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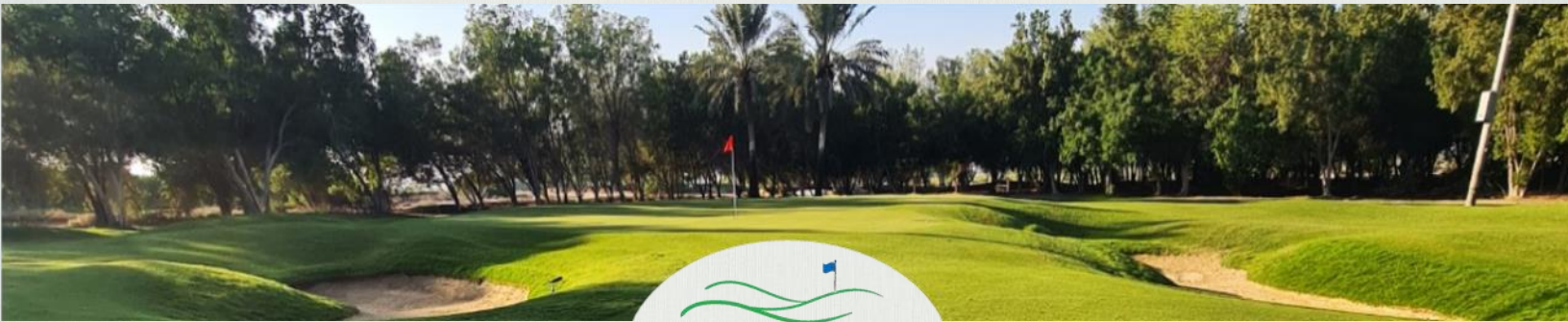
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As RHGC moves toward the summer months, there is just one major tournament left – the Anniversary Tournament. The tournament marks the anniversary of the opening of the grass course in Dhahran. It is a four-person team event with the Lone Ranger as the format. For more information, please see page 2.

The Board is happy to report that the coolers on the course once again have cold water in them. RHGC worked with Community Services to have ice placed in the coolers daily. The Board is also working with Community Services to replace many of the broken coolers on the course and to ensure that each water station has a cooler. Also, Recreation has installed new paths between many of the holes on the course. The grey paving stones paths are for walkers and push carts only, to help aid getting from hole to hole. While you might be tempted to try to drive a power cart down them 😊 please resist and take the normal cart paths.

Pace of play is a hot issue that lots of golf courses face. Pace of play, as it is regulated for RHGC, is outlined on the [RHGC Website](#). It is a group's responsibility to keep up with the group in front. If a group loses a clear hole and it is delaying the group behind, it should invite the group behind to play through, irrespective of the number of players in that group. This includes players playing through as a single.

There are many things that people can do that help improve pace of play. I am going to address one of them, positioning of carts near the greens: Whenever possible, both powered carts and push carts should be positioned at the side of the greens or at the back of the greens. This is especially important on par 5s as it allows the group behind to hit their approach shots. RHGC has some short par 4 holes where the same policy should be applied for tee shots. This includes holes 1, 7, and 13. More Pace of Play tips can be found on page 4.

See you on the course,
Bruce Waldner, RHGC President



June

MONTHLY
MEDAL



The next Monthly Medal will take place on **June 10**.

[Registration is now open](#), and closes on Tuesday, June 6 at 6pm.

Players will be able to pick their own tee times after registration. Players who do not pick a tee time will be allocated a tee time after registration, to fill tee slots as required.

2023 ANNIVERSARY TOURNAMENT

June 17, 2023

The Anniversary Tournament will take place on **June 17**.

[Registration is now open](#), and closes on Tuesday, June 13 at 6pm.

The Tournament is a four-player team, Lone Ranger format. It will be a shotgun tournament with the morning shotgun at 6:30am and the afternoon shotgun at 1:00pm, to allow people to attend prayer time as needed.

If more than 22 teams select the morning shotgun, preferred morning times will be allocated to those teams that registered first. Other teams will then be automatically moved to the afternoon shotgun.

Volunteer at the Anniversary Tournament

What better way to spend time around the activity we love, than to be a part of the action even when not playing. If you're playing in the afternoon, you can always help us in the morning and vice versa.

