CHAIRMEN AND CAPTAINS’ CLINIC

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020

MANUFACTURERS’ GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB
CHAIRMEN’S INFORMATION
SPREAD THE WORD!

Encourage new members to check out WGAP and all we have to offer.

Marketing materials are included in your envelope.
Enhance your golf experience with WGAP!

MEMBER BENEFITS

OPEN DAYS
Play a non-competitive round of golf with your friends on one of our more than 90 prestigious member courses in Eastern Pennsylvania, South Jersey and Delaware. No Greens Fees, just pay the cart or caddie fee.

TEAM MATCHES
Inter-Club friendly competition for clubs within a 30-mile radius of Philadelphia.

TOURNAMENTS
More than 20 WGAP Tournaments plus Invitational Tournaments. No Greens Fees, just pay the cart or caddie fee.

JUNIOR GIRLS TOURNAMENTS
Junior Girls can participate in 4 tournaments during the season.

ALL OF THIS
FOR $85!
See details online and sign up NOW!
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# The Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia

## 2020 Schedule of Events

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JUNIOR GIRLS’ GOLF

Events available through WGAP

• Mater et Filia/Lady-Junior Girl – June 23 at Whitemarsh Valley Country Club

• Junior Inter-City Matches – June 25-26 at Wyantenuck Country Club in Lower Barrington, MA (by invitation)

• Junior Girls’ Championship – July 7-8 at Sandy Run Country Club

• Griscom Cup – July 20 at Huntingdon Valley Country Club

• Rita Cooper – July 28 at Bala Golf Club
Junior Girls' Golf Opportunities through the
Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia

Mater et Filia & Lady-Junior Girl - June 23
Whitemarsh Valley Country Club, Flourtown, PA
Mater et Filia is a mother-daughter tournament. One member of each pair must be a WGAP member. 9-hole division for girls under 14 years old.
Lady-Junior is for girls who don’t have a mom eligible to play. The Lady must be a member of WGAP. 9-hole division for girls under 14 years old.

Junior Girls' Championship - July 7-8
Sandy Run Country Club, Oreland, PA
Open to ALL girls. 18-holes and 9-holes (girls under 14) play two days of stroke play.

Griscom Cup - July 20
Huntingdon Valley Country Club, Huntingdon Valley, PA
Partner tournament – selective drive, alternate shot. Partners must be opposite sex family members from different generations. Three divisions: Class A – 18 and older, Class B – 14 to 17 years old, Class C – 13 and younger.

Rita Cooper Memorial - July 28
Bala Golf Club, Philadelphia, PA
Open to ALL girls. 9-hole and 18-hole divisions. 1-day stroke play tournament.

WGAP member juniors can register online. Non-WGAP members should contact the WGAP office to play in any of these events. There are no registration fees to play in these tournaments.
PLEASE SUPPORT THE J. WOOD PLATT CADDIE SCHOLARSHIP FUND!

The WGAP J. Wood Platt Tournament information is listed below. Entry fee is $100 per person (includes golf, lunch, and donation to JWP).

Sign up on the WGAP website starting June 22nd. Entries close July 12th.

**Class B, C and D  July 21, 2020 - Tuesday**
(B-16.0 to 22.9, C-23.0 to 28.9, 
D-29.0 to 40.4)

at Bluestone Country Club

**Class A  July 23, 2020 - Thursday**
(up to 15.9 index)

at The 1912 Club

Questions? 610-337-9427 or shammond@wgapgolf.org
OTHER ITEMS IN PACKET

- Club information sheet – Fill out and return to WGAP.
- Open Day forms – Give to pro to fill out and return to WGAP.
- Playoff Authorization Form – For team match clubs – Give to pro to fill out and return to WGAP.
- WGAP Magnets – One for each chairman and each team match captain.
- WHS Equitable Stroke Control cards – 1 set of example cards. Talk to us if you would like some printed for your members.
2021 Tournament Schedule

Please check with your club to see if they have interest in hosting a 2021 tournament.

Contact the WGAP office at 610-337-WGAP (9427) or email Laura at lhammond@wgapgolf.org with any questions or interest.
CHAIRMAN’S DUTIES

Check [www.wgapgolf.org](http://www.wgapgolf.org) to verify your club’s directions.

Return the Club Information Sheet to the WGAP office.
  • Make sure to update team match captain information (if applicable).

Post flyers and WGAP schedule where appropriate.

