Stan Staszowski.



Post depression and WWII years

I'll meet you at the course. That didn't happen at GreenWoods in the early days. Groups would arrive together in foursomes for matches. Carpooling was ahead of its time. Rarely would there be a single. Said one member: "You always knew how many foursomes were on the course at any given time by the number of cars in the lot."

Mrs. Ellsworth Frazee of Holabrid Avenue posted an impressive 80 on April 29, 1938 after a pair of 40s. Mrs. C. E. Selover witnessed the great play, one of the best rounds that year. Four years earlier, Highland Lake's Delight Tolles set the 80 mark with a 37-43 in a match with Mary Bellini July 17, 1934. But a guest from Pittsburgh had the best score in this decade with 76.

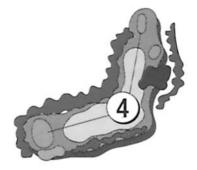
Legend has it that a lefty came to the tee on 3 in the last 30s and told his playing partner, "I'm going to hit this one with gusto and precision." Well, he sure as heck hit it with gusto; the precision was a bit off, though, as the ball tweetered through the windshield of car driving along the road. No one got hurt, except the golfer's ego.

The Staszowski boys carried on their dad's tradition after patriarch Joe died unexpectedly in 1936. Stan Staszowski officially began his tenure as head pro, club manager and greenskeeper that year. Five years later, he was drafted into the service.

During the war years, his brother, Frank, took over. He was famous for his meatloaf sandwiches and smacking the greens with a bamboo stick to remove the early morning dew. One morning, he allegedly whipped the bamboo so hard it accidentally knocked a golfer's ball into the cup.

Ball found in any wheeltrack may be lifted without penalty

> —Sign on Course, circa 1925



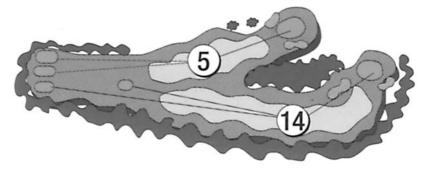
Great Caddy Strike of 1945

I t wasn't uncommon for 40 caddies to get a loop on a given Saturday in the early years here. In the post-war era of the 1940s, there were fewer caddies, as carts drove on the scene. But even with demand dipping, the caddies asked for a 15 cent raise in rates. They wanted 75 cents. Members wouldn't budge. So on a Saturday morning tournament in 1945, they went on strike. Legend has it that *Hartford Courant* writer Owen Canfield orchestrated the walkout. The caddies gave in that afternoon, but the membership met their demands anyway. Shrewd businessmen, those caddies.

Canfield, who started caddying at age 11 with his younger brother Matt, discovered "The Course" as he called it while traipsing through the woods looking for golf balls to sell to players. "Our father encouraged us to caddy," Canfield wrote. "It was a time when caddying was a young man's art. We were skilled at our jobs and proud of it. We were able to keep up with the men even when they were 'making the lumber fly.' We marked errant shots by a tree or bush and could usually walk right to the ball when a wild-man cracked one out of bounds."

It was common back then to carry two bags at once, and no one complained about that. That's where the money was. The fee for an 18-hole loop was \$1, but a 50 cent tip was guaranteed if you caught good tippers like Jiggs Burwell, Mr. Gaylord, Mr. Griffin, Charlie Kammameyer, Dick Hall, Eddie Morin, Doc Sadoty, and Howard Buckley. "We tried to avoid the quarter tippers," Canfield recalls. "A quarter or dime and a soda at the turn didn't cut the mustard. On weekdays, when we were scattered around the woods looking for balls, Stan Staszowski would summon us by hammering a water pipe. The pounding noise would reverberate all the way to the 6th."

Excerpts from an Owen Canfield memoir





Trevino Owes GreenWoods a Trophy

It was 1938 when a lovely woman golfer came to the pro shop to return a complete set of Helen Hicks irons. Hicks was a popular pro in the 1920s and 1930s. The woman was getting on in age and decided to give up the game. "They've given me everything. I'm ready to let someone else enjoy them."

So she gave her clubs to GreenWoods.

Stan Staszowski, the pro, stored the Hicks set in the pro shop. They sat there for years. No one touched them, except for the occasional dusting. Then one day years later, professional Lee Trevino was in town and he came to the course during a stop in Connecticut. He was puttering around and saw the old Hicks irons in the pro shop. He pulled out the wedge and went out to the ninth green to hit a few.

He must have liked it. Because when he came back in, he told everyone that Stan was about to lose a golf club. Trevino offered to pay, but Stan insisted he take it as a gift.

What a gift—Trevino went on to win the British Open with that club. He made a number of key up and downs with the old Hicks wedge. He even talked about his lucky club during a post-tournament TV interview. But he never mentioned GreenWoods, nor that woman who was kind enough to share her irons.

