

BGC Seniors Pennant Team in Gutsy Finals Win

The Men's Seniors Team has won the 2015 Pennant following an excellent home and away season winning 5 of the 6 rounds. The only defeat came at the hands of Olinda, where the match was played at a very hilly Emerald Golf Course.

The first round match was an away game against Glen Waverley, who has become a traditional rival

for us over the years. After some very close matches Brighton won 3-2 with the winners being Peter Nowak, John McCreery and Adam Fish.

Anyone who has played pennant knows the value of winning an away match as it sets you up for a possible finals berth. So, this was a great start for us.

Round 2 was at home against Olinda where we had another close 3-2 win.

The winners were again Peter Nowak and Adam Fish with Bruce Drane joining them.

Round 3 was played at Dorset where we had an even closer match with 2 and a half wins each. However, with John McCreery winning the ball match, Brighton again prevailed. The other individual winners were Peter Nowak and Bruce

Drane with Adam Fish halving his match after being one down on the 18th tee.

Round 4 saw the return match at home against Glen Waverley where again we finished with 2 and a half wins each. This time John Sutherland won the ball match that gave Brighton victory.

The results of the other matches were quite

unusual as we had 3 of the 4 matches halved for Kevin Pearce, Peter Nowak and Paul Kirsch with Bruce Drane the only clear winner.

Round 5 saw Brighton head to the high country of Emerald to play Olinda where we suffered our only loss for the season going down 4-1.

While this was a bad defeat the team was in holiday mode knowing

that we had already made the final by winning the first 4 rounds.

Our only winner was Bruce Drane who managed to conquer the mountains and his opponent with ease.

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Left to Right: Paul Kirsch, John Sutherland, John McCreery, Peter Nowak, Bruce Drane, Adam Fish, (Beau Roberts, Ken Brown and Kevin Pearce - not shown).



BGC Seniors Pennant Team Win - Cont'd from Page 1

So the final home and away match was at home against Dorset, who were at the bottom of the table. Although Brighton was already assured of place in the final the players got that winning feeling back with a 4-1 victory.

With most of the matches close all day, Brighton managed to finish with 3 wins and 2 halves. Brighton's winners were Peter Nowak, John McCreery and Adam Fish with Bruce Drane and John Sutherland having the halves.

The result in the other match between Olinda and Glen Waverley allowed Glen Waverley to sneak into the final by one individual match and become our opponent.

The final was held at the Amstel Park Golf Course, Cranbourne in overcast conditions and slightly soft ground in some areas. With the two teams fairly evenly matched the result was in the balance until the 18th hole was played by the last pair.

Brighton got off to a rather shaky start with John Sutherland No. 6 halving the ball match and Adam Fish at No. 5 losing on the 17th. Paul Kirsch playing an inspired game at No. 4 took an early victory on the 15th. So, at this point we were all tied up with 1 win each and the ball match halved.

The other 3 matches were close all day and could have gone either way. Bruce Drane at No. 3 was up in his match early but his opponent came back to have the match all square with one hole to play. Bruce, as he had done all season, produced the right shot when required and won the 18th to give Brighton the lead.

John McCreery at No. 2 was playing Glen Waverley's most consistent player for the season in a match that went to the 17th, where John just missed out.

So with 2 wins each it came down to Peter Nowak our No. 1 to get us the victory. With plenty of match play experience behind him, Peter found himself down early in his match but he was always in touch with his opponent and stormed to the lead by taking the 15th and 16th.

Now 1up with 2 to play Peter had a lucky escape on the 17th when his opponent missed a very short putt that would have won him the hole. So, Peter was 1up with 1 to play and the result for the Pennant in the balance.

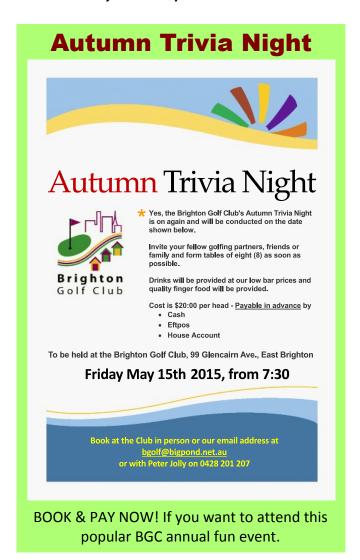
Peter, then with no pressure on him, hit one of the best drives ever seen in a Senior Pennant final to make it very difficult for his opponent. However, Peter's opponent was up to the task and they were both on the final green in 3.

