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CANYON LAKE
GOLF CLUBS

***COURSE REOPENS
NOVEMBER 2ND***



BULLETIN

Canyon Lake Men's Golf Club 2020 Board of Directors

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The Men's Golf Club Board of Directors Meets the First Wednesday of Each Month

2020 Tournament Schedule

Sweetheart Tournament 12 pm	February 13 th
Spring Kickoff (4 Ball Qualifier)	March 14 th & 15 th
President's Cup	July-August 2020
Club Championship	July 2020
Stag Day	TBD
Fall Member/Member	September 12 th & 13 th
Christmas Tournament	December 12 th

Canyon Lake Men's Golf Club Mission Statement

Promote Honesty and Integrity in the game of golf.
Promote the enjoyment of, and participation in, the game of
golf for all members.
Arrange games and tournaments that are fun,
fair and inclusive.
Provide financial disclosure and administer the Club's
assets in a professional and business like manner.
Promote sportsmanship and care for the golf course

President's Message *by* **Barry Talbot**



Hurray! The course reopens November 2, 2020. During the closure, we hope you each found ways to improve your game and relieve any golf desires that may have been pent-up due to the annual maintenance and over-seeding project. When you are out on course and see Mark Louder, or any of his staff, take a second to say hi and thank them for a great job. For those members who don't know, Mark is our Course Superintendent. He and his crew worked hard to prepare our track for the new season. We all will enjoy and benefit from those efforts.

This month's board meeting will be held 1:30 pm on November 3. At the meeting we will officially announce that Bruce Wallace has been elected as the CLMGC President for 2021. Also, the three newly elected directors will be announced. They will join the other six directors and assist Bruce with plans for a successful new year. Please make plans to attend the meeting and congratulate the new Directors.

Our Monster tournament on November 14 should be tons of fun. Be sure to sign up right away... Jerry Watson, our Major Tournament director, has plans for you to experience our course in quite a different layout. The team game will be 2 best balls of the foursome. Covid restrictions continue, so no cash payments will be accepted. Entry fee is \$25.00, plus \$5.00 team skins, for a total of \$30.00 per player or \$35.00 if you enter the individual closest to Pin option. Please note that entry fees must be paid by check. Include name(s) on the envelop and, if possible, please submit all four checks in the same envelop for entire team...Be sure to drop off at the Pro-Shop by November 12.

Hit 'em straight,
Barry

a particularly poor round, a golfer spotted a lake as he walked despondently up the 18th. He looked at his caddie and said, "I've played so badly all day, I think I'm going to drown myself in that lake." The caddie replied, "I'm not sure you could keep your head down that long."

**President's
Message**
by
Ina Pickard



I'm very excited about our upcoming member/member. It's three fulfilled days of golf, November 17th, 21st and 24th. The format is partner's eclectic the first two days, and the last day is the fun part, it's scotch doubles, which basically means you hit your partner's shot and she hits yours. It certainly makes for an interesting day. The deadline to sign up is November 10th. Contact Donna Nunes, Lorrie Applegate, Linda Kamashian or Linda Johnson.

Congratulations to our Gross winner for the month of October, Anita Fairfield, who shot a great 89. Also, to our net winner, Lorrie Applegate, who shot an equally awesome 68.

Our most improved golfer for September is KK Beecher, followed by Gerry Meeks and Kathy Werder. Congratulations ladies.

As you know, our course closed on October 12th and it opens on November 2nd. At this point I'm still not sure whether we will be able to do shotgun. I will let everyone know as soon as I know. When we do return, it will be cart paths only for awhile. Also, please remember to sand your divots. Let's keep our course looking beautiful.

December 8th is our Christmas Tournament. Get your teams together if you aren't already on a team. If you don't have a team or need more members for your team, contact Mary Burns. The teams consist of six ladies. This is also a fun tournament for the end of our year. We will be giving out the year-end awards, and installing the 2021 Board. We will also have our Christmas money tree, so you don't want to miss this tournament.

Last month I played in the Canyon Lake City Championship. I would like to encourage all you ladies to sign up next year. If we can get more ladies, they will be able to flight us. I didn't play well, but I had a lot of fun.