1955 Green Woods Country Club DATE Hole Yards Par Hnd 1957 4 484 178 15 4 4 5 440 4 1 6 4 8 9 Out 3004 35 10 18 4 12 In 3004 35 Out 3004 35 Ttl 6008 70 NET SCORE SCORER

Greenskeepers earned their pay and then some this year as the ole' course took a beating with the floods. But play went on anyway after some major work to flush out the water on certain holes.

Mrs. Fetzer won low net with a 34 in the opening Calloway match. Mrs. Ohotnicky had a smashing 44 to take low gross. But the outerwear, not the golf, was the main attraction on June 14. Cars on Torringford Street slowed down to catch a glimpse of the lady players. Emily Pillarella won top laughs for wearing a clown costume. Dot Tanner was a baseball catcher, winning the prize for the most difficult costume in which to play golf. Vivian Leshay won low net on this day. Esther Olsen chipped in on the first playoff hole to beat Louise Gimm 1-up for the Top Flight championship on July 27 in the ladies' handicap tournament. In defiance of the heat and threatening storm, Mary Guerrini and Shirley Pagarulo took low net and Babe Ohotnicky and Gail Morgan low gross in a member-member.

Two players using one set of clubs must give way to groups with individual sets

—Sign on Course, circa 1950

1958

Despite a slightly injured hand, Jim Dante played through pain to team with John Kucera for the men's scotch twosome title. The pair shot a scorching 62. Kucera, one of the longest hitters, actually used Dante's drives on most of the holes. It was July 2 and Shirley Pagarulo pulled her 3-wood out of the bag on the 157-yard 8th. She was playing well, but admittedly had no visions of a hole-in-one, as fellow member Emily Pillarella had aced the hole three days earlier. But things happen in threes, so Pagarulo popped a perfect shot down to the hole and in the cup. Anne Healy and Janet Staszowski had 14 putts in a 9-hole putting contest in August. Club pro Stan Staszowski cooked steaks for the 30 competitors in a post-match celebratory cookout.

1959

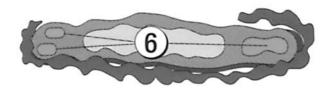
Dolly and Ernest Eisenlohr won the Ma and Pa scotch twosome on September 5, firing a happily-married-like 85 for low gross. Twenty couples played in the event.

1968

Shotgun starts were common here on tourney days. On one Saturday, the groups dispersed to their assigned holes and club pro Stan Staszowski set up the double barrel shotgun behind the clubhouse. He fired it at about 9 a.m. and out of nowhere a dead chicken came plunging down from the sky. Or at least that's how it looked to Stan. "Some joker really got Stan good on that one," says member George Fenn of Smith Hill.

1974

Sixteen new applications were approved in the spring, according to a report April 4 from secretary Bob McCarthy. That brought the total membership to 231. Greens fees continued to climb to \$7 this year for 18 holes on the weekends or holidays. Non-members who participated in 9-hole tournaments paid \$3.50.



Classic finish at '59 pro-member tourney

arlier that summer, some 300 fans traipsed to GreenWoods from Winsted, Torrington and towns across Connecticut to watch 15 teams compete in a thrilling pro-member tournament. In an effort to stimulate golf in the area, GreenWoods held pro-member events the first week in June in the 50s and 60s. Spectators would come from all over to see their pros play, including New Haven, Hartford, Massachusetts, and many of the clubs like Tumblebrook and Shuttlemeadow.

Entering pros were paid a \$15 appearance fee. Tiger gets \$1 million today. In the '59 classic, Staszowski teamed with members William Palozie, Paul Julian and Dr. Sidoti for a best-ball 59 through 17 holes. On the final hole, Staszowski's team needed a birdie-3 for the win over Connecticut pro Alex Hackney and members Earl Griffin, Buster Mercier and W. Vernon Davey. The crowd was anxious and the players tense. Staszowski put his second shot over the rear portion of the green into a gully. "He was cool as he read that green and analyzed that shot; you could tell he was trying to hole it," remembers young caddy Nick Bell of Canton. Bell says Staszowski chipped the ball to about 6-feet short. The ball rolled methodically forward and hit the pin, but it didn't drop; it bounced back cruelly, resting just inches short. Maybe it was Stan's way of being a good host.

Great Matches

40-hole final

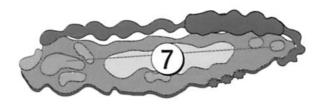
I t was an epic event: Dolly Eisenlohr faced off against Vicky Morrow in the finals of the 1972 ladies' championship. Maybe one of the best ever in the course's 100-plus years, according to long-time members. The competitor's played 40 grueling holes, the last four part of a sudden-death playoff. Eisenlohr snuck it out with a buzzing gallery looking on.