Both players finished with par 5 to square the hole giving Peter a 1up victory and the 2015 Senior Pennant to Brighton.

Congratulations to all the players who participated in the team throughout the season. They were Peter Nowak, John McCreery, Bruce Drane, Paul Kirsch, Adam Fish, John Sutherland, Beau Roberts, Ken Brown and Kevin Pearce.

Winning this Pennant was very special to the team as it is now the second time in three years that Brighton has won a Seniors Title.

John McCreery - Club Captain



Leaderboard Project a 'Scoring' Success!

On 5th February 2015 the much vaunted and discussed Power Plus Golf handicapping and scoring system went 'live' at the Brighton Golf Club. More commonly known as the 'Leaderboard Project' the system stood up well on the day it was launched.

At the time of publication the new system has been used on seven occasions and during that time the issues that have arisen have been addressed to the satisfaction of Members and it's useful to list some of those **Q**uestions with the **A**nswers:

Q: How do I obtain a score card?

A: Click **HERE** to open the procedure.

Q: How do I scan a score card?

A: Click **HERE** to open the procedure.

Q: How should I enter my membership number?

A: THE LAST 3, 4 OR 5 DIGITS. But check your name.

Q: How do I insert my card for scanning?

A: FACE UP OR FACE DOWN IS OK.

Q: Is my card waterproof?

A: DEFINITELY NOT - KEEP IT DRY AT ALL TIMES.

Q: Do I mark my card with a Pen or pencil?

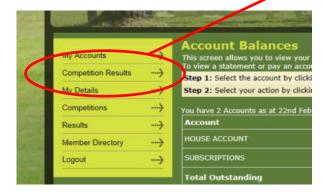
A: A PEN WILL ENSURE CLARITY FOR SCANNING.

Q: Where do I leave my card after scanning.

A: BIN ON THE RHS OF THE TOUCHSCREEN.

CHANGES TO CLUBLINK

Prior to the 7th February we accessed Competition Results' by clicking here —



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Highlights of the CoM Meeting - April 14th 2015

1. Bayside Hockey Club (BHC):

Following a couple of weeks Saturday patronage Stewart Campbell (SC) President of BHC outlined the background of his club and their "wish list" to use BGC facilities.

He advised that:

- a. Given their teams of adult Male & Female as well as Junior members they have 4 home matches times 7 per year (total 28 matches) from 12.30 to 6.15 pm on a Saturday between April 1st and Sept 30th each year.
- b. They are looking for use of a facility that provides change rooms, showers and refreshments after the game.
- c. They do not want any financial contribution by the BGC and are happy to consider payment to the BGC of a nominal per member fee to obtain access to the facility.
- d. Estimate of BHC members using our facilities is 20– 40 per day of play for each of the 7 match days.
- e. It was agreed that more discussion and clarification of each others needs is required. The timeframe envisaged is circa 2 months from now.
- f. BHC player/members have most of the Summer free to pursue other interest potentially golf.
- g. BHC draw of Home and Away matches is imminent which will firm up dates for access to the BGC facility.
- h. It is possible that the BHC would like to use the BGC facility for their social functions as well.
- It was agreed that discussions continue between both parties with a view to a resolution by June 2015.

BHC/BGC proposal:

Significant committee discussion followed regarding the terms under which any arrangements would operate.

It was resolved that further dialogue was required to arrive at mutually acceptable terms.

It was generally felt that our club standards should be maintained rather than reduced e.g. Attire, behaviour, etc.

Moved successfully that the BGC offer the BHC a \$75.00 Social Non Playing membership per member or a sign in on each visit with a review by both parties in June.

2. Condition of Brighton Public Golf Course

Another lengthy discussion led by Keith Beggs, Beau Roberts, Jane Millar (JM) and guest Tim Ryan LL.B., B.Comm (TM) revolved around the condition of the Brighton Public Golf Course (BPGC) playing surface and how this might be improved.

Following clarification of a number of issues surrounding this matter TM recommended:

- 1. The BGC prepare/research details on the shortcomings of the course which degrade the asset to an unacceptable level.
- 2. The effect this degradation is having on both the public casual players and golf clubs which call the (BPGC) home, particularly BGC.
- 3. A power point presentation clarifying the issues involved.
- 4. Put forward a "win win" solution for all concerned.
- 5. TM happy to chair a meeting of all stakeholders to resolve the issues i.e. BCC councillors, LMS, other clubs, BGC etc.
- 6. BGC to have the entire CoM in attendance at the meeting
- 7. Attendees be invited to come prepared with the requisite details to make a worthwhile contribution to the meeting.

