

Newsletter

RULES

In this newsletter, we have a couple of rules topics. First, AND VERY IMPORTANT, it has been observed that some players participating in Fox Hollow Men's Club events are not holing out all putts. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A "GIMME" IN STROKE PLAY EVENTS!!!! Unless you are playing in a match play event you must put the ball in the hole on EVERY hole. In 1983 Hale Irwin whiffed a 2 inch putt. He had to count that stroke and he finished one behind the winner. The point is, there is no putt that is impossible to miss.

Everyone knows that you can take a free drop from a cart path if your ball lies on it or you have to stand on it to play your shot. Most people do not know the rule concerning WHERE the ball MUST be dropped. You do NOT get to drop it wherever you want. You MUST drop it in the NEAREST spot that gets you full relief from path and is not nearer the hole. During a recent round, my ball stopped on the path near the green on #5 of the Front Nine. The ball was sitting on the left half of the path as you look at the green. The nearest spot to the original lie that gave me full relief was on the hill in knee-high grass. Because it is not a hazard, if I wanted a drop, that is where it would have to be dropped. I could not drop it to the right in the light rough or fairway. I chose play the ball off the path instead.

Some people are neglecting to put their local handicap number on the score cards, or they are putting the wrong number. This number uniquely identifies you within our club. If there is any question about the name, we go to the local number. EVERYONE should double check what their number is. Don't make any assumptions, EVERY card should have your full name and local number. You don't have to cram all that into the name space, there will always be an open 9 on the card where you can write that info. Also a reminder, if we cannot read your writing, your score will not count. This applies to both scorecards and signup sheets.

Each league is currently in the middle of one or more match play tournaments. REMEMBER, if you are playing a match on a league day, you cannot compete in the regular event on that date. YOU MUST INDICATE ON YOUR SCORE CARD THAT YOU WERE PLAYING A MATCH. If you fail to do this, you could be disqualified from both events.

Saturday players: If you play on the unofficial holiday days and turn your card into the golf shop, we will record your score in the handicap system whether or not you play in the skins game.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUEST DAY is scheduled for Wednesday, July 14. This event is open to all Fox Hollow Men's Club members from all 3 leagues and their guests. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board at the golf course and there is event and sponsorship information on the web under [Guest Day](#).

COMBINATION TOURNAMENT is scheduled for Saturday, July 31. This event is open to all Fox Hollow Men's Club members. This is a 2-man 27-hole event. See the event description – [Combination](#) – on the web site. There is a separate fee which covers prize money and food. Signup is in the golf shop.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP is at the end of August this year. The board of directors has established some minimum participation requirements in order to be eligible for this year's championship. In order to play you must:

- BE A FULLY PAID REGULAR OR JUNIOR MEMBER OF THE MEN'S CLUB

- HAVE PARTICIPATED IN AT LEAST 6 REGULAR MEN'S CLUB EVENTS IN ANY COMBINATION OF LEAGUES
- HAVE 5 FULL 18 HOLE ROUNDS POSTED IN THE GHIN HANDICAP SYSTEM IN 2010.

If you have questions about these requirements, see event chairs Joe Sicora, or Kevin Horvath, or e-mail the men's club address.