

During the past weekend half-a-dozen plus of the Rossland Legion members travelled to New Denver where our Legion Zone Golf tournament was being held this year. The weather was ideal all day and the course was in fine shape. We had a fine supper (an excellent cold plate) and ate in the open with refreshments on the side. It was indeed a fine weekend outing. Arnie Sherwood, Jon Holm, Rob Harasin and Bart Dudley played in one foursome and I was an odd ball so I had to play in the following group. It so happened that I've known all my partners for some time and played a number of different games with them. Take George Beaudry, for in-stance, I've played poker with him, curled with him and various other activities, but this was my first golf game with him. Then there was Mike Verzuh. With him I have curled more than once and Jimmy Moore of Castlegar with whom I have had a number of memorable visits over the past few years. As I said before, the course was good, company great and I had a great time, but the storm we came through coming down the valley was a dandy.

Winners in the ladies, low gross was Vi Turner of Salmo with 98, while low net went to Joan Boutilier along with the Calloway best score of 71. Judy Brown won the hidden hole and was runner-up in the Calloway. Pat Secco won the long drive the Kathy Tucker the hardest worker prize.

Among the men it was Larry Ferguson of Nakusp who took home the trophy with an 81. Gary McPherson and Al McAulay of Trail had a shootout for the rvnner-up spot, which McAulay won and the winner of the Calloway was Jim Moore, while Sam Browne came second. Sam also took the hidden hole, while Rossland's Bob Harasin won the long drive with a monster of 300 plus yards and Norm Blais of Castlegar was the hardest worker.

Let's hope our gang can win that Kootenay trophy on August 9 in Creston.

This week's retirees at the upper course saw some 44 golfers out and true to his word Sammy Martin had bingo, bango, bongo, low net, hidden holes, high and low and the longest putt on number nine. When all the cards were in the winners in the BBB were Wilf Woodhouse and Bruce McNichol tied with 12 points each, the low net was won by Gil Page with a 32 and the longest putt on number nine was taken by Jim McDicken, with a neat 20-footer. The hidden holes high was won by Gil Laycock with an 11 on number one, while Rich Watkinson and John Piva were tied with fours on number four. Watkinson won the draw to earn the ball.

Next week Watkinson and Percy Cutler will be in charge and will play the blue tees, it will be Honey Pot with any six clubs of your choice. The categories are low gross, a hidden high hole and closest to the pin on number three and after three strokes on number nine.

Switching from golf to another sport for a moment, I would like to pass along an item of interest to all Rosslanders, passed to me by Bob Moffat. For the first time ever, there will be a Rossland boy playing for the Trail Little League team when they enter the district playdowns this time around. This is indeed welcome news.

Bob tells me that they incorporated Rossland into their area the past couple of years and Jason Westbury is the first-ever Rossland boy to make the team. Good work, Jason and thanks Bob. So, till next time, then!