It was agreed that the BGC would act on the above recommendations. A small sub committee to prepare the above. And whomever prepares the presentation should deliver it. Comparisons of typically similar courses should be used to emphasis the need for action on the BPGC.

KB thanked both TM and JM for their participation and advice.

<u>Proposal and action regarding improvements to the Brighton Public Golf Course:</u>

It was agreed that the BGC subcommittee should consist of BR, KB, JMcC and Jenny Bahramis. Jane Millar should also be invited to participate.

The sub committee should commence on this matter ASAP.

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3. Normal Business

Financial Report: KB spoke to each section highlighting YTD amounts compared to both Last Year and this year's Budget.

Red Cross Charity Day: Netted an interim net amount of \$7,091.52. Moved successfully that the actual amount, as at end of April be sent to the Australian Red Cross and that any other amount which arrives post the cheque being sent be held over to 2016's RCCD.

Moved successfully that the BGC make an annual \$150 donation to the RCCD. Carried.

Membership: New Members approved were Leigh Surkitt and Helen Smith (subject to payment of all monies owing). Moved and carried.

Social Report: KB advised that Peter Jolly (PJ) is prepared for the Trivia Night on Friday May 15th 2015. Bar to be run by BR & GH.

House Sub Committee:

BR provided a "To Do List" of clubhouse repair and maintenance items:

- Obtain a quote to build a fence to fix the big BGC sign as well as obtain approval from Kingsley (LMS).
- Service the club rooms gas heater.
- Purchase a new carpet sweeper.
- Green Fee payment box chute to be relocated to the bar as suggested.

General Business:

<u>Bar Review:</u> A review of bar sales / hours worked later in each day of trading to be collated and a policy regarding closing the bar to be made.

<u>Hire of Clubrooms:</u> JMcC. Advised that a member would like to hire the clubrooms on Sunday afternoon in January 2016.

<u>BGC Winter Classic:</u> Comp is now up and running for 2015.

Club Welfare: David Whipp is recovering well.

<u>Assistance</u>: John Sutherland advised that he is available to assist both with opening up on a Saturday morning and completion of the Time Sheet payment process.

<u>Pro Rata Subs Pricing:</u> General discussion revolved around the fee structure and it was agreed to retain the status quo.



End of Highlights of Minutes.

Captain's Report April 2015

The main events of interest over the last month have been organizing and the successful running of the Red Cross Charity Day and the starting of the Men's and Ladies' Pennant seasons.

The Men's Senior Team started competition in early March and have done very well by winning their first four matches, which automatically puts them into the final.

The Ladies also started in early March with two teams competing. They have had mixed results so far, but with recent good form they are a chance to make the final.

RED CROSS CHARITY DAY

On Saturday, 21st March, 2015 the Brighton Golf Club in conjunction with Leisure Management Services (Pro Shop) and the Brighton Branch of the Australian Red Cross held the 45th Annual Red Cross Charity Open Golf Tournament.

We had a full field of 92 players with the Pro Shop providing a further 12 of their regular Saturday players.

I would like to thank the Hole Sponsors for their generosity and all the members who donated or acquired gifts for the spinning wheel table. We had all 18 of the holes sponsored which was a big improvement on last year.

The major raffle with all proceeds going to the Red Cross was drawn and we must thank Trevor Spence and Simon Burgess of The Good Guys, Brighton for his generous donation of a 40" TV for the first prize. Also, Kingsley Ferguson from the Brighton Pro Shop for the second and third prizes of a golf buggy and golf bag.

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Special thank you to Mark Pearson and Bruce Arundell for running the spinning wheel. Also, Mark's wife Alison did a great job organising the

prizes into some sort of order for each spin, which was much appreciated by all.

I would also like to thank Barry Goring for setting the course up for the day's play and for installing and removing the Sponsor Signage.

The weather was perfect for golf and hopefully everyone enjoyed the day on the course and in the Club House afterwards.

HOLE IN ONE

This year is continuing on from last year with an abundance of Aces being registered. Cec Dixon, after recently celebrating his 80th birthday, managed the perfect shot at the 6th Hole on Wednesday, 8th April.

LOCAL RULES

Following the success of the last report, let's take up something that was reported on the 'Golf Show' a few weeks ago.



They reported that Rory McIlroy in a 2012 Abu Dhabi Tournament had been penalized for 'improving his lie'.



