

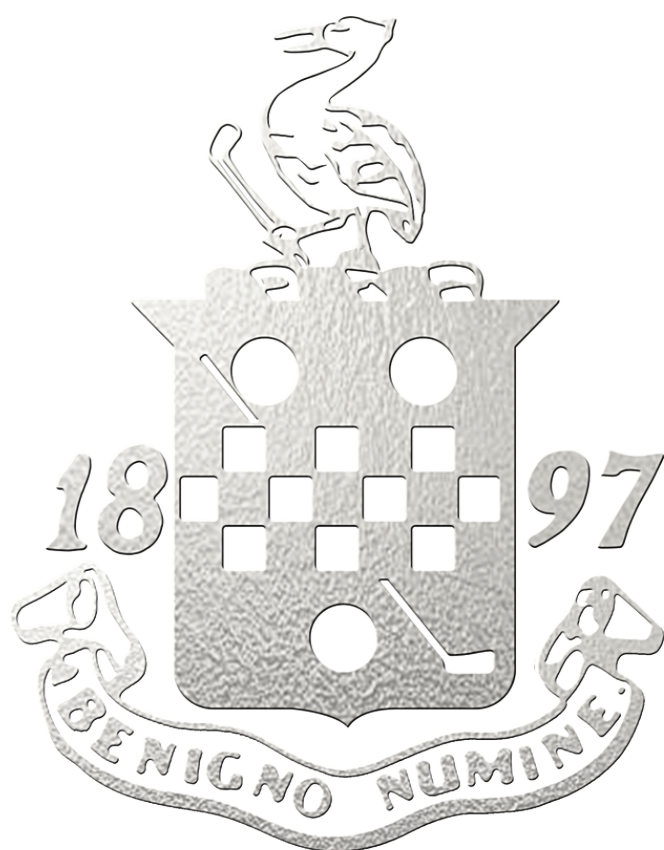


Experience Pittsfield

An historic treasure;

in the heart of the Berkshires...





Welcome



Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Country Club of Pittsfield! We pride ourselves on maintaining over 120 years of history and tradition. Although times have changed, the Club remains focused on the same objectives as it did when it first began; to provide the finest activities and social events to its members, their families and friends. Our Country Club allows our members the ability to share their social and recreational interests in a casual and private setting, which transpires into the development of ongoing relationships with other members and staff.

The CC of P gives you the opportunity to become a part of a long standing history of Berkshire County. We are the only year-round full service club in the Berkshires. Your decision to join the Country Club of Pittsfield may be inspired by our sporting and social offerings, but it will be validated each year by the relationships forged with other members and our dedicated staff. We look forward to welcoming you to our special place in the Berkshires.

Melissa Aitken

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Chief Executive Officer



Our History



The beginnings of the Country Club of Pittsfield date back to 1897 when a group of local men and women decided to become familiar with the game of golf. They rented land for the construction of a nine-hole course in a quadrangle bordered by Dawes Avenue, Holmes Road, William Street and Arlington Street. Two years later, they made plans to purchase the estate of Sarah Morewood, a 230 acre tract including a mansion known as "Broad Hall" and on August 24, 1900, the Country Club of Pittsfield was chartered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The mansion had been built in 1785 by one Henry Van Schaack of Kinderhook, NY and the main part of the present clubhouse is that original structure. At one time a noted hotel, the Broad Hall mansion was later owned by Thomas Melville, uncle of Herman Melville (author of Moby Dick et al). At various times in its history, Broad Hall had as guests President John Tyler, General Lafayette, Chief Justice Shaw and such literary giants as Henry W. Longfellow, Nathaniel Hawthorne and Oliver Wendell Holmes. In the 1850's it was a stopover on the "underground railroad". The first golf course was nine holes and measured 3,240 yards. Two tennis courts were situated just north of the clubhouse where the first tee and putting green are located today. A new course of eighteen holes was designed in 1917 by the justly famous golf course architect, Donald J. Ross and this is more or less the course we play today. Many of golf's Hall of Fame names have been associated with the Country Club of Pittsfield, including Willie Anderson, winner of the U.S. Open four times and once our Club Pro, Bobby Jones, Gene Sarazan, Julius Boros, Bob Toski, Lawson Little and Jack Kirkwood to name a few. The founder's purpose was to "establish and maintain a house and grounds in the City of Pittsfield for social meetings and to encourage athletic exercise". To this end, the club presently has facilities for golf, tennis, paddle tennis, pickleball, swimming, boating, fishing, sledding, tobogganing and cross-country skiing in addition to the main dining room, a ballroom and general meeting rooms. From the beginning, the Country Club of Pittsfield has been a "family club" and today supports and encourages golf, tennis and swimming programs for juniors.

