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SERIES AT KELSO

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WELCOME TO KELSO DISC GOLF



The second stop in the 2025 ChainLink Conservation Series.

With spectacular views of the Niagara Escarpment, Kelso Conservation Area's scenery will take your breath away.

Kelso Disc Golf allows players to experience the area's topography and has multiple options that offer something for players of every ability. With trails, water features and biking, it's a wonderful place to get outside, enjoy nature and play disc golf!

About the series

The ChainLink Conservation Series is all about bringing disc golf and conservation together. We encourage everyone to join us as we support the Conservation Halton Foundation and enjoy the outdoors at the beautiful Kelso Conservation Area. It is our hope that this event provides you with the opportunity to learn something new about the world around us and how we can protect our wild space.

Thank you to our supporters, sponsors, and volunteers

Our sincere gratitude goes to our supporting partners, sponsors and volunteers. Their valued contributions help make this disc golf event possible. You'll find their products and signage at the course, and you can learn more about them throughout this Player's Manual. Please support them and tag them in your social media posts.

Special shoutout to Conservation Halton

Conservation Halton staff has also put in a tremendous amount of effort over the past three years to bring this course from just a concept to reality. Please take a moment to say thanks for all the work they do behind the scenes. They are a huge part of making this event happen and their work helps disc golf continue taking steps forward here in Ontario.



Thank you for joining us!

Jeff & Cara

*J. Mckeigan
Cara Horius*



We want to bring conservation to the forefront of all aspects of the ChainLink Conservation Series.



Conservation first approach

Kelso Disc Golf was designed and built with ecological principles in mind from the beginning. This is a complex undertaking. Determining a suitable location for the course that avoided sensitive habitats took time, and designing it in a way that improves forest health and removes invasive species requires a creative eye. You may notice the conservation facts on the signs and the newly planted native species throughout the course, including Kentucky coffee trees, Pawpaws, Tulip trees, Shagbark hickory and more!

Environmental awareness

Events that are part of the ChainLink Conservation Series will focus on environmental awareness and supporting conservation efforts.

It's our hope that by playing these courses and events, we can all learn something about the world around us, and be inspired to do things differently.



CONNECTED. GROWING OUR GREENPRINT.



The Conservation Halton Foundation is a registered charitable organization that works to protect our natural areas, connect our community with nature and inspire individuals and groups to create meaningful change.

Join us as we create a greener, healthier, and more resilient future.

Conservation Halton's greenprint safeguards 10,000 acres of forests, trails, wetlands, meadows, creeks, and other natural spaces in one of Ontario's most beautiful and ecologically diverse watersheds. Our conservation areas are vital to our growing communities, connecting thousands of people with nature every day while promoting a healthy watershed.

The Connected Campaign will protect and enhance our essential greenprint to serve our communities today and in the future.

LEARN MORE & DONATE



TOWARDS A GREEN & RESILIENT FUTURE

Conservation Halton protects over 10,000 acres of forests, lakes, creeks, meadows, and wetlands in one of Ontario's most beautiful and biodiverse watersheds, connecting thousands of people with nature every day. Our campaign aims to raise \$20 million to support our essential greenprint and ensure our growing communities have access to enriching outdoor spaces and experiences, now and in the future.

OUR CAMPAIGN PRIORITIES

PARKS & GREENSPACES

Grow and enhance our network of conservation parks and greenspaces to increase access to nature.

BIODIVERSITY & RESILIENCE

Protect native species and natural spaces to build biodiversity and local climate resilience in Halton.

EDUCATION & COMMUNITY

Expand outdoor education and community-led programming to inspire learning, care and connection.

The Connected Campaign will grow our greenprint today for a greener, healthier and more resilient tomorrow.

