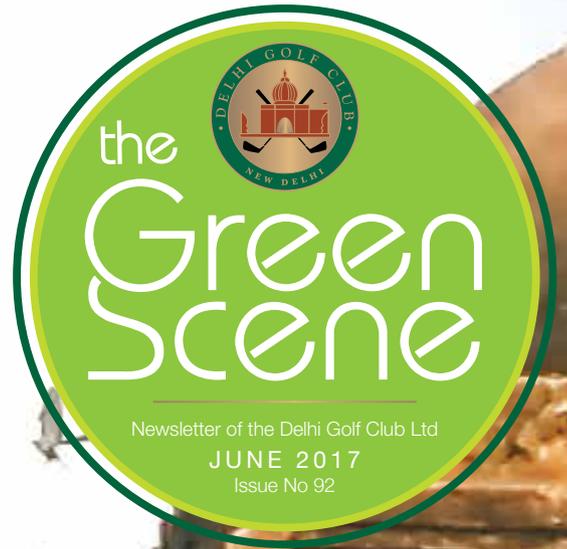




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**NOMINEES
FOR
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SPORTS
AWARDS**

**CAPTAIN'S
DAY
&
CAPTAIN'S
NIGHT**

**31ST JUNIOR
TRAINING
PROGRAMME
CAMPS**

Tee off with the Captain



We have received positive feedback from members on the course condition inspite of the adverse blazing weather conditions in May-June. It is heartening to see many of our golfers playing despite the oppressive heat. It will be interesting for members to know that there has been no need to make temporary greens throughout the summer. The course staff have been carrying out different cultural practices thereby optimizing turf growth and providing reasonably consistent green speeds.

The fairways too, have been worked on without any major inconvenience to members this season. The course staff is focusing on other details such as drainage correction on fairways and bunkers and are confident of providing better playing conditions on the course in the coming months.

GOLF WEEK AND CAPTAIN'S DAY



The Golf Week was conducted over six days from 17 - 23 April 2017 with separate members tournaments being played in all categories. It was heartening to see 535 members participate. The ball was set rolling with the Super Senior members tournament on 17 April on the Lodhi and Peacock Courses which was followed by brunch. The Ladies Stableford tournament was played on 19 April which had enthusiastic participation inspite of the high temperatures. The Members Stableford tournament was well contested over three days on 20, 21 and 22 April.

All participants were given a gift worth Rs.1500/- and a credit of Rs.300/- towards refreshments. A Hyundai Creta car was placed on the 5th Tee on all five days as a 'Hole-in-One Prize'; sadly none of the contestants walked away with the car. The traditional skills competitions were conducted on 23 April and were well contested in all

categories. The long driving, chipping, bunker play and putting witnessed high standard of golfing shots. Members were very happy with the Golf Week event.

The Captain's Night was well conceived, planned and executed by the Club. Live music was provided by Helen and her group. The evening started with the Captain's speech followed by the Annual Prize Distribution. The prizes were sponsored by 360° and appreciated by the various winners and runners up. Hero Motor Corp presented the Club with an Electric Scooter. The liquor was sponsored by M/s Pernod Ricard and dinner by Embassy Restaurant. The Golf Week and Captain's Day generated a profit of Rs.6 Lakhs against an outflow of Rs.16 Lakhs last year.

The Billoo Sethi Memorial Golf Tournament was held on 17-18 June 2017. Mrs. Prem Sethi, wife of the late Major PG "Billoo" Sethi and the family were kind enough to grace the occasion on 18 June. The Sethi family offered sponsorship/scholarship to two junior golfers. A total of 377 members participated in the tournament. Complimentary gifts worth Rs.1500/- were given to each participant and they were credited Rs.300/- for refreshment.

JUNIOR TRAINING PROGRAMME (JTP)

The 31st JTP sponsored by USHA International for the 13th year, is a popular golf training programme and is known to hone the skills for young and budding golfers. The JTP is being conducted by our leading teaching professionals. A total of 194 children participated in the Training Camps this summer and went through the drills despite the hot weather conditions. A special fitness regime by Mr. Gautam Malhotra, a graduate from the Titleist Performance Institute, was introduced for the first time with emphasis on diet, exercises, strength and stamina building. We are hopeful that many future champions will emerge from these camps.

SYSTEMS

The Club is in the process of implementing the new ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) **Microsoft NAV vision 2016** which will allow the management to use a system of integrated applications to manage the business and automate the many back office functions related to technology, services and human resources. It will bring all business processes together for easier collaboration, faster decision making, and improved overall productivity for the whole team.

To save cost of paper and other related overheads, the Club management has introduced a vision to conduct paperless General Committee and Sub-Committee meetings. With introduction of tablets, the content of the meetings will be delivered through a program update, all at the click of a button.

GOLF COURSE

The focus has again shifted to the removal of contaminated patches which have encroached the greens of Lodhi course. For this we have developed a turf nursery with clean Tifdwarf and the same will be ready by mid-July for taking out sods to replace the contamination spots. In the meanwhile we have started replacing the contamination by using sods from our practice putting green and we have removed major contamination from Green no. 6, 7, 12, 13, 17 and 18.

Lately we have had a few accidents where senior citizens have slipped while entering/exiting bunkers. The trial steps constructed on the 13th hole bunker have been successful, hence it was decided to construct steps in bunkers with steep slopes.

Work on renovation at several tees has commenced. In addition the Tee Boxes are being relocated and laser leveling of tees is being done. A few Tee Boxes are being re-turfed and enlarged/realigned where necessary.

PRACTICE AREA

A modern two station hitting/warm up area near Tee No #1 has been commissioned. Two players will be able to practice simultaneously without any interruption since the balls bounce back from the target area in front of each respective player.

CONSERVATION OF FORESTS

We have received a detailed report from top naturalist Mr. Pradip Krishen on restoring the forest inside the Club. The report has been examined and it was felt that the following issues need be resolved before undertaking the complete project:



Pradeep Kishen inspecting the forest with the President and the Captain

- (a) Sambhar translocation is necessary for success of new plantation.
- (b) To eradicate Invasive tree species permissions from the Forest Department will be required. Accordingly a case will be taken up with Delhi State Government and Ministry of Urban Development for getting permissions to remove these invasive tree species.
- (c) As an interim measure to develop a plant nursery where local tree saplings could be developed for future planation especially the seeds of the thorny Hees should be collected to develop seedlings for future planation.



SAMBHAR RELOCATION

A team from Conservator of Forests, Wildlife, Udaipur was at the Club from 21 April to 05 May. The overall outcome of the Sambhars relocation has been less than satisfactory. The long term measures as suggested by Udaipur Wildlife Team are being examined to enhance the success rate in relocation of Sambhars.

PANASONIC OPEN

The DGC has confirmed that the Panasonic Open 2017 will be held over the Lodhi Course from 2 to 5 November 2017. The Club has agreed to conduct the event and assured them of the best playing conditions from tee to green and excellent logistic support. I am happy to inform that we have negotiated that there will be no course closure except for the tournament week, causing least inconvenience to members.

CADDIES WELFARE TRUST (CWT)

The General Committee in its meeting on 17 March 2017 approved the voluntarily donation of Rs 500/- from members towards CWT by the Club. Accordingly, letters requesting voluntarily donation towards the CWT through the Club, were sent to the entire membership. An amount of Rs.25.6 Lakhs has been collected from members; donations and will be transferred to the CWT in June 2017.

HR-NEW APPOINTMENTS

To enhance the overall efficacy of Club operations three experienced professionals have been engaged. An Executive Sous Chef with International exposure and expertise of varied cuisines has been entrusted responsibility of the Pub, and a professional with over 18 years of Golf Operations exposure in Clubs like DLF Golf & Country Club, Jaypee Resorts etc. has taken over Golf Operations.