Solicit volunteers for WGAP tournaments that your club is hosting (a WGAP Executive Committee member will reach out to you with more information).
IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR THE 2020 SEASON

Registration on WGAP website for tournaments.
Cart fees paid online with MC/Visa.
Tee times posted shortly after registration closes.
Live scoring through Golf Genius linked to website.

Cancellation policy UPDATE – any cancellation after registration closes will incur a $10 administration fee. If cancellation happens within 48 hours of the tournament, the entire fee is forfeited.
INFORMATION FOR YOUR WGAP MEMBERS

Courses are NOT open for practice rounds before tournaments except as available on Open Days.

Players are urged to stay for lunch at the Host Club.

Players MAY NOT bring their own caddie to any WGAP event.

WGAP will post WGAP tournament scores as T-scores for the competitors.
OPEN DAYS

All sign-ups continue through the website this year. (Some clubs may require you to call to confirm your time once you register online.)

Registration will start at 6am online 1 week prior to Open Day date.

You may sign-up yourself and 1, 2, or 3 other WGAP members.

Please follow the instructions online from each club.

Schedule will be posted for the year. (subject to changes from clubs)

Golfers can have up to 7 registrations in 1 year, no more than 2 at one course.

Cancellations less than 48 hours prior to date will count towards your Open Day total (unless the golf course cancels the time).

• PLEASE CONTACT THE GOLF COURSE AS WELL TO LET THEM KNOW OF THE CANCELLATION.
2020 Handicap Classes

Class A: up to 15.9 index
Class B: 16.0 to 22.9 index
Class C: 23.0 to 28.9 index
Class D: 29.0 to 40.4 index
  • Max index used for tournament play is 36.0.
World Handicap System

Team Matches

• Line-up lists based on previous year’s indexes. Will use the 2019 index as of November 15th revision for the 2020 season and review policies for 2021 season.

Tournaments and Open Days

• Will follow changes to WHS for number of required rounds. Adjusted from 10 to 8 rounds in current and/or previous year to be eligible for tournaments and open days.
• No change to max index for eligibility. Still 40.4 with max index given for tournaments remaining at 36.0.
• Will use revisions from 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month for tournaments.
On our website now (under “About” tab).
Two shifts available for each tournament (AM, PM).
Times vary based on field size.
Sign-up online.
Cell Phone Policy Reminder

All players are advised that the use of cell phones for emergency phone calls/texts/messaging on the course is allowed. Club cell phone rules/regulations MUST be followed. May be used for a distance measuring device but may NOT be used for slope, wind, etc.

All players are expected to keep their phones in silent mode while on the course.

If a player consistently disregards his fellow competitors or opponent, there could be a penalty for undue delay (Rule 5.6a).
Encouraging More Participation in Women’s Golf

A new program for 2020 to allow women golfers with handicaps that do not qualify for WGAP membership to compete in a select number of WGAP tournaments.

Tournament Eligible Players - TEP.

• Help to grow women’s golf by providing more access to play.
• Potentially grow private club and WGAP membership.

Why are we doing this

• We have space available in most of our tournaments.
• Fuller fields add more revenue for our member clubs hosting the tournament.
How the TEP Process Works

- Registration will open approximately three weeks prior to the tournament.
- The tournaments will be open to only WGAP members for the first week of registration. After the first week, tournament eligible players may sign up.
- Tournament Eligible Players must have a GHIN number and handicap and should adhere to the WGAP guidelines related to GHIN numbers and handicaps.
- Tournament Eligible Players must be in the same geographic region as our member clubs.
- Tournament Eligible Players will pay a registration fee for each tournament (in addition to cart/caddie fees):
  - $50 for each day of play in a tournament
  - Platt Caddie tournaments would be $150 for a TEP
Limitations on TEP Players

Tournament Eligible Players will not participate in:

• Team Matches
• Open Days
• Player of the year awards
• Trips
Tournaments Open to TEPs

A Tournaments
- Dixon Cup
- J. Wood Platt Caddie
- Farnum Cup
- Senior and Super Senior Championship

B Tournaments
- J. Wood Platt Caddie
- 1st Stroke Play
- 2nd Stroke Play
- Senior and Super Senior Championship

C Tournaments
- J. Wood Platt Caddie
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- 2nd Stroke Play
- Senior and Super Senior Championship

D Tournaments
- J. Wood Platt Caddie
- 1st Stroke Play
- 2nd Stroke Play
- Senior and Super Senior Championship
WGAP Golf Trips

**September Trip to Cape Cod, MA**

September 10-14

Limited to 28 golfers.