Contact [Tournament Co-Director Nabeel Haq](#) to find out more about volunteering at the Anniversary Tournament or for other volunteer opportunities throughout the year.

HANDICAP CORNER

Interesting Hole-by-Hole Statistics

Keeping it short this month! Here are some interesting Hole-by-Hole Course Statistics from the most recent competition at Rolling Hills Golf Course. No surprise to me Hole #6 ranked as the easiest hole. Anything you see surprise you? Thank you Golf Genius, this information is available at the click of a button. ENJOY!

Men – White Tees

Hole	Yards	Par	Average	Rank	Eagles	Birdies	Pars	Bogeys	D.Bogeys	Others
1	329	4	4.98	15	0	5	54	59	27	16
2	543	5	5.97	16	0	7	52	57	28	17
3	413	4	5.34	3	0	2	27	71	42	19
4	198	3	4.15	9	0	0	45	59	47	10
5	353	4	5.11	11	0	3	48	59	35	16
6	481	5	5.49	18	0	16	82	41	13	9
7	308	4	4.99	14	0	5	57	48	39	12
8	137	3	4.22	6	0	2	45	56	34	24
9	361	4	5.27	4	0	1	39	62	36	23
Out	3123	36	45.52		0	41	449	512	301	146
10	373	4	5.39	1	0	1	28	72	31	29
11	174	3	4.02	13	0	0	50	72	28	11
12	512	5	6.11	10	1	7	50	49	30	24
13	306	4	5.17	8	0	2	42	68	32	17
14	179	3	4.35	2	0	2	29	64	44	22
15	367	4	5.26	5	0	2	38	60	42	19
16	352	4	5.18	7	0	4	45	55	33	24
17	478	5	6.10	12	0	9	42	58	32	20
18	327	4	4.88	17	0	8	56	57	29	11
In	3068	36	46.46		1	35	380	555	301	177
Total	6191	72	91.98		1	76	829	1067	602	323

Below 70	Below Par	Par and Below	Even Par	Over Par	80 and Over
1	4	4	0	157	147

Ladies – Red Tees

Hole	Yards	Par	Average	Rank	Eagles	Birdies	Pars	Bogeys	D.Bogeys	Others
1	292	4	5.73	6	0	0	2	7	9	4
2	511	5	6.77	4	0	0	2	9	5	6
3	288	4	5.27	14	0	0	1	17	1	3
4	129	3	4.27	15	0	0	6	7	6	3
5	329	4	5.68	7	0	0	3	7	7	5
6	398	5	6.05	18	0	1	7	7	5	2
7	290	4	5.55	10	0	0	3	9	5	5
8	129	3	4.91	3	0	0	3	6	7	6
9	280	4	5.45	11	0	2	5	3	7	5
Out	2646	36	49.68		0	3	32	72	52	39
10	347	4	6.32	1	0	0	1	7	4	10
11	134	3	4.32	13	0	0	6	8	4	4
12	407	5	6.77	5	0	0	3	7	6	6
13	285	4	5.41	12	0	0	7	4	7	4
14	165	3	4.14	17	0	0	4	13	3	2
15	340	4	6.00	2	0	0	1	8	6	7
16	309	4	5.59	9	0	0	1	10	9	2
17	385	5	6.18	16	0	1	5	9	4	3
18	289	4	5.64	8	0	0	2	11	4	5
In	2661	36	50.37		0	1	30	77	47	43
Total	5307	72	100.05		0	4	62	149	99	82

Below 70	Below Par	Par and Below	Even Par	Over Par	80 and Over
0	0	0	0	22	22

Should you have any questions, or suggestions for future article topics, please contact me. I hope everyone has a GREAT summer! Stay cool and hydrated!! - Stephen Vezendy, RHGC Handicap Director

HANDICAP CORNER

(continued)

Quote of the Day



"And, assuming your golf handicap checks out, the job is yours!"

Unwritten Rules of Golf Etiquette

Help Speed Up the Game

As part of keeping pace, a lot of things can be done to speed up the game. If you're a newer golfer and take more time while playing since you take more strokes, you can make that time back by doing other things quicker.

