

SOMMELIER

ROLLING ROCK CLUB

ORGANIZED JULY 1917

Rolling Rock was created by Richard B. Mellon and subsequently enhanced and further refined by his children, Richard K. Mellon and Sarah Mellon Scaife and their respective spouses, Constance and Alan.

The result of their efforts and generosity is a sportsman's paradise anchored firmly by a lodge that has never lost the warmth and relaxed formality of an inviting country house - a place for members, their families and guests to rest and enjoy themselves.

THE MISSION

The mission of the club is to preserve this legacy and to ensure that its members always maintain the highest standards of stewardship towards the buildings, land and environment while respecting the employees and supporting the neighboring communities.

THE VISION

To be a special place providing gracious and genteel hospitality for the enjoyment of a proper country life; in the clubhouse, in the fields and on the stream; with a membership that embraces this experience and values and respects club traditions.

HISTORY

Founded in 1917, this premier private club is located in historic Ligonier, Pennsylvania approximately 50 minutes from downtown Pittsburgh. The Club is gracefully nestled between the Chestnut Ridge and Laurel Mountain Valley ranges at the far west end of the Appalachian Mountains. The Club is situated on over 600 acres of land. Organized as an English gentlemen's sports club, land conservatory and wildlife sanctuary the surrounding landscape is truly one of the most beautiful and serene parcels in the Eastern region of the United States.

Rolling Rock Club was originally 12,000 acres (4,900 ha) of land owned by Judge Thomas Mellon, who left it to his son Richard Beatty Mellon, brother of Andrew Mellon and onetime president of Mellon Bank. Richard Beatty Mellon turned Rolling Rock into a rural retreat for his friends and family to hunt, fish, and ride. From this it steadily developed into an establishment that, in addition to the usual country club necessities – golf, swimming and tennis – also boasted stocked trout streams, duck ponds, game birds and shooting ranges. The Club’s facilities and operating standards are synonymous with quality.

BY THE NUMBERS

Membership

Resident Members:	550
Non-Resident Members:	820
Average Age of Members:	63
Approximate Gross Revenue:	\$19.8 Million
Approximate Annual Dues:	\$9.7 Million
Total F&B Revenue:	\$3.6 Million
Wine Revenue:	\$800,000
Wine Dinners:	A minimum of three per year

The Club is open eleven months of the year seven days per week.
The Clubhouse is closed during the month of March for annual maintenance.

SOMMELIER

Rolling Rock Club is seeking a Sommelier to join the Food and Beverage Team.

Distinguished as a Platinum Club of America, Rolling Rock Club is a formal club widely recognized for its quiet elegance, gracious service, exquisite cuisine and world-renowned hospitality.

The Sommelier oversees all wine and wine-related operations for the Club, including service, training, inventory, pricing, storage, purchasing and upkeep of glassware and related equipment. The Sommelier develops the wine list to complement Rolling Rock Club's standard of excellence in fine dining services and provides thoughtful guidance for members selecting wines. The Sommelier should exude competence and warmth to the membership and colleagues, while also working alongside the leadership team to preserve the legacy and traditions of Rolling Rock Club.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Level Two certification from the Court of Master Sommeliers or an equivalent certification.
- An engaging friendly personality – one that both membership and staff can relate to and rally around.
- Club and/or upscale restaurant or resort experience.
- Excellent written and verbal skills for effective communication, the ability to facilitate staff meetings and the skills to be an effective listener.
- Competent in both organizational and time management.
- The ability to demonstrate good judgment, problem-solving, and decision-making skills.
- Strong business acumen.
- Leadership and team-building skills.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Maintain a superior level of service to all of our members and their guests.
- Provide traditional tableside wine service in all à la carte, banquet and event rooms.
- Discuss and recommend wine options with members prior to private parties or events.
- Select and procure wines for Club Events.
- Work with the Executive Chef to develop wine and food pairings for annual wine dinner events.
- Regularly meet and maintain relationships with suppliers to ensure the cellars are appropriately stocked with products necessary for service and long-term aging.
- Develop and implement a training program for the beverage and service team, educating them with the necessary knowledge of the wine program to successfully serve our members and guests.
- Works alongside the Lead Bartender in supervising the beverage team.
- The Sommelier is responsible for executing the wine education training for all Food and Beverage team members.
- Regularly attend weekly Food and Beverage Meetings.
- Monitor all wine storage areas to ensure that proper storage techniques and the highest standards of cleanliness are in place.
- Responsible for the financial performance of the wine program and for accurately maintaining all monthly wine inventories throughout the Club.
- Ensures the accuracy of membership beverage charges.
- Participate in continuing education and professional development programs as approved by the Chief Operating Officer.
- Perform other duties that may arise from time to time as directed by the Chief Operating Officer.
- Maintains regular, consistent and reliable attendance.

WINE PROGRAM

The Clubhouse boasts of two wine cellars, along with a long-term wine storage facility. The primary wine cellar is designed not only to provide perfect storage conditions, but also to be visually appealing for member tours. It has the capacity to store 2,500 bottles, with built-in, mahogany racks and a floating cork floor, all surrounded by redwood walls.

The Club has an impressive wine collection with over \$1.2 million in inventory, including a strong cellaring program. The cellaring program includes Vintages from 2001 to 2021 for future enjoyment. Notable vineyards and producers include Château Lafite Rothschild, Château Sociando-Mallet, Domaine Arnoux-Lachaux, Domaine Lécheneaut, Domaine de la Romanée-Conti, Domaine Raymond Usseglio & Fils, Domaine du Pegau, Domaine de Saint-Prefert, CVNE, La Rioja Alta, G.D. Vajra, Antinori, Tenuta San Guido, Tenuta Dell'Ornellaia, Shafer, Harlan Estate, Cade, Philip Togni, Tor, Beaux Frères, and Occidental.

COMPENSATION

The Club offers a competitive compensation plan including a base salary, holiday bonus, continuing education including travel and dining, Club- provided meals, Medical, Dental, Vision, Disability and Life and Vision Insurance, a 401k with matching contributions and other standard perks and benefits for this position.

INQUIRIES

Interested individuals should send a resume, a cover letter, and supporting information (a personal portfolio is encouraged) in confidence to Assistant Manager, Matt Leach at mleach@rollingrockclub.com.

LIGONIER, PENNSYLVANIA

Ligonier, Pennsylvania, is a small town located in Westmoreland County. It is situated at the intersection of Routes 30 and 711. The town is separated from the outside world by two mountains: Laurel Mountain to the east and Chestnut Ridge to the west. These two mountains make the Ligonier Valley a clearly defined entity, approximately ten miles wide and twenty-five miles long.

It is home to many historic sites such as Fort Ligonier, Linn Run State Park, Story Book Forest, Idlewild Park and the Compass Inn. You can experience the turn-of-the-century ambiance by visiting the quaint shops around the Diamond, and its charming Bandstand.

Population:	1,497
Median Age:	52
Median Household Income:	\$64,219
Median Property Value:	\$188,800
Public School District:	Ligonier Valley School District