$550 covers 2 rounds of golf, one cocktail party, two dinners, Titleist Ball Plant tour. Optional group excursion to go whale watching as well!

**October Trip to Pebble Beach, CA**

October 8-11 (with optional Napa Valley trip October 5-7).

Limited to 16 golfers.

Pebble cost (including room, golf, cocktail party, and dinner) - $2961 per person

Napa Add on (including hotel, winery tour/lunch, wine train, and all transfers) - $1250 per person
CHAIRMEN’S SCRAMBLE

Tuesday, April 21st at Penn Oaks Golf Club with a 9:00 AM shotgun start (lunch follows).

Open to Golf and Handicap Chairmen (or substitutes) – limited to 2 players per club.

On-line registration
• Opens March 23rd
• Closes April 12th
TEAM CAPTAIN INFORMATION
IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2020

Courtesy Handicap Request Deadline:
  • Friday, March 13

WGAP Membership Deadline for team match eligibility:
  • Friday, March 20

Deadline for Confirming Team Match Line-Ups:
  • Friday, April 3
Creating Your Line-up

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# Reporting Results — Paper Copy

## 2020 Team Match Season

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**Signature of Home Team Captain**

**Signature of Visiting Team Captain**

**Name of winning team and team score**

Captains: Please fill out and input results online after each match (no later than 3:00 PM)

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### 2015 TEAM MATCH SEASON

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REPORTING RESULTS - ONLINE

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Team Match Handbook

Use the handbook as a resource for today and keep it with you during matches.
2020 WGAP TEAM MATCH COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Susan L. Anderson, Philadelphia Cricket Club – Chairman
Pat Carbone, Old York Road Country Club
Barb Davis, Berkshire Country Club
Liz Haines, Merion Golf Club
Jacinta Koerper, Huntingdon Valley Country Club
Denise Viola, Trenton Country Club
2020 Season Updates

• Every Cup has a trophy. Winners are encouraged to display trophy at club for golf season.

• Named Cups:
  • 1st Cup – Philadelphia Cup
  • 2nd Cup – Suburban Cup
  • 3rd Cup – Wallingford Cup

• Rain Date – Friday, May 15, 2020

• No Challenge Matches
HANDBOOK ORGANIZATION

First half of book:
- Captain/Coordinator responsibilities
  - Divided up before matches and day of matches
- Finalizing Regular Season Cup Rankings
- Philadelphia Cup Ties and Super Jump Rounds

Second half of book:
- Rules of Golf
- General Team Match Rules/Format
- Player Responsibilities
- Cart/Caddie Procedures
- Inclement Weather Policy and Rain Date
- Team Default Rule
Responsibilities of Team Match Captains

(Handbook Pages 1-2)

Before the day of the match.

• Schedule a team match meeting.
• Provide hostess for each home match.
• Consult club professional.
• Local rules – written and clarified.
• Reach out to visiting captains with pertinent information.
DAY OF THE MATCH

(HANDBOOK PAGE 3)

HOME TEAM CAPTAIN
• Prepare result sheet.
• Prepare 2 sets of scorecards.
• Prepare line-up list for caddie master/golf pro.
• Go over local rules with visiting captain.
• Record results of matches.
• Post results online.

VISITING TEAM CAPTAIN
• Arrive with line-up list in writing for caddie master/golf pro.
• Fill in names on prepared scorecards.
• Check on local rules with home captain.
• Collect money for locker room attendant/bag carriers.
• Notify home captain if all players are not staying for lunch.
Both Captains’ Responsibilities (Handbook Page 3)

- Have the Team Match Handbook with you at all matches.
- **Check order of line-ups at each match.**
- Check results sheet at the conclusion of matches and sign.
- Copy results for future reference (if needed).
- Verify that scores reported online are accurate.
Players’ Responsibilities

(Handbook Page 9)

- Name tag on golf bag.
- Count clubs before and after you play.
- Host players should introduce visiting players to caddie.
- Identify golf ball on first tee.
- Defer all differences in rules to team captains.
- Report match results to captain.
- Keep pace of play.
- If unable to stay for lunch at home course, ask another player to hostess your opponent.
TEAM MATCHES CANCELLED BY COMMITTEE

• The Committee monitors weather forecasts prior to each match.
• The Committee holds a conference call before 5:30am on the day of the match when the weather looks questionable.
• If the decision is made to cancel matches, all WGAP members receive an email and a cancellation notice is posted on our website.
TEAM MATCHES CANCELLED BY COMMITTEE

• All clubs must hold Friday, May 15th as a rain date.
• The first match cancelled by WGAP will be played on the rain date as originally scheduled.
TEAM MATCHES NOT CANCELLED BY COMMITTEE

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Course Closed Before Play Starts

If the course is closed or likely to be closed before play begins, the following options may be used in the order listed below.