LEARN MORE

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Kelso Conservation Area - 5234 Kelso Rd, Milton, ON L9E 0C6

Friday, Sept 26	9:00am - 9:00pm	Course open for practice rounds.
Saturday, Sept 27	8:00am - 9:00am	Player Check-in at Tournament Central
Saturday, Sept 27	9:00am - 9:15pm	Player's Meeting at Tournament Central
Saturday, Sept 27	9:30am - 12:30pm	Round 1 - Shotgun Start
Saturday, Sept 27	12:30pm - 1:30pm	Lunch
Saturday, Sept 27	1:30pm - 4:30pm	Round 2 - Shotgun Start
Saturday, Sept 27	4:30pm - 7:00pm	Awards & GoodLot Beer Garden at Trailhead Shop
Saturday, Sept 27	7:30pm - 9:30pm	Glow Disc Golf with DR GLOW! at Hole 1 "Blue 9"

What to expect

Park Entry

- Entry to the park will be free for all tournament participants on tournament days (i.e. Saturday). Caddies and spectators are responsible for their own entry fees.
- Entry fees still apply on other days for tournament participants.
- Park entry can be [found here](#).

Trailhead Pro Shop

- The Trailhead Pro Shop will be open from 8 AM until around 7:30 PM on Saturday.
- Stop by before your morning round to pick up coffee, beverages and snacks!
- It's fully stocked with all things disc golf, your favourite Kelso and Conservation Halton merch, maple syrup and more! Am merch-outs will also be redeemed here.

Tournament Central

- Tournament Central will be located at Hole 6 (Black Hole 1) near the boat launch area (refer to property map on page 10 of this guide).
- Please arrive early to check-in here before the first round!

Parking

- Parking will be available in the regular lot just beyond the Trailhead Shop.
- Some parking is also available at Tournament Central near the boat launch area.

Camping

- Camping is available on-site! All event participants are eligible to camp in group camp sites 6 and 13 (refer to property map on page 10 of this guide).
- A special rate of \$10 per person per night is available for the Friday and Saturday evenings (Sept 26 & 27).
- To book your spot, please call Conservation Halton's Visitor Services at 905-878-5011, ext 0 or email them at visitorservices@hrca.on.ca.

Reusable Water Bottles

- There will be refillable water stations on-site and at the following locations throughout the course:
 - Hole 2 & 17
 - Hole 6 & 14 (Tournament Central)
 - Hole 10
- Please bring a reusable water bottle to fill as needed. Our goal is to minimize our impact on our earth and the amount of garbage / recycling on the property.

Dogs and Pets

- Dogs or pets (except for service animals), even if they are on a leash, are NOT permitted to be at Tournament Central or to accompany players during the tournament. Please find a local kennel or pet sitter to take care of them while you are competing or out on the course.

- [PDGA Competition Manual 3.01 D](#)



Amenities

Washrooms

- Washrooms are available at Hole 7 (Hole 2 of Black 9), beyond Hole 10 basket (Hole 5 of Black 9) and Hole 15 (Hole 6 of Blue 9).

Lunch

- Conservation Halton will have some simple options— hot dogs, sausages, chips, drinks, maybe ice cream and other snacks available for purchase.
- You are also welcome to bring your lunch or go off-site for lunch.

Practice and warm-up area

- Use the Alexander House Trio to warm-up and prep for your round! Refer to green basket on property map on page 10 of this guide.

