



# Welcome

to the Albany Club



Where Canada's Conservatives Connect

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91 King Street East, Toronto ON M5C 1G3





# BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

## Inside Access to 60 Political & Other Events a Year

Front row access to high-level speakers. Excellent networking year-round with our exclusive member base via 60 political and other events (ex: Author Series, Argos & Jays Series, Wine Luncheons, Theatre Nights)

## More Senators, MPs and MPPs as Members

Than any other club in Canada. Build relationships in a warm and welcoming atmosphere unlike anywhere else

## World-Class Dining & \$18 Markup on Wine

The club is a popular place to dine thanks to our outstanding and well-priced cuisine, our unparalleled service, and our flat \$18 markup on most bottles of wine. Hotels or restaurants charge 2-3x the bottle price

## Personal Service, Private Meeting & Dining Rooms

Host your business meetings & events in our sophisticated well-priced rooms, ranging from \$30-\$325 per time block. You will be greeted by name by our exceptional staff who know your preferences for dining & events

## 90 Reciprocal Clubs Around the World

Many offer special overnight rates (ex: The Carlton Club in London, UK) to save you money when you travel. Clubs in Washington, Ottawa, New York, Paris, Hong Kong, Calgary, Beijing, etc.

## 20 Private Golf Clubs in the GTA

Simply pay their green fees, bring up to 3 guests

## Wi-Fi Service

Enjoy Wi-Fi throughout the entire club including our Rooftop Lounge

## Spousal Privileges & Family Events

Spouses or designated individual can dine, work, and book meeting rooms using member's account. We offer our Private Dining Rooms at no charge for family events (birthdays, dinners, graduation celebrations). Family-friendly events are organized year-round including our Children's Christmas Party and Mother's Day Brunch

## King Edward Hotel - Special Rates

Enjoy special rates at this historic hotel, located steps from the Albany Club

# BENEFITS CONT'D



## Business Casual Dress Code & Jeans

Jacket & tie not required. Tailored jeans can be worn in the club on Fridays and anytime on the Rooftop Lounge

## Concierge Services

Bookings and reservations for all club events as well as

- Other city events that are not hosted by the club
- Assistance with travel plans and tourism information
- Sending flowers or a gift basket for a special occasion
- Car detailing while visiting the club
- Assistance in booking limousines or charter a bus

## No Food & Beverage Minimums

Members are not charged any food & beverage minimums

## Annual Dues – Monthly Payment Plan

Annual Dues are pro-rated starting from the month when a new member joins the club, and can be paid on a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis

## Rooftop Lounge

The perfect getaway for cocktails.



# ALBANY CLUB HISTORY



Over the last 100 Years, the Albany Club, the last political club in Canada, has rolled with the political punches and survived. And while it's clear that this former all-male enclave of cigars and brandy has changed, the secret to its longevity lies in its Conservative roots.



In August 1998, The Albany Club of Toronto celebrated its 100th anniversary at 91 King Street East. The significance of the club's longevity lies not so much in its location as in the fact that it's the last of a dying breed, a political club. Though common in Canada in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries (indeed, Liberal and Union National Clubs were still going in Quebec up to the 1960's) a political club with its own well-appointed premises is a rarity today in Canada.

Clubs, gentlemen's clubs as they were called until recently, were a peculiarly English institution. Originating in the seventeenth century, their original purpose was for gaming and gossip. From that they evolved to politics, and from there, to business. From London, they spread to the old British Empire (including the United States), then to the new British Empire (including India, Australia, and Canada), and eventually to the European continent and South America. All clubs have essentially the same purpose, to provide a meeting place for like-minded people.

# HISTORY CONT'D

## The Founding of the Club

In 1882, there was a federal election in Canada, one particularly important for Sir John A. Macdonald and his Liberal Conservatives: they had to establish that their reelection in 1878 was not an accident and that they had truly placed the 1873 Pacific scandal over the CPR behind them. The battle for the important southwestern part of Ontario was centered in Toronto, and a natural campaign base - such as a residential political club - would have been ideal.



By late October, a matter of months after Sir John A. led the Tories to triumphant re-election, his supporters had established the Albany Club at its first location, 75 Bay Street. A site inauspiciously referred to at the time as “Mrs. Dunlop’s tenement,” over the years it has acquired a much greater cachet (today it is the location of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce head office complex).