HOUSE

- Repair and renovation of corridor floor leading to the card room has been completed and a unisex toilet constructed next to the family room.
- The ladies and gents toilets at Tee #5 of the Peacock Course have been modernized.
- The cart path adjacent to 13th fairway Lodhi Course is being redone.
- Six Jumbo coolers have been purchased for the paved area and Pub.

INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY CELEBRATIONS AT DGC LAWNS

Delhi Golf Club celebrated the spirit of good health at the International Yoga Day on 21 June 2017, at the sprawling DGC lawns from 0700 hrs to 0800 hrs. Renowned Yoga teacher Acharya Vijay Ji imparted valuable Yoga instructions to all present. The Asanas were tuned in to improve the game of golf as also towards attaining all round good health. Approximately 75 participants including young children, parents, members and the staff of DGC attended.



Young Yoga enthusiasts going through the asanas on the Main Lawn

Happy Golfing!!

Sincerely

Maj. Gen. KMS Shergill, VSM

Captain



RESULTS - SKILLS COMPETITIONS

LADIES

Long Drive Handicap 18 & Below

Winner Mrinalini Singh (S-655) 190 yds

Long Drive Handicap 19 & Above

Winner Anuva Saurabh (S-496) 185 yds
 Runner Up Jyotika Shamsher Singh (S-522) 160 yds

Pitching

Winner Nisha Kumari (Staff) 4 Ft. 4 Inch
 Runner Up Anuva Saurabh (S-496) 5 Ft. 2 Inch

Putting

Winner Mrinalini Singh (S-655) 10 Putts
 Runner Up H Kim (SP-1063) 11 Putts

Putting - Past Lady Captains

Winner Champika Sayal (S 589)

Long Drive Handicap 9 & Below

Winner L Shiv Kumar (Sd 1061) 321 yds
 Runner Up S Laxminarayan (L128) 310 yds

Long Drive Handicap 10 To 18

Winner Alok Mehta (M563) 271 yds
 Runner Up Sunil Bapna (B 442) 270 yds

Long Drive Handicap 19 & Above

Winner P K Virmani (V076) 238 yds
 Runner Up Kabir Vasudeva (V101) 228 yds

Pitching

Winner Abhay Singh (S 980) 1 Ft 9 Inch
 Runner Up Rahul Raina (Staff) 2 Ft 9 Inch

GENTS

Trap Shooting

Winner Vikram Galhotra (Sd 179) 10 pts
 Runner Up Dhruv Kumar (K706) 5 pts

Putting

Winner Vikram Galhotra (Sd179) 8 Putts
 Runner Up A N Bhatia (B189)

Putting - Past Captains

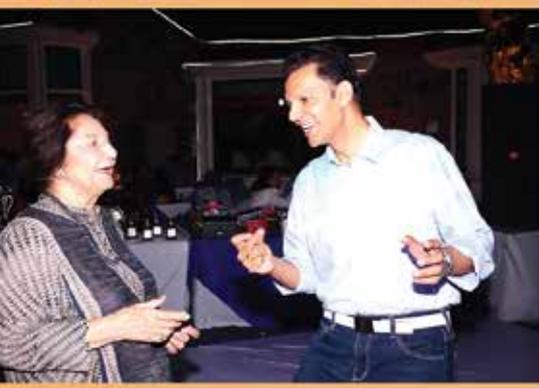
Winner K N Channa (C135) 11 Putts
 Runner Up C Chaudhri (C 119) 13 Putts

Putting - Past Presidents

Winner Raj Bhargava (B206) 10 Putt
 Runner Up Rajesh Dhingra (D207) 11 Putts

CAPTAIN'S NIGHT

To cap a week of golf competitions in various different categories, the Annual Prizes were presented at the Captain's Night. A live band had members rocking and rolling. The dinner by Embassy Restaurant was appreciated. And of course, the well-stocked bar kept spirits high despite the even higher temperatures.





PRIZE WINNERS

SUPER SENIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT

Winner Parmeshwar Khanna 18 pts
 Runner Up Air Marshal R K Dhawan 17 pts

SENIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT (65 TO 74 YRS)

Winner R K Bhargava (B-206) 23 pts
 Runner Up K B Sachdev (S-644) 22 pts

LADIES TOURNAMENT (Peacock Course)

Winner Ritika Mehra (Staff) 13 pts
 Runner Up Riya (Caddy) 12 pts

LADIES TOURNAMENT (Lodhi Course)

Winner Ishita (Staff) 39 pts
 Runner Up Anuva Saurabh 39 pts

MEMBERS 18 HOLES STABLEFORD

Winner J M Kapur (K-076) 45 pts
 Runner Up H S Sikka (S-987) 42 pts

REVISION IN SUBSCRIPTION

The General Committee in its meeting on 07 January 2017 had approved an annual revision in Subscriptions in the month of April to cover increase in costs. In view of the above, the increase in Subscriptions of all categories of membership w.e.f 01 April 2017 are given below:

FOR MEMBERS	PRESENT SUBSCRIPTION (RS + TAXES)	REVISED SUBSCRIPTION (RS + TAXES)
Instation Members	1,000/- pm	1,100 pm
Outstation Members	10,200/- pa	10,500/- pa
Senior Citizen In station member (Between 65 to 80 years)	600/- pm	700/- pm
Senior Citizen Outstation member (Between 65 to 80 years)	6,200/0 pa	6,500/- pa
Senior Dependents SD (Green Card)	1000/- pm	1,100/- pm
Outstation Senior Dependents SD (Green Card)	10,200/- pa	10,500/- pa
Senior Dependents (over 22 years) (Debited to parents account)	1,000/- pm	1,100/- pm
Outstation Senior Dependents (over 22 years) (Debited to parents account)	10,200/- pa	10,500/- pa
Junior Dependents (Debited to parents account)	550/- pm	600/- pm
Junior Dependents Outstation (Debited to parents account)	5,700/- pa	6,000/- pa
Government / Corporate /Tenure	1,000/- pm	1,100/- pm

FOREIGN / TENURE / NRI / (SPECIAL) MEMBERSHIPS	PRESENT SUBSCRIPTION (US\$ + TAXES)	REVISED SUBSCRIPTION (US\$+ TAXES)
Foreign / NRI / Tenure	275/- quarterly	300/- quarterly
Dependents of Foreign / NRI / Tenure (Between 8 to 22 years)	90/- quarterly	100/- quarterly

HOWEVER THERE IS NO INCREASE IN SUBSCRIPTION IN THE CATEGORY OF SUPER SENIOR CITIZENS (ABOVE 80 YEARS).