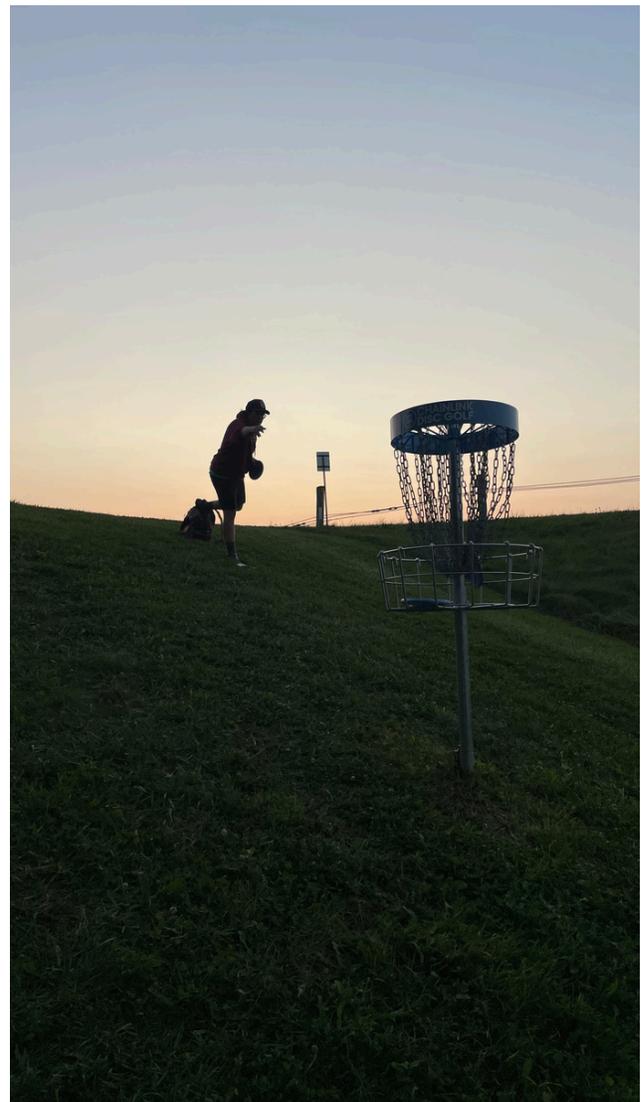
Trails & Boating at Kelso

- Kelso has an extensive network of trails for hiking and mountain biking.
- Enjoy a canoe or paddle on the water at Kelso. Launch from the beach area.

Hole Assignments

Know before you throw

- Official hole assignments will be posted on the PDGA event site once the registration list has been finalized the day before the event.
- **Please note that the schedule is tentative and may undergo small adjustments throughout the day as needed.**
- [PDGA Event Site Link](#)
- Please arrive at least 15 - 30 minutes prior to the player's meeting to give yourself enough time to get checked in and pick up your player's pack (ams).



Scoring

All players will be required to keep score and to submit their scorecard.

PDGA Live Scoring

- Official scoring will be with PDGA Live Scoring. Every card will be required to have at least one person scoring on PDGA Live.
- [PDGA Live Link](#) or PDGA Live App
- PDGA Access Code: ccs
- We highly recommend all players keep score with PDGA Live as you can be alerted to score discrepancies in real time. This could save you strokes! It also makes it easier for you to meet the requirement of submitting your scorecard.

- Please come prepared with a fully charged phone (and juice packs!) for scorekeeping.
- If you do not wish to use PDGA Live, you may also use UDisc or a paper scorecard. If you wish to keep score on paper, a scorecard will be available, but you must come prepared with a writing instrument.
- [PDGA Rule 808 Scoring](#)
- The 2 metre rule is not in effect.
- Playoff Holes and Format: In the event of a tie for first place within a division, the playoff format will be sudden-death play, playing a repeating loop of Holes 1, 2, 17 & 18 until a winner has been decided.
- [PDGA Competition Manual 1.09](#)

PDGA rules and regulations

Know before you throw

- [Official Rules of Disc Golf](#)
- [PDGA Competition Manual](#)
- PDGA Live App: This app can be downloaded to your phone prior to the event and can be used for scoring, looking up and searching for rules and for checking live scores.

Payouts (PRO / AM)

Pros

- Estimated payouts will be made available prior to the final round of tournament play.
- Payouts will be made via PayPal transfers on Monday, September 28. Please advise the Tournament Directors in writing if you would like to have your payouts sent to a different email address than the one with which you registered.

Amateurs

- All amateurs will receive a player's pack that is available for pick-up on Friday evening or Saturday before your round.
- The top 45% of the field will receive merch-outs that will be redeemable on-site with the Trailhead Pro Shop.

