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A Message from the President

Hello everyone,

I would like to start my message this month on a positive note, as we all know the course is open for the use of all members, thanks to the relaxation of the government's policy against Covid 19. This is where I would like to thank all those involved in the organisation of the special measures taken to make it safe for all. Obviously the new arrangements require your full attention and compliance to help to protect us all and not least because as you are very aware, there are people living very close to our course who would take great pleasure in letting the authorities know if we were not complying! No mass gatherings in the car park, keep a safe distance, absolute good hygiene and most of all follow the guidance which is everywhere. Special mention for members who are volunteering to act as a starter/marshall for the players. Derek, thank you for your time in setting up the online booking system. Without this I'm sure we would be unable to open, plus Weggie for his fantastic effort and energy doing all the other jobs that needed to be done to support the re-opening.



As you all know by now, John Stokes is giving up his term as our Secretary and I would like to say what a great pleasure it has been to work with John since I became President. I am sure I speak for all the directors, both past and present, in thanking John for his years of dedicated service, especially his involvement with the new clubhouse project. So now John I wish you good health to enjoy all your travel plans as soon as we are able to. We welcome Brian Best back on a temporary basis as the stand in Secretary. Brian has a wealth of experience in this role after being Secretary for several years during the period before John. Brian I thank you for this on behalf of all members. I would now like to offer my sincere condolences to the families of Graham Hughes and Ron Thompson who have both been taken from us by this terrible virus. Both Graham and Ron gave so much to the club they loved, I particularly will not forget Graham as last year's Father Christmas.....

Finally our dear friend Dave Atkins lost his battle with Leukaemia. Dave was a fantastic character, well loved by the ladies and well respected by the men's section. As an ex-serviceman I feel sure Dave would have enjoyed VE Day. Sadly this was not to be. I will remember how Dave carried out his duties as Captain of the Old Salts, excelling in the role and fulfilling his responsibilities with military precision. Rest in peace Dave.

I just want to finish by saying I am sure you all join me in hoping for a safe return to a more settled and positive way of life in the not too distant future. I think we may need to be patient. Take care everyone, stay safe.

See you next time. John

Please send me all your photos and stories for inclusion

100 CLUB

MAY

PRIZE WINNERS

1ST £30 TREVOR COOMBES

2ND £20 SHEILA WYLES

3RD £10 ALAN BATCHELOR

Congratulations to this month's Prize Winners.

Your prizes are being held in the 100 Club bank account to be distributed in the usual way as soon as possible.

If any winners require their prize money sooner I can transfer it to their bank account if they contact me, by email please, with their bank account details.

I shall not be making any cash transactions for the time being.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

I do not have contact details for all 100 Club members. Those members are not on the Group email list and not receiving important notifications which is my only way of contacting you all while the club house is closed and I am in at home in isolation. If you are in touch with club colleagues would you please ask them, if they are 100 Club members, to please let me have their email address or mobile phone number for strictly 100 Club communications.

Let's keep it going!

THANK YOU.

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Whitstable Golf Club
Covid-19 restrictions
Information for all golfers before the start of a round

Key Points

- Social distancing (2-metre rule) between non household members throughout the course at all times
- **Pace of play** - Every hole to be completed within ten minutes – slow play may delay players behind you and the start times of players who are booked to tee off later
- Do not call players through if space is opening up in front of you, pick up and move to the next tee
- **Do not search for lost balls for more than three minutes** – If your ball is lost, use the local rule permitting the drop of another ball on fairway nearby with a two shot penalty
- Do not touch the flagstick
- Do not pick up any golf balls other than the one you are playing with and do not share golf equipment
- Do not shake hands before or after your game
- Scorecards should be used by only one individual and must not be exchanged at any stage with other players or club officials
- Leave the golf course without delay

House-keeping matters

- Use the one way system as signposted when arriving at and when leaving the course
- Club house and locker rooms are closed – the disabled toilet located in the main entrance is available for use if required
- Practice putting green may be used by only two people at any one time shortly prior to round not after round has been completed – N.B Practice Net is out of use
- Golf buggies may be used by single individuals only and must be cleaned afterwards
- Bunker rakes removed - smooth over sand with feet or a club.
- Players who may need additional time to play their round should consider booking a tee time immediately prior to the reserved slots and commence at either 11.50 or 15.50.

Back on the course

Photos courtesy of Louise, Sue Pout, Ryn & Jean Hudson. Thanks to all



Captain Pugwash and Roger the Cabin Boy

RULES QUIZ 2

Question 1 of 18

A player's ball in the rough lies in the loose material caused by a rabbit digging a hole. The player is entitled to free relief.

A - False

B - True

Question 2 of 18

Temporary water includes puddles caused by rain on a putting green.

A - False

B - True

Question 3 of 18

In stroke play, if a player, when starting a hole, plays from outside the teeing area, the player incurs a penalty of two strokes and the ball must be played as it lies.

A - False

B - True

Question 4 of 18

When the edge of ground under repair is defined by a line on the ground, the line itself is in the ground under repair.

A - False

B - True

Question 5 of 18

In a stroke-play competition, A, B and C were drawn by the Committee to play together starting at 9.00 am. A and B were present at the appointed time. C arrived at 9.02 am, after A and B had teed off, but just in time to play in the correct order. What is the ruling?