SENIOR APPOINTMENTS



DEPUTY SECRETARY: **Col. S.P.S. Malhotra (Retd.)** has joined the Club as Deputy Secretary effective 20 March 2017. He has served for 22 years in the Armed Forces (Infantry-Dogra) and has 10 years of multifarious corporate experience including working as Secretary/COO of the DDA Sports Complex. He will be looking after Operations. [His contact number #9811283339](#)



GOLF OPERATIONS: **Mr. Bijender Singh Lohiya** has joined as Senior Manager Golf Operations effective 10 April 2017. He brings with him 18 years experience of Golf Operations management at the DLF Golf & Country Club, Jaypee Greens Golf Resort, Classic Golf Resort etc. [His contact number #9818403349](#)



EXECUTIVE SOUS CHEF: **Mr. Anil Kumar Rathore** has joined effective 01 April 2017. He brings with him expertise in various cuisines having worked at the Taj Palace, and hotels in Seychelles and London, as well as on Cruise Liners. He has been entrusted the responsibility of the Pub. [His contact number #8586975161](#)

STAFF FAREWELL



Chef Gomes and Chef Anand



Some members of staff who attended the fairwell



The electrician Surjeet being presented a portrait

An emotional farewell was held in the Dining Room for Club employees Surjeet Singh and Anand Ram Beri who retired as Assistant Manager Maintenance and Head Cook respectively, on the 30th of March; they had worked for the Club for 33 years and 34 years respectively. Anand was the in charge of Continental food, which had been introduced during Chef Fernandez's time in the early 80's. Apart from the silver salvers presented by the Club, the staff had also contributed towards numerous gifts for each of them, including wrist watches. It was indeed an eye-opener to see the strong bonds of brotherhood that are formed within the Club community, and how eloquently they speak about one another. Surjeet had been the Club's trusted electrician. All the senior executives were present among about 60 staff members. It would be nice if such employee events are also attended by Committee members and perhaps senior members of the Club.

15TH DGC LADIES INVITATIONAL INTER-CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT – 06 March

The Ladies Section hosted teams from AEPTA, Noida Golf Club, DLF Golf & Country Club, Qutab Golf Course and the Chandigarh Golf Club. In the memory of the late Mrs. Kamal Tayal, the prizes were sponsored her daughters. The fun format of a Greensome Stableford and a spot prize for each participant ensured that much fun was had on the course, with chilled beer, delicious food and a mini spa providing massages to soothe the exhaustion after the game.

TEAM – WINNER DGC

Sita Nanda & Anuva Saurabh 33 pts
Veenu Sandhu & Monica Tandon 31pts

TEAM- RUNNERS UP DGC

Sonaal Chaudhri & A Monga 30 pts
Champika Sayal & Shiraz Singh 27pts

INDIVIDUAL WINNING PAIR AEPTA

Anita Rattan & Poonam Beesla 35 pts

INDIVIDUAL RUNNER UP PAIR DGC

Sita Nanda & Anuva Saurabh 33 pts

LADY CAPTAIN'S NIGHT – 12 April

Lady Captain Sita Nanda and the Ladies Committee hosted a Baisakhi-themed evening. The main lawns look resplendent and colourful with Punjabi décor. 157 members who attended the evening were welcomed with the beats of the Dholak. A freshly made sugarcane juice stand, delectable cuisine, a Jhoola photo corner added extra zing. Foot tapping music by Raja and his band ensured a full dance floor.



ANNUAL LADIES MEET & ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION – 04 March

A large number of members attended the morning's proceedings. After all formalities of the morning were over and the group photograph had been clicked, a delicious lunch was enjoyed by all.



The Club Championship, the Vicerene Salver was played after a gap of nine years. The well contested final between Veteran Shalini Malik and teenager Arshia Mahant was level par after 18 holes with Arshia winning on the 19th. Braving the heat a small gallery of enthusiastic members followed the match .

COMPETITION RESULTS

Lili Khanna Rose Bowl

Winners Hanisha Daryani & Veenu Sandhu
Runners-up Shiraz Singh & Neelam Sihota

Vicerene Salver Club Championship

Winner Arshia Mahant
Runner Up Shalini Malik

Genesta Salver

Winner Aashana Monga
Runner-up Sonaal Chaudhri

Bronze Salver

Winner Usha Chatrath
Runner-up Kanwal Varma

March Medal

Winner Anuva Saurabh
Runner-up Sita Nanda
3rd Ritu Kohli

9 Hole Medal

Winner Situ Puri

April Medal

Winner Kanwal Varma
Runner-up Kamini Gupta
3rd Anupama Singh

9 Hole Medal

Winners Nutan Kataria

May Medal

Winner Kamini Gupta
Runner-up Neelam Sihota
3rd Reetu S.K. Singh

9 Hole Medal

Winner Vanita Malhotra



Congratulations to Sehar Atwal who made a splash in her first season of collegiate golf by being recognized as one of the top 10 players of the All South Region, USA. She went on to being named 'Honourable Mention All-America' at the WGCA All-South Region Honors at Coral springs, Florida on 12 May 2017.

COACHING CLINIC

An 2 hour inter-active clinic on Course Management was conducted by Nonita Lal Qureshi in the Ladies Section which was well appreciated by the ladies.

Lady Captain - Ms Situ Nanda



Dear Members,

I bring the following to your attention and seek your valuable suggestions please -

1 HOW TO OVERCOME THE LOOMING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

Members may kindly verify the following through the Club Secretary, GC Members, Captain, President and/or the Executive Staff.

Facts:

- i. The wage agreement signed in 2014 is estimated to double the HR costs from about Rs 12.5 crores p.a. in 2014 to about Rs 24 crores p.a. by 2020. After that there will be other succeeding agreements which may lead to further HR cost increases.
- ii. Interest rates on the DGC corpus which used to be around 10% p.a. in the past are set to decline to about 7% p.a. by 2020 (this is the way the whole Indian economy is heading).
- iii. Our various restaurants/bars used to yield surpluses up to 2012 due to the cost-price equation being about 50% cost of food to selling prices. This equation has now shifted to over 80% leading to losses of about Rs 2.5 crores annually. These costs are only material costs and do not account for labour and premises overheads.

Aside from the above operating revenue negatives, several major projects are being proposed as follows :

DGC Masters Annual Championship (to be instituted and permanently owned by the DGC) will start from November, 2018, is expected to yield a revenue surplus of over Rs 1 crore in the first year itself and should grow marginally each year, thereafter.

Reforestation: Members will notice that the DGC forest has considerably thinned out from what it used to be. Accordingly, after getting appropriate permissions, it is proposed to retain the consultancy services of a reputed forester who is an expert on Delhi's native trees. All staff and material related expenses will be directly procured and paid by the Club itself.

This is possibly a 5-7 year project as trees do not grow instantly. It is intended to weed out the invasive ones to our habitat, alien species (Eucalyptus, Subabool, Mexican Mesquite, Vilayati Keekad) and replace them with native trees/bushes/shrubs/plants etc. The cost can be up to a couple of crores a year for the first two years and will reduce considerably thereafter. This cost can substantially be defrayed by having a campaign of "Own a tree" within the Club membership, itself and also by raising funds from corporates for this noble recreation of the unique forest.

Green Complexes: The redesigning of 18 green complexes of the Lodhi Course and 2 practice putting greens is now necessitated as the present structures need a comprehensive redoing since the greens were last redone 20 years ago.

International designers have been invited to bid for this project which is expected to cost about Rs 10 crores.

Members will be happy to note that about half of this money is already promised by corporates whose names will figure on an honour board after the project is completed.

The planning will be such that the members will be disturbed with having to play on temporary greens for only about 3-4 months before they can have the joy of playing on truly international level green complexes.

The DGC staff will be very well trained to maintain these to international standards.

Premises upgradation and redesign: All of our buildings suffer from inadequacy compared to any reasonable international standard.

Each of the premises is briefly discussed hereunder :

2 MAIN BUILDING:

- i) The driveway up to the entrance is essentially unattractive and caters to members as well as to kitchen waste/delivery of materials for the Club.
- ii) The steep entrance stairways is extremely dangerous.
- iii) The Reception area does not work effectively.
- iv) The Terrace outside the Main Bar and Dining Room is a virtually unusable features of this area.
- v) The kitchen structures are essentially insufficient because of space.
- vi) Constraints and external temporary constructions are breaches of rules.
- vii) Basement facilities of storage/office/card room are also essentially fire and safety hazards.