It's with a heavy heart that I have to write that our longtime member and friend, Darlene Crinion, has passed away. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Until we meet again on our beautiful course, I hope you are staying healthy and active.

Ina

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Women's Golf Club Board of Directors Meets the First Tuesday of Each Month General Board Meetings February 4, May 5, August 4, November 3

2020 Tournament Schedule

Beat the Pro	January 21
Valentine Tournament	February 11
SB&R Tournament	Cancelled
Club Championship	Cancelled
Senior Championship	Cancelled
Member Guest	Cancelled
President's Cup	Cancelled
Couples Eclectic	Cancelled
Member/Member	November 17, 21, 24
Jack & Jill	Cancelled
Christmas Tournament	December 8

Canyon Lake Women's Golf Club Mission Statement

Our Mission is to create and maintain a friendly atmosphere in which golfers of all abilities can participate in, and enjoy, the game of golf. We will promote our primary objective through camaraderie, social events, tournaments and recognition.

We encourage equitable competition through proper handicapping, utilizing USGA standards

We strive to be a source of pride and enjoyment for our members, guests and our community of Canyon Lake

MENS DAYS

30-Sep-20		
INDIVIDUAL TIN WHISTLE		
FLIGHT A		
Pos.	Player	Points
1	Rick Halsey	30
2	Jason Bader	25
3	Billy Furlong	20
4	Dan Rawlins	10
FLIGHT B		
Pos.	Player	Points
1	Marcus Ireland	30
2	David Seymour	25
3	Allan Stone	20
4	Dave Carlson	10
FLIGHT C		
Pos.	Player	Points
1	Gilbert Cervantez	30
3	Sam Theodora	20
4	Gary McKee	10
FLIGHT D		
Pos.	Player	Points
1	Randy Schutz	30
2	Robert Viotti	25
3	Don Norris	20
4	Robert Stanovich	10
18 MAX SKINS		
Player	Skins	Details
Gilbert Cervantez	1	Hole 3
Mike Scheinker	1	Hole 14
Mark Mcleod	1	Hole 4
Bob Jacobson	1	Birdie on 11
Kurt Mascio	1	Eagle on 7
Dan Rawlins	1	Eagle on 13
Jason Bader	1	Hole 12
David Seymour	1	Hole 6
31 MAX SKINS		
Player	Skins	Details
Robert Stanovich	1	Eagle on 7
Randy Schutz	1	Eagle on 4
Barry Talbot	1	Eagle on 3

7-Oct-20		
PARTNERS BEST BALL		
FLIGHT A		
Pos.	Team	Total Net
1	Halsey, Rick / Jacobs, Tim	63
2	Mcpherson, Steve / Watson, Jerry	66
3	Mascio, Kurt / Seymour, David	67
4	Brack, Ralph / Yarbrough, Bruce	67
FLIGHT B		
Pos.	Team	Total Net
1	Gray, Robert / Moore, Randy	64
2	Bader, Jason / Flores, Victor	64
3	Kelch, Vern / Vandruff, Shannon	64
4	Derse, David / Jernigan, Jason	64
FLIGHT C		
Pos.	Team	Total Net
1	D'Amato, Tom / Nickel, Dave	61
2	Evans, Jon / Pinto, Michael	61
3	Finger, Frederick / Merritt, Jim	64
4	Potenza, Don / Stubbs, John	65
FLIGHT D		
Pos.	Team	Total Net
1	Cortez, Ed / Pickard, Robert	61
2	McKee, Gary / Poland, Chris	62
3	Schrader, Eric / Theodora, Sam	65
4	Russelle, Ted / Viotti, Robert	66
18 MAX SKINS		
Player	Skins	Details
Jason Bader	1	Hole 18
Gary McKee	1	Hole 2
Vern Kelch	1	Hole 11
Gilbert Cervantez	1	Hole 14
Tom D'Amato	1	Hole 16
Rick Halsey	1	Hole 17
Steve Mcpherson	1	Hole 3
31 MAX SKINS		
Player	Skins	Details
Dave Nickel	2	Hole 4, Double Eagle on 5
Fred Espinosa	1	Eagle on 16
Robert Stanovich	1	Eagle on 1
James Musser	1	Eagle on 8
Ed Cortez	1	Eagle on 11
Ted Russelle	1	Double Eagle on 14
Joe Washle	1	Eagle on 12