Treasured Golf



The Club's lush, rolling par-71, 18-hole course will challenge your skill and delight your eye. The golf course was designed in 1915 by the legendary Donald J. Ross. In 1931, the course was remodeled by Wayne Stiles. The firm of Stiles and Van Kleeck were noted as the prolific golf course architects of their time. This is the beautiful course that we enjoy today. From the tips, the course plays a long 6400 yards while the Men's, Ladies, Seniors and now the US Kids Golf tees offer the appropriate challenge to players of all skills and ages. The golf course takes on the personality of the Berkshires. The wide variety of terrain, trees, flora and fauna deliver spectacular views and something new every time you play whether it's twenty rounds per year or a hundred. Head PGA Professional Eric Mabee, joined the Country Club in 2015. With a new focus on service and upscale amenities, Eric and his staff have elevated the Country Club's standing in the great Berkshire golf community. Eric joins us from McArthur Golf Club and most recently Oak Hill Country Club where he was trained by world renowned, Craig W. Harmon.

Eric is a young energetic professional priding himself on member services, world-class golf instruction and tournament operations. In Eric's first five years at the Club, his Golf Shop has been awarded Northeastern New York PGA's Merchandiser of the Year twice (2016, 2018) and Teacher of the Year in 2019. Eric offers many instructional options for those who want to improve their golfing ability. A comprehensive teaching program can be experienced individually, or in groups as well as through an active Kids Program. The staff is eager to help members and their guests with any of their requests. Our practice facilities are unmatched in Berkshire County and now include a full TurfHound tee line, short game facility and a two-tiered putting green. You will find Eric teaching at the corner of the range most days and a membership that loves to play the game. The golf membership is a friendly, inclusive group. Tee Times are employed to control play but finding a game is as easy as coming out on the spur of the moment or talking to the staff to find you a game.

The tournament programs (Men's, Ladies and Juniors), which are member driven and enthusiastically supported by the Professional Staff, affords opportunity to meet new golf partners and play exciting new formats including organized leagues. The Country Club of Pittsfield and other local Clubs have a long-standing relationship (Allied Association) that provide alternatives for play during events and the Tournament programs are designed to be as unobtrusive as possible, fostering ease of play and course availability for all members. Regular events for guests, along with a well-designed guest policy, make our Club a real treat for your out of town guests or business clients. The Country Club of Pittsfield golf experience is one that can be treasured by the experienced Professional or the occasional weekend player. Just enjoying the great outdoors at CCOP can instantly relieve all that tension that we all experience in our lives.

Dining



We are a year-round private country club that is open for the membership to dine for lunch and dinner. In the height of our season we are open for lunch from 11:30am - 2:30pm from Tuesday - Sunday. We are also open for dinner from 6:00pm - 9:00pm Tuesday - Saturday. If you happen to be coming off the course or driving by during the afternoon, we have a wonderful bar menu to satisfy your needs beginning at 2:30pm. We also offer a snackbar that is open seven days a week from 10:00 am - 4:00pm. Our menu offerings range from sandwiches and salads to formal entree items and everything in between. We truly have options for everyone. We are happy to accommodate all allergies or dietary restrictions. Our Executive Chef has been creating pleasing menus for every palette since 1987. During our fall/winter season, our dining hours vary and our menus seasonally change.