- viii) The present location of the Dining Room/the Main Bar is inefficient in respect of movement of food/productivity of waiting staff/etc.
- ix) Utilization of these rooms is only for a few hours during lunch and dinner and is otherwise unused. Is it possible to make these multipurpose?
- x) The toilets and the Party Room are poorly located.
- xi) Member of the Ladies Section above the Party Room are caused great inconvenience as they have to walk through the Main Club House for showering and changing golf shoes etc.
- xii) The Main Bar is hardly ever full.

Owing to all of the above there is also extreme lack of hygiene.

It is possible to redesign the entire premises which will comprehensively take care of all of the above problems and make the premises active/healthy/efficient/very cheerful.

3 OFFICE BUILDING

The office building is old and the inside of it looks like an erstwhile low grade Government office.

- i) There is only one Conference Room.
- ii) No space for Departmental Heads to sit.
- iii) No space for the Lady Captain to sit.
- iv) The office machinery is in the passage ways.
- v) Toilet facilities are extremely unhygienic and poorly located.
- vi) The Pro Shop is inadequate and not upto international standards.
- vii) The Bag Storage area is occupying prime space.

It is possible to redesign the entire premises which will comprehensively take care of all of the above problems and make the premises active/healthy/efficient/very cheerful.

4 ANNEXE

Designed some decades ago, it houses the following facilities:

- i) This is a halfway house for players for refreshments after 9 holes.
- ii) Men's Changing Room and shoe storage.
- iii) On the first floor an external kitchen reduces the viewing gallery.
- iv) The second kitchen and attached stores of the Pub are extremely unhygienic.
- v) There are three sets of washrooms and toilets.
- vi) Health Club is inadequate.
- x) The kitchen equipment though excellent is insufficient for saving on labour.

It is possible to redesign the entire premises which will comprehensively take care of all of the above problems and make the premises active/healthy/efficient/very cheerful.

5 THE CADDY FACILITIES

Caddy building is thoroughly inadequate for those who carry our bags.

- i) There are no shower facilities
- ii) The canteen is filthy/dingy/unhygienic and the food quality is not nutritious
- iii) The waiting area for the caddies causes the caddies to overflow into the car park and members area.
- iv) There is no adequate bag 'drop off' facility
- v) There is no provision for female caddies, should that happen in the future
- vi) There is no facility for hand driven bag carts, in that area

A comprehensive re-design can efficiently take care of all these issues.

6 EQUIPMENT SHED ETC

Members should visit this facility to see how the Club's expensive course maintenance equipment, and approximately 60 golf



carts are housed.

7 NEW BANQUETING AREA

The inefficient structure of this increases costs on course machines/carts/ maintenance etc.

The New Banqueting Area is never intended to be used for banquets at all as the Main Lawn is used for that and therefore something creative can be done in that area for the above facility.

8 FUTURE

a) The Club had received approval for constructing on an additional 1 acre plot (taking into account the number 2 car parking stretching up to the equipment shed). For whatever reasons, this structure never came up. Looking into the files, a design brief in detail was also not given to the architect. Nonetheless the architect had suggested the following :

- i) A 3 - tiered underground parking: To make it more attractive as members/guests/others drive in.
- ii) Using of various facilities of the Club and also being able to eliminate many of the current breaches of rules.

This project should be revived.

b). There is a feasibility of building a Golf Academy as it fits well with the main objects of the Club. The siting of this is not clear but the area comprising the present 9th hole/third tee/PDR area could be considered. It is obligatory on the Club to train and develop young men and women to championship standards and that cannot happen without an academy structure.

c) In the past, succeeding GC's dealt with space constraints for breached rules. These are a constant source of trouble with the authorities.

Taking all of the above into account, it is proposed to create a Master Plan, with visuals etc. for viewing by the membership so that, if the members agree, the Master Plan may be frozen in concept so that the succeeding committees may not tinker with it, rules etc.

g) Website: The DGC website is virtually dead and needs to be comprehensively revived, made younger, much more interactive with many other offerings. The revival of the website to modern levels will cost up to Rs 10 lacs.

h) ERP Installation: With costs of inputs being relatively unmanaged, with GST coming in, with purchases being poorly programmed and managed, efficient transaction based system not being available and the ability to make budgets and review against those budgets promptly not being available, an ERP system is being installed for better management. This is expensive but is expected to be cheaper in the long run than running everything substantial manually, as the present approach leads to errors/delays/wrong decisions.

The GC can of course, take decisions on their own but it is felt that at this time for the betterment of the affairs at the Club, it would be vital to take suggestions and guidance from all of the members - 'A'/Mid week/'C' and other associate members so that the GC decisions may be better informed.

8 SEEKING SUGGESTIONS

Just to prod each person's initiatives a bit, kindly consider :

i. How to reduce wage costs?

ii. How to increase revenues?

- From golf operations and green fees
- From F&B
- From changes in various fee structures
- From sponsorships etc

iii. How to fund major projects?

- i) Through one time increases of the membership on a project basis
- ii) Through corporate sponsorships
- iii) Through personal sponsorships

If there is any doubt on these facts, it is requested that members may kindly check them and then offer pertinent suggestions in any or other areas. All of the suggestions and guidance will be codified under respective heads and better informed decisions with the support of the membership can easily be taken.

There is no need to send anonymous letters; your concerns are natural and anything that you say will not be taken amiss.

With warm regards

Siddharath Shiram
President



Dear Members,

Golf in the country has hit an all-time high!

Four golfing luminaries who have climbed their respective ladders of success being nominated simultaneously is indeed the most awesome news of the Indian golfing world.

Nothing proves this more than the fact that this year, the IGU has recommended the names of not one, but two players for the **Arjuna Award** – the current men and women’s Indian Open Champions, **SSP Chawrasia** and **Aditi Ashok** respectively. This in itself is a first. In 13 months SSP won the Indian Open back-to-back and picked up another win in the Philippines. Aditi, in her first year as a pro, won back-to back titles co-sanctioned by the LET and the LAGT – the Women’s Indian Open and the Qatar Open a week later. She was also 2nd on the LPGA Order of Merit. Both players represented India at the Rio Olympics.



Aditi Ashok



SSP Chawrasia



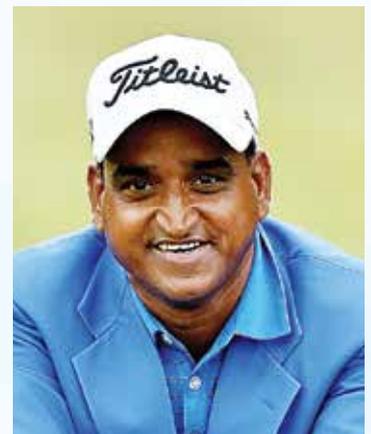
Vijay Divecha

Another first is the nomination of **Vijay Divecha** for the **Dronacharya Award**. Vijay, the coach of India’s top golfer on the PGA Tour Anirban Lahiri, also coaches many other leading golfers including S Chikkarangappa and Udayan Mane.

It doesn’t end there - the recommendation of **Mukesh Kumar** for the **Dhyan Chand Award** is yet another first! Mukesh who has more than 100 domestic titles to his credit, had won the Panasonic Open 2016, an Asian Tour tournament, at the age of 51.

It is worth reflecting on what the catalysts for this phenomenon are in order for us to encourage and sustain more of the same. Nothing boosts a sport more than when golfers and those invested in supporting it, reach global heights and their achievements are recognized and rewarded. Let us celebrate even the nominations and hope there will be more!

As we jubilate the wonderful ride so far, we are simultaneously looking forward to the further unfolding of Indian Golf, and its due recognition from the Government and fellow Indians.



