

CLUB NEWS



HOLE 2, ROLLING HILLS

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STARTER HUT OPENING HOURS

SUN	4PM-9PM
MO - SA	6AM-9PM

PRO SHOP OPENING HOURS

SUN	CLOSED
MO - THU	11AM-6PM
FRI-SA	6AM-12PM

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Summer is definitely here, and as anyone who has played 18 holes recently will know, the combination of heat and humidity can make a round particularly challenging. When the humidity is high, your body can lose fluids and electrolytes more quickly than you may realize, so staying hydrated is especially important. Don't wait until you feel thirsty to drink—start hydrating before your round and continue regularly throughout. Water is essential, but on particularly hot and humid days, consider adding an electrolyte or sports drink to help replace the salts and minerals you lose through sweating. And, of course, take advantage of the shade, slow down when needed, and don't be afraid to take a break if the heat starts to get the better of you. There's no prize for finishing 18 holes dehydrated!

Work has now commenced on the installation of our new **Front 9 lighting**, with the existing lights being removed as part of the project. This is an exciting improvement for RHGC, but as with any major project, there will be some disruption while the work progresses. Please give way to workers and equipment whenever necessary and remain aware that the earthworks will result in some special playing conditions on the **Front 9**. Please see **page 4** for full details and the temporary conditions that will be in place. Your patience and cooperation during the works are greatly appreciated.

With the summer break coming to an end, **the second half of our tournament season** is just around the corner, and September is already shaping up to be a busy month. We have the **September Monthly Medal on the 12th**, the **Saudi National Day Tournament on the 23rd**, and the ever-popular **Tuesday Night League (TNL)**, which is already full. We'll also have a **Junior Golf event on the 18th**, while our **Ladies' events** get back underway with **TMLL on the 8th and Nine & Dine on the 30th**. There's plenty happening, so keep reading the newsletter and watching the RHGC WhatsApp Community Announcements for all the relevant details.

And it's not all about golf! Our **RHGC Trivia Night** is coming up on **September 11th**, promising another fantastic evening of fun, laughter and friendly competition—and, best of all, it will all be happening under the AC! Start putting your teams together now and get ready for what is always one of the most entertaining nights on the RHGC social calendar.

Looking further ahead, registration is now open for our season-ending **"Desert Stars" Golf Tournament and Gala Dinner in Bahrain**. This year, we have been able to significantly reduce the fees for the gala dinner, giving RHGC members an exceptional opportunity to enjoy this event at rates that would be very difficult to match elsewhere in Bahrain. At these special rates, we expect the Gala Dinner to fill up quickly, so don't wait too long to register. **See page 8** for full details.

As we head into the second half of the season, I'm looking forward to seeing the club come back to life after the quieter summer months. There's plenty to look forward to, both on and off the course, and hopefully some slightly more forgiving temperatures along the way.

Until then, stay cool, stay hydrated, and enjoy your golf!

David Bedford
RHGC President

22ND ANNIVERSARY TOURNAMENT 20 JUNE 2026



Mohammed Mulla and Minhaj Khan receive the **Flight A Winners'** trophy from JD on behalf of their team.



Kene Ofondu and Odili Iyinagoro receive the **Flight B Winners'** trophy from JD on behalf of their team.



Sam Flack and Trisha Wadhwani receive the **Flight C Winners'** trophy from JD on behalf of their team.

FLIGHT A

1. Abdelbaki Boukbira, Minhaj Khan, Zaid, Al-Amer, Mohammed Mulla
2. Nabeel Haq, Syed Ali, Faisal Siddiqu, David Stephenson
3. David Bedford, Cooper Harrelson, Eric Heinold, John Sinesi

FLIGHT B

1. Ifeanyi Uche, John Okafor, Odili Iyinagoro, Kenechukwu Ufando
2. Pedro Castro, Jan Emiel Boekcx, Douglas Balzer, Vera Castro
3. Ariffin Kamal, Ali Razally, Abdullah Zulkiflie, Sudirman Sharizan

FLIGHT C

1. Trisha Wadhwani, Jay Wadhwani, Ayman Beighton
2. Zara Zain, Robert Falck, Mark Cornish, Spiro Mattys
3. Yolande Hollingworth, Simon Fletcher, Jonothan D'Antoni, Mikki D'Antoni



Lighting Improvement Activity Rulings and Relief Guidelines

Trenches and Excavations:

Open trenches, drainage excavations, or freshly backfilled ruts made by maintenance are treated as *Ground Under Repair (Rule 16.1)*, even if not explicitly marked with white lines or stakes. *Players are entitled to complete free relief (nearest point of complete relief plus one club-length).*

Construction Materials & Stockpiles:

Piles of sand, gravel, topsoil, or stacked drainage pipes sitting on the course are classified as *Abnormal Course Conditions*. *If movable, they are Movable Obstructions (can be shifted without penalty); if permanent or heavy, they afford free relief under Rule 16.1.*

Construction Equipment and Machinery:

Active or parked backhoes, tractors, and large vehicles count as *Movable Obstructions* or *Immovable Obstructions* depending on whether they can be moved safely. *If an active vehicle interferes with stance or swing, the player may request it be moved or take relief.*

Temporary Cables and Lines:

Grass-covered or surface trenches holding temporary power lines or irrigation cables in the general area are automatically treated as *Ground Under Repair*.

MEMBERS CORNER



A big shout-out to Cole Desai for finishing Top 10 in his age group at the 3-day 2026 **Junior Africa Challenge!**

With 165 players from 7 countries competing at San Lameer Country Club in KZN, this is a fantastic achievement.

We're proud of you, Cole — keep shining your light!



WHY PUNCTUALITY ON THE TEE MATTERS

The First Domino

by Kevin Capstick

Tee times are spaced out precisely so each group has room to play without catching the group ahead or being caught by the group behind. *That spacing only works if every group actually starts on time.* A two-minute late start at 6:00am can compound into a fifteen-minute backlog by mid-morning.

Reporting Early vs. Arriving on Time

There's a difