MEADOWBROOK GOLF CLUB

It is beautiful spring day. The sun is bright. The course has greened up. Individual golfers are on the putting green, pairs are on the fairway at 7, 9, and 13 - they smile or wave as we pass. A few small groups are lounging in the clubhouse with a glass of beer, overlooking a panoramic view beyond the outdoor lounge. There are many reasons to be one of the next 50 people to buy a membership at Meadowbrook Golf Club.

FINANCIAL

The dollars-and-cents argument is compelling - given that initiation fees are waived for new memberships; this offering is capped at 50 new members. However, Meadowbrook is not driven to become a club for bargain hunters.

VINTAGE WITHOUT BEING OLD

Being built in 1960 on farm land owned by Art Latcham, Meadowbrook is one of the two oldest courses in Whitchurch-Stouffville. The trees and landscape speak to a level of bigness. Yet, they've kept up with the times by improving the clubhouse facilities, modifying the course and greens, and maintaining a high rate of standards. Their efforts have been rewarded with hosting major events, such as the Canadian Tour Players Championship, the Toronto Star Women's Amateur Championship and twice hosting the Ontario Professional Championship.

EQUALLY INCLUSIVE AND EXCLUSIVE There are a lot of examples, but to name

a few - Meadowbrook has just finished installing rated red tees. These are nearer to the green than the white tees, accommodating a shorter drive without compromising the enjoyment. In addition, beyond the restaurant, meeting rooms, and banquet space - gender separated men's and women's lounges are available - women golfers sometimes tire of hearing the 'pros' (the prose of men). Too, there's space for beginning players, as junior camps make use of the 9-hole course every afternoon.

GEOGRAPHY

Meadowbrook is hilly and fringed with just enough canopy to provide definition without limiting the chip out. Bruce's Creek flows through holes 12, 13 and 15 on the Championship Course. Another creek flows through 2, 4, 9, and 10, while forming pond-sized water hazards on 6 and 8. Large picturesque ponds create obstacles on 3 and 12.

Golf Pro Sheldon Friske

A COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE

Meadowbrook is not so much a private club, but rather a community of people. With only 48-hours' notice, General Manager Angelo Greco and Head Golf Professional Sheldon Friske dropped everything to make time for us. "This is what distinguishes us," says Angelo, "we are a very good course with an amazing community." His favorite aspect of the club is that they are true to Meadowbrook's Mission statement: "our passion is to delight our membership and their guests each and every day with great golf, good food and a friendly welcoming environment".

For more information, visit Meadowbrook Golf Club at 11939 Warden Ave or see meadowbrookgolf.net.