



Top 18 reasons to join Rivermead

1. **Golf course.** On the same land for over 100 years, in 1989 the course was completely renovated by architect Ken Skodacek (working with Ken Venturi) to the outstanding championship layout we have today. Rivermead is felt by many to have the best layout and conditioning of any course in the National Capital Region.
2. **Social programming.** Rivermead hosts a variety of social events throughout the year, including holiday brunches and dinners; oyster, mussel and lobster nights; pig roasts; scotch and wine tastings as well as other special occasion and theme nights.
3. **Practice facility.** Rivermead's driving range boasts a large grass tee area, high quality artificial hitting mats and a covered structure with three hitting bays. In 2016, the Club completed construction of a new short-game practice facility and new putting green adjacent to the first tee. It includes a 6,500 square foot putting green and a 5,500 square foot chipping green with a large bunker and two-sided fairway area. Arguably the best short game facility in the region.
4. **Relaxed atmosphere.** Our members are encouraged to bring their family, friends, colleagues and children to the Club. At Rivermead, we recognize that always being connected is a reality of life, so we don't make you hide in your car to use your phone, although courtesy requires it be in vibrate mode on the course and clubhouse. We also ensure our dress code considers current fashion and style trends.
5. **Welcoming.** Rivermead seeks to attract members who share similar values, including a passion for golf, an interest in developing relationships with other members, enjoyment of good food and a desire to have fun. Our approach makes it easy for new members to meet people who share common interests and to become comfortable at the Club quickly.
6. **Location.** Less than 15 minutes from downtown Ottawa-Gatineau.
7. **No initiation fee.** Why pay tens of thousands of dollars to join a top private golf club, when you don't have to?
8. **Tradition and History.** Founded in 1910, Rivermead is one of the first private clubs in the National Capital Region. Throughout its more than **100-year** history, Rivermead has hosted many national, provincial and local championship events. Rivermead has hosted the prestigious Alexander of Tunis tournament every three years (now every four years) since its inception in 1950.
9. **Bilingual.** Rivermead is committed to offering our members, guests and staff a truly bilingual environment that reflects a fundamental part of Canada's national identity.
10. **The Rivermead Cup.** Of special pride is the Rivermead Cup, which was awarded to the winner of the Canadian Open until 1935. Since 1936, the Rivermead Cup has been awarded to the Low Canadian Professional in the Canadian Open. Recent winners include Mike Weir, Graham DeLaet, David Hearn, Stephen Ames and Adam Hadwin.
11. **The Clubhouse.** Steeped in history, Rivermead's clubhouse underwent a \$2 million refurbishment in 2008 and now features several lounges and a variety of dining facilities, from the informal outdoor patio and veranda to an elegant formal dining room.



12. **The Veranda.** Our 2,000-square foot covered veranda provides views of the golf course and Ottawa's skyline.
13. **Exceptional dining.** At Rivermead you can get a club sandwich, but unlike most golf clubs you can also get food and wine that rival that of any top restaurant in the region.
14. **Competitive golf.** Andy Nezan, Ted Fenwick, Chuck Brown and Bob Fugère are just some of the local golfing legends who have called Rivermead home. Today, the regular and senior men's and women's intersectional teams are among the best in the region, frequently competing and winning top honours in those competitions.
15. **Flexible membership options.** Full member, Associate 5, 10, 20, 30 games, Corporate, Intermediate for ages 19 to 39, Getting Started, Junior and Social. We have a membership to fit any lifestyle – all at competitive prices.
16. **Corporate membership.** Rivermead is Open for Business. We are the only private club in the National Capital Region that offers Corporate membership.
17. **Getting Started program.** Rivermead's Getting Started program is designed for adults who are either new to the game of golf or wish to review their golf fundamentals. The program consists of 18 weekly group lessons, six private lessons, access to the golf course and many of the other benefits of belonging to a private club.
18. **Junior program.** With 15 hours of group instruction, video analysis, six tournaments including the Junior Club Championship, two parent-junior events, and an annual drive, chip and putt event, Rivermead's junior program is among the best in Canada.