David vs. Goliath

Addy Bianchi isn't afraid to admit that she probably would have won on any other day. It was the finals of the GreenWoods' Cup, a handicap event for the ladies that gives everyone a chance to compete. The event had history, dating back to the club's beginnings in 1903. Bianchi, one of the top golfers at the club, had won the event before, but there was a special kind of David versus Goliath feeling on this championship day. Lori Bailey, still a cub by golf standards, had a tall feat to upend Bianchi. The former champ had posted an unofficial course record 68 at one point in her career. So there they were on the first tee: Bailey, all of 23, and Bianchi, a veteran champ in her 40s.

"Lori had a 7 on the first hole," Bianchi recalls. "I told to her to calm down, to 'chill out."

Chill Lori did. She shot the round of her life, a respectable 90. And in this tournament, that was a shot better than Bianchi's 18-hole 71. "It's funny really," Canton's Bianchi still laughs of the match. "You give her 20 strokes and shoot even par and, wouldn't you know it, you lose by one. She had one of those days."



Only at GreenWoods

Birdie run

The bedtime story legend about the tortoise and the hare may have competition. Did you hear the one about the wild turkey that chased the golfer across the 4th green? Oh, wait, that really happened. Legend has it Steve Magyar never moved so quickly.

How 'bout dem apples

n the old course, Ted Vaill once hit his drive on the 9th (now the 2nd). It headed right for one of the old apple trees that used to line the fairway. Vaill's ball never came down, though. After a short search, someone in his foursome spotted it stuck in a limb. "It looked like a popsicle," one player said. The group teased Vaill to climb the tree and hit the ball, but he took a drop instead.

Bee not afraid

Jack Pasko drove his ball in the right woods on the 7th once, but when he was in looking for his ball he encountered a ground nest of bees. The bees flew up his shorts like dust bunnies sucked into a vacuum. Jack had only one choice; he ripped off his shorts and ran like crazy. Only thing, he wasn't wearing his boxers that day. So he hoofed his bear behind up the 7th fairway. Word has it that the shack girl blushed.

Surrender

O omeone's underpants were hanging from the 2nd hole flagstick after a mixed golf tournament in the 1990s. Elaine Truskoski denied a rumor that the undergarment was hers. Others say the garment was a sign that the golfers had surrendered.

Ball can be moved a mashie club's length from stone wall without penalty.

Where's the divot?

Two young ladies walked into the clubhouse one day and signed up to play a round. Both were newcomers to GreenWoods, so the pro showed some old fashioned hospitality by escorting the twosome to the first tee. The pro, Stan Staszowski, gave them directions about where to hit and the girls thanked him. And as he walked away, one of them asked about the sign by the tee marker that read, "Please replace your divots!" Perplexed, the girl turned to Stan and asked: "So where will we find them?" Only in golf.

Speechless: Pro Dave Dell, at his 10th anniversary party

Mud shot.

The late Tony Roscello got what he asked for one time playing the 8th.

It was an evening foursome event in the 1980s and Tony's group came to the tee in good shape. Heck, the group's top golfer, Addy Bianchi, was keeping the team in play. But in scramble formats, the foursome must use each player's drive at least once. Tony hit a squirrley iron on 8 that fluttered down in the confines of the water hazard. The ball sat on a bed of black mud. But rules are rules, and with just the 9th to play, the foursome decided to use Tony's shot.

Bianchi told Tony to hit the ball like he would a sand shot, hitting a few inches or so behind the ball. Tony did his best, but his shot barely made it to the bank of the water. Addy hit next and slipped a wedge to three-feet, but that wasn't her present. "I got covered in mud."

"Now I'll try," Rena Gotti said as she placed her ball on the filthy mud. She took a nice swing, the group remembers, but no one seems to recall where her ball landed. They were too mesmerized by the collection of mud that flooded Gotti, her clothes, face, hair, even her nose. The group's fourth member, Al Vannini, would have hit last, but chose to pass. "I'm not getting dirty for nobody," Vannini said. Such is golf: Often cruel, occasionally funny.

