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Assistant National Coach Robert Ratcliffe at Crown Isle

Drawing on a wealth of experience gained playing and coaching golf all over the world, Robert has established himself as a leader in golf instruction in Canada. Recently appointed as Assistant National Coach by the RCGA to the Canadian National Women's Team, Robert specializes in the mental skills of the game, and takes pride in offering programs to his students that deliver real results. From his original home in South Africa, where Robert discovered a love for the game, his career has taken him to England where he earned his PGA qualifications studying under European Tour Coach Mark Gregson-Walters. During



this time, Robert also spent several years playing on various professionals tours, most notably the European MasterCard Tour. In 2001 Robert moved to Canada and joined the Canadian PGA. He has since made his home at the Crown Isle Resort where he offers a wide variety of instructional programs and services.

- Highlights**
- RCGA Assistant National Coach
 - Canadian PGA Class 'A' Professional
 - British PGA Class 'A' Professional
 - Provincial Coach - Alberta Golf 2004-2006
 - Head Teaching Professional - RedTail Landing Golf Club
 - Sports Psychology Diploma - Newcastle University
 - Head Coach - University of Alberta Golf Team 2004-2006
 - Touring Professional - 1997-2000



Feature Home

This Benco home is located on Suffolk Drive. This elegant Craftsman-style home is in keeping with Benco's overall theme in Crown Isle. At slightly over 2,800 sq. ft. this five bedroom family home was custom designed for the present owners.



selections from the timber room menu

appetizers

HOUSE SMOKED FANNY BAY OYSTERS \$11
Three large plump oysters, demerera cured, chantilly cream

ZARTAR GRILLED FLATBREAD & DIPS \$10
Warmed pita served with hummus, Eleni's award-winning olive tapanade from Greece, Rosemary feta cream

DIM SUM \$12
Steamed and fried shrimp-pork dumplings with spring rolls. Sweet chili dip

CADDY MAKI \$12
Tempura sushi roll with spicy tuna

soups & salads

CLASSIC BAKED FRENCH ONION \$7
Classic baked onion soup with Gruyère cheese

DAILY QUICHE \$11
Organic greens with white balsamic dressing
Available until 4 pm

BOB COBB SALAD \$12
Butter leaf, romain, avocado, tomatoes, chicken breast, hard-boiled egg, chives, Danish blue cheese and creamy French dressing topped with crispy bacon bits

brunch

THE CROWN BREAKFAST \$10
Two free-range eggs any style, bacon, grilled sausage, potato, grilled tomato & toasted sourdough or multigrain bread

HUEVOS RANCHEROS \$10
Scrambled free-range eggs, refried beans, grilled chipotle tortilla, salsa & potato

STRAWBERRY AND BRIE STUFFED FRENCH TOAST \$12
Warm maple cream cheese syrup

burgers & sandwiches

CORNMEAL CRUSTED FANNY BAY OYSTERS \$12
Served with basil and parmesan dressing, and provolone cheese

SIGNATURE CROWN CLUB \$12
Chicken breast, maple peppered bacon, avocado, vine-ripened tomato, lettuce, smoked mozzarella and red pepper mayonnaise, served on foccacia

THAI CHICKEN WRAP \$10
Julienne of chicken, Asian spiced noodles and fresh vegetables in a curry tortilla

GEORGIA STRAIGHT CLUB \$12
Sockeye lox, crab and shrimp, herbed cream cheese, red onion, avocado and leaf lettuce
Served on custom sourdough

MONTREAL-STYLE CORNED BEEF SANDWICH \$12
Thinly sliced cured beef & Swiss on grilled light rye with caramelized onion, gerkin mayonnaise and sauerkraut

Add on caesar salad or sweet potato fries \$1

comox valley favorites

SAINT PATTY'S PIE \$14
Traditional (pork, veal and beef) baked meatloaf, stout, mashed potato, rich gravy and ratatouille vegetables

ISLAND OF CRETE \$16
Grilled chicken souvlaki with rice, tzatziki, pita & hummus

SLOW BRAISED BBQ PORK SHANK \$17
Bourbon and chipotle BBQ pork leg with mashed potatoes & corn bread



A Note From The Superintendent

Crown Isle Adopts Environmental Program

The focus of the golf course maintenance program at Crown Isle is to provide our members and guests with the best playing conditions possible. This is achieved through the manicuring of the greens, tees and fairways. An environmentally sound approach to achieving our desired conditioning is equally important. Appropriate cultural and integrated pest management programs, water quality management and wildlife habitat conservation must take place while still meeting expectations for playability and aesthetics. With this in mind, we have recently decided to get involved in an exciting environmental improvement program for our golf course.



The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program (ACSP) provides information, guidance and support to help golf courses conduct pro-active environmental projects that benefit people and the environment. At Crown Isle, we have many sound environmental practices in place already and this program will help us expand upon these.

The program addresses five key environmental quality areas: Wildlife and Habitat Management; Chemical Use Safety and Reduction; Water Conservation; Water Quality Management; and Outreach and

Education. Our first step is Environmental Planning. During the next couple of months we will be completing a Site Assessment and Environmental Plan to tell Audubon International staff about our operation and the type of projects we would like to pursue. They will then have a better sense of who we are and what our goals are.

Once we have implemented a variety of projects in each environmental component, we can apply to become a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary. This exemplary distinction is an international recognition of environmental excellence bestowed on organizations that are taking a leadership role in conservation projects. We believe we can achieve certification

within the next 18 months. In doing so we will become only the 8th golf course in British Columbia, and 2nd on Vancouver Island to achieve this designation.

As we begin this program, we would like to encourage involvement from members of the club that have an interest in this type of effort. Please watch for upcoming correspondence regarding the status of our application and opportunities to get involved. Environmental quality is important to our operation, and we hope that you will support this effort.

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Men's Club... New Executive, New Ideas

Improved Communications

This year, a major focus of the Men's Club executive is to improve communications among their membership. As most members know, a monthly newsletter is currently being delivered to members on our e-mailing list. The newsletter will provide stories, notices, and current events affecting Men's Club membership. For those who haven't yet received the newsletter, please send an email to cimcexec@crownsisle.com.

Members will soon have access to the Men's Club website, which will provide up-to-date information on tournaments, social events, and other activities of interest. The website will also contain executive contact information; a membership roster; rules and regulations, policies and procedures and a FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) section. Bonus - members will be able to sign up for Men's Club tournaments and events online through the website.

Reformed Tuesday Men's Night

Tee-times have been reserved so that all members and their guests can book times on Tuesday afternoon to play in individual and/or team competitions. After play,

the Silver Room has been reserved for the players to enjoy the rest of the evening. Drinks can be purchased, and a sandwich dinner will be served. A television will be available for those who want to keep up with their favourite sport and cards and accessories for those who prefer more intellectual endeavours.



Ramsay Poucher
Men's Club Captain

Upcoming Men's Club Events

- May 5 Spring Classic: Golf, Dinner & Dance
- May 7 Start of Singles & Doubles, and Senior Men's Match Play
- June 9 Captain's Cup
- June 24 Mixed Social: Golf, Beer Garden & Dance
- July 6 & 7 Horse Race & Calcutta
- July 29 Harold & Pam Stevens' Cup
- Aug. 8, 9 Seniors' Club Championship
- Aug. 19, 20 Club Championship
- Sep. 16 Mixed Social: Tacky Sunday: Golf & Dinner
- Sept. 27 Senior Men's Closing
- Oct. 27 Fall Classic - Golf, Dinner & Dance

Holes in One

Bob Levine	Sept. 22/06	Hole #12
Bob Meek	Oct. 13/06	Hole #16
Scott Franklin	Nov. 8/06	Hole #12
Allan Sinclair	Nov. 8/06	Hole #16
Rick Thorpe	Feb. 28/07	Hole #4
Jim Curran	March 28/07	Hole #8

Golf Quote

"If I had cleared the trees and drove the green, it would've been a great shot."

Sam Snead

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Ladies' Club Welcomes Members



Sandy Linhart

Ladies' Club Captain

The 2007 golfing season at Crown Isle is just beginning and the Ladies' Club would like to welcome all new members who have joined us this year, as well as all returning members.