The founding president was the Honorable Alexander Morris, MPP who had worked for Macdonald in Kingston. One of the first to call for the creation of Canada, Morris had served as an honest broker between Macdonald and George Brown when negotiations threatened to break up in 1864. He was later a member of the original Confederation cabinet.



# LEADING EVENTS

- The Sir John A Macdonald Dinner began in 1979, held on or around January 11th, and is exclusively for members of the Club. Past speakers include: Hon. Stephen Harper, Hon. Mike Harris, Hon. Michael Wilson, Hon. Robert Standfield, Lt. Gov. Hal Jackman, Hon. Jean Charest and John Tory Q. C.
- Political Series with speakers from local and international renown
- Sports Events like the Blue Jays and Argos lunch and game and numerous other social events organized by the Events Committee
- Author Luncheons with well known authors like Bob Plamondon, Rex Murphy, Christie Blatchford, Amanda Lang and Conrad Black
- Municipality Series with speakers like Denzil Minnan-Wong and Karent Stintz
- Business Leaders Series with speakers like Rob Prichard, Board Chair of Metrolinx & Paul Godfrey, CEO of Postmedia Network
- Wine Appreciation Luncheons held monthly, featuring a different wine region each month
- Albany Club Honours Dinner - Recognizing a long-time member's significant achievements and contribution, both to the Club and to the Community
- Cooking Classes featuring different themes are lead by our Chef Jay.
- The Spring Walkaround Reception - Kick Off to the Summer Season
- The Christmas Walkaround Luncheon that attracts 200-400 people every year
- Children's Christmas Party and Mother's Day Brunches

# PITT SOCIETY



The society is named after William Pitt the Younger, who at the age of 24 became Britain's youngest ever Prime Minister. Combining Tory values with a new outlook on politics, Pitt was able to steer Britain through fundamental reforms while simultaneously defending Britain from Napoleon. His conservative values, combined with the ability to examine issues with a new outlook, are the principles which form the Pitt Society.

The Pitt Society is designed for developing events with a youthful ambience, as well as hosting events specifically aimed at younger members. The aim is not to exclude any members, but to encourage socializing and interaction between the generations.

All new members who are under 40 years old automatically become members of the Pitt Society and will receive notice of upcoming events.



**William Pitt  
the Younger**



Leading the charge is  
Holly Thompson

# CATERING AT THE ALBANY



The rooms located on the third & fourth floors are also available for lunch and dinner and can be reserved through the Catering Manager. The dining room menu is available or we can tailor a menu to your specifications and budget for the occasion.

All prices are per time block (morning, afternoon, evening)

## For Reservations

**April Thornton, Catering Manager**

**Tel: 416-364-5471 Ext. 241 - Email: [catering@albanyclub.ca](mailto:catering@albanyclub.ca)**

### The Sir John A. Room

With food \$325.00

Without food \$800

- 33' X 36'
- rounds - 48 people
- u shape inside - 40, outside - 30
- hollow square - 32, theatre - 60
- reception - 150
- Theatre - 50



### The Cabinet Room

With food \$40

Without food \$80

- 13' X 16'
- one dining table
- up to 10 people



### The Trillium Room

With food \$30

Without food \$50

- 13' X 13'
- one dining table
- Smallest room
- up to 6 people





# CATERING CONT'D

## The Premiers' Suite

With food \$60.00

Without food \$120.00

- 15' X 18'
- one dining table
- up to 12 people
- reception - 25 people
- Sitting area



## The Cartier Room

With food \$80

Without food \$160

- 14' X 27'
- one dining table
- up to 12 people
- reception - 20 people



## The Presidents' Suite

With food \$100

Without food \$200

- 23' X 24'
- rounds - 32 people
- u shape - inside - 29, outside - 19
- reception - 45
- theatre - 45