Ladies' Champions

1934	D. Tolles	1967	M. Dante	1986	A. Bianchi
1935	M. Bellini	1968	V. Morrow	1987	A. Bianchi
1936	M. Herrman	1969	A. Bianchi	1988	A. Bianchi
1937	H. Frazee	1970	A. Bianchi	1989	K. Ritchie
1938	H. Frazee	1971	P. Morris	1990	C. Rubino
1939	L. Gimm	1972	D. Eisenlohr	1991	A. Bianchi
1940	K. Stone	1973	G. Huckel	1992	A. Bianchi
1941-55	No championships	1974	G. Huckel	1993	A. Bianchi
1956	E. Olsen	1975	M. Staszowski	1994	A. Bianchi
1957	E. Olsen	1976	M. Staszowski	1995	A. Bianchi
1958	G. Morgan	1977	M. Staszowski	1996	K. Ritchie
1959	G. Morgan	1978	D. Zampini	1997	K. Ritchie
1960	M. Dante	1979	M. Staszowski	1998	K. Ritchie
1961	D. Armstrong	1980	M. Staszowski	1999	K. Ritchie
1962	D. Armstrong	1981	M. Vaccari	2000	K. Ritchie
1963	D. Armstrong	1982	M. Vaccari	2001	K. Ritchie
1964	D. Armstrong	1983	M. Vaccari	2002	No championship
1965	M. Dante	1984	D. Zampini		
1966	D. Armstrong	1985	C. Rubino		

Men's Champions

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1931	W. Latimer	1959	J. Burinskas	1984	J. Staszowski
1932	F. Latimer	1960	J. Kay	1985	J. Staszowski
1933	F. H. Baldwin	1961	H. Buckley	1986	B. Gage
1934	H. Card	1962	J. Kay	1987	B. Gage
1935	H. Card	1963	D. Audia	1988	C. Golarz
1936	A. P. Griffin	1964	D. Audia	1989	B. Gage
1937	F. Staszowski	1965	D. Audia	1990	B. Burgess
1938	H. Card	1966	H. Buckley	1991	J. Brown
1939	P. Newton	1967	A. Dilaurenzio	1992	G. Leone
1940	J. Pasko	1968	J. Burinskas	1993	G. Leone
1941-	44 No championships	1969	J. Burinskas	1994	M. Mathiasen
1945	J. Pasko	1970	G. Phelan	1995	J. Brown
1946	J. Pasko	1971	J. Burinskas	1996	M. Vaccari
1947	J. Pasko	1972	A. Bordonaro	1997	B. Burgess
1948	G. Osterhaudt	1973	J. Burinskas	1998	B. Burgess
1949	E. Samplinski	1974	C. Golarz	1999	B. Burgess
1950	R. Griffin	1975	J. Staszowski	2000	B. Burgess
1951	R. Griffin	1976	J. Staszowski	2001	J. Svetz
1952	P. Gorecki	1977	J. Staszowski	2002	J. Svetz
1953	R. Griffin	1978	J. Staszowski		
1954	H. Buckley	1979	J. Staszowski		-

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1955

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M. Canfield

J. Staszowski

E. Holten

M. Canfield

Club Presidents

Early Years

1902-1903	William Phelps
1903-1906	E.B. Gaylord
1906-1909	C.H. Alvord
1909-1910	Elias Pratt
1910-1911	Ralph Holmes
1911-1912	Charles Parker
1912-1914	D.L. Vaill
1914-1915	W.W. Bierce
1915-1917	G.E. Hammann
1917-1918	Harry Burgess
1918-1919	Joseph Scoville
1920-1921	D.F. Hildreth

Mid Century

1921-1935	No record
1935-1937	Wesley Winslow
1937-1939	Fred Latimer
1939-1941	Robert Gaylord
1941-1945	William Egnor
1945-1947	Morris Fitzgerald
1947-1949	Cleyton Smith
1949-1951	Louis Basquin
1951-1953	Bert Mitchell
1953-1956	Charles Patterson
1956-1958	Eugene Holten
1958-1961	George Columbie
1958-1961 1961-1963	George Columbie Harry Garbus

Course records

Low round on old course: 58, **Stan Staszowski**

Low round on current track: 63, **Bobby Gage**

Low women's round: 71, **Dolly Armstrong**

Modern Day

1966-1968	Richard Heneage
1968-1971	Robert McCarthy
1971-1973	Donald Daly
1973-1975	Frank Serback
1975-1977	Dom Audia
1977-1979	Ted Giansiracusa
1979-1981	Joseph Barber
1981-1983	Charles Fecto
1983-1985	Steve Magyar
1985-1987	Fred Silano
1987-1989	Kenneth Pratt
1989-1991	John Gelormino
1991-1993	Richard Birge
1993-1996	Dennis Hogan
1996-1999	Gerry Maguire
1999-2001	Joseph Quartiero
2001-2003	Anthony Salius

Top players, visitors never forget GreenWoods

Billy Maxwell, amateur

Matt Canfield, amateur

Tommy Armour, who Stan called his second Dad

Bobby Gage, a PGA and Nike Tour player who won the PGA school qualifying event in October 2002

John Wylie, led Texas A&M to collegiate golf championship

George Lilley, Connecticut's governor in 1909

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