The mistake made was on the fringe of the green on which there was the spray of sand from a bunker.

Wanting to putt the ball, Rory correctly

removed the sand from the green but continued to remove the sand on the fringe. This constituted the infringement and incurred a 2 stroke penalty.

How many of us have done this or similar errors as the sandy conditions of our course have led to many unfair lies. Rule 13-2 clearly states what can and cannot be done and interestingly it also includes that one must not improve an intended drop area.

One should not be moving the sand and at no time should a foot or club be used to move the sand. Sticks, stones and any other loose impediments can be removed providing the ball doesn't move. The surface from which the ball is to be played cannot be altered.

A question about 'Provisional Ball' usage has been raised. Rule 27-2 explains what should be understood. The problem appears to be 'Can I go back and hit a provisional whilst the others look'.

The Rule explains that in this case the intended 'provisional ball' <u>could not be played and so it</u> <u>would become the ball in play</u>, even if the original ball was eventually found. If the ball had been found before the hitting of the new ball, one could return and play the found ball if this had happened within an allowed 5 minute search time and before another ball was hit.

Basically if one moves away from their area of playing a shot, more than 50 m.(Rule 27-2a), they cannot return to play a 'Provisional Ball'. The new Rules allow some small consideration of this but do not allow for a return from a failed search some distance up a fairway.

NEW LEADER BOARD SYSTEM

The new Score Card and Leader Board System is now fully operational and the feedback from the majority of Members is favourable.

Information sheets on obtaining a card and scanning a card are available near the competition entry touch screen and on the website, which explain these operations in detail.

Should you have any problems, please ask someone, DO NOT RANDOMLY TOUCH OR PRESS BUTTONS IN THE HOPE THAT IT MIGHT WORK.

If no one is able to help you, please leave your card in the tray next to the touch screen and the Handicapper will solve your problem.

Also, if you return a DNF card, DO NOT SCAN IT, please leave it in the tray for the Handicapper.

You will have noticed that the system has had some teething problems with team events, but the Handicapper still gets a result and the correct winner. The software is being worked on to improve easier access to this type of event in the future. *John McCreery - Club Captain*

BGC Scratch Pennant - The Story So Far......

Pre-season

Limited good golfers to choose from brought the existence of team participation under jeopardy. But a squad of 10 were assembled by Chris Meehan and practice became a priority for the squad with a firm belief that our performance would be critically examined by the membership. A solid team was limited with the fact that no good juniors had remained for selection. But players with enough experience could give the season representation for Brighton which has had a long history of success reaching Werribbee for a final showdown...a flag was going to be a dream everyone in the squad would have as their vision for this year.

Round 1.

East Malvern at East Malvern.

1.Ryan Radford.2.Alistair Salmon.3.Chris Tesoriero.4.Marc Robinson.5.Chris Meehan.6.Gary Murells.7.Brett Youl.8.Gerard Gaud.

A solid team performance losing 3/4. Ryan, Alistair and Gary won. Victory was only one or two putts away but we proved to ourselves that we are competitive. This was ok losing, but we gained 6 points as percentage away from home.

Round 2.

Growling Frog at Brighton.

One change Mark Oglethorpe at 8.

5/2 win at home. A must win to instil a boost in confidence. The Brighton boys had their first win of the year using a strong home course advantage to good use. 3 games went to 18 showing the other teams are also in it for the fight to win the pennant this year. Ryan, Chris.T, Chris M, Marc R, Gary M won. The ladder very close but our percentage further boosted with 10 points.

Round 3.

Altona Lakes at Brighton.

- 1. Chris Meehan. 2. Marc Robinson. 3.Alistair Salmon. 5.Ryan Radford. 4.Chris Tesoriero. 6. Brett Youl. 7. Gary Murrels. 8.Mark Oglethorpe.
- 2.5/4.5 loss. The loss we were hoping wouldn't happen especially at home. Winners Ryan, Chris T and half to Marc. Mid-season review got a battle on our hands to make final but haven't had much luck go our way. Altona wanted it more.

Round 4.

East Malvern at Brighton.

One change, Oglethorpe omitted for a strengthened team including Simon Meehan back for last 3 rounds.

1.Marc Robinson. 2. Chris Meehan. 3.Ryan Radford. 4. Alistair Salmon. 5.Chris Tesoriero. 6. Simon Meehan. 7. Gary Murells. 8. Brett Youl.