Social Events



Our social events throughout the season offer something for everyone. All of our events encourage member interaction and help families as well as individuals forge long-term relationships throughout the community. From our popular Opening Season Cocktail Party, Clambakes and Sunday Night BBQ's to our family-oriented events like Santa's Brunch, Easter Brunch and Halloween Family Night, the Country Club of Pittsfield has become a source of entertainment and camaraderie in what many consider to be their home away from home. The Club continues to provide new and exciting events each year which has helped to bolster a rich social nightlife with Cabaret performances from some of NYC's favorites and popular comedians and actors.





The Morewood Lake is the perfect destination for your summertime oasis. Whether you want to swim, kayak, paddle board, sit by the fire or to simply relax, the Lake offers something for everyone. With new new adirondack furniture and a covered picnic area, there is room for all. Our lifeguards are on duty seven days a week from 10:00am - 6:00pm and offer swimming lessons and safety for children using the lake. BRAND NEW bathrooms and a changing area are available for your use during Lake hours. Members are encouraged to bring a guest to showcase all that our Lake has to offer!

“ A lake is the landscape's most beautiful and expressive feature. It is earth's eye; looking into which the beholder measures the depth of his own nature. ”

~ Henry David Thoreau





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Winter; a lingering season, is a time to embark upon a sentimental journey, and enjoy every idle hour.

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~ John Boswell





Racquet

Today, the tennis program at the Country Club of Pittsfield works to continue traditions of the past, while implementing a wide-range of new and exciting programming. The club offers five well-groomed Har-Tru courts, a fully stocked Pro Shop and strives for personal service.

The tennis staff is lead by Tennis Director and Head Pro Melissa Alexicko. Melissa is originally from Dayton, Ohio, where she was the head coach of Sinclair Community College men and women's tennis teams from 2003-2006. During her coaching career, she led 3 teams to NJCAA Championships. Previously, she was the men and women's assistant coach for Wright State University. Melissa has taught tennis at The International Polo Club and The Wanderers Club in Wellington, FL. She has also taught at many clubs throughout Ohio, as well as teaching and organizing programs for under-privileged youth in the Dayton area. Melissa enjoys teaching tennis players of all ages and strives for her programs to be member-oriented.

There is a wide-range of tennis programs available at the Club. The Junior Tennis Program is an eight-week long program that runs from late June through the end of August. The children are taught basic skills, game concepts and an overall love of the game. Adult programs include beginning tennis, cardio tennis, men's and ladies tennis leagues and a growing pickleball league. There are also many opportunities to participate in social doubles, member-guests and interclub matches. In early 2020, four brand new pickleball courts were installed and it has quickly become one of the most sought after amenities at the club!

Playing the lifelong sport of tennis at the Country Club of Pittsfield is a wonderful way to stay in shape, have fun with friends and family and meet other members. From novice players, to those who love to compete in leagues, the Country Club of Pittsfield's tennis facilities are sure to bring added enjoyment to all.





Juniors

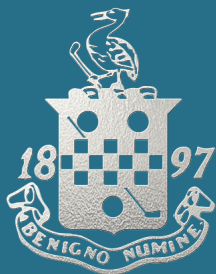


Our Junior program at the Country Club of Pittsfield has and continues to be one of our most cherished past times. The program is vastly growing and continues to build on the Club's mission. We believe in the importance of creating a vibrant youth program that focuses on social interaction and healthy exercise all while learning unique skill-sets from our talented team of industry professionals.

Our two-week summer program offers kids the opportunity to meet new faces, to fall in love with the outdoors and the love of sports and to develop friendships that will last a lifetime. The program includes learning the game of golf in a fun setting, playing tennis on our courts and finishing the day swimming in our beautiful lake.

Kids enjoy coming back to the program year after year to see their friends and to continue to work on skills they've developed throughout the year. Many fall in love with the game of golf and tennis, something we hope to encourage. We enjoy seeing our youth grow and develop into young adults and join the Club as adults to bring this community full-circle.





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