Awards Ceremonies

- An awards ceremony will take place beside the Trailhead Shop following completion of the second round.
- This area will have a beer garden featuring GoodLot Farm & Farmstead Brewing beer available for purchase!
- The winner of each division will have their name inscribed on the monument as a piece of history.





KELSO DISC GOLF FULL 18 COURSE MAP



Path to Next Tee	Rentals/Information	Parking	Archery	Disc Golf "BullFrog" Practice Course
Practice Baskets	Retail	Gaga Ball Pits	Escarpment Walk Aerial Ropes Course	Disc Golf "Blue Jay" Novice Course
Blue and Black Tee	Food & Drink	Kelso Cove Waterpark	Vultures View Climbing Tower	Disc Golf "Vulture" Advanced Course
Basket	Washrooms	Accessible Washrooms	Low Ropes	Represents the current hole number if playing blended Blue & Black 18 hole course.
Path between Black & Blue Course				QR Code

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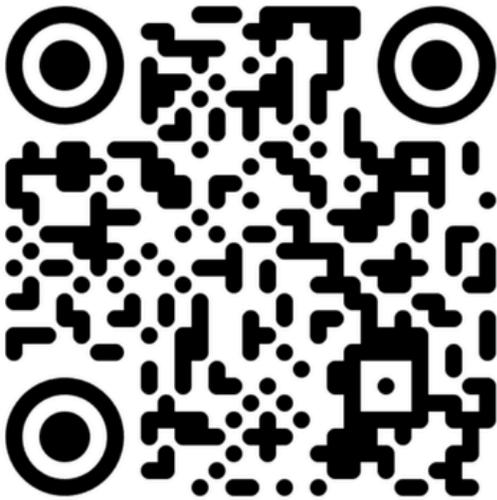
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Kelso Conservation Area

ChainLink Conservation Series 18-Hole Layout



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COURSE OVERVIEW.

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Kelso

Two great 9 hole courses combine for a full 18, with a variety of holes and lots of topography. Multiple layouts to challenge all abilities. Come for the disc golf, stay for the incredible scenery!

Distance: 6,296 ft (1,919 m)

Par: 62

Tees: Reclaimed brick

Layout: Blended Blue 9 + Black 9

This layout follows Holes 1 - 5 of the Blue 9, followed by Holes 1 - 9 of the Black 9, and finishing up Holes 6 - 9 of the Blue 9.

CHECK OUT THE COURSE ON UDISC

SEE THE COURSE IN AMAZING 3D
WITH EAGLEVISION



Whether it be seasoned players, summer campers, or families new to the game, the addition of disc golf has encouraged people to get outside, and get active. Conservation Halton has enjoyed adding disc golf and feels it is a real "hole-in-one" after a couple seasons of operations!

AJ Leeming, Senior Manager,
Programs and Services

Out of bounds

Tournament OB: All roads and parking areas throughout the course are OB.

- **Hole 6** - Dam area is OB. Discs are not to be retrieved from this zone. No island this year, so have fun!
- **Hole 8** - Long grass area to the left side of the fairway is OB and marked with white stakes. Pathway crossing in front of tee does not play as OB.
- **Hole 14** - Dam area is OB. Discs are not to be retrieved from this zone. The inside of the wooden posts along the road are marked with white stripes and are OB. An OB line marked with white rope behind the basket connects the wooden post OB line to the OB stairs on the left of the basket, also painted with white lines.

Relief

In order to ensure the safety and comfort of all participants, relief may be taken without penalty from the below areas to ensure safe footing. Relief may also be taken if there is standing water (i.e. non-course water) due to rain or wet conditions.

If you choose to take relief, you may do so by marking a new lie further back from the target on the line of play, at the nearest point that provides relief.

[PDGA Rule 803.02](#)

- Hole 1 - All ski infrastructure and equipment.
- Hole 10 - Piles of "rabbitat" and brush along fairway.
- Hole 17 - All ski infrastructure and equipment.