We look forward to a fun-filled season on the course with our

organized Tuesday games plus Thursday and Saturday morning tee times. Please come out and join us on Tuesdays, our fixture list includes a variety of games that are suitable to all levels of play, from challenging Pin Rounds to fun Scrambles. Our Club Championship this year is on August 18th and 19th and once again will include a Super Seniors Division. More detailed information on our activities is available in our 2007 Fixture List and Game Description Booklet or just visit the locker room where all activities are posted on the board.

This year we are excited to add a new set of 'Forward Tees' which we hope will be available for play sometime in May. The new tees will be a combination of existing White and Red Tees, for a total of approximately 5,400 yards of play. The Red and White Tees will also be re-rated for the ladies this spring. These changes should make it an exciting year on the course for all ladies.

Starting this year we have included all Crown Isle lady members in our Hole-in-One Insurance. The fee of \$2 was included in your annual dues and entitles any Crown

Isle lady member having an attested hole-in-one at Crown Isle on any day, to be eligible for up to \$100 insurance. Details will be posted in the ladies' locker room or you may contact the Ladies' Club Captain or Vice Captain for more information.

2007 looks to be a super year for the Crown Isle Ladies' Club and we look forward to seeing you on the course.

Ladies' Club Events for 2007

May 5	Spring Classic: Golf, Dinner & Dance
May 15	Match Play Begins
June 9	Captain's Cup
June 20	Joint Morningstar/Crown Isle Field Day Held at Morningstar
June 24	Mixed Social: Golf, Beer Garden & Dance
July 10	Invitation Day: Invite a Guest To Play
July 29	Mixed Social: Harold & Pam Stevens' Cup
Aug. 7	Three Queens And A Jack: Golf & Lunch With Men's Club
Aug. 19 & 20	Club Championship & Senior's Club Championship
Sept. 5	Milestone Birthday Luncheon
Sept. 16	Mixed Social - Tacky Sunday, Golf & Dinner
Sept. 25	Closing Day: Wind-up Scramble & Lunch
Oct. 9	Fall AGM: Dinner & Awards
Oct. 27	Fall Classic: Golf, Dinner & Dance

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2007 Golf Academy Programs

The Crown Isle Golf Academy is pleased to announce an array of new instructional programs for 2007. There is something for everyone with programs for juniors from four years old, up to the elite low handicap golfer. Special additions this year include a variety of Golf Schools, Ladies Only Programs and Robert Ratcliffe's Player Development Program. Call the Pro Shop to register.

Private, Semi-Private & Group Programs

Get the most out of professional instruction! Semi-private programs allow you to learn with a friend, colleague or family member. Whether you're both at the same level or at opposite ends of the scale, our instructors will ensure you reach your golfing goals.

- complete student profiling
- learning style analysis
- computerized video swing analysis
- practice plan, optional e-lessons
- continued improvement plans

Junior Class Programs

A program for young golfers just getting interested in golf or with a bit of experience. Development of the full swing and short game skills will be at the heart of this program.

- after school classes.
- age grouped (4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-18 years)
- Monday to Thursday
- energetic, team-based fun
- competitions & prizes
- graduation certificates

Junior Summer Camps

No previous experience required. Students learn all the basic skills in golf and put them to use in fun and creative games and competitions.

- boys & girls 7-16 years.
- 12 hours of professional instruction
- camp log book, daily refreshments
- graduation certificate
- prizes, fun and a summer to remember

Group Classes

Get yourself off to the right start! Focusing intently on the basic fundamentals of the swing and the short game. Basic rules, scoring and game-play are covered.

- ladies only classes, beginner classes
- evening & weekend times
- basic fundamentals covered
- instructional handouts included

Robert Ratcliffe

Player Development Program

This program is the ultimate prescription in golf instruction. Golfers who enroll in this program receive the highest level of instruction from one of Canada's national coaches. Instruction covers not only golf specific coaching, but also physical fitness, golf psychology, competitive skills and practice techniques.

- learning style analysis
- full swing video analysis
- short game testing, on-course play
- sports psychology profiling
- statistical reports, equipment evaluations
- fitness evaluation, planning
- competitive skills testing

Ladies Only Golf Program

No golf experience required! Specially designed to enhance your learning of the game in a relaxed, enjoyable atmosphere. Learn and establish the correct fundamentals needed to enjoy this great game.