TUESDAY GAME RESULTS:



Sep 29th *Two Best Balls of the Foursome*

- 1st - 128 – Marilyn Murphy, Alice Ramirez, Anita Fairfield and Linda Hudson
- 2nd – 133 – Linda Helmer, Jeannette Williams, Dianne Schneider and Cathy Barr
- 3rd – 134 – Nancy Zimmerman, Kathy Werder, Anne Norris and Ina Pickard

2020 OCTOBER

Low Gross Anita Fairfield - 89

Low Net Lorrie Applegate - 68

Oct 6th *Overall Low Gross / Low Net*

- 1st Low Gross – 82 – KK Beecher
1st Low Net – 66 – Anita Fairfield
- 2nd Low Gross – 88 – Nancy Zimmerman
2nd Low Net – 68 – Lorrie Applegate c/o
- 3rd Low Gross – 92 - Sue Sell
3rd Low Net – 68 – Cathy Barr
- 4th Low Gross – 93 – Julie Faia
4th Low Net – 70 – Ellie Clow
- 5th Low Gross – 94 – Jeannette Williams
5th Low Net – 71 – Barbara Spraul
- 6th Low Gross – 95 - Norma Yarbrough
6th Low Net – 73 – Darlene Cortez

SKINS WINNERS

Sep 29th *Five skins paid \$14 each*

Hole 4 – Lou DeYoung – Net 2

Hole 6 - Cathy Barr – Net 2

Hole 9 – Mary Burns **BIRDIED** – Net 2

Hole 12 – Marilyn Murphy – Net 3

Hole 16 – Anne Norris – Net 4

Oct 6th *Five Skins paid \$12 each*

Hole 2 – Sue Sell – Net 2

Hole 3 – Mary Leathley **BIRDIED** – Net 2

Hole 9 – Ina Pickard – Net 2

Hole 10 – Anita Fairfield – Net 2

Hole 13 - Mimi LaRosa – Net 2



Monsters Golf Tournament

Saturday the 14th of November, 2020

8:00am Shotgun

FORMAT: 2 BEST BALLS OF FOURSOME

**ENTRY FEE \$25.00* PER PERSON OR \$100.00 FOR TEAM, CART, &
GREEN FEE NOT INCLUDED**

TEAM SKINS \$20.00 PER TEAM

INDIVIDUAL CLOSEST TO THE PIN-HANDICAPED \$5.00

PAY WITH CHECK "ONLY" AT THE PRO SHOP

PUT IN AN ENVELOPE WITH YOUR NAME ON IT.

**Contact Jerry Watson for more info; 928-308-9276,
watsondblplay@msn.com**



PLEASE PICK YOUR FOURSOMES

OR JUST SIGN UP AND WE WILL PUT TOGETHER

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Fall Pandemic

Pars + Putts

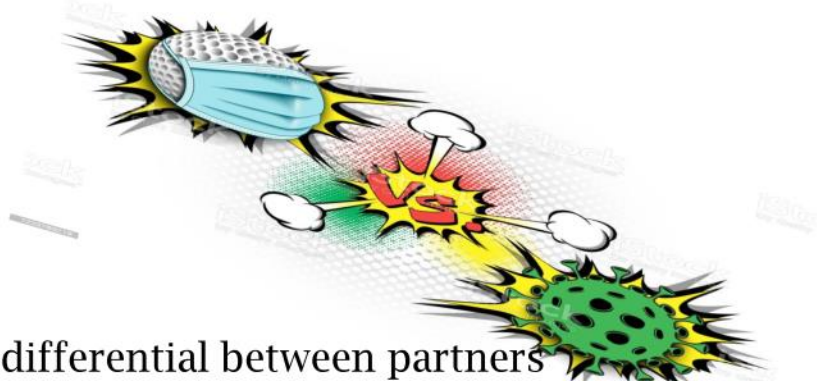


Nov 17th, 21st & 24



**FIRST 2 DAYS- PARTNER'S ECLECTIC
3RD Day SCOTCH DOUBLE
LUNCH & AWARDS ON LAST DAY**

\$40.00
Choose Your Partner



Max 10 stroke differential between partners
(Higher handicap would be adjusted downward)