Mukesh Kumar

Soni M Singh & Anita Vasudeva

SHUBHAM CONTINUES TO MAKE THE DGC PROUD!



From the agricultural fields of Haryana to the world's most prestigious golf courses, this is the inspiring story of India's junior golf sensation. Shubham who has to his credit four World Junior Championships, was discovered by The Golf Foundation founded by Amit Luthra (L-085) in 2011 when he was 7 years old when Nonita Lall Qureshi (L-089) also went to Sonapat and arranged for his move to Delhi. Amit continues to mentor him since then while Noni is still his coach. He is generously supported by the Club.



On June 2nd 2017 the junior prodigy defended his US Kids European Championship title at the Glen Golf Club in Scotland. 74 kids from 16 countries participated in the age group Boys under-12 years. Shubham shot rounds of 1-under, 6-under and 2-over, totalling 5-under par 211, and won by a commanding difference of 9 shots. Most of the holes were very undulating and strong winds came into play.

On the back of this win Shubham got entry into the Van Horn Cup, which was played the next day. It is a one-day Ryder Cup format foursome event in which Western Europe grinds it out against the rest of the world. The teams comprise of two players from each category. Shubham and his partner Jaiveer of Texas had a combined score of 8-under. Just to make things more exciting, their match was the decider as the team scores were tied at 4-4. Shubham birdied the last three holes to clinch his match and the victory for his team!

DGC TEAM TO OTTAIVOUS DUNES, LISBON, PORTUGAL

The Club team comprising Amit Luthra (L-085) and Sanjiv Kalra (K-646), Club Champion and the runner up respectively was sent to the 2-day 15th Amateurs Trophy at Ottaivous Dunes in Lisbon, Portugal, this is a 7000 yards par 72 links course.

34 teams representing 24 countries participated as players braved rain, strong winds and frigid temperature (wind chill of 4 degrees). On Day 1 the team scored a gross 7 over gross and were placed 10th. On Day 2 they improved their position and finished 9th in the gross category.

The management had sponsored the stay and entry fees for the Club team and Prakash Bhandari (B-339), President Delhi Golf Society had been instrumental in securing a sponsored invite for the DGC.



Talent Member 14-year old **Raghav Chugh** (ST-0949) is currently ranked 2nd in the All India Junior Boys Golf Merit List, and is a member of the National Junior Boys Squad. He was the overall winner of the IGU's Shillong Golf Tournament. He also won Category 'B' at the Karnataka Junior Boys Tournament in Bengaluru. He is the youngest Indian player to have a World Golf Ranking.



Aman Bajaj (B-532), receiving the hole-in-one trophy from the Governor of Uttarakhand at the annual Governor's Cup Golf Tournament in Nanital on 27 May.



LODHI COURSE: *The following each have won a memento and a bottle of Ballantine's whisky (for those 25years and above) to be consumed at the Club.*

PEACOCK COURSE: *The following each have won a memento*

	BRIG B VIRMANI	(V-064)	12th Hole	01.02.2017
	LT COL HN SINGH	(S-250)	17th Hole	02.02.2017
	CHARANJIT SINGH PANTAL	(P-239)	7th Hole	09.02.2017
	ANIL MALHOTRA	(M-552)	7th Hole	28.02.2017
	AJAI SINGH SIROHI	(S-846)	12th Hole	15.03.2017
	SUNIL CHOPRA	(C-344)	7th Hole	28.03.2017
	ARVIND GOENKA	(CPA-173)	7th Hole	25.03.2017
	CMDE SAMIR ADVANI (RETD)	(A210)	5th Hole	26.03.2017
	COL SURJIT SINGH (RETD)	VRC(S-519)	17th Hole	07.04.2017
	PRAKASH BRAHMA	(B-239)	17th Hole	15.04.2017
	SHIV SACHDEVA	(S-948)	12th Hole	18.04.2017
	I S MANN	(M-324)	12th Hole	10.05.2017
	BINIT RAI HANDA	(H-133)	12th Hole	17.05.2017
	ROHIT MEHRA	(M-570)	12th Hole	28.05.2017

	DEEPAK CHOPRA	(C-222)	1st Hole	03.02.2017
	JAIVEER SINGH ATWAL	(SD-1494)	7th Hole	29.01.2017
	RITA KOCHHAR	(K-622)	1st Hole	11.02.2017
	KUNAL VIJ	(SD-1229)	7th Hole	24.02.2017
	ANUJ BHATIA	(B-415)	6th Hole	11.03.2017
	ADITYA SINGH	(SD-1105)	1st Hole	20.03.2017
	JUSTICE T S THAKUR	(T-185)	7th Hole	12.03.2017
	HAI KWANG LEE	(SP-1192)	6th Hole	17.04.2017
	DR BHARAT K AGGARWAL	(A-186)	5th Hole	23.04.2017
	RAJAN NARAIN	(SL-446)	7th Hole	04.05.2017
	LALIT NIRULA	(N-028)	3rd Hole	04.05.2017
	KARANJEET DASS	(SD-1436)	1st Hole	10.05.2017
	AJIT MOHAN SHARAN	(S-958)	5th Hole	10.05.2017
	KAVITA NAGPAL	(SD-066)	6th Hole	29.05.2017

CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM WELCOME!

Dear Members,

This is a serious attempt to reform the Club. You can help to make it succeed or make it fail. Your choice!

Everybody knows that when one complains constructively, a responsive management hears those complaints and then improvements follow. Please note that to get to be amongst the best 100 clubs in the world, we have a long way to go and we cannot do that without help from the members i.e. your constructive complaints. Without those, reform becomes tough.

Complaints about what? Herewith are some recommended areas, but there will be many more that you may think of. Be creative. Furthermore, complaints should be in writing, brief and to the point, must name persons or situations involved, and signed with your name and membership number on the complaint slips which will be widely available throughout the club.

What happens when you complain against a friend, or any other member for that matter? Only a warning letter is issued for the first offense; a stronger warning letter for the second offence. By this time some learning should have taken place. If not, at the third offence, there will be a short period of suspension from all activities of the Club. Stronger measures may follow thereafter! Therefore, to improve the Club, please do even complain about friends if necessary.

Right now, a close friend of mine is going to be meeting the Disciplinary Committee on account of a complaint by me. Is it a good thing that I did? For the Club? Yes, of course, but for friendship? He knew what the rules and the vision of the Club are and repeated his violations despite that. That is surely not good for the Club.

Believe me, when everyone knows and does the right thing, the Club's quality can improve a hundred fold-that is your task also.

1. COMPLAINTS AGAINST STAFF:

Please write the name of the offending staff member, location and time of incident, your name and membership number if :-

- a) Rude or responds off handedly.
- b) Very slow to serve or clean up a used table etc.
- c) Receives tips without directing them to the tip box.
- d) Looks unclean, unkempt, dirty nails, body odour etc.
- e) Does not take the member's swipe card at the time of receiving the order.

IN THIRTY DAYS YOU WILL SEE A VERY SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE IN ATTITUDES.

2. COMPLAINT AGAINST MEMBERS:

- a) Giving tips directly to staff and not putting tips in the tip box.
- b) Not stopping their guests from tipping or following Club rules.
- c) Improper usage of cell phone as per announced policy.
- d) Not repairing pitch marks, raking bunkers, fixing divots and not supervising their caddies to do it.
- e) Slow play when one is not held up by players in front.
- f) Not letting players through when lagging a full hole from the flight in front.
- g) Playing from wrong tees according to the declared Club standard.
- h) Not entering guests properly in the register.

- i) Indefensible abusive behavior between flight members, to caddies or to staff.
- j) Usage of parking spaces meant for handicapped persons when one is not certified to use them.