## The Prime Ministers' Suite

With food \$80

Without food \$160

- 15' X 32'
- one dining table
- up to 18 people

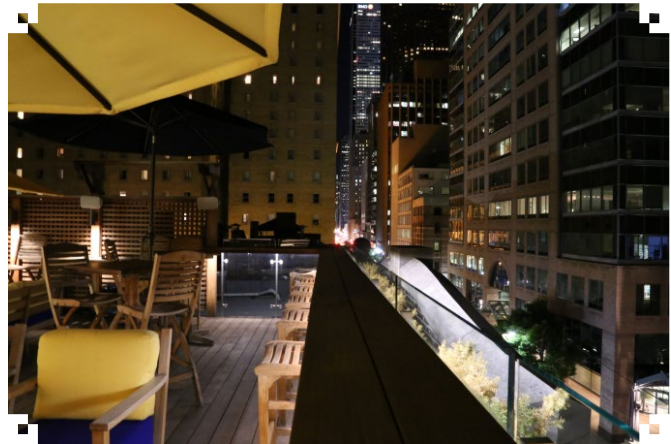


## The Rooftop Lounge

### Day & Night

### Weather Permitting

- Up to 40 people
- BBQ on rooftop
- Wi-Fi
- Heaters
- No Smoking



## Weddings at the Albany

- Exclusive use of the club
- Ceremony
- Cocktail Hour
- Dinner
- Custom Menus
- Ice Sculptures
- Special rate for guests at the historic King Edward Hotel, located steps away
- Complimentary tasting



# MEMBER DINING

## The Main Dining Room

The grand Main Dining Room is located on the first floor where we serve a full à la carte luncheon menu and daily specials from 12:00 pm until 2:30 pm, Monday through Friday. The dress code is business casual and reservations are recommended. Newspapers and business papers are not allowed in the main dining room unless otherwise indicated.

## Tap Room Lounge & Reading Room

This room serve as a quiet, informal space for members and their guests.

Daily Newspapers & Magazines are available.

7:00 - 11:00 am - Limited Continental breakfast will be available each day.

After 11:00 am, a limited bar service with red & white wine and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for the remainder of the day.

2:30 - 3:00 pm - Tea Service

No Service and honour system for consumption.

The Lounge will not be staffed on a regular basis. Should there be an extraordinary need, the Concierge on duty will be pleased to assist.



*Main Dining Room*



*Members' Lounge*

# MEMBER DINING CONT'D

## The Second Floor Dining Room

Lunch is offered in a casual but comfortable setting with big wing chairs and lots of natural light. Lunch is served from 12:00 pm daily and Dinner is served from 5:30 p.m. Members are welcome to read newspapers or conduct business during their meal.

## The Backroom Bar

Located on the second floor and featuring a 70" flat-screen TV. The bar is open from 5:30 pm until 11:00 pm. Cocktails are available from 11:00 am until 11:00 pm. A tapas and hors d'oeuvres menu is served from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm. A full dinner menu is available.



