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# THE NUGGET JULY 2006

The quarterly newsletter of the Greenhorn Creek Men's Golf Club

**President's Corner (Rick Parker):** I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful summer weather and had a happy Fourth of July. The golf course is in good condition and seems to be holding up to our recent heat wave very well.

Our Men's Club is healthy financially with a sufficient reserve to cover our tournament costs and other operating expenses. Our board is currently working on putting together a new Member/Guest Tournament which will be played Saturday, August 19. Dave Gigliotti, our Tournament Director, and his committee should receive credit and be commended for the work they are doing to make this tournament happen. A special thanks to Bob Holston, Sal LoFranco, Bob McGill, and Bruce Chappell.

The Men's club Board continues to work with GHC Management to preserve and enhance our enjoyment of the golfing privileges and experience at Greenhorn Creek. Some of these issues include monthly tournament play, Wednesday Men's Club play, use of the grass at the driving range, and playability of the course. This year GHC Management has been very accommodating.

I would like to remind everyone that our board meets every second Wednesday of the month. If you have issues, suggestion, or would like to have input, please contact me or any board member. Please remember that our Men's Club Board is dedicated to serving our member's interest. Therefore any input or ideas you bring forth will be welcome.

Have great summer and I look forward to seeing you on the course

## **Vice-President (Bob Henning): HOLE IN ONE AMENDMENT**

In the January 2006 Nugget, I commented on the revised Hole In One Insurance policy details approved by the Men's Club Board at their January 11, 2006 meeting. At that time I also mentioned that there was a possible further amendment in the works that would provide expanded coverage for coed events, covering both men and women, dependent on the Women's Club putting up matching funds.

At the Men's Club meeting, held on June 14, 2006, the Board approved the following amendment to the Hole In One Insurance Policy. "The Men's Club, in cooperation with the Women's Club, will cover an equal portion of the cost of drinks when a Hole In One is made by a Women's Club member at a Coed Tournament at Greenhorn Creek, not to exceed \$150 per

event. This cooperation will be extended only so long as the reciprocal agreement with the Women's Club is in effect where the Women's Club contributes matching funds up to the \$150 limit for a Hole In One made by a Men's Club member at a Coed Tournament at Greenhorn Creek."

The women have amended their Hole In One policy accordingly. So, on a Coed event at Greenhorn Creek the insurance maximum for a Men's Club Member is \$400 (\$250 from the Men's Club plus \$150 from the Women's Club). For a Women's Club Member the maximum is \$300 (\$150 plus \$150). All other terms and conditions of the Men's Club policy approved on January 11, 2006 are in force.

If you want to determine if you are covered this year, and/or, if you want to obtain coverage for \$5, contact Don Chaisson, our Treasurer.

In addition to providing hole in one insurance coverage, the Men's Club also sponsors a Men's Hole in One perpetual plaque, showing the members name, date and hole where the event occurred. Get a Hole in One and get your name engraved for the ages.

#### **GREENS COMMITTEE REPORT**

A survey of all bunkers was submitted to the Greens Committee with a recommendation to eliminate some selected bunkers. The goal was to reduce the maintenance requirement without affecting playability of the hole. The Greens Committee approved recommending elimination of the bunker behind the green on hole number 11, and, elimination of one small fairway bunker, above other larger fairway bunkers, on the left hand side of hole number 18. Removal of these bunkers will be subject to priorities set by management. A few other bunkers will be looked at for possible redesign to improve their playability.

#### **Handicap and Rules Chairman (John Renati):**

##### **Play to the rules of golf in competitive events.**

One of the subjects discussed at the last board meeting was the problems we have in our club of not complying with the rules of golf in tournaments and competitive events. We have received complaints from the membership that many players are still bumping the ball on the fairways, lifting the ball to remove debris, taking incorrect drops, moving debris in the hazards in order to hit the ball, etc. Several of the members that do play to the rules of golf have stopped playing in our club tournaments and Wednesday play because they feel that they are at a disadvantage in competitive play when playing with a player who ignores the rules. We would like to get the members back.

Lets all be aware of what we are doing out on the course and be considerate of our fellow competitors.

#### **Through the Green??**

The modern term “through the green” reflects some history of the game of golf in that the entire playing area once was called the green. Today, through the green means the whole area of the course except for the teeing ground and putting green of the hole being played and all hazards on the course. The Rules generally do not make a distinction between the rough and fairway, as these areas are all through the green. In fact, the only time you’ll see the term fairway used within the Rules is in Rule 25-2, when defining closely mown area.

Knowing whether a ball lies through the green or on another part of the course is important in proceeding correctly under an applicable Rule, such as Immovable Obstructions or Abnormal Ground Conditions. If the ball lies through the green when applying either of these Rules, then the nearest point of relief must be through the green and the ball must be dropped through the green. This is an important area of the course, and knowing its definition will help you to proceed under the correct Rule.