Please note that staff members can and should file complaints/charges against members at least as follows:

- A) Starter/Marshals/Operations Head for golf course maintenance/slow play and related.
- B) Waiters/Hospitality staff for wrongful tipping, cell phone usage, damage to property

3. COMPLAINTS AGAINST SITUATIONS:

- a) Aspects of poor hygiene in facilities (kitchen/cutlery/service points etc.).
- b) Paper cups/pan masala packets/glasses etc. strewn around the course.
- c) Maintenance materials not in their proper place.
- d) Unresponsiveness of Club management staff.
- e) Poor communication from management.
- f) Non adherence by GC members to “What are we here for”? and for rank bad management that impact the Club adversely.

PS: YOU ARE FREE TO CRITICIZE THE PRESIDENT AND HIS VIEWS DIRECTLY OR IN WRITING

“NO TIPPING”

Dear Members,

The General Committee in its meeting held on 17 March 2017 and 12 May 2017 had decided that tipping of waiters/starters/other staff members with whom members may interface is a pernicious practice. Henceforth members are advised to not give any gratuity ('benefaction/handout/tip') to any staff member of the DGC. If any member/guest wishes to offer gratuity they should be given into the general gratuity boxes located at strategic places such as the Starters Tees, Pub, Changing Rooms, Toilets, Card Room and other facilities in ample quantity so that there is no difficulty for the members/guests in giving gratuities directly into these boxes. The sum so collected will be credited to a Gratuities ledger account and will be distributed twice a year to those staff who are eligible to receive gratuities ('benefaction/

handout/tip') and those who continue to be on the rolls of the Club.

Please note that the staff who are accepting gratuity ('benefaction/handout/tip') will equally be responsible and hence liable for strict disciplinary action including leading to suspension and finally termination on repeat offences.

If any member is found giving gratuity, in the first instance will be issued a letter, and on repeat will be liable for action as decided by the Disciplinary Committee. If the guest of a member is found giving the gratuity, the penalty devolves on the member who invited such a guest. And that guest will not be permitted to enter the Club premises and take advantage of its offerings for a period of at least six months.

Member's co-operation is requested.

Rajiv Hora, Secretary



The last 31 summers have spelt JTP Camps at the Club! These highly successful and popular camps have been witnessing a dip in the percentage of member's kids who participate – this year the figure was at approximately 39%. It would be great to see this figure increase in the years to come and see the tradition of Champions among Club members remain intact. In an attempt to encourage more of our young members to start the game, we share Rishi Narain's (N-145) observations on what aside from the sport per se, the wonderful game teaches young individuals.

HUMILITY & RESPECT

The game requires that you show courtesy to others and that you communicate with respect. When youngsters play with adults it is expected that good sportsmanship must be exhibited at all times and that play ends with a handshake.

PUNCTUALITY

When the Club Starter tells you, "Tee off time is 9.00 am", this means you are to be on the tee box at 8.50. If you are within 5 minutes of your starting time, you suffer an expensive penalty, but if you are later than 5 minutes you are automatically disqualified, no questions asked. While this can be a tough lesson to learn, it is one that works brilliantly and has instilled in children the importance of being on time for not only every game of golf, but every event in life

CONFESSION

Golf is a game of honour, and recognizing a transgression of the rules has occurred, and taking responsibility for said transgression is a part of the game. Golfers are their own referees and inflict penalties on their own scores. This instills integrity and fairness to all concerned.

SAFETY

Golf balls and clubs are hard and dangerous instruments, and one of the foremost rules of golf is Safety. Kids are instructed not to take practice swing in the direction of another person, not to swing clubs when someone is walking and NEVER to hit into a group playing ahead of them. This awareness of safety filters into other aspects of a child's life, including at school and at home.

SILENCE

Golf requires a high degree of concentration and silence is required at all times on the golf course. While this takes a lot of practice for your kids, it is a life skill that teaches restraint and respect for others.

VISIONING

The night before the morning of a tournament good players sit quietly, and mentally and visually play the course in their minds. This skill teaches how to 'see the end in one's mind', which is key to goal-achievement in any walk of life.

PROBLEM SOLVING

Rain, wind, trees, sandtraps and deep rough can make for a challenging day of tournament play. These are a normal part of golf and can be an amazing opportunity for clever and creative problem solving and thereby create self confidence and satisfaction when negotiated successfully.



FOCUS

Golf is a tough sport. It requires that you not only know the physics of hitting the ball (and what club to use when) but requires intense emotional and mental concentration. Silencing the 'inner critic' after a bad shot is crucial to regaining clear focus, which is an advance skill to learn. But one that can take you very far in life.

PRACTICE, PERSISTENCE AND LISTENING

Instant success is very rare in golf. Youngsters become great golfers through daily practice, persistence and through being open to listening to coaches and experienced senior players. In life it is important to know that one rarely reaches one's goal in one 'stroke'. By practicing, making corrections along the way, being open to coaching and being persistence one can tackle most of life's tough challenges.

GRACIOUSNESS

One of the most important lessons children learn from golf is to be gracious and respectful. At the end of each tournament two pro competitors shake hands, and thank the tournament organizers and golf course management crew for the privilege of participating in this amazing sport.

So get your kids out there to play!





Anirban Lahiri's sensational final round score of 7-under 65 at the **Memorial Tournament** in

Dublin. Ohio earned him a career-best finish on the PGA Tour at T2nd. Not only was this his biggest ever prize cheque but he also climbed to 44th place in the FedExCup standings thus all but sealing his Tour card. He improved with each round and climbed 25 spots over the week.



With a total of 16-under par 272, **Shiv Kapur** (SD-694) ended a 12-year drought on the Asian Tour

by winning the Yeangder **Heritage Tournament** in Chinese Taipei on May 30th, making this his second Asian Tour title. Shiv birdied 5 of the last 7 holes in his round of 8-under par 64 to clinch the title by a convincing margin.

Aditi Ashok and **Sharmila Nicollet** have created history by becoming the first pair of Indian women on the **LPGA Tour**. Aditi earned a conditional card solely on her performances on the course. Sharmila won a fan poll held on twitter for the first time; she polled 9% more votes than her nearest rival



SSP Chawrasia raced to a commanding 7-shot victory of the **Indian Open** at the DLF Golf & Country Club on March 12th. His 10-under 278 (72-67-68-71) made him the second Indian to win the tournament back-to-back and pushed him up to second spot on the Asian Tour's Order of Merit. The affable pro who was nervous playing the demanding newly

designed Gary Player course had shared the lead with two other players at the start of the final day. The rain-delayed tournament caused havoc with the players with rounds being completed on the following day. SSP too started the Sunday with the last 7 holes of Round 3.



Udayan Mane coasted to a comfortable 4-shot victory at the BTI Trophy in Dhaka in May, with a total score of 276 (70-67-69-70). With this win he leapt 23 places to third position in the **PGTI's Order of Merit**.



The Indian Team to the Queen Sirikit Cup came in a creditable 7th position with a total of +4, thanks in part to Diksha Dagar's final round of 5-under par 67, in China. First-timer Pranavi Urs also contributed with one sub-par round of 3-under. Tvesa Malik was completed the team.

THE VOID AT THIS YEAR'S MASTERS



For the first time since 1954, Arnold Palmer was not a part of the proceedings at the Masters. Palmer played 150 rounds at the Masters and was a four-time champion. For 62 years, he cast a large shadow on the grounds and his death last September at age 87 left golf to carry on without its first and all-time favorite global ambassador. No single player will replace Palmer, who mixed seemingly antithetical qualities of humility and showmanship; kindness and competitiveness; accessibility and nobility.