Mando

Hole 13 - Hydro pole. Players must throw to the left of the utility pole located just in front of the tee. If the mando is missed, players must re-tee with a one stroke penalty.

[PDGA Rule 804.01](#)

Provisionals

Questions? Please consult with your card and work to come to a consensus. If there is any doubt on your card as to the right call, please play a provisional (i.e. play it out both ways) and take a picture of your lie or relevant areas. Upon completion of your round, please consult with a Tournament Official as a full card for a final ruling before submitting your scorecards.

GLOW-IN-THE-DARK

Discover the magic of glow-in-the-dark disc golf this summer at Kelso, brought to you by none other than **DR. GLOW!**

Join us at Hole 1 at 7:30 pm on Saturday for an epic night of glow-in-the-dark disc golf under the stars on the Kelso 'Blue 9' layout. Bring your glow discs and UV flashlight if you have them. This isn't just for tournament players - everyone is welcome and it's free to play!

Register and get more info [here](#).

Don't forget to check in on the UDisc app when you arrive.



GLOW NIGHT AT KELSO

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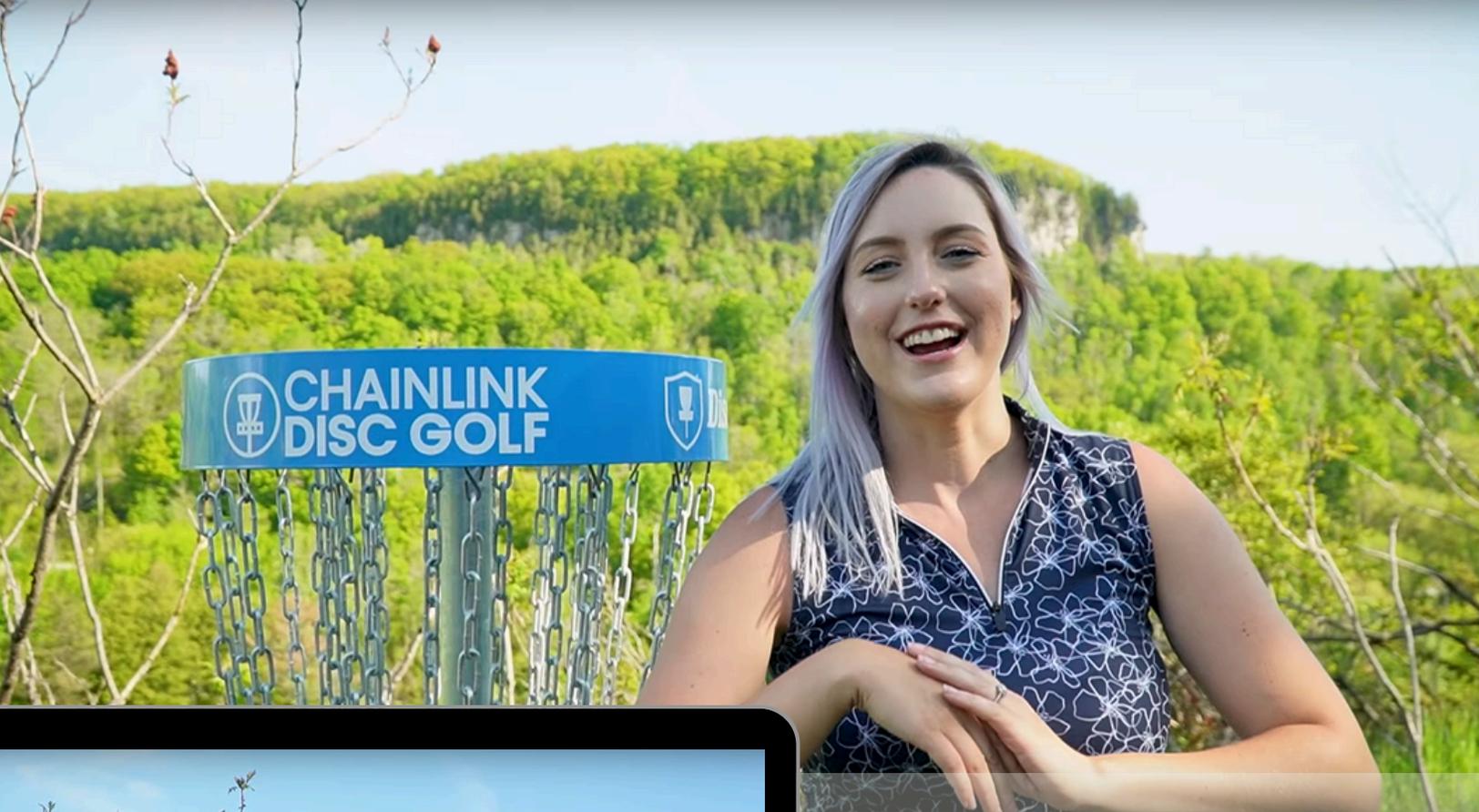




