

ROLLING HILLS GOLF CLUB

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President's Message

What a month it was with the first ever Saudi Professional Tournament, the CEO Cup, and finishing with the 2 day President's Cup this coming up weekend. Talk about foot just down on the pedal.

Congratulations to all of the winners of this year's CEO Cup. The board certainly hopes you enjoyed the venue, food and the lovely gift provided from our President and CEO, Mr. Amin Nasser. He sent his best wishes and for those executives present, they were amazed at what they saw and each of them agreed that golf in Saudi Arabia is as alive as it has ever been.

March and April will be equally as busy. Please review the [tournament schedule](#) as you do not want to miss out on all of the social and competitive opportunities that Rolling Hills has to offer.

Hit em Straight
-Ed Devlin



From the Pro

The next "Golf in a Week" class starts on March 24th. Classes are an hour each day beginning at 7:00 pm and run for 5 consecutive days. Courses aimed at beginner and intermediate golfers. It covers all aspects of the game: Safety, Rules, Etiquette, Swing Method, and an on course Texas scramble. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 600 SAR. Please sign up in the Pro Shop.

Stuart offers a ladies' only class each Thursday morning from 9:00 -10:00. All equipment is supplied and there is free coffee on arrival. It is ideal for either the beginner or intermediate golfer as it covers all the skills to get one out on the course! The cost is 90 SAR per person per class.

The Junior Tour School will return on Saturday March 9th and run each Saturday for 4 weeks. The classes are from 8:00am — 9:00. The schools will cover rules, etiquette, and golf swing mechanics. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 300SR.

Individual Lessons can be taken any day at times convenient — for more information on lesson prices, or to register, you may contact Stuart at:

stuart.hurstfield@aramco.com

March 7th — Ladies' Classes Continues

March 9th — Junior Tour School

March 24th — Golf in a Week

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Upcoming Tournament Information

St. Paddy's Day Night Golf

Of the evening of **March 14th**, RHGC will be hosting the second evening social event of the year. The March event will have a St. Paddy's Day theme. Sign up as a team of four. The course lights will be turned off and each team will be given glow balls to use. There is a cost of 200 SAR per player for this event. Any team that has not paid by 7:00 PM on March 12th will be replaced by teams on the waiting list. Additional dinner tickets may be purchased for 125 SAR per guest. Payments can be made at the Clubhouse. Sign up is now open on [Tournament Management](#). See [page 7](#) for more details.

Turkish Airlines Challenge

RHGC is proud to host a qualifying event for the The Turkish Airlines World Cup. The event will be held on **March 16th**. The Turkish Airlines World Golf Cup Amateur Series became the widest reaching in corporate golf in 2017 with almost 8,000 participants contesting in over 100-event Qualifying Series, which took place in 60 countries worldwide. The entry fee for this event is 200 SAR and can be paid in the Pro Shop. The event is limited to 72 players so sign-up now in the Pro Shop. See page 3 for more details.

Bi-Monthly Medal

We are having our Bi-Monthly Medal on **March 30th**. The format will be STROKE play. Shawarmas will also be available for you to purchase at lunch time so bring your cash and an appetite. Registration is now open via [Tournament Manager](#).

The Oilman's Tournament

The Oilman's Tournament will be on **April 19th** this year. The tournament is our primary fundraising event. This tournament is organized to promote and bolster the business relationships between the many contracting entities who work with Saudi Aramco by bringing together individuals who enjoy the sport of golf. See the [RHGC Website](#) for more information.

The [2019 Tournament Calendar](#) is available on the RHGC's website.

March 14th — St. Paddy's Day Night Golf
 March 16th — Turkish Airlines Challenge Cup
 March 30th — Bi-Monthly Medal
 April 19th — The Oilman's Tournament



Ask Carl

Q: I play in a lot of RHGC tournaments, and almost every medal. How come when I look at My GHIN account I only see a couple of rounds with a T beside them?

A: I don't know which is more impressive, that you examine your GHIN scores or the amount of tournaments that you play! But you are correct, there are only 5 T-scores (tournament score — a score made in a competition organized and conducted by the Committee in charge of the competition) taken into account for your handicap. This was at the Texas Golf Association's suggestion. TGA suggested we have less T's because if you have too many the R reduction never kicks in. We chose the CEO Cup, the May Monthly Medal, the Club Championship (both days), and the November Monthly Medal.

If you would like Carl to answer a question, please email a Board member and they will make sure Carl gets it. Which is nice.

2019 Turkish Airlines World Cup



It is our great pleasure to invite you to attend the 2019 Turkish Airlines World Golf Cup Dammam qualifier. Turkish Airlines World Golf Cup was established in 2013 with just 12 events, this global amateur golf series is now played in more countries worldwide than any other corporate amateur event of its kind, mirroring the truly global reach of Turkish Airlines.

The 2019 Qualifying Series will feature events in 103 destinations across 72 countries worldwide, providing a unique opportunity for participants to network with senior business people in a relaxed environment, whilst enjoying a round of golf at one of the world's most prestigious golf courses.

This year's Turkish Airlines World Golf Cup is proudly sponsored by National Car Rental. The Dammam qualifying event will take place at the Rolling Hills Golf Club on Saturday 16th March 2019 and Turkish Airlines are delighted to offer you the opportunity to take part in what promises to be a great day.

Brief Schedule

5:30 Registration & Breakfast

6:45 Group Photograph & Tournament Briefing

7:00 Shotgun Start

12:30 Lunch and Prize Presentation

The competition will be an individual Stableford format. The best net stableford winner from each qualifying event will join the Grand Final as a guest of Turkish Airlines*. The maximum handicap index for both men and women will be 24.0.