• Use available holes at home course (minimum of six different holes).

• Delay play up to a TOTAL of 60 minutes.

• Check availability of away course. Use away course with home team acting as hostess responsible for lunch (minimum of six different holes, totaling 18).
TEAM MATCHES NOT CANCELLED BY COMMITTEE
(HANDBOOK PAGE 10)

Course Closed During Play

If a course is closed during play, all play is immediately suspended and all players should be notified promptly.

• **Maximum waiting period is 60 minutes TOTAL.**
  • Captains must agree on the time play was stopped.
  • May be one period of 60 minutes, or several stops that add up to 60 minutes.

• **All players must complete 7 holes for the matches to count.**
  • If 7 holes are not completed by all players, the matches are halved and the end result is a tie.
  • If 7 holes are completed by all players, the matches shall be scored as they stand.
GENERAL INFORMATION FOR MATCHES

A team must have 7 players on the tee in 2 matches, not less than 5 on the tee in 2 matches, and not less than 4 on the tee in the 1 match.

Definitions

• DEFAULT – A team is unable to field a player for a match position.
  • TEAM MATCH DEFAULT – A team is unable to meet the requirements for number of players in a match.
  • ANNUAL TEAM DEFAULT – A team is unable to meet requirements for number of players in two matches.

• FORFEIT – A player wants to play, but is unable to do so.
PLAYER RUNNING LATE — DOES NOTIFY CLUB

(HANDBOOK PAGE 8)

• The other matches may begin on time.

• The affected match will begin as soon as the player arrives at the club, provided she arrives within the agreed upon grace period.

• If she doesn’t arrive within the agreed upon grace period, she forfeits her match.
• The matches may not begin and the Captains agree on a reasonable grace period.

• If she arrives within that grace period, the matches are played as planned.

• If she doesn’t arrive within the agreed upon grace period, all players must move up in line-up order and the 7th place match is forfeited.
  • For example, if the 4th place player does not get to the course, the 5th, 6th, and 7th place players on her team would move up one position for the match.
Finalizing End of Regular Season Cup Rankings
(Handbook Pages 4-5)

• Team Match Cup Rankings are determined by number of team match wins.

• Ties are broken in the following manner (exception – tie for 1st place in Philadelphia Cup).
  ◦ Number of team match wins.
  ◦ Number of individual matches won.
  ◦ Which team prevailed when they opposed each other in regular season play.
  ◦ If the teams didn’t play each other, or were tied at the end of the match, ties will be broken by which team prevailed with a better result against the next highest team in the Cup. This process is continued until the tie is broken.
MOVEMENT OF FIRST AND SIXTH PLACE TEAMS

• Once the Regular Season Cup Rankings are finalized.
  • The first-place team in each Cup automatically moves into the Cup above.
  • The sixth-place team in each Cup automatically moves into the Cup below.
PLAYOFF ROUNDS

• The Team Match Committee will meet after the last Team Match to schedule playoff rounds.

• Philadelphia Cup Ties and Super Jumps
  Tuesday, May 19th

• Host Club (neutral courses) will be confirmed by PHONE on the evening of the last day of the matches. Captains will be notified by phone and/or email by the following morning.

• Playoff information will be on our website.
PLAYER ELIGIBILITY FOR PLAYOFF ROUNDS

(HANDBOOK PAGES 5-6)

- Any player who has played in at least one regular match is eligible to play in a playoff with her regular team or may play “up” as a substitute on a higher team provided she remains in team line-up order.
- Any player, who has not played in a match this season AND who has not been skipped over in the line-up, is eligible to play in a playoff round provided she remains in team line-up order.
Super Jump Rounds

(Handbook Pages 5-6)

Teams have the option to defend their position in Super Jump rounds.

Teams MUST tell WGAP (by phone or email) by the end of the day on the last day of matches if they do not wish to play.