We play in amazing places. Help keep our courses beautiful

The goal of the PDGA's Throw Green initiative is to establish best practices for reducing the environmental impact of disc golf through community outreach to all PDGA members and stakeholders.

[WATCH THE VIDEO](#)



**WATCH
NOW**

The Kelso Disc Golf Expansion

Go behind the scenes with the one and only, Chantel Budinsky (aka Miss Frisbees) as she gets an exclusive look at the new expansion of the Kelso disc golf course.

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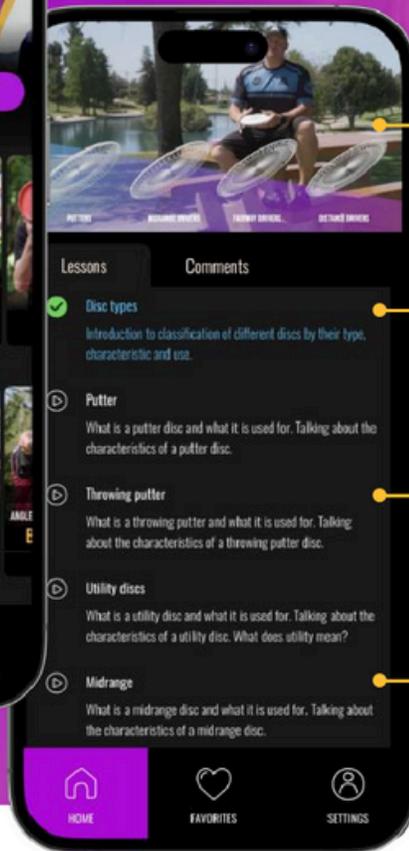
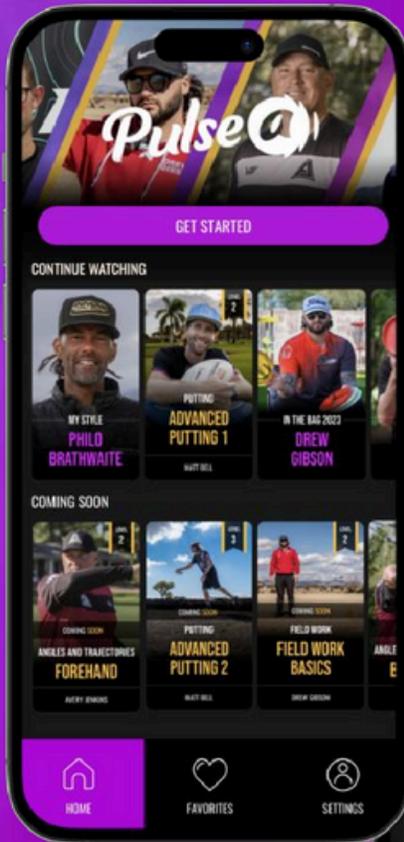
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