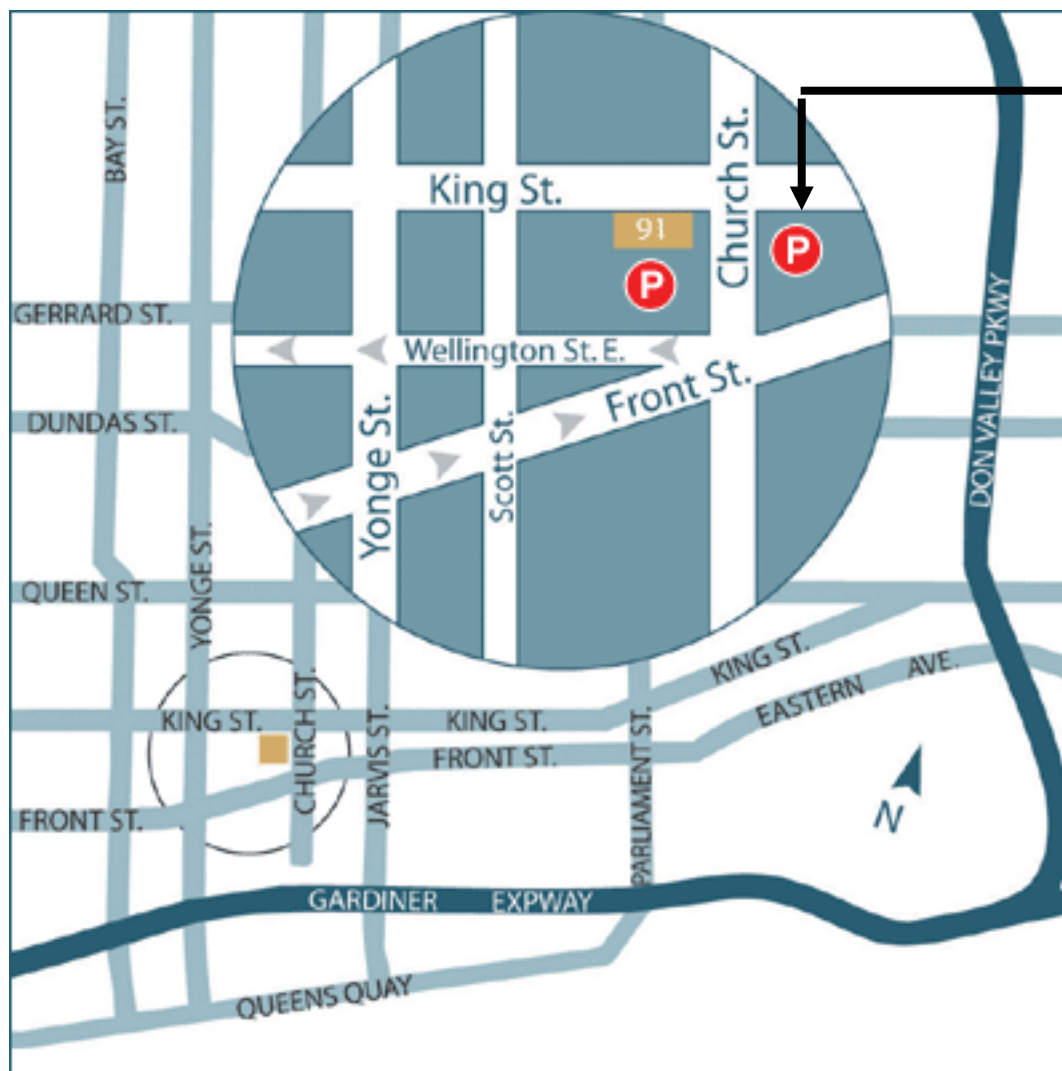
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Contact the Concierge  
Tel: 416-364-5471  
Email: [reservations@albanyclub.ca](mailto:reservations@albanyclub.ca)

# MEMBER PARKING

We are located at the corner of King & Church Street, a 3 minute walk from the King subway station. Street parking is available at meters (not during rush hour). Above ground parking is available behind the Club and underground parking in Market Square on Church Street.

Parking at Market Square offers the added convenience of charging to your House account.

Park your car at Market Square and take a signed parking chit from the concierge before you leave the Club.



**Market Square  
Underground  
Parking**

# HOURS OF OPERATION



## Regular Hours

The Club is open Monday to Friday to members from 7:30 am to 11:00 pm.  
The Club may remain open later for members attending a social event.  
The Club is not normally open on Saturdays, Sundays or Statutory Holidays.

By arrangement, the facilities of the Club will be available on Saturdays & Sundays for special parties of 80 or more people.  
Other conditions may apply.

### Main Dining Room

Dining Facilities is Monday to Friday, 12:00 pm to 2:30 pm

### Tap Room Lounge & Reading Room

7:00 am to 11:00 pm  
Honours Chit System  
Limited Service

### 2nd Floor Dining Room

Breakfast: 7:30 am- 10:00 am | Lunch: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Dinner: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

### Private Rooms (3rd Floor)

By reservation through Catering: 8:30 am to 9:00 pm

### Bar Service

Bar Service is Monday to Friday, 11:30 am - 11:00 pm

## Summer Hours: July & August

Monday - Friday

Breakfast: 8:00 am - 10:00 am | Lunch: 11:30 am - 3:00 pm (Sir John A Room Only)  
Roof Top Lounge: Open until 8:00 pm (Weather Permitting)

*The Club closes at 3 pm on Mondays.*

# DRESS CODE POLICY



## Business-Casual Attire for Gentlemen

Jacket, trousers, business shirt or knit shirt with collar is allowed.

Jacket & tie is optional except for social events as posted.

Warm up suits, jeans, khakis, sweat shirts, athletic shoes and sandals are not permitted, nor is any apparel with slogans or commercial messages.

## Business-Casual Attire for Ladies

Tailored slacks, sweaters, business or knit shirts, casual skirts or dresses are allowed.

Warm up suits, jeans, sweatshirts, athletic shoes are not permitted, nor is any apparel with slogans or commercial messages.