Gross & Net Paid in Each Flight

Deadline for Signup Nov 10th

Committee: Donna Nunes, Lorrie Applegate, Linda Johnson, Linda Kamashian

November 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 CLOSED DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS George Douglas	2 9er's Board Meeting Greg Harris	3 CLWGC GROSS/NET Board Meeting	4 CLMGC Board Meeting Partners Best Ball	5 9er's GOLF Gross/Net	6 ALB-Partners Best Ball - Pick your 4-Some Marcus Schonabaum	7 11:00 Family Tombstone John E. Miller
8 6:00 9er's Glow Ball	9 Maintenance Day Darrell Hartzell	10 CLWGC Pick your Partner Mixed Scramble Collin McCaffery Bob Stinson	11 VETERANS DAY Two Best Balls of Foursome-4 balls on 18 Barbara Weatherman	12 9er's GOLF John Lynch	13 ALB-3 Best Balls of 4-some - Comm. Picks Doug Ray	14 8:00 CLMGC Member/Member *Beth Trinkaus
15 8:00 CLMGC Member/Member Victor Flores	16 Ron Bemoll	17 CLWGC Criss Cross Dawn Haggerty *Becky Bowie	18 Individual Tin Whistle - Turkey Shoot Out	19 9er's GOLF Back Nine *Sue Muscarella Jordan Woolsey	20 ALB-4 Man Tin Whistle - Comm. Picks Joe Washle	21 8:00 CLWGC Jack/Jill Charity Tournament Gary Snyder
22 Ina Pickard Brent Blount	23 Brad Fraser	24 CLWGC Pick Ur-4 Some Cha-Cha-Cha	25 Partners Alternate Shot Jeannette Williams	26 THANKSGIVING	27 ALB-Individual Tin Whistle - Pick your 4-some	28 John Reed
29 2:00 9er's Scramble Jason Bader Rick Halsey	30					Notes: CLWGC & CLMGC 8:00am Shotgun 9:00am 9er's

Starter's Message to Players

Welcome to Canyon Lake, we hope you enjoy your time with us!

We have a few course rules we would like to go over with you to make your round a little more enjoyable!

- Restrooms located on #6 tee and #16 green
- Water station and ice available at side of the clubhouse
- Country Club Restaurant is available for food and beverage before, during and after your round.

- Pace of Play - we would like you to complete your round in 4 hours or less
Please stay with the group in front of you

- Carts to remain on path near teeing areas and around greens
- Carts must be kept 15 yards from greens at all times
- No carts on fairways of the par 3 holes

- Please respect all roped off areas on the course

- Please fill divots with sand
- Repair ball marks on greens

- Please look on the back of the scorecard for all other course and local rules

COVID Special Rules

- Do not remove or touch flagsticks
- Rakes are not provided in bunkers
Please smooth sand with your foot after playing from bunker
If your ball comes to rest in an old foot print you may lift and place your ball one time
- Single riders in carts unless players are from the same household

Have a great time and enjoy your round!

****Carts with aggressive tread tires will not be allowed on the golf course****

Normal Golf Tire



**Aggressive Tire
(cart path only)**



Not Allowed





CONGRATULATIONS HOLE IN ONE

**Todd Wines had a hole-in-one
at Menifee Lakes hole 17**

Member Anniversary

George Middle	31 years	Brad Fraser	24 years
Vince Schlachter	21years	Robb Smith	21years
Larry Barbaria	19years	Barry Talbot	16 years
John deYong	15 years	Brent Blount	10 years
Ted Horton	8 years	Mike Connor	5 years
Koby Mora	3 years		

If you joined our club in the month of October and do not see your name or if the join date we have is not correct please contact Andrew Quinn at 714 342 8118 or awquinnn@gmail.com with the correct information and I will see that it is corrected in our membership database.

A Journey Through The Rules Of Golf

Through the next twelve publications of the bulletin we will be exploring the rules of golf from the *areas of the course, taking relief, forms of play, equipment* and some of the *miscellaneous* things that make up the rules of the game we love.

Let us begin our journey with understanding the five areas of the course and some of the frequent situations that may arise in each of the areas. The five defined areas are the Teeing Area, the General Area, Bunkers, Penalty Areas and the Putting Green.

