

Sketch of a West Pointer - Roger Jung



Roger Jung started playing golf at the age of 12 and eventually attained an excellent low handicap of 4. He enjoys Redwoods GC in Langley and Bermuda Dunes in Palm Springs, finding them comfortable to his game. Hawaii and Palm Springs are favourite vacation spots but has really enjoyed a trip across Canada. Roger has had many hobbies, with photography being very big in his life.

Roger's father came to Canada as a teenager with his father and worked on the farms in Vancouver. Eventually Roger's grandfather went back to China but his father stayed. Roger grew up in Vancouver's East Side and attended Strathcona Elementary School. A family move to the Oakridge area resulted in him going to Point Grey and Magee high schools, but he graduated from the old King Edward campus. During his early years, his father was Manager of the Dining Room and Restaurants at Marine Drive Golf Club. Consequently, Roger became a junior member when he was 12. In those days, Chinese were not allowed to join any private club, so Roger was one of the first in Vancouver.

His career began as an Electrical Draughtsman at HA Simons, Consulting Engineers in Vancouver. Through the years he continued to work and educate himself. He joined Westinghouse Canada and was the Engineering Manager of the Switchgear and Control Division. After about 20 years, he became bored so went back to Simon Fraser University to get a Masters of Business Administration; he joined Bow Valley Oil and Gas (Alberta) and managed their BC operations. During this time he got married and raised two children in West Vancouver. Although he continued to play golf, he left Marine Drive as it was too costly, and concentrated on the public courses.

Roger went into business for himself and manufactured Industrial Lasers and sold to a public company after 5 years. Now he could concentrate on playing golf and raising his family. But soon he went into Real Estate, as a salesperson. Then he registered at UBC and got a degree in Urban Land Economics. He managed several offices and has sold real estate for the last 25 years and is currently managing REMAX Masters Realty in West Vancouver and loving it. Roger has two teenage grand-daughters (one about to start university) and the family asks when he is going to retire. But he says, "I enjoy my work and really do need a reason to get up in the morning."

His favourite golfers are Jason Day, Fred Couples and Michelle Wie. Roger appreciates the membership of West Point Golf Club and says it has been a great club for him, since joining in 2014. He had been ready to quit golf but West Point brought him back to the game and socializing with good golfers in a great club. In 2016, Roger was our Senior Master Gross Champion.

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