5/2 win. A result warmly welcomed against tough opposition. We wore them down for a strong result. Job well done. 2/2 after 4 is the same for all teams so Werribee is back on the agenda. Go Brighton. Winners were Marc, Alistair, Chris T, Simon and Gary.

Round 5.

Growling Frog at Growling Frog.

Unchanged team for first time! We head to the far northern land of Yan Yean. Course absolutely superb, but unfortunately we couldn't capitalise on good front nines by Brighton.

Lost 2.5/4.5. Winners Simon, Chris T and half by Ryan. This result was extremely disappointing as some of our losses were very close. Must win Round 6. at Altona Lakes to have any chance of realising our dreams of glory for 2015. However, we go there in a fortnight with some element of confidence.

Ryan Radford. Alistair Salmon.
 Chris Tesoriero.
 Simon Meehan.
 Marc Robinson.
 Chris Meehan.
 Gary Murells.
 Brett Youl.

Brighton must win the last round otherwise we finish 4th in a tight ladder. We are proud and will be showing the VGL for hopefully a long time to come. A recruitment drive is however, necessary later this year to encourage low handicappers from outside the club to join us to make our scratch team more dominant into the future.



Cheers Mark Oglethorpe.

More pennant details available here: http://www.golfvic.org.au/common/pages/public/rv/match.aspx?

V.G.L. 2015 Men's Pennant Draw & Results

DATE	Rnd	TEAM	DIVISION	MATCH	TIME	WINNER
Mar 5th	1	Seniors	Norm Von Nida	Glen Waverley 1 v Brighton	Away	Brighton 2 - 3
Mar 12th	2	Seniors	Norm Von Nida	Brighton v Olinda	9:30	Brighton 3 - 2
Mar 19th	3	Seniors	Norm Von Nida	Dorset v Brighton	Away	Brighton 2.5 - 3.5
Mar 26th	4	Seniors	Norm Von Nida	Brighton v Glen Waverley 1	9:30	Brighton 3.5 - 2.5
Mar 29th	1	Scratch	Div 2	East Malvern v Brighton	Away	East Malvern 4 - 3
Mar 29th	1	Handicap	Div 1	Brighton v Australasian	8:30	Australasian 6 - 1
Apr 9th	5	Seniors	Norm Von Nida	Olinda v Brighton	Away	Olinda 4 -1
Apr 12th	2	Scratch	Div 2	Brighton v Growling Frog	8:30	Brighton 5.5 - 1.5
Apr 12th	2	Handicap	Div 1	Centenary Park v Brighton	Away	Cent. Park 6 - 1
Apr 16th	6	Seniors	Norm Von Nida	Brighton v Dorset	9:30	Brighton 4 - 1
Apr 19th	3	Scratch	Div 2	Brighton v Altona Lakes	8:30	Altona L 4.5 - 2.5
Apr 19th	3	Handicap	Div 1	Creekside v Brighton	Away	Creekside 4 - 3
Apr 23rd	Final	Seniors	Norm Von Nida	Brighton v Glen Waverley 1	TBA	Brighton 3 - 2
Apr 26th	4	Scratch	Div 2	Brighton v East Malvern	8:30	Brighton 5 - 2
Apr 26th	4	Handicap	Div 1	Australasian v Brighton	Away	Australasian 6 - 1
May 3rd	5	Scratch	Div 2	Growling Frog v Brighton	Away	G Frog 4.5 - 2.5
May 3rd	5	Handicap	Div 1	Brighton v Centenary Park	8:30	Brighton 5 - 2
May 17th	6	Scratch	Div 2	Altona Lakes v Brighton	Away	1
May 17th	6	Handicap	Div 1	Brighton v Creekside	8:30	7
May 24th	Final	Scratch	Div 2	Werribee Park	TBA	7
May 31st	Final	Handicap	Div 1	Werribee Park	TBA	7

V.G.L. 2015 Ladies Pennant Draw & Results

DATE	RND	TEAM	DIVISION	MATCH		RESULT	
March 02	1	1	A Grade	Burnley 1	VS	Brighton 1	Burnely 3 - 2
		3	C Grade	Yarrambat	VS	Brighton	Yarrambat 3 - 2
March 16	2	1	A Grade	Brighton 1	VS	Yarra Bend	Brighton 3 - 2
		3	C Grade	Brighton	VS	Bundoora	Drawn
March 23	3	1	A Grade	Ivanhoe 1	VS	Brighton 1	Ivanhoe 4 - 1
		3	C Grade	Ringwood	VS	Brighton	Ringwood 3.5 - 1.5
March 30	4	1	A Grade	Brighton 1	VS	Burnley 1	Brighton 3 - 2
		3	C Grade	Brighton	VS	Yarrambat	Brighton 3 - 2
April 13	5	1	A Grade	Yarra Bend	VS	Brighton 1	Yarra Bend 4 - 1
		3	C Grade	Bundoora	vs	Brighton	Bundoora 5 - 0
April 20	6	1	A Grade	Brighton 1	VS	Ivanhoe 1	Brighton 3 - 2
		3	C Grade	Brighton	VS	Ringwood	Brighton 3 - 2