Do a lot of the things at the next hole. Instead of right after the hole, where everyone including the flight behind is waiting, you can do the following at the next hole:

- Clean clubs and balls
- Write scores down
- Put clubs into the bag

A few other things you can do to speed up:

- Play ready golf. Don't need to go in turn of honor (player who played the least strokes the hole before).
- Be ready for your turn. Don't dilly dally when it's your turn, be aware, and once it's your turn, go. You have forty seconds to take your stroke.
- If you lose your ball, you have 3 minutes to find it. After which, drop a ball on the fairway at the nearest point where your ball was lost and take penalty.
- Help a struggling player rake bunkers, find their ball and lift up the pin. We all have that one occasional hole where we blow up, and are all over the place. Help others to speed up too.
- Park your cart or trolley at the rear of greens on par 5 holes, or any other hole, at a point closest to the next tee.

You are slow if you cannot see the flight in front of you. Speed up, so everyone can be happy.

When should I let another group play through?

In the absence of a defined rule, we are left to follow the unwritten rules of etiquette in golf. This is a critical part of the game, which makes golf unique in sports. That is to say, no other sports allow the individual to self-regulate, demonstrate ethics, and consider the impact of behavior on other groups. Remember that "playing through" is one of the most important golf etiquette terms a golfer can learn.

Many in RHGC have asked the question, "When should I let another group play through?"

IT IS BEST TO PLAY THROUGH BY INVITATION, NOT BY DEMAND

Unless a marshal is on the scene to preside over the operation, the group in front is in charge. One way to guarantee you will not be invited to play through, is to hit into that group or otherwise treat the group rudely. Better: Call the Starter Shed and let them know groups are beginning to pile up. If there's no group in front of yours, use the times established on the RHGC scorecard to assist your pace. If you are behind the time, take a minute to step aside and ask, "Would you like to play through?"

A PAR THREE HOLE PRESENTS THE BEST OPPORTUNITY FOR PLAYING THROUGH

Here's how it works: Your group tees off on a par-3. And right about now, the players behind you should be finishing up on the previous green. If you are in carts, you can wait for them to approach and invite them to play through. If you are walking, it is OK to head for the green and mark your ball, perhaps even taking a putt or two, or find a safe position and then wave them through.

If your group playing through, you should dispense with a pre-shot routine and play in a prompt and efficient manner

Another good time to invite a group to play through: when your group is searching for a lost ball on a par-4 or par-5. Just be sure to take cover.

