



The ClubLink Story

1989 - 1993

The seeds for ClubLink were planted in 1989 when the Simmonds family bought Cherry Downs Golf Club (Pickering, ON). Mr. Simmonds analyzed the golf course business and drew up a business plan that would become the blueprint for ClubLink.

1994 - 1995

ClubLink began as a public company in 1993 with \$60 million, which enabled it to buy King Valley Golf Club (King City, ON), Heron Point Golf Links (Alberton, ON), and Emerald Hills Golf Club (Stouffville, ON). Together with Cherry Downs, the ClubLink concept of clustering clubs and reciprocal play was launched.

ClubLink followed up on the success of the first four properties with the purchase of Greystone Golf Club (Milton, ON) in 1995.

1996

ClubLink's first development initiative, The Lake Joseph Club (Port Carling, ON) in Muskoka, was named Best New Canadian Course by Golf Digest and SCORE Golf magazines in 1997 and 1998 respectively.

1997 - 1998

ClubLink continued to acquire Member golf courses around the Greater Toronto Area with the purchase of DiamondBack Golf Club (Richmond Hill, ON), Caledon Woods Golf Club (Bolton, ON), Highland Gate Golf Club (Aurora, ON), Rolling Hills Golf Club (Stouffville, ON), Station Creek Golf Club (Gormley, ON), Eagle Ridge Golf Club (Georgetown, ON) and Blue Springs Golf Club (Acton, ON).

We also expanded into the Ottawa area with the acquisition of GreyHawk Golf Club (Cumberland, ON), Kanata Golf and Country Club (Kanata, ON) and Club de golf Hautes Plaines (Gatineau, QC).

ClubLink expanded into the resort business in the same year, and now owns three resorts in the picturesque Muskoka region of Ontario.

1999

In 1999, ClubLink purchased Glen Abbey Golf Club (Oakville, ON), home of Tiger Woods' dramatic 2000 Bell Canadian Open and Triple Crown victories.

ClubLink also entered into the Montreal market, purchasing Val des Lacs Golf Club (Ste. Sophie, QC).

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- 2000** The year 2000 began with the acquisition of Greenhills Golf Club (London, ON) as a ClubLink Member Club, providing additional reciprocal playing opportunities for Members in Southwestern Ontario.
- ClubLink also opened two new Member Clubs in 2000: King's Riding Golf Club (King City, ON) and Rocky Crest Golf Club (Mactier, ON), both designed by award-winning Thomas McBroom.
- 2001** 2001 began with the construction of two new courses, Le Maître de Mont-Tremblant (Mont-Tremblant, QC) and Grandview Golf Club's Mark O'Meara Course (Huntsville, ON).
- Le Maître is a Fred Couples Signature Design in collaboration with Cooke-Huxham International Golf Course Architects in Quebec's beautiful Laurentian Mountains.
- The Mark O'Meara Course at Grandview Golf Club is the first signature design of the 1998 Masters and British Open champion.
- 2002** 2002 was a year of renovation and revitalization. We opened an additional 18 holes at GreyHawk Golf Club (Cumberland, ON) and completed major renovations of both Caledon Woods Golf Club (Bolton, ON) and Station Creek Golf Club (Richmond Hill, ON).
- 2003** In 2003 ClubLink unveiled a new development in the Greater Montreal Area, Club de golf Le Fontainebleau (Blainville, QC). Designed by acclaimed Montreal architect Darrell Huxham, Le Fontainebleau combines modern features such as large, moderately undulating greens and wide fairways with classically styled bold bunkers and mature woodlands.
- 2004** 2004 began with the acquisition of National Pines Golf Club (Innisfil, ON). Shortly thereafter, ClubLink opened Glencairn Golf Club (Halton Hills, ON). Designer Thomas McBroom sculpted this land with an eye for truth and history, and invested it with all the beauty and spirit of Scotland's most legendary courses.
- 2005** In 2005, we opened two new clubhouses at Eagle Ridge (Georgetown, ON) and Highland Gate (Aurora, ON). We also opened an additional 9-hole championship course at Emerald Hills (Stouffville, ON).
- 2006** ClubLink acquired The Country Club (Woodbridge, ON), formerly The Toronto Board of Trade Country, which boasts three golf courses totaling 45 holes. Two 18-hole championship courses were created by the distinguished designer Howard Watson and fine-tuned by renowned golf course architect Arthur Hills.

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2007 – 2009 In 2007, Wyndance Golf Club (Uxbridge, ON), a Greg Norman design, opened.

We also acquired Eagle Creek Golf Club (Dunrobin, ON) and Club de golf Islesmere (Laval, QC).

In 2009, ClubLink assumed management of The Club at Bond Head (Bond Head, ON), a 36 hole property.

2010 2010 saw ClubLink purchase the historic Glendale Golf and Country Club (Hamilton, ON).

We also rapidly expanded into the southern United States with the purchase of several clubs located in Sun City Centre, Florida: Heron Bay Golf Club, Club Renaissance, Scepter Golf Club, Falcon Watch Golf Club, Sandpiper Golf Club, Caloosa Greens Golf Club, and Kings Point Golf Club.

2011 2011 saw continued expansion in Florida with the purchase of Palm Aire Golf and Country Club and Woodlands Country Club.

2013 When ClubLink acquired TPC Eagle Trace in Coral Springs, Fla., it added another PGA TOUR-caliber facility to its family of outstanding courses.

The new addition, which now is a Prestige-level Member Club, hosted the Honda Classic from 1984 to 1991 and then again in 1996.

2014 Our most recent acquisition, Hidden Lake Golf Club (Burlington, ON), features a large practice facility and an expansive, full-service clubhouse, along with two unique courses to choose from. Hidden Lake earned the Burlington Post Reader's Choice Award winner for "Best Golf Course," and "Best Golf Shop."