

CONEWANGO VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB



HISTORY OF THE COURSE

- Established 1916 -

The course that surrounds our clubhouse, with its undulating fairways, rolling hills and well trapped greens has a history which began prior to 1916 in Southern Pines, North Carolina. It was at that time that several members of the old Warren Golf Club went to Southern Pines for their annual quail hunting expedition. While in Southern Pines, three of these participants in the quail hunt, Marshall Parshall, Horace Crary and C.T. Conarro were introduced to the architect of the Number 2 Pinehurst Course, Donald Ross. Donald Ross had come from his native Scotland to design several prestigious courses in the United States, including the Number 2 Course at Pinehurst.

After playing that beautiful and challenging course in Pinehurst, the three charter members of the Conewango Valley Country Club asked Donald Ross to come to Warren and design a golf course in the Conewango Valley of Warren County.

At about the same time, the Famous Tin Whistle Club at Pinehurst was being created, and Marshall Parshall was its first champion, as he was to become the first men's champion of Conewango Valley Country Club.

The nine hole course designed by Donald Ross was first opened for play during World War I, and those holes constituted the entire course until 1971, when nine additional holes were added. The original nine Donald Ross holes today comprise holes number 1, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, and 18.

Over the many years of the existence of the course at Conewango Valley, many fine players have accepted its challenges, not the least of which was the course record holder in 1927, Walter Hagen. While the course has experienced many beneficial changes over the years through the stewardship of its members and many outstanding golf professionals and greens keepers, it has maintained its high standard of excellence and challenge to all those who play upon it.