We will begin with a look at the starting of each hole or the **Teeing Area**.

The teeing area is where you start each hole and it has a defined size and shape that is a two club-length deep rectangle measured from the tee-markers you are playing your round from. You can stand outside the teeing area as long as your ball is within the teeing area. Before you play, you are not allowed to move the tee-markers. When playing from the teeing area, you can tee your ball or play it from the ground, use a borrowed or abandoned tee (even if it is broken), and re-tee your ball if it falls off the tee before you play it.

The following are a few of the most asked questions we receive from our members:

How far back can tee my ball up from the tee markers?

The teeing area is a rectangle shape that is that is two club-lengths deep from the front edge of the tee markers. Therefore, you can tee the ball up a maximum of two club-lengths (your driver is considered the measure of a club length) from the front edge of the tee markers.

I played from outside the teeing area or from the wrong tee-markers, what do I do?

It depends on which form of play you are participating in, either match play or stroke play. In match play, you do not have to do anything unless your opponent chooses to cancel your stroke and makes you replay your shot. In stroke play, you get two penalty strokes and must correct your mistake by playing from within the correct teeing area.

Do I need to stand in the teeing area while hitting my tee shot?

The simple answer is No. You are only required to make sure that any part of your ball is in the teeing area, but you do not have to stand in the teeing area to play your stroke.

Can I move a tee marker?

When you are beginning the play of a hole from inside the teeing area you may not move the tee marker. However, if you are playing another hole and you are allowed to move them.

Our next area of the course is the **General Area** or (fairways and rough).

Most of your shots will be played from the fairway or rough, which are considered the general area of the course. This area includes everywhere on the course except bunkers, penalty areas, and the teeing area and putting green of the hole you are playing. In the general area, you will normally play your ball as it lies, but you get free relief for an embedded ball or interference by an abnormal course condition (including artificial structures, temporary water, and ground under repair).

If you can't play your ball as it lies in the general area you can always take an unplayable ball relief. Under this Rule, you can choose between three different relief options that allow you to drop your original ball or another ball out of your original lie for one penalty stroke. The three options are: stroke and distance, back-on-the-line between your ball and the hole, or lateral relief within two club-lengths of your ball. You have three minutes to find your ball. If it is not found, it is lost and you must go back to where you last played and play under stroke and distance.

The following are some of the most asked questions from our members regarding this area:

I have interference from an out of bounds fence or wall - what are my options?

You do not get free relief from objects that define or mark the course boundary (#16 split rail fence, walls along property lines). You may not move objects marking course boundaries or take free relief from them like you would from other artificial objects, like a cart path, a building, or a stake marking a penalty area. Your options are to play your ball as it lies, proceed under penalty of stroke and distance by playing from the spot of your last stroke (see Rule 18.1), or decide your ball is unplayable (see Rule 19.1).

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My ball is stuck in the ground (embedded) - what are my options?

You may play it as it lies or take free relief by dropping the ball within one club-length of the spot right behind where the ball is embedded (see Rule 16.3b).

Can I remove an out of bounds stake?

No, objects marking course boundaries may not be moved. If you do move one of these objects before you play and doing so makes your next stroke easier in any way, you must put it back before you play and doing so makes your next stroke easier in any way, you must put it back before you make a stroke. If you don't, you will lose the hole in match play or get two penalty strokes in stroke play (see Rule 8.1a and Rule 8.1c).

I don't think I can play my ball as it lies (unplayable) - what are my options?

If you don't want to or decide you cannot play your ball as it lies, you have the option to decide that it is unplayable for one penalty stroke (see Rule 19.2). This will give you three options on where you may drop your ball away from the spot where it came to rest. (1) You may play a ball at the spot of your previous stroke (see Rule 19.2a). (2) Take back-on-the-line relief (see Rule 19.2b). (3) Drop within two club-lengths and not nearer the hole than where your ball came to rest (see Rule 19.2c).

I have interference from a cart path, split rail fence, sprinkler head or bubbler (immovable obstruction) - what are my options?

You may either play your ball as it lies or take free relief. To take relief, you must find the nearest point of complete relief from the artificial object and drop your original ball or another ball away from the object and within one club-length of that point not nearer the hole (see Rule 16.1).