BGC Ladies Activities April 2015

Presidents' Cup

1st April saw the President's trophy won by Barb White with 73 after two good rounds.



Barb White

The pennant season finished very well with both our teams winning over Ivanhoe in zone 2 of A grade, and Ringwood in zone 1 of C grade. So, much to be proud of even though we didn't finish on top.

Also this month we held a guest day playing Canadian foursomes which brought in over \$400 for the club.

A few of our ladies are playing at some very nice courses with the Senior Women's Golf Association, most recently Southern and Berwick Montuna.

Pam Yardney is helping organize this monthly competition for women over 60 and the next date is 1st June at Devilbend on the Mornington Peninsula. Please contact Jan Mayberry if you are wanting to play, by the 16th May.

Medal Day

The following week was medal day which was won by Maureen Gaynor.



Maureen Gaynor

Red Cross Day - Results

As has been already stated in recent Newsletter articles this BGC annual charity day was again very successful and we now have pleasure in providing the following financial results.

Income (no GST)						
Spinning Wheel	\$1945.60					
Raffle	\$2145.00					
Hole Sponsorships	\$2916.50					
Donations	\$445.00					
BGC Donation	\$150.00					
Carried forward from 2014	\$250.00					
Total Income		\$7852.10				
Expenses (Not inc. GST)						
Spinning Wheel Prizes	\$137.64					
Raffle Ticket Mail-out	\$276.58					
Trophies	\$198.00					
Herald Sun Raffle notice	\$58.36					
Total Expenses		\$670.58				
Net result payable to Australia	\$7181.52					

New Arrival

Introducing Evie Scarlett **Radford**Born 17/4/15 at 11.54 am at the
Epworth Freemason's hospital East
Melbourne.

Weighing 3.740 kg (8 pound 4) and 49cm long.

Mother Karleen and Evie are both doing very well...Dad's doing OK too!

All of us at the Brighton Golf Club send their best wishes to Ryan and Karleen on the arrival of daughter Evie Scarlett.



HONORARY TREASURER NEEDED - SERIOUSLY!

RCGA Changes in Golf Rules in 2015 for Senior Golfers Aged 60+Not to be taken too seriously!

Rule 1.a.5

A ball sliced or hooked into the Rough shall be lifted and placed on the Fairway at a point equal to the distance it carried or rolled into the Rough with no penalty. The senior player should not be penalized for tall grass which ground keepers failed to mow.

Rule 2.d.6 (B)

A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed NOT to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck and luck has no place in a scientific game. The senior player must estimate the distance the ball would have travelled if it had not hit the tree, and play the ball from there.

Rule 3.B.3(G)

There shall be no such thing as a lost ball. The missing ball is on or near the course, and will eventually be found and pocketed by someone else, thereby making it a stolen ball. The senior player is not to compound the felony by charging himself with a penalty.

Rule 4.c.7(h)

If a putt passes over a hole without dropping, it is deemed to have dropped. The Law of Gravity supersedes the Rules of Golf.

Rule 5.

Putts that stop close enough to the cup that they could be blown in, may be blown in. This does not apply to balls more than three inches from the Hole. No one wants to make a mockery of the game.

Rule 6.a.9(k)

There is no penalty for so-called "out of bounds." If penny-pinching golf course owners bought sufficient land, this would not occur. The senior player deserves an apology, not a penalty.

Rule 7.G.15(z)

There is no penalty for a ball in a water hazard, as golf balls should float. Senior players should not be penalized for any shortcomings of the manufacturers.

Rule 8.k.9(S)

Advertisements claim that golf scores can be improved by purchasing new golf equipment. Since this is financially impractical for many senior players, one-half stroke per hole may be subtracted for using old equipment.

Please advise all your senior friends of these important rules changes and keep multiple copies in your golf bag. Those not following the rules need to be provided a copy. Golf is a game of integrity.

Check these out!









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