**COURTESY AND GOODWILL, NOT SCORE,
ARE THE OBJECTIVES**

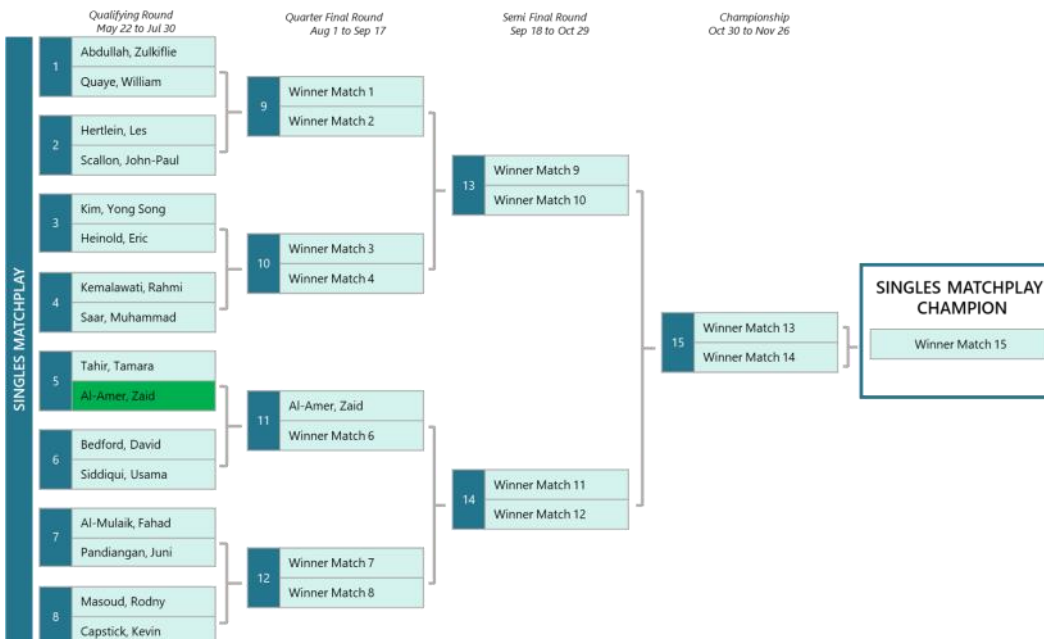
Match Play Series Update

Each year there are three categories of different **Match Play** competitions going on throughout the year – Singles, Flighted & Teams. Players sign up for one or more categories to compete in a single elimination, bracket style competition, with each elimination round giving players between 8-16 weeks to play their matches. By the end of November 2023, four individuals and one two-person team will be crowned champions of their respective competition.

Match Play is a scoring system for golf where a player or team earns a point for each hole in which they have a lower score than their opponent(s). It is a head-to-head competition, rather than one against the field as in stroke play. If both sides have the same score on a hole, the hole is halved and no point is awarded. The winner is the player or team with the most points at the end of the round, which can be viewed as a series of 18 separate games. In the Singles and Teams series, player's handicaps are used during the match to determine a net score on each hole, whereas the Flighted series uses handicaps to determine the flight a player is placed in, then each match is played off scratch (gross scores). Match Play scoring is also used in the RHGC Ryder Cup competition, along with Tuesday Night League.

We are now over halfway through in each category, with more than 50% of the players/teams being eliminated over the first two rounds. Congratulations to those players/teams who have progressed through to the next round(s), and good luck in continuing onto the championship match. See below for the current status of each bracket.

If you'd like more information about the Match Play Series, please contact the Match Play Series Coordinator, David Bedford, or visit the [RHGC website](#) and click on Leagues > Club Match Play.





Hi! The ladies league had a great May. We had two fun tournaments and also an opportunity to improve our skills with Stuart.

We will take a break until late September as to avoid the heat and as our members are on vacation. See you all this fall!

Angela Farley, Ladies' League Director

Save the Date

2023 ANNUAL GOLF BALL
DECEMBER 8, 2023

Mark your calendars for the 2023 Golf Ball Tournament in the morning at the Royal Golf Club in Bahrain, followed by the Golf Ball evening event at the Manama Crowne Plaza.



Mark your calendars for the July Monthly Medal taking place on July 15

Registration to open soon on golfgenius.com

Upcoming Club Pro Activities

LADIES ROLL UP CLASS

Every Thursday, ladies are invited to join Thursday morning group sessions from 9 - 10 am for beginner and intermediate golfers. All equipment is supplied and instruction covers all the skills to get one out on the course! The cost is 90 SAR per person, per class and sign-up is at the ProShop.

GOLF IN A WEEK

The next Golf in a Week class starts on **Sunday, June 18**. Classes are from 6 - 7 pm and run for five consecutive days. These group sessions are ideal for beginner and intermediate golfers and covers all aspects of the game: safety, rules, etiquette, and swing technique. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 600 SAR. Sign up at the ProShop.

INDIVIDUAL LESSONS

Individual lessons incorporating GASP video analysis can be taken at times convenient to suit your schedule. Junior pricing is 30 minutes/150 SAR and Adults is 50 minutes/200 SAR. Register at stuarthurstfield@gmail.com or WhatsApp +44 775 337 1547.



Golf club repairs and re-gripping service available. Contact Stuart for details.

MAY MONTHLY MEDAL RESULTS

May 6, 2023



A Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	A	Ramos, Domingo	68
2	A	Syafron, Edward	71
3	A	Kim, Ick Soo	72

B Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	B	Ba Im, Ahmad	68
2	B	Sinesi, John	70
3	B	Al-Amer, Zaid	72

C Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	C	Iyinagoro, Odili	68
2	C	Musa, Ismaeel	69
3	C	Simamora, Alfian	70

D Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	D	Abdul Razak, Mokhtarudin	65
2	D	Lu, Feng	66
3	D	Pillai, Manu	67

E Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	E	Mahmood, Arslan	65
2	E	Okafor, John	66
3	E	Updike, Dennis	70

