

Cataraqui Golf and Country Club

Kingston, Ontario, Canada



Expanded Space and Unified Finishes.

“Continuity was very important and successfully accomplished by DE.”

Chris Hall, The Ventin Group Ltd.



Dramatic bunkering and limestone ridges define the golf course at Cataraqui Golf and Country Club. Founded in 1917 the clubhouse and its golf course have seen many changes. The one constant, however, appears to be its reputation as one of the finest Golf Clubs in Eastern Ontario. The Stanley Thompson course, restored to its original design of the 1930's, is a challenge to both professionals and skilled amateurs alike.

While golf is the activity of choice in warm months, this four-season club offers curling on six sheets of ice during the winter season. Social activities add to the club's vibrancy. This breadth of services needed to be better reflected in the amenities of the clubhouse. Personal storage requirements for both key activities needed to be carefully married in the configuration of the new lockers.

The original renovation project was intended to upgrade the shower areas and locker rooms with a view to increase their capacity and quality. Half height lockers were the initial consideration. After reviewing a mock-up members came back with a mandate for 7ft. high lockers. This meant a greater space requirement and a more extensive renovation project. Based on their deep expertise in the area of clubhouses, The Ventin Group was engaged.

The resolution for the question of space was to relocate the locker rooms into the existing golf lounge and build a new lounge. The solution for the lockers was a combination of standard DE product combined with their custom capabilities. A full height locker with a lower shoe drawer creates the external envelope. A fully flexible interior with adjustable shelves accommodates the golfing season and can then be reconfigured to suit the height of a curling broom. An interior drawer provides secure storage of smaller items.

Full site measurements and working drawings were required of DE who ultimately found space for more lockers than specified. Wood lockers and solid wood benches were originally specified. DE proposed RTP (Rigid Thermo-fused Polymer) locker doors for higher durability and cost savings. This solution then provided the basis for the stain matching of the solid wood benches. A seamless interior has been achieved through exact colour matching of several materials. The overall visual quality of the project was critical to all stakeholders and has been successfully accomplished.

What had been an ad hoc collection of metal lockers is now a refined, fully integrated personal storage area accommodating the needs of a variety of sporting activities.



AREAS

- / Men's and Women's Locker rooms
- / Shoe room in Curling area
- / Storage room

SCOPE

Locker Rooms

- / 678 - 7ft. height lockers with external shoe drawer and adjustable interiors
- / 6 Grooming stations and vanities
- / 5 towel drops with complimentary shelving
- / 27 solid wood benches

Curling Area

- / shelving for storage of 66 pairs of shoes
- / polishing area with storage for waxes

Storage Room

- / custom shelving

TEAM

Architect – +VG Architects, The Ventin Group Ltd., Toronto, ON, Canada
Construction – Cupido Construction, Kingston, ON, Canada