A - C gets a penalty of 2 strokes

B - C is disqualified

C - There is no penalty

Question 6 of 18

Wind and water are outside influences.

A - True

B - False

Question 7 of 18

A caddie is always permitted to give their player advice.

A - True

B - False

Question 8 of 18

On the first hole of a stroke play competition, a player uses his distance measuring device before he hits second shot and then again before his third shot. The device had the ability to make an adjustment for slope and this was turned on. What is the ruling?

A - The player is disqualified

B - The player gets four penalty strokes

C - The player gets two penalty strokes

Question 9 of 18

A player's ball is found by another player 2 minutes and 50 seconds after she began searching for the ball. It takes the player 30 seconds to get to her ball and identify it as hers. As the ball was identified after the three minute search time had finished, the ball is considered lost.

A - True

B - False

Question 10 of 18

A strong gust of wind causes a player's ball to move on the putting green before she has had a chance to mark, lift and replace the ball. The player must replace her ball on the original spot.

A - True

B - False

Question 11 of 18

A ball is lost if, after searching for it for one minute, the player declares it to be lost.

A - True

B - False

Question 12 of 18

A player can render his ball lost by declaration, i.e. by simply saying, "That ball is lost."

A - False

B - True

Question 13 of 18

In a singles match, Player A has the honour on the 5th hole. He hits his ball towards some thick bushes and decides to play a provisional ball. What is the correct order of play?

A - Player A may choose to play his provisional ball either before or after Player B hits her tee shot.

B - Player A must play his provisional ball before Player B hits her tee shot.

C - Player A must play his provisional ball after Player B hits her tee shot.

Question 14 of 18

In stroke play, a player makes a stroke on the putting green when pressing his forearm tight to his body creating an anchor point against his body. What is the ruling?

A - The player gets one penalty stroke and the ball is played as it lies.

B - The player gets two penalty strokes and the ball must be replaced and the stroke replayed.

C - The stroke counts and the player gets two penalty strokes and the ball is played as it lies.

Question 15 of 18

A player plays her second shot, searches for her ball briefly and then announces she will go back and play a provisional ball. She drops and plays a second ball from where she played her previous stroke. The player then continues searching for her original ball and finds it within three minutes of when she first started searching for it. What is the ruling?

- A - The player must continue with the provisional ball.**
- B - The player may choose whether to continue with the original ball or the provisional ball.**
- C - The player must continue with the original ball.**

Question 16 of 18

A and B are partners in a foursome. Player A drives and there is doubt as to whether the ball is out of bounds or not. If the players decide to play a provisional ball, who must play it?

- A - Player B**
- B - Either player may play the provisional.**
- C - Player A**

Question 17 of 18

The “line of play” always means the direct line to the hole.

- A - True**
- B - False**

Question 18 of 18

The “line of play” always means the direct line to the hole.

- A - True**
- B - False**

ANSWERS

- 1. A player's ball in the rough lies in the loose material caused by a rabbit digging a hole. The player is entitled to free relief.**
- 2. Temporary water includes puddles caused by rain on a putting green.**
- 3. In stroke play, if a player, when starting a hole, plays from outside the teeing area, the player incurs a penalty of two strokes and the ball must be played as it lies.**
- 4. When the edge of ground under repair is defined by a line on the ground, the line itself is in the ground under repair.**
- 5. C gets penalty of 2 strokes. As C arrived and was ready to play within five minutes after his starting time, he gets a penalty of two strokes for failure to be ready to play at the start time established by the Committee (see Exception 1 to Rule 5.3a). If C had arrived more than five minutes after his starting time, the penalty would be disqualification.**
- 6. Wind and water are outside influences.**
- 7. A caddie is always permitted to give their player advice.**
- 8. The player is disqualified. A player may get information on distance or direction from a distance measuring device, however such a device must not be used to measure elevation changes. As the player used the device on two separate occasions he would be disqualified (Rule 4.3).**
- 9. A player's ball is found by another player 2 minutes and 50 seconds after she began searching for the ball. It takes the player 30 seconds to get to her ball and identify it as hers. As the ball was identified after the three minute search time had finished, the ball is considered lost.**
- 10. If natural forces (such as wind or water) cause the player's ball at rest to move, there is no penalty and the ball must be played from its new spot. There is an exception to this which states that if the ball on the putting green moves after it had already been lifted and replaced, the ball must be replaced on its original spot, however as the ball had not been lifted, that does not apply here (Rule 9.3).**
- 11. Correct answer False**
- 12. A player may not make a ball lost by a declaration. A ball is lost only when it has not been found within three minutes after the player or his or her caddie or partner begins to search for it. See Interpretation Lost/1.**

13. Player A must play his provisional ball after Player B hits her tee shot. When a player will play a provisional ball from the teeing area, the order of play is for all other players in the group to make their first stroke on the hole before the player plays the provisional ball (see Rule 6.4c).

14. The stroke counts and the player gets two penalty strokes and the ball is played as it lies.

15. The player must continue with the original ball.

16. Player B, If the side decides to play a provisional ball, it must be played by the partner whose turn it is to play the side's next stroke (Rule 22.3).

17. False.

18. True

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