Member at Large (Ray Walker):

PROPER DIVOT REPAIR

1. INSERT DIVOT REPAIR TOOL(not a long "T") JUST OUTSIDE THE BACK OF THE DEPRESSION.
2. PUSH DIVOT TOOL TOWARDS THE CENTER OF THE PIT MARK. (do not push the divot tool handle down) - the divot cavity must be compressed towards its center.
3. INSERT DIVOT TOOL ON ALL 4 SIDES OF THE CAVITY & COMPRESS THE SOIL TOWARDS ITS CENTER, AND THEN THEN TAP THE REPAIRED AREA WITH YOUR PUTTER (not your foot).
4. ITS A NO-NO TO INSERT YOUR TOOL & PUSH DOWN ON THE HANDLE - THIS WOULD LEAVE A SPACE BELOW THE DIVOT AND CAUSE FURTHER DAMAGE

FOOTNOTE

**Please-Please** repair your divot and then look for others to repair (time permitting). Since we are a semi-private course, not everyone takes a personal interest in maintaining this great course.

Thanks, The Divot Doctor

Tournament Director (Dave Gigliotti)

**ATTENTION MEN’S CLUB MEMBERS:**  
**There is still room available for our August Tournament**  
**Register now before the August 5<sup>th</sup> deadline**  
**GHC MEN’S CLUB**  
**PRESENTS**  
**FIRST ANNUAL**

**MEMBERS/GUEST INVITATIONAL  
GOLF TOURNAMENT  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2006  
8:30 AM SHOTGUN**

**FORMAT: TWO BEST BALLS OF FOURSOME  
(ONE BEST BALL PER TWO MAN TEAM)  
COST: \$120 PER TWO MAN TEAM  
INCLUDES: GUEST GREEN FEE, CART, RANGE BALLS  
\$ PRIZES FOR TOP 4 TEAMS  
FREE DOOR PRIZE RAFFLE  
BBQ LUNCH & HORS D'OEUVRES  
TEE PRIZES  
\$ PRIZES FOR CLOSEST TO THE PIN ON TWO HOLES**

**+ REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>  
+ FIRST 62 MEMBER TEAMS ENTERED  
+ REGISTER BY MAIL**

**FOR ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION CALL:**

**DAVE GIGLIOTTI (Tournament Director) 736-9315**

**Secretary's Notes (Ron Rivera):**

One of the duties of the Secretary is to maintain a current roster of Men's Club members. To assist me in getting this done I would like all members to keep me informed if they change their e-mail addresses. Since one of the easiest ways to communicate to all the members is through an e-mail I would like all of you to inform me whenever you get a new e-mail address. In addition if you should change your mailing address you should also let me know. Address changes are important since we will be mailing out membership renewals in a couple of months. Just send me an e-mail with any changes that occur. ( [ronaldwr8@aol.com](mailto:ronaldwr8@aol.com) )

I have been asked to make sure that all the members are aware of the ongoing activities of the Men's Club Board. In an effort to keep you up to date on what your board is doing I am going to include all the "Motions" that the board has passed since the last Nugget was published. The Board wants you to know what the "heck" we are doing.

**Board meeting May 10, 2006**

**Motion to donate a stone bench to the golf course from the Men's Club:** It was moved by Rick Parker and seconded by Don Chaisson to donate a stone bench not to exceed \$600.00 and that GHC donate the crushed rock and install the bench on hole number 5, back of the red tees left of the cart path. The motion passed.

**Motion to move current drop area on hole number 6:** It was moved by Dave Gigliotti and

seconded by Bob Henning to move the current drop area back to the Green Tee box for Men's club play. An action item is to ask GHC to maintain the tee box. The motion was passed.

**Board meeting June 14, 2006**

**Motion for Hole in One policy modification for co-ed tournaments:** Bob distributed the new hole in one policy to include a change to the current policy to handle Co-ed tournaments. He had distributed the policy from the Women's club that included their handling of the Co-ed tournament hole in one payoffs. The board reviewed the new policy and a motion was made and seconded to accept the revised hole in one policy. The board voted unanimously to accept the policy.

**Motion to establish an ongoing reserve carryover of \$2,000 for the Men's Club:** A motion was made that the Men's Club would carryover on an ongoing basis an amount of \$2,000 to handle any contingencies that may occur during the year. The board vote on this was 3 in favor and 2 opposed so the motion passed.

**Motion for distribution of Men's Club reserves in excess of \$2,000 carryover:** A motion was made that any amount that remained in excess of the \$2,000 carryover at the time of the member's appreciation tournament would be given back to the members in a method to be determined before the tournament is held each year. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.