## Jeans

The Albany Club will allow well-tailored jeans to be worn on the rooftop patio daily and throughout the Club on Fridays.

Jeans are not allowed in the main dining room under any circumstances.



# ETIQUETTE POLICY

## Cell Phones & Business Conduct

The purpose of this policy is to recognize and permit appropriate use of wireless communication devices while providing members and guests of the Albany Club a relaxing, social environment that maximizes their enjoyment of their Club.

Members and guests are asked to ensure devices are on etiquette mode (vibrate, quiet or off) at all times within the Club.

Calls may be taken in private meeting rooms, 2nd floor bar area and at all courtesy phone desks.

Courtesy phones are located on the courtesy desks of each floor for your convenience.

Text messages may be discretely read and sent anywhere in the Club.

It is the member's responsibility to know the rules and ask their guests to respect them.

Club staff have the authority to remind members and guests of this policy.





# HOUSE RULES

Any complaint by a member, or any inattention or improper conduct on the part of an employee, is to be made to the Supervisor or directly to the General Manager.

Members and Guests may not take notes or refer to business papers in the Main Dining Room & Tap Room. Those using substantial amounts of paper are requested to use one of our private rooms.

Members and guests are requested to leave briefcases and laptop computers at the Front Desk before entering the Main Dining Room.

Smoking is not permitted in the Club

Newspapers, books or other articles that are the property of the Club, are not to be taken from the Club.

Members are requested to meet their guests in the lobby. Guest are not permitted in the Club without the accompaniment of a member.

No members shall give and no employee shall receive a gratuity in the Club.

No employee shall be sent out of the Club by a member or guest on an errand.

No advertisement shall be displayed on the Club premises without the approval of the General Manager.

The privileges extended to any guest may be withdrawn at any time at the discretion of the General Manager.

Members are responsible for their guests. Any damage to Club Property must be paid by the member. The amount to be paid will be determined by the General Manager.

Pets, with the exception of working dogs, are not permitted in any area of the Club.



# ACCOMMODATION

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## THE KING EDWARD – OMNI HOTELS & RESORTS

37 KING STREET EAST

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E-mail: [contactus@thekingedwardhotel.com](mailto:contactus@thekingedwardhotel.com)

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Book your reservations directly with the  
**King Edward**

& request the Albany Club rate. To Book Online call the Club for  
ALBANY Corporate Code

### Albany Club Members Room Rates

| Room Type                                     | January 1st to December 31st 2015 |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Deluxe Room                                   | \$259                             |
| Deluxe Traditional Room                       | \$199                             |
| Premier King Room<br>(The new renovated room) | \$224                             |

All rates are subject to non-last room availability.

Guest room rates are offered on a net, non-commissionable basis and are subject to applicable taxes.

An early check out fee of \$75.00 will be waived.

For comparison, their rack rate range is \$375.00 - \$625.00. Preferred rates are applicable to single or double occupancy and will be confirmed based on the specific room inventory available at the time a reservation is made.

# FULL RECIPROCAL & ACCOMODATION

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**For Dining Reservations:**

Tuesday to Saturday



Book your reservations directly with the  
**RCMI**

& request the Albany Club rate. To Book Online call the Club for  
ALBANY Corporate Code

### Albany Club Members Room Rates

| Room Type     | RCMI & Albany Club Member | Non Member |
|---------------|---------------------------|------------|
| King          | \$175 CAN                 | \$205 CAN  |
| King (Suite)  | \$195 CAD                 | \$225 CAD  |
| Queen         | \$130 CAD                 | \$155 CAD  |
| Queen (Small) | \$120 CAD                 | \$145 CAD  |
| 2 Doubles     | \$130 CAD                 | \$155 CAD  |



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## EXECUTIVE HOTEL

## COSMOPOLITAN TORONTO

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Book your reservations  
 directly with  
**The Cosmopolitan**  
 and request the  
 Albany Club rate.

### Albany Club Members Room Rates

| Room Type                               | till December 30th 2017              |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Standard/Deluxe/<br>Tranquility/Premium | \$15% off Best Available Rate Online |

Guest room rates are offered on a net, non-commissionable basis and are subject to applicable taxes.

Preferred rates are applicable to single or double occupancy and will be confirmed based on the specific room inventory available at the time a reservation is made.

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