

2026 Men's Super Senior



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Coloniale Golf Club

To Alberta's Super Seniors

*age is simply just a number
to be aimed for*

By Gord Montgomery

Despite a TV commercial that comments about seniors being "Over the hill," and "Out to pasture," or "past their prime," the Men's Super Senior Championship puts those concepts to rest. After all, any time you can think about shooting a score to match your age, that's a bonus, meaning these folks have game.

The 2026 Men's Super Senior, to be held at the Coloniale GC in Beaumont, is for competitors aged 65 and above or in the Diamond Division for those 75 or over. And the way these entrants can maneuver their way around just about any course, those numbers could very well be within striking distance of the numbers on their scorecards after each of the two competitive rounds.

In fact, the host club's head professional, Jerry Lukasewich, suggested that he feels the winning score could be somewhere in the plus-2 range. So there. We told you they can score.

When queried about the challenges his track presents, Lukasewich began by noting he isn't sure how the course will be set up as that is in the hands of Alberta Golf. But he noted, there have been some changes to the course that will come into play.

"A few years ago, we implemented a combo tee. We have four sets of tee boxes, but we also have combo tees for each of them. So that's nice as we can keep the yardages in line with what the tournament is looking for.

"I think the biggest challenge here is the size of our greens. A lot of them I wouldn't say are on the smaller side, but we have different angles than what golfers are likely used to. The typical design is front-to-back where you have a lot of depth in your green, while here sometimes ours are shifted so there's a lot of right-to-left depth but not a lot of depth from front-to-back. So, it puts a premium on your iron play and then also on your recovery if you were to miss a green, to get up and down. I think that's where the biggest challenge is."

As for a make-or-break stretch of holes, the pro noted there could be a couple. "I think probably on the front nine you're looking at the stretch of 6-7-8 where you've got two tough par-4s followed by a tough par-3 right after that. Back nine, if you go to 10-11-12, you're probably looking at a good stretch of holes that you want to get through to get that nine started properly. Then, you're looking at the beast of a hole, Number 15, that even from our front tee you're still at 530 (yards) so it's a challenge."

Speaking of that par-3 on the front nine, it now plays to 208-yards from the tips as it was recently renovated. "It's also 90 per cent carry over water. It's a nice par-3 with bunkering at the front We actually eliminated a bunker there but that hole still plays very challenging."

Oh, and speaking of challenges, how about wind conditions? After all, sitting on the prairie, it can be a factor as the course does sit on one of the highest points in the area. "We sort of chuckle at a joke we have in the pro shop here: We call it 'Blowmont' rather than Beaumont. So yeah, it can get a bit breezy here!"

When asked about playing host to the event, Lukasewich said the idea came about due to the fact some club members had experienced it previously. "I had a few of our senior members play the championship last year, so I was sort of intrigued by this event. Then, Alberta Golf is looking for host clubs every year and they reached out to me. I'm sure our members will play again this year, so it was a good fit for us."

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"I think as a professional you're always proud of the club you're at and that's the case for myself. We've done some great renovations to this golf course in the last year and a half, so I think it's going to be a good challenge for the players when they come here. They're going to be pleasantly surprised with the conditions and the challenge," in 'Blowmont', errrr, Beaumont, on September 3 and 4. ■