The President Mr Siddharth Shiram had reported this from the Masters:-

"Arnold Palmer is not there anymore, but he is everywhere. Tens of thousands of patrons (spectators at the Masters) sported a large button which proudly declared, "I am a member of Arnie's army". That army was a force multiplier to the primeval energy that was Arnie and egged him onto his famous 'charge' that caused him to win often, even against great odds. What made him a legend in his lifetime, honoured and revered by one and all, was his unfailing grace, courtesy, kindness to all players, to the thronging fans demanding autographs, to the service staff, to the sponsors of each event, and for the invaluable advice he freely offered to up and coming young golfers.

This year's flagging off of the Masters championship by honorary starters was the most emotion laden ever. Chairman Billy Payne delivered a fitting eulogy to the most 'preeminent of heroes' and then draped Arnie's green jacket over his wife Kit Palmer's shoulders, while the two surviving starters, Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player, both great friends of Arnold, nervously and emotionally, kidded each other as to who drove the longest off the tee that morning. Jack doffed his cap and raised his eyes heavenward in a final tribute to the departed 'King'. It had ceased raining at 4:00 am but there was scarcely a face without considerable moisture on it at 8:00 am this morning."



Jason Dufner won the the **Memorial Tournament** at Muirfield Village on June 4th at 13-under 275 (65,65, 77, 68). After leading the 3rd round by 5 strokes, he eventually started the final

round facing a four-shot deficit. He played his best golf on the back nine keeping his composure during two rain delays to win by three shots. Although he never moved into the lead, Anirban Lahiri had the best round of the day to finish with a 65. Improving his score each round helped him finish T2nd at -10 – providing great excitement for Indian golfers.



Billy Horschel defeated Jason Day on the first playoff hole to win the 2017 **AT&T Byron Nelson tournament** after they both finished with a 12-under overall score following Sunday's

back and forth final round in Irving, Texas. The Monday winner's finish must have been welcome as Billy had missed four straight cuts before this week; this is his fourth win on PGA tour.



In the final round of **THE PLAYERS Championship 2017**, **Si Woo Kim** captured the lead after the front nine and never looked back.

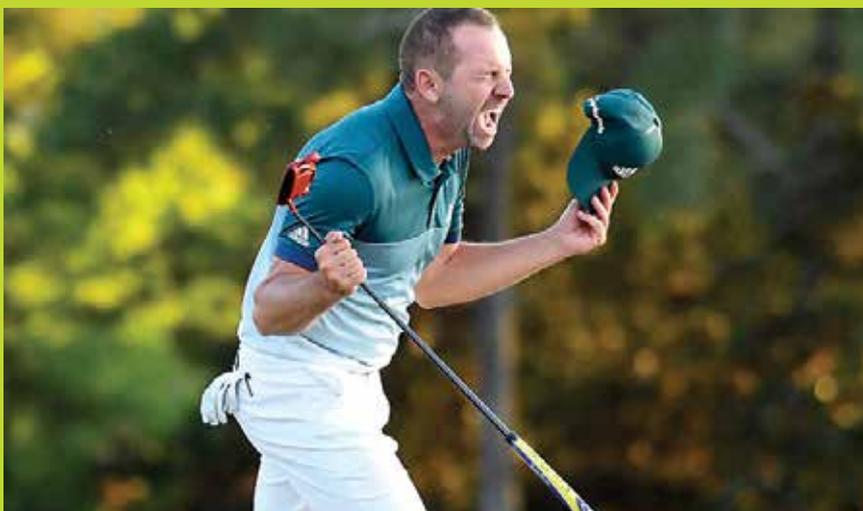
The 21-year old Korean played an unflappable round of golf to become the youngest winner in PLAYERS Championship history with a score of 10-under. Kim had just one bogey all weekend, outlasting a course that caused so many to post big numbers at one of the PGA Tour's signature event.

FedEx will continue to sponsor the PGA Tour's season-long points race with a 10-year extension of the current agreement.



So Yeon Ryu won the **ANA Inspiration** on April 3rd at Rancho Mirage, California in front of a stunned gallery. Ryu beat Lexi Thompson, who once had seemed on her way to victory, on the first

playoff hole in the first major of the LPGA Tour's season. Lexi overcame a 4-stroke penalty to force a playoff, Ryu earned a birdie on the 19th hole to secure the victory.



Spain's golfing heir to Seve Ballesteros, **Sergio Garcia**, who had palpably failed to live up to the billing, at last broke his major duck at the **Masters 2017** on what would have been Seve's 60th birthday. At the 37 year old's 74th attempt at the majors he won with a thrilling play-off victory over Justin Rose after both players had finished at 9-under. That it took this long for Garcia to win a major would have been hard to conceive in 1999 when he burst onto the scene as a teenager with a runner-up finish to Tiger Woods at the PGA Championship.

TIPS FOR COMMON PROBLEMS FACED BY MANY MEMBERS

by Amandeep Johl (J-122)

TOPPING THE BALL



It is pretty common for a golfer to hear "HEAD UP", when ever he/she tops the ball. A top is usually a result of a player being out of sequence on the down swing. This leads to the club bottoming out early and catching the ball on the up-swing. Tops are more common in iron shots. The design of the golf club is the culprit here. The golf club is the only bat that has a loft and to get the ball in the air we must actually hit DOWN on it and NOT scoop. (In every other sport to get the ball in the air we need to get under the ball and hit up and vice versa to hit down.) In golf the moment we try to hit it up we top the ball. That makes the game counter intuitive and thus difficult.

Best way to avoid TOPPING the BALL: hit down on the ball. The down-swing sequence with hips, chest, then arms and finally the club head. Do NOT worry about keeping your head down. It will only worsen the problem.

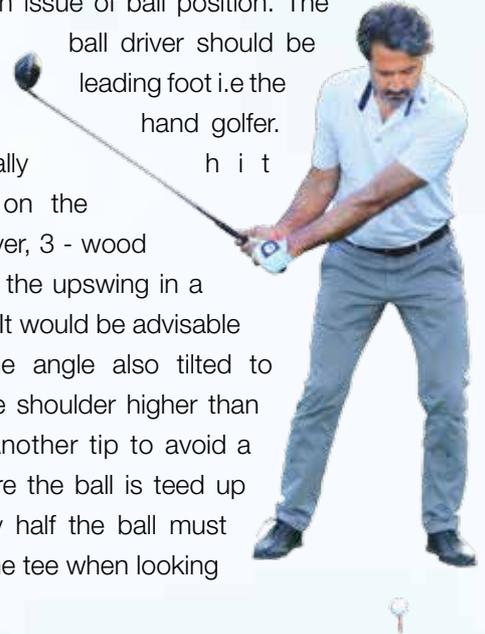
THE FAT SHOT OR DUFF



The background of a duff or a heavy shot is similar to a top. The club is bottoming out earlier and makes impact with the ground before the ball. An overactive lower body can get you out of sync leading to late hands and as a result the clubhead trying to catch up. The fat shot is again NOT a result of the Head Up. In fact the neck being a centre of rotation, it is advisable to keep your neck muscles relaxed and follow the ball as soon as the strike happens.

THE SKY BALL

The dreaded sky ball off the tee happens when the driver slides underneath the ball and the ball pops up. The cause is usually an issue of ball position. The position of the ball driver should be aligned with your leading foot i.e the left foot for right hand golfer. Irons are normally hit by hitting down on the ball whereas a driver, 3 - wood or hybrid is hit on the upswing in a sweeping motion. It would be advisable to have the spine angle also tilted to have the lead side shoulder higher than the trailing side. Another tip to avoid a skyball is to ensure the ball is teed up correctly - Usually half the ball must be visible above the tee when looking from behind.