If the team does not want to defend, the team will automatically move down a Cup.
SUPER JUMP ROUNDS
(HANDBOOK PAGES 5-6)

• Eligibility – wins all 5 matches and scores 30 or more points.
• Team must have 5 players on the tee or a team match default will occur.
• Honor on the tee is determined by a coin flip.
• Once a team has won 5 matches, it is not necessary to complete the remaining matches.
2021 MATCH DATES

• Tuesday, April 27, 2021
• Friday, April 30, 2021
• Tuesday, May 4, 2021
• Friday, May 7, 2021
• Tuesday, May 11, 2021
• Rain Date – Friday, May 14, 2021
• Super Jump Rounds – Tuesday, May 18, 2021
Time to Meet with Teams in Your Cup

Discuss any important information (i.e. – route changes to club, caddie/cart policies, exchange contact information)
Golf Rules and WHS Update

“Has anyone explained the rules of this game to you?”
LOCAL RULES SHEET

All clubs should have a local rules sheet.

• Read carefully as many familiar local rules (i.e. accidental movement of the ball on the putting green) have become USGA Rules and there are new local rules that may be used.

If a club chooses to play lift, clean, and place during a match, it is important to specify how big the relief area is (i.e. – scorecard length, 6 inches, etc.).

If you use a drop zone, it must be listed on the local rules sheet.

If you have Ground Under Repair that isn’t marked by white lines, please specify (i.e. – marked by ropes, etc.).
MATCH PLAY REMINDERS

Order of play is important. There is no continuous putting.

- *New as of 2019* – Players may agree to play out of turn to save time. If agreed upon, the player not making the stroke has given up her right to cancel the stroke.

You cannot play a second ball if unsure of a rule. Must play the way you think is correct and use the claim procedure if there is a disagreement.

- No penalty if you honestly do what you think is right and find out later it was incorrect.
- Claim must be made before the players tee off the next hole OR before they finalize the results of the match after playing last hole.
**Areas of the Course**

5 main areas:

- **General Area** – Area of the course that covers all of the course except for the four other defined areas.

- **Teeing Area** – The area the player must play from in starting the hole he or she is playing. Rectangular in shape (2 club lengths deep). Only considered the teeing area for the specific hole you are playing (all others are part of General Area).

- **Penalty Area** – An area from which relief with a one-stroke penalty is allowed. Two types are yellow penalty areas (2 relief options) and red penalty areas (3 relief options).

- **Bunkers** – A specially prepared area of sand, which is often a hollow from which turf/soil was removed.

- **Putting Green** – The area on the hole the player is playing that is specially prepared for putting and contains the hole the player tries to play the ball to. Any other green on the course is considered a Wrong Green (General Area).
SEARCHING FOR YOUR BALL

You may fairly search for your ball by taking reasonable actions to find and identify it, such as:

• Moving sand and water
• Moving or bending (or breaking ONLY if such a breaking is a result of other reasonable actions) grass, bushes, tree branches, and other growing or attached natural objects.
• If taking such reasonable actions as part of a fair search improves the conditions affecting the stroke:
  • There is no penalty if the improvement results from a fair search.
  • But if the improvement results from actions that exceeded what was reasonable, you get the general penalty.

If the ball is accidentally moved during the search, it should be replaced on its original spot or if not known, its estimated spot. There is no penalty for accidentally moving a ball during a search.
TIME LIMIT FOR SEARCH

A player only has **three minutes** to search for her ball before it is considered lost.

- Time starts when a player or her caddie begin to search for the ball.
- If a ball is found and it is uncertain if it is the player’s ball, she must promptly attempt to identify it.
- For a lost ball, a player must use Stroke and Distance penalty and go back to where the last shot was played.
- A player may play a provisional for a ball believed to be lost or out of bounds.
- The player MUST announce she is playing a provisional ball. If not announced, the provisional ball becomes the ball in play.
Penalty Areas

Bodies of water or other areas defined by the committee where a ball is often lost or unable to be played.

- No longer called “water hazards.”

You always have the option to play from the penalty area.

Yellow penalty areas have 2 relief options. Red penalty areas have 3 relief options.

You may also now ground your club in the penalty areas as well as remove loose impediments.

- There is still no relief for unplayable lies, embedded balls, abnormal course conditions within the penalty area.
TAKING A DROP

Players need to drop the ball from knee height whenever taking relief.

Ball must come to rest in relief area. Either one club length or two, depending on type of relief.

Player should identify a reference point (and mark it) from which the size of the relief area is measured.

If the ball rolls outside relief area, it needs to be redropped. After a 2\textsuperscript{nd} time, the ball should be placed where it hit within the relief area on the 2\textsuperscript{nd} drop.
**Substituting a New Ball**

Players may substitute a new ball any time they are taking relief, under any circumstance (even free relief).

