

## Golf Course Profile- What's Your Course Saying?

### The Pulpit Club

**Event:** 118<sup>th</sup> Canadian Men's Amateur Championship

**Superintendent:** Rob Wright

**Golf Course Name, Number of Holes:** The Pulpit Club – The Pulpit (18 Holes) and The Paintbrush (18 Holes) Golf Courses located on separate properties

**Where (Address, Directions, Email, Website):**

The Pulpit (1991) – 3035 Escarpment Sideroad, Caledon Village, ON L7C 3L5

The Paintbrush (1992) – 17151 St. Andrews Road, Caledon East, ON L7C 2S1

[www.thepulpitclub.com](http://www.thepulpitclub.com)

**Superintendent, Designations, Awards, Years of Experience:**

Rob Wright – Superintendent since 2015. Class A (GCSAA) Been working in the industry for 24 years

**Annual Rounds Played:**

The Pulpit – 21,000

The Paintbrush – 19,000

**Average Season Length:** May 1<sup>st</sup> – Nov 1<sup>st</sup> (6 months)

**Front Nine Yardage:**

**The Pulpit – 3,303**

**The Paintbrush – 3,337**

**Back Nine Yardage:**

**The Pulpit – 3,859**

**The Paintbrush – 3,443**

**Total Yardage:**

The Pulpit – 7,162

The Paintbrush – 6,780

**Total Area of Greens, Number of Greens, Predominant Type of Turfgrass:**

The Pulpit

- 21 Greens (4 Acres) Bent/Poa Mix – Original Penncross

The Paintbrush

- 20 Greens (4 Acres) Bent – Regressed to T1 in 2009

**Total Area of Fairways, Predominant Type of Turfgrass:**

The Pulpit – 28 Acres. Pennway Bentgrass Blend

The Paintbrush – 55 Acres. Original fescue blend. Mixture of Fescue's/Poa to date

**Total area of Tees, Predominant Type of Turfgrass:**

The Pulpit – 3.5 Acres. Pennway Bentgrass Blend

The Paintbrush – 3 Acres. Original fescue blend. Mixture of fescue's/Poa to date

**Predominant Soil Type on Course:**

The Pulpit – Sandy Loam

The Paintbrush – Sandy Loam

**Irrigation System Type, Water Supply and Age:**

The Pulpit – Rainbird, 2-wire with Satelittes. On course wells filling ponds. Original system, 33 years old. Currently in Phase 1 of an irrigation renovation. Mainlines, pump station and wet well all being upgraded presently.

The Paintbrush - Rainbird, 2-wire with Satelittes. On course wells filling ponds. Original system, 32 years old.

**Number of Bunkers and Sand Type:**

The Pulpit – 103 Bunkers. Signature Tour Grade Sand

The Paintbrush – 131 Bunkers. Hutcheson B Sand

**Number and Type of Water Features:**

The Pulpit – 5 Ponds

The Paintbrush – 1 Pond

**Construction and Original Architect:**

Michael Hurdzan and Dana Fry

**Renovations and Architects:**

**The Pulpit – Bunker renovation, wet well, halfway patio, tee renovations, driving range (KCM Construction)**

**The Paintbrush – On-going bunker construction, tee renovations (KCM Construction) Cart path re-surfacing (Battista Paving)**

**Maintenance Shop Construction Year:**

**The Pulpit – Original 1991. Expansion 4,000 sq.ft in 2022**

**The Paintbrush – Original 1992**

**Number, Type and Make of Equipment:**

The Pulpit Club

- Toro cutting units
  - Greensmaster 1021's x 14 units
  - Greensmaster 1600's x 9 units
  - GM3's, Tri-flex's, Reelmaster 5010's, 3100's x 18 units
  - Groundsmaster 4500, 3500's x 4 units
  - Sheep x 15 units
- Toro, Kubota, CarryAll, Ez-Go utility vehicles x 44 units
- Kubota Tractors x 4 units
- Misc pieces (Turbine Blowers, Aerators, sandpros, slitseeders) Toro and Turfco
- Salsco Rollers x 2
- Toro Sprayers x 2
- Smithco Sprayers x 2
- Small Engine equipment (String trimmers, blowers) Stihl

**Does Your Course Have a Separate Chemical and/or Fertilizer Storage Facility (Size, Age)?:**

**The Pulpit – YES, 400 sq.ft 2021**

**The Paintbrush – YES, 200 sq.ft 2018**

**Number of Staff (Year-Round, Seasonal, Mechanics, etc.):**

**The Pulpit Club Year Round**

- 1 Superintendent
- 4 Assistant Superintendent's
- 2 Assistant In Training's
- 1 Intern
- 3 Mechanic's

**The Pulpit – 38 Seasonal**

**The Paintbrush – 28 Seasonal**

**Assistant Superintendent's:**

**The Pulpit – Jeff Cardwell and Brandon Allan**

**The Paintbrush – Michael Allen and Michael Vincent**

**Club President: N/A**

**CPGA Professional: Donovan Fraser**

**Club Manager: Rob Roxborough**

**Club Owner: Longridge Partners**

**Other Key Course Personnel:**

**Scott Tye – Hospitality Manager**

**Joe Diclemente – Membership Relations**

**Current Course Projects:**

**The Pulpit**

- Phase 1 Irrigation Renovation (Main line upgrade)
- Tee renovations

**The Paintbrush**

- Eco Bunker Trial

**Long Range Plans:**

**The Pulpit**

- Phase 2 Irrigation Renovation (Lateral Lines and Sprinklers)
- Cart Path re-surfacing
- Driveway and parking lot paving
- Tee renovations

**The Paintbrush**

- Full irrigation renovation
- Bunker Renovation

**Challenges:**

**The Pulpit**

- Ingress and Egress Traffic Control
- Water Management due to elevation and winds
- Staffing
- Time management/balance of two 18 hole courses

## The Paintbrush

- Water Management due to elevation and winds
- Staffing
- Traffic Management (Staff and Membership)
- Time management/balance of two 18 hole courses

## Success Stories:

**Devil's Pulpit Golf Association to The Pulpit Club – Membership going from approximately 400 in 2020, to being Sold Out with a waitlist in 2023.**

**Successful completion of multiple on course renovations in 3 years (bunkers, cart paths, half way patio, clubhouse renovation, shop expansion, tee renovations, driving ranges, sheep, EcoBunker, irrigation)**

**The Paintbrush – Successful fumigation of all greens and re-grassed to T1 bentgrass.**

## Unique Features of the Course:

### The Pulpit

- Views of the Escarpment from every hole
- CN Tower views from #1
- Cemetery on #6
- Tree in middle of fairway #10

### The Paintbrush

- Views of the Escarpment from every hole
- CN Tower views from #11
- Old barn foundations #8
- Double greens (#2/9, #11/14)
- Tree in middle of green #11/14
- Links style throughout (Rockwalls, sod wall bunkers, railway ties)
- 15 Black Faced Suffolk Sheep located #9/10 & #11/15