THE SLICE



The fade or a more severe version the slice bothers a lot of club golfers. The ball curves to the right when the club face at impact is open to the path of the club. One of the main reasons for club golfers hitting major slices especially with the longer clubs like the driver is due to the inability of the player to shift the axis of the body back towards the lead side at impact. On the backswing the weight shifts to the right for right hand golfers quite easily, BUT on the downswing they are unable to transfer the weight to the left side first before swinging their arms, thus leading to a pivot on their right leg and thus causing a severe out-to-in path, thereby causing a slice. The best way to cure a slice is to practice starting the downswing by making a lateral shift of the hips ever so slightly before starting to move the arms and hands.

THE DAYS OF ARMCHAIR JUDGES ARE OVER

Top officials of golf's ruling bodies the R&A and the USGA have been discussing new standards over the past five years during a rules modernizing project which, if passed, will come into play in 2019.

The catalyst for a quick decision regarding TV replays was Lexi Thomson who was landed with a 4-shot penalty during the ANA Inspiration in April. She replaced the ball on the 17th hole about an inch away. A TV viewer contacted the LPGA Tour the next day and officials determined it a clear violation. She was given a 2-shot penalty for where she replaced the ball; and another 2-shots for handing in an incorrect scorecard. At that point she was leading the tournament by 3 shots.

A swift response to endless debates regarding TV reviews, and limited the use of video evidence which could spare players from being penalized even if a rule had been violated, was provided. This would be effective immediately on all tours around the world.

It has two standards:

A player can avoid a penalty if the violation could not be noticed by the naked eye.

Rules Officials can also eliminate penalties if they feel a player made a 'reasonable judgement' in taking a drop or replacing the ball on the putting green. Thomas Pagel Senior Director, USGA said, " We're all responsible for applying rules and calling penalties upon ourselves. But we've seen situations where there is no way the player or anyone around the player could be aware of that. Should we be holding a player up to a high standard simply because they're on television"

Last words of a golfer standing in the DGC jhari's ?
 "I can see a gap."

HUMOUR



An avid golfer found himself in Africa with time to play. He asked at his hotel for the nearest golf course, was put in a cab, and spent two hours being driven deeper and deeper into the jungle until he arrived at a course.

He checked in with the pro and asked to rent some equipment and, since he'd never played the course before, for a caddie. In a few minutes, he was escorted to the 1st tee, where his caddie was waiting with a bagful of clubs under one arm and a rifle under the other.

The golfer was taken aback, but composed himself and hit a good drive down the fairway of the opening hole, a tough par-4. As they were walking to his ball, a tiger sprang out of the rough and charged the golfer.

Without missing a beat, the caddie dropped the bag, aimed his rifle, and shot the animal dead.

Again, the golfer had to compose himself, taking a minute to catch his breath. But he quickly recovered, hit a good approach, and parred the hole.

The same thing happened on the 2nd hole, a long, twisting par-5. But this time it was a lion that bolted out of the jungle, charged the golfer, and was dropped by a single shot from the caddie's rifle.

By now the golfer was visibly shaken, but the caddie looked unflappable -- and obviously was a good shot -- so they played on.

The 3rd hole was an easy par-3 surrounded by water. The golfer hit a good short iron, which landed near the cup. As he was walking onto the green, a crocodile slid out of the water and began moving toward him.

Unfazed, the golfer looked to his caddie for help. But the caddie stood motionless. The crocodile moved closer, and the golfer, beginning to get upset, again glanced at the caddie, who didn't move.

Finally, with the crocodile just inches away, the golfer screamed, "Aren't you going to do something?"

The caddie looked at the scorecard and said, "I'm sorry, sir, but you don't get a shot on this hole."



We are grieved to record the sad demise of the following members:
The Club extends its heartfelt condolences to their families.



Col Dr S P Wahi
(Retd)
(W-040)



Mrs Mohini Ram
(R-006)



Mrs Chander
Malhotra
(M-379)



Mr Bikram Kochhar
(K-658)



Mrs Sushil Kanta
Chaudhry
(C-133)



Radm Malvinder
Singh Bedi
(B-277)



Mr P Nayyar
(N-098)



Mr T S Sawhney
(S-436)



Capt Gursaran
Singh
(G-117)



Fit Lt H S Bhagat
(B-032)



Mr Madanjeet
Singh
(M-002)



Lt Gen H S Chopra
(C-150)



Mrs Manjit Kaur
(WS-094)



Dr S K Aggarwal
(A-121)



Mr Ajit Singh
(A-076)



Mr R C Kehar
(K-338)



Mr P S Bedi
(B-486)



Sqn Idr Ravi
Bhushan Kalia
(K-389)



Mr P S Dhillon
(D-151)



Lt Col R Khanna
(K-070)



Mr Ashok Kapur
(K-228)



Mr Gauri Shankar
Bajpai
(B-402)



Mr Arun Kumar
Bery
(B-439)



Mr Shivinder Pal
Singh Mann
(M-353)



Mr S P Saluja
(S-687)



Mrs Nirmal Sood
(WS-017)



Mr A Charanjiva
(C-003)



Mr U N Abhyankar
(A-140)



Mr Krishan Kumar
(K-616)



Mr Rabindra Das
Khanna (K-340)



Mr Anil B Divan
(D-136)



Mrs Suniti Sethi
(S-005)



Mr A P Bhalla
(B-347)



Mrs. Kushal Jaidev
Singh
(SS-207)



Mr R K P
Shankardass
(S-088)

Mr I L Malik
(M-308)

A PARTING GUEST

What delightful guests are they
Life and Love!
Lingering I turn away,
This late hour, yet glad enough
They have not withheld from me
Their high hospitality.

So with face lit with delight
And all gratitude, I stay
Yet to press their hands and say,
"Thanks. So fine a time! Goodnight.

"James Whitcomb Riley, American poet (1849 – 1916)

When to get prostate surgery done



Dr. Anupam Bhargava,
Chairman - Urology
Max Smart Super specialty Hospital

While medications help many men with an enlarged prostate -- also called benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) -- they may not always be effective in relieving symptoms. The Next Step in Treating Enlarged Prostate is minimally invasive and surgical procedures. These are available to treat moderate-to-severe enlarged prostate symptoms that are bothersome. These procedures are also used if tests show that urinary function is seriously affected. Surgery is usually recommended in treating BPH-related complications, such as:

- Urinary retention (inability to urinate)
- Failure to respond to medical or minimally invasive treatments
- Blood in the urine that is not getting better
- Bladder stones
- Frequent urinary tract infections
- Kidney damage

'When to get the surgery for enlarged prostate done' is the question most seniors face. As you discuss the options, ask your doctor these five questions:

1. Is there a good chance my condition will improve?
2. How much will it improve?

3. What are the chances of side effects from a treatment?
4. How long will the effects last?
5. Will I need to have this treatment repeated?

Longer Delays Could Double Risk

While delaying surgery for up to six months is not associated with an increased risk of recurrence, delaying treatment longer appeared to more than double the recurrence risk. This doesn't necessarily mean that all low-risk prostate cancer patients who wait longer than six months to get treated have a worse prognosis than those treated earlier.

Choose Treatment, Doctor Carefully

The study should reassure prostate cancer patients that they can take their time to choose the best treatment for them, but that should not take six months. It is not certain what would be gained by waiting that long, unless the patient is older and decides not to get treated at all. Patients absolutely should take the time to fully understand the different treatment options and the side effects associated with those treatments. Another important consideration is the experience of the treating surgeon or radiologist.

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