Players may not substitute a ball when lifting a ball to identify it, when marking a ball on the putting green, or when checking to see if a ball is damaged and it is not.
BUNKERS

Loose impediments –
• May be removed by player (i.e. – stones, twigs, leaves). There is no penalty if the player touches the sand while removing these, so long as she isn’t testing the surface.

Players can place equipment in bunker and may lean on their club (for balance). They may even strike the sand in anger, so long as they aren’t testing the surface.

STILL MAY NOT DO THE FOLLOWING:
• Touch the sand or dig in directly in front of or behind the ball using your hand, club or any other object to test the condition of the sand.
• Take a practice swing that touches the sand.
• Touch the sand on your backswing.
Relief From Bunkers

More options for relief when ball is unplayable in bunker.

Example: Ball is buried under the lip of the bunker in the sand.

Options:

• Declare the ball unplayable and drop within 2 club length relief area IN BUNKER (ball at rest is reference point) – 1 penalty shot.

• Go back keeping point of ball and pin in line as far as you want IN BUNKER and drop within 1 club length relief area – 1 penalty shot.

• Replay last shot – dropping within 1 club length relief area – 1 penalty shot.

• NEW – Go back keeping point of ball and pin in line as far as you want OUTSIDE OF BUNKER and drop within 1 club length relief area – 2 penalty shots.
FLAGSTICK

The flagstick may be left in the hole while a player plays a shot from the green – no penalty if it strikes it.

After making a stroke on the green, a player or her caddie must not deliberately move/remove the flagstick to affect where the ball comes to rest.

No penalty if the ball accidentally hits the flagstick or the person attending the flagstick – play as it lies. (deliberate deflection is different)

A ball resting against a flagstick left in the hole is considered holed if any part of the ball is below the surface of the green.
REPAIRING THE PUTTING GREEN

Allowed to do:
• Remove sand and loose soil.
• Repair damage made by the following:
  • ball marks
  • shoe damage (spike marks)
  • scrapes or indentations made by equipment or flagstick
  • old hole plugs, turf plugs, seams of cut turf, scrapes or indentations made by maintenance
  • animal tracks or hoof indentations
  • embedded objects (i.e. – acorn, stone, tee)

Damage does not include:
• Normal practices for maintaining putting green (i.e. – aeriation holes, grooves from vertical mower)
• Irrigation or rain or other natural forces.
• Natural surface imperfections (weeds, areas of bare, diseased, or uneven growth)
• Natural wear of the hole
BALL MOVES ON THE GREEN

Accidental movement of the ball on the green by player, caddie, equipment, etc. – no penalty. Replace on original spot.

If ball moves by natural forces (wind, water, gravity) BEFORE IT HAS BEEN MARKED – play it as it lies. No penalty.

If a player marks a ball and replaces it, and the ball consequently moves due to natural forces, the player is entitled to her original spot and may replace the ball.
WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM

• 5 significant changes to handicapping:
  • Minimum number of score required – three 18-hole rounds.
  • 8 differentials used out of 20 scores.
  • Playing Condition Calculation may be used.
  • Exceptional Score Reduction takes into consideration ALL scores.
  • Addition of Soft Cap and Hard Cap to limit upward movement.
RULE OF 54

• 54 holes needed (any combination of 9- and 18-hole rounds) needed to establish a handicap index.
• Maximum index recognized by WHS is 54.0.
• Revisions made daily.
  • Need to submit scores the day the round was played (by midnight).
PLAYING CONDITIONS CALCULATION

• Playing Conditions Calculation made daily (based on scores posted) to account for abnormal playing conditions that cause scores to be unusually high or low on a given day.
• Very conservative in nature.
• Could be caused by course set-up being easier than normal, or tough weather conditions.
• **Very important to post the day of play.**
Restrictions on Handicap Indexes

Exceptional Score Reduction

- Any score differential of 7.0-9.9 better than the current handicap index results in every score differential posted (in the 20 score history) being reduced by 1.0.
- Any score differential of 10.0+ better than the current handicap index results in every score differential posted (in the 20 score history) being reduced by 2.0.
- Only applicable to people who have 20 scores in their history.

Soft and Hard Caps

- These have been implemented to limit the extreme upward movement of a player’s handicap index within a 12-month period.
- Always compared to low handicap index over past 12 months.
- Soft Cap – suppress upward movement by 50% after a 3.0 stroke increase has been reached.
- Hard Cap – restrict upward movement to 5.0 strokes over the low handicap index.
QUESTIONS?