Closest to the Pin

Hole	Winner	Distance
4	Goede, Theodore	12' 5"
8	Pillai, Manu	8' 9"
11	Ramos, Domingo	9' 12"
14	Mahmood, Arslan	0' 43"

See full results [here](#)



A Flight				
Pos.	Team	Total Stableford Points	BestBall	AltShot
1	Bedford, David + Harrelson, Cooper <i>Australia, United States of America</i>	84	43	41
2	Kim, Soonhae + Lee, Jae <i>Korea, Republic of</i>	82	45	37
3	Al-Amer, Zaid + Boukbira, Abdelbaki <i>Tunisia, Saudi Arabia</i>	77	41	36

B Flight				
Pos.	Team	Total Stableford Points	BestBall	AltShot
1	Kim, Saewoong + Lee, Kyoung Chul <i>Korea, Republic of</i>	78	43	35
2	Mosquera, Jonathan + Patino, Carlos <i>Colombia, Spain</i>	77	44	33
3	Kang, Geonyoung + Lee, Myung Hwa <i>Korea, Republic of</i>	76	43	33

C Flight				
Pos.	Team	Total Stableford Points	BestBall	AltShot
1	Quaye, William + Uche, Ifeanyi <i>Canada, United States of America</i>	75	39	36
2	Chun, Soyoung + Hong, Sunmyoung <i>Korea, Republic of</i>	75	39	36
3	Lee, Myungjin + Lee, Sungun <i>Korea, Republic of</i>	74	43	31

Nearest the Pin: Hole #4	Masoud, Rodney	Distance: 9'10"
Nearest the Pin: Hole #8	Kim, Ik Soo	Distance: 3'1"
Nearest the Pin: Hole #11	Lee, Myungjin	Distance: 3'2"
Nearest the Pin: Hole #14	Syafron, Edward	Distance: 7'7"

Men's Longest Drive: Hole #15	Iyinagoro, Odili
Women's Longest Drive: Hole #5	Chun, Soyoung

To see complete results click [here](#).



2023 CEO Cup

May 26 - 27

Congratulations to all of the winners!



MEN'S CHAMPION	
Maaz BinSaad	42



LADIES CHAMPION	
Tamara Tahir	38

MEN'S A FLIGHT		
1 st Place	Jake Rosenthal	38
2 nd Place	Chulson Choi	36
3 rd Place	YoungKyoung Ahn	36

LADIES FLIGHT		
1 st Place	Ida Aritonang	37
2 nd Place	Rodziah Daud	35
3 rd Place	Vikki Bedford	33

MEN'S B FLIGHT		
1 st Place	Mohdraji Matyaacob	38
2 nd Place	Bradford Plaatjes	37
3 rd Place	John Sinesi	37

CLUB WINNERS		
Ain Nakhil Golf Club (Abqaiq)	Muhammad Saar	32
Rolling Hills Golf Club (Dhahran)	Gertjan De Jong	38
Surfside Golf Club (Ras Tanura)	Jose Griman	37
Wadi Al Saeed Golf Club (Udhailiyah)	Nisharlan Sewgolum	37

MEN'S C FLIGHT		
1 st Place	Satya Putra	35
2 nd Place	Saewong Kim	33
3 rd Place	Steven Green	32

FRIDAY SKILL PRIZES		
Closest to the Pin – Hole #4	Gaetano D'Antoni	6' 0"
Closest to the Pin – Hole #8	Richard Reeves	5' 10"
Closest to the Pin – Hole #11	Mihir Sapru	6' 10"
Closest to the Pin – Hole #14	Nabeel Haq	3' 5"

MEN'S D FLIGHT		
1 st Place	Wayne Greenhalgh	38
2 nd Place	Dennis Updike	33
3 rd Place	Jae-Sang Song	33

SATURDAY SKILL PRIZES		
Closest to the Pin – Hole #4	David Bedford	6' 11"
Closest to the Pin – Hole #8	Zimran Muhammad	8' 11"
Closest to the Pin – Hole #11	Jonathon Mosquera	3' 6"
Closest to the Pin – Hole #14	Geonyoung Kang	5' 8"

To see the full results, [click here](#).