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Around Crown Isle

Spring Came Early to the Villas

I think I can safely say spring is coming to Crown Isle. We have had a good winter, keeping busy in Housekeeping. We even did some of our spring-cleaning early

The Aberdeen Villas received a major upgrade with beautiful new carpeting, new paint and wonderful new duvet covers, skirts, shams and throw pillows. Some of the villas have new furniture as well.

I see lots of rosy cheeks about the property and lots of deer around with last year's babes heading out on their own. I think I like spring the best. The gardeners are out there cleaning up and planting - I am looking forward to the beautiful results of this work. I really admire the hard work our gardening staff put into the property.

Christine Beech, Executive Housekeeper

Featured Builder, Benco Ventures

Ben Christensen of Benco Ventures would like to thank the many residents of Crown Isle, for their continued support and referrals which have helped Benco build close to 100 new homes in Crown Isle. Benco is pleased to announce that they have acquired a selection of larger lots on Crown Isle Drive which are now available for clients wanting a custom designed home.

They invite you to visit their new show home, which is opening in July at 1611 Crown Isle Drive (at Sussex Drive), featuring

full displays of many items including floor coverings, lighting, kitchen cabinets, granite counter tops, ceramic tile, plumbing fixtures, cultured stone, plus windows and doors. Customers will also be able to select their interior and exterior colours.

The new show home has been designed to service the needs of clientele interested in both larger as well as regular sized lots. For more information, contact Rick Thorpe at 334-0882 or contact them by email: ben@bencohomes.com or rick@bencohomes.com.

New Construction Update

Homes are sprouting in our Cambridge Estates subdivision and a limited selection of lots remain for sale. Construction has started on South Pointe Estates, the newest patio home development located at the end of Suffolk Drive.

Construction of Britannia Place continues to wind its way to the 12th Fairway. Stage V, the fourth building at Corinthia Estates is

nearing completion and all of the units have been sold. Construction has started on the fifth building (Stage IV) and it is scheduled for completion in the Spring of 2008.

On the other side of Ryan Road, work has commenced on the new car dealerships of Courtenay Mazda and Brian Rice's Courtenay Toyota. These new buildings are expected to be completed in the summer of this year.

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Andrew MacMillan Returns to Crown Isle



Crown Isle Resort and Golf Community welcomes the return of Andrew MacMillan in his new role as Guest Services Liaison. Andrew, who headed up group sales at Crown Isle from 1999-2003, is thrilled to be back, he said, working with familiar

staff and connecting with returning guests. "It's like putting on a pair of comfy slippers,"

he said of the fit. Andrew is passionate about his 20-year career in the hospitality industry on Vancouver Island, and has made numerous connections along the way. It's these relationships that make him such an asset to Crown Isle guests. "I've got an extensive background with concierge services all over the Island," he said.

"It's easy for me to make a personal phone call." Andrew's focus is on creating great experiences for corporate guests and groups, and individual travelers. Local businesses can benefit, he said, knowing their clients are being taken of.

"My goal is to ensure that people leave here with a much better understanding not only of our resort but of the area and of Vancouver Island."

Welcome Mia Heitland Marketing Coordinator

Crown Isle Resort and Golf Community welcomes Mia Heitland in her role as Marketing Coordinator.

Mia, a resident of the Crown Isle community, brings a journalism background and experience as an entrepreneur to her new position.



Mia has been fortunate to learn first hand what an amazing place Crown Isle is. "Everything from our wedding reception, to golf lessons, to summer nights on the patio have made me a huge fan of what Crown Isle offers," Mia said. "I'm excited to now have the opportunity to inform even more people about what is happening at the golf course, the resort and the community. And I can't beat the cart-path commute!"

CI Community Offers Best Wishes to Janette

As Crown Isle welcomes Mia, we say good-bye to three-year marketing manager Janette Sproston.

"Janette was an integral part of our team," said accommodations manager Lynn Larsen. "Her warmth and kindness will be remembered by everyone here at Crown Isle. She will be greatly missed."

Janette is moving on to Parksville, after enrolling her child in an Oceanside-area school. She will continue her marketing efforts for the non-profit Society of Organized Services.

Working at Crown Isle has introduced Janette to many interesting people, she says. "My favourite part of the job has been meeting so many different people every day," she said.

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