The Grand Final will take place between Saturday 2nd November to Thursday 7th November** in Turkey. The prize includes:

- Participation in the Grand Final of the Turkish Airlines World Golf Cup
- Round Trip Business Class flights to Turkey with Turkish Airlines
- 5 nights*, accommodation at TBC
- The finalist winner will have hospitality at the Turkish Airlines Open

Leading players at the Grand Final of the Turkish Airlines World Golf Cup will have the opportunity to progress to play in the Pro-Am at the Turkish Airlines Open with a leading European Tour professional. Past winners have had the once in a lifetime opportunity to partner modern day greats of the game, including Rory McIlroy and 14-time Major Champion, Tiger Woods.

Due to the limited number of participants, entries will be accepted on a "first-come, first-served" basis. Therefore we encourage you to register early to avoid disappointment.

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Please go to the [Event Registration](#) Portal, sign in and select and select upcoming event from the Event Schedule Tab. On the right hand side, you will see an option to [Register Now for any upcoming events that are listed as open](#). Scroll down until you see **2019-03-16 TURKISH AIRLINES WORLD CUP**. If Register Now is grayed out, this is the result of we have not registered your completion of the Handicap Quiz. To have this updated please contact the [Handicap Director](#). Please note the Terms and Conditions listed below.

Terms and Conditions

*In order to be eligible to play in the Grand Finals, the winner must have an active handicap and must have completed THREE Handicap Qualifying Scores (as defined by the relevant handicap governing body) within the 12 months prior to the date of the qualifying event.

In order to be eligible to progress through to the Grand Final, players must be aged 21 or over on the day of the qualifying tournament.

Please also note that any player who has previously qualified for any Grand Final of the Turkish Airlines World Golf Cup Amateur Series (in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 or 2018) will not be eligible to progress to the 2019 Grand Finals.

**The Grand Finals package is correct at the time of publication. Events may occur that render it necessary to change the Grand Finals dates or schedule, due to reasons beyond the control of Turkish Airlines and, accordingly, Turkish Airlines may at its absolute discretion amend the Grand Finals package, and the entrant agrees that no liability shall attach itself to Turkish Airlines as a result thereof.

Junior Golf

RHGC Jr Golf Event – March 9th, 2019

Junior golfers of all skill levels are invited to participate. Here is the schedule for the day:

- 10:00 am — **Driving/Putting Range (warmups)**
- 10:30 am — **Meeting in Clubhouse for pairings and rules**
- 10:40 am — **Competitive Group heads to #1 or #10 Tee**
- 11:00 am — **Fun Groups head to course**
- 1:00 pm — **All groups back in the Clubhouse for lunch and prizes**
- 1:45 pm — **Finish: Golfers are free to go**

Fun Division For younger and less experienced juniors that just want to have fun playing a few holes of golf on the course

Competitive Division For the older and more experienced juniors that want to test their golf skills on the course and compete for medals

Who Can Play?

RHGC and Aramco Community Club members ages 8-17 years old or those who have or are currently taking lessons from Stuart Hurstfield (RHGC Golf Pro) or Community Club Pro.

Greens Fees

None - Free for all junior RHGC members!

75SR for non members

Equipment Needed

Golf clubs, golf balls and tees. If needed, there will be a limited number of junior golf club sets available for use for free.

Sign-Up

Sign up for the March Golf Event is currently available on the [ForeTees](#) website, or via email if the player does not have a handicap.

For more information ,or to volunteer as a marshal, please contact:

[Coby Long](#) : 054 838 0576 (WhatsApp) or

email at: cobylong@gmail.com

Junior Golf Con't

February Jr Golf Event Recap

The February Jr. Golf Event saw many a few new golfers come out and test their skills with several returning players. The fun groups were packed with lots of excitement and great shots.

In the competitive division was hotly contested with Lincoln Ralls coming in first and Gavin Long coming in a close second.



Thank you to all those who volunteered to help and we look forward to the next event in March.



GOLF CART DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT



Thurs, March 21 @ 7pm



Sign up in Tournament Manager & pay for tickets in the Clubhouse through Monday, March 18th



SR25 per person includes:

*Movie viewing

*Hot dog, popcorn, drink, & ice cream

Volunteers needed to help with set-up & take-down

Contact Tamara at Tamara.Tahir@aramco.com

- All ages welcome
- Bring your golf carts, blankets, & lawn chairs
- Movie showing on grass behind clubhouse
- Members may bring guests

Social Event**St. Paddy's Day Night Golf****March 14th**

*Soup, Salad, and Socializing
starting at 5:30 PM*

Sign up a foursome to play Lights Out Night Golf on Tournament Manager
and then go to the Clubhouse to pay your fee of 200 riyals/player.

Dress up like a leprechaun —or at least wear green!

Decorate your cart!

Additional dinner tickets can be purchased at the Clubhouse for 120 riyals/person.
Dinner will be served at about 8:30.

All team fees and guest dinner tickets must be purchased by March 11th
or teams on the waiting list will be given the empty spots.

May the luck of the Irish be with you!



We're looking for volunteers to help set up
decorations and clean up.

Contact Tamara.Tahir@aramco.com to help.

**2019 RHGC Golf Ball****Save the date...**

**RHGC Golf Ball
in Bahrain
December 6, 2019**

Volunteers Needed

As the weather starts to heat up, it's nice to have cold towels on the course for golfers. If you would like to help prep the towels before tournaments or wash them afterwards, please contact

Tamara.Tahir@aramco.com



Udhailiyah Open

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