Next we have the **Bunkers**.

Your ball lies in a bunker when any part of it touches the sand. So that the challenge of playing from the sand is preserved, there are a few things you are not permitted to do when your ball is in a bunker. These include testing the condition of the bunker, touching the sand right around your ball, and making a practice swing that touches the sand.

However, you can remove natural and artificial objects (loose impediments and movable obstructions) from the bunker since those are not considered part of the challenge of playing a ball from sand. In preparing to play from a bunker, you can set your clubs down in the bunker and rake the bunker to care for the course before playing, as long as you aren't testing the bunker or improving the conditions for your next stroke.

You get free relief in a bunker when you have interference from an abnormal course condition (such as a drain or steps, temporary water, and ground under repair). If you want to take relief for an unplayable lie, you have the three standard one penalty stroke relief options of stroke and distance, back-on-the-line between the ball and the hole, or lateral relief within two club-lengths, except that you must drop your ball in the bunker for options two and three. Plus you have an additional fourth option, this time for two penalty strokes, that allows you to get out of the bunker by going back-on-the-line between the ball and the hole as far back as you'd like.

Here are some frequently asked questions from our members:

Can I remove stones in bunkers?

Yes. Stones are loose impediments and you may remove any loose impediments that are in a bunker, even when your ball came to rest there (see Rule 12.2a). But, you'll want to be careful that your ball does not move if you move a loose impediment or you will get one penalty stroke, and must replace your ball.

May I touch the sand with my club when my ball is in a bunker?

Touching the sand with your club immediately in front of or behind your ball, during a practice swing or during your backswing is a penalty (see Rule 12.2b(1)). If you do this, you get a loss of hole penalty in match play or two penalty strokes in stroke play. Other touching of the sand in a bunker is generally ok, as long as you are not deliberately testing the condition of the sand.

May I place my clubs in the bunker?

Yes. You may place your equipment in the bunker as long as you don't improve any conditions affecting your upcoming stroke (this means to improve your lie, area of intended stance, area of intended swing or line of play) when placing or tossing the equipment into the bunker (see Rule 12.2b(2)).

When may I rake the bunker?

When your ball is in a bunker, you may rake the bunker at any time to care for the course as long as you do not improve the conditions affecting your upcoming stroke (see rule 12.2b(2)). But, once you have played your ball out of the bunker, there are no restrictions on raking the bunker (see Rule 12.2b(3)).

Where should rakes be placed?

It is recommended that rakes be placed outside of the bunker and away from where they might interfere with play. However, this is only a recommendation, not a Rule of Golf, and there is no penalty if they are placed anywhere else.

Our Green Committee has requested that we place the rakes inside the bunkers toward the middle of the bunker.

The next area of the course is the **Penalty Areas**:

Penalty areas can be marked as either red or yellow. When your ball lies in a penalty area, you can play it as it lies or take relief outside the penalty area for one penalty stroke. For either red or yellow penalty areas, you can play from where your last stroke was made (stroke and distance) or take back-on-the-line relief by going back as far as you'd like on the line between the hole and where your ball last crossed the edge of the penalty area. In a red penalty area, you have one additional relief option, which is to take lateral relief within two club-lengths of where your ball crossed into the penalty area.

When playing a shot from a penalty area, you can remove any detached natural or artificial object (known as loose impediments and movable obstructions), ground your club behind the ball, or take practice swings that touch the ground. However, there are a few restrictions. You can't deem your ball unplayable or take relief from abnormal course conditions (such as a bridge or sprinkler control box). If you need relief, you can play under the penalty area relief options discussed above. You also are not allowed to play a provisional ball when you think your ball will be lost in a penalty area.

Some frequently asked questions regarding penalty areas:

How do I take relief from a yellow or red penalty area?

When you take relief from a penalty area, you get one penalty stroke. For yellow penalty areas, you have two relief options. For red penalty areas, you have three relief options (the same two relief options as you do for yellow, plus one additional option). For a yellow penalty area, you may take relief by dropping into a relief area using (1) the spot at which your last stroke was made under stroke and distance (see Rule 17.1d(1)) or (2) the back-on-the-line relief procedure (see Rule 17.1d(2)). For a red penalty area, you have the two options above for a yellow penalty area, plus an additional option to take lateral relief. Lateral relief allows you to drop a ball into a relief area measured from where your ball last crossed the edge of red penalty area. From that reference point, you are allowed to drop outside the penalty area and anywhere within two club-lengths of that spot, no nearer to the hole (see Rule 17.1d(3)).

Is my club allowed to touch the ground in a penalty area?

Yes (Rule 17.1b).

My ball is still in the penalty area after a stroke from the penalty area - what are my options?

If you play a stroke from a penalty area and your ball remains in the penalty area, you have the same options for one penalty stroke that you had before making a stroke (see Rule 17.2a(1)). As an additional option, you may also choose to take relief for one penalty stroke using the reference point to the spot where you last made a stroke from outside the penalty area (see Rule 17.2a(2)).

May I remove a penalty area stake?

Yes. A penalty area stake is a movable obstruction and you may move them if you want (see Rule 15.2a). However, while rare, some penalty area stakes cannot be moved (for example, when the course has set the stake into a concrete base). See Rule 16.1a(2) to see if you get relief from these types of penalty area stakes.

What is a no play zone?

A no play zone is an area on the course that you may not play from. If your ball is in a no play zone, or you are going to stand in one or your swing will hit something in one when making your stroke, you must take relief (see Rule 17.1e). If you don't take relief and instead play your ball as it lies, you get the general penalty of loss of hole in match play or two penalty strokes in stroke play.

Our final area of the course is the **Putting Green**:

The putting green is an area specifically prepared for putting, which means you have some special permissions here, including the ability to mark, lift and clean your ball any time. To mark and lift your ball, you must use a ball-marker, which is an artificial object like a coin or tee. You are also permitted to repair most damage (other than natural wear) on the putting green, including spike marks, and remove sand and loose soil - even when your ball is off the putting green.

Once you have marked, lifted, and replaced your ball on the putting green, your ball owns that spot. So if it moves for any reason, you will replace it without penalty. If you have not marked, lifted, and replaced your ball, whether you replace it or play it from its new location depends on the cause of the movement. If you or anyone else acci-

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dentally causes your ball to move, replace it. If wind or another natural force causes it to move, play it from its new location. There is no penalty in either case.

On the putting green, the flagstick indicates where the hole is located. you are allowed to putt with the flagstick in the hole, and there is no penalty if your ball strikes the flagstick. If the flagstick is attended or removed while you make your stroke, it can be moved out of the way while you ball is in motion. Otherwise, it must be left in position from the time you make your stroke until your ball comes to rest.

The committee decides the hole location and , while there is guidance, there is no such thing as an illegal hole location.

Some frequently asked questions regarding the putting green:

I accidentally caused my ball to move on the putting green - do I replace it?

Yes. There is no penalty for accidentally causing your ball to move on the putting green but you must replace it on its original spot before making your next stroke (see Rule 13.1d(1)).

I accidentally moved my ball-marker - what do I do?

There is no penalty for accidentally causing your ball-marker to move. If this happens, you must either replace the ball-marker or replace your ball on its original spot before making you next stroke (see Rule 13.1d(1)).

The hole is damaged - may I fix it?

Yes. You may repair damage to the hole, but not natural wear of the hole (see Rule 13.1c(2)).

My ball stopped and is overhanging the hole - how long may I wait for it to fall into the hole?

You are allowed a reasonable amount of time to get to the hole plus an additional ten seconds once there to see if it will fall in (see Rule 13.3.).

What am I allowed to use to mark the spot of my ball?

The spot of your ball must be marked with a ball-marker or with your club. A ball-marker is an artificial object such as a tee, coin, or other made to be a ball-marker, or another small piece of equipment (see Definition of Ball-Marker and Mark).

Stay tuned for next months rules issue when we will be discussing the topic of taking relief!



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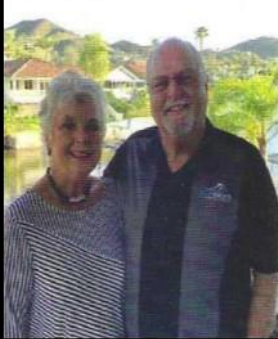

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