

Clubhouses

In 1922 a large clubhouse was designed by Percy Leonard Jones. It was built on the rocks above the ninth green and had a beautiful view of the golf course. It replaced the original shack that had served as a clubhouse since 1913



Opening of the 1922 clubhouse

During the night of February 18, 1929, a fire destroyed the clubhouse, along with all the Club's trophies, records, and memorabilia. Percy Leonard Jones, the architect of the 1922 clubhouse, and Hubert Savage designed a new clubhouse, in the same location. It was an Elizabethan style building with stucco exterior supplemented by half timber work and weather-boarded gables. It had showers on all three floors and rooms for staff and residents. It was a grand, elegant building and a landmark in the area. It was built for the sum of \$63,556, plus architects' fees.



The Clubhouse that replaced the one destroyed by fire in 1929

In 1943 the clubhouse was turned over to the RCAF for use as a convalescent hospital for Air Force Personnel. The membership used temporary accommodation on Goldstream Avenue.



Temporary clubhouse

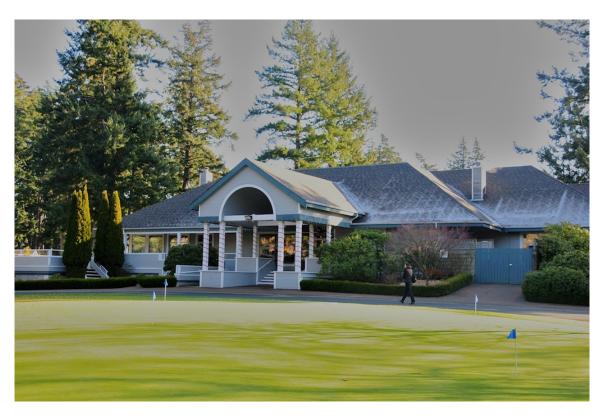
A new clubhouse was opened on September 10, 1951 at a cost of \$76,000. It was located to the left of the first fairway and lasted until 1993, when it was replaced by the present clubhouse.



1951 Clubhouse

The 1929 clubhouse was sold to the Sisters of Jesus, a Catholic Sisterhood. The sale included Chez Marcel Restaurant, the Steward's house, and other smaller buildings on nine acres. One of the reasons for the sale was the cost of operating the Clubhouse.

On November 13 1991 the construction of a new clubhouse was approved for the cost of \$2.5 million. This decision followed several years of debate, the details of which are well recorded in "Royal Colwood – the First 90 Years", by member John Ronald. The official opening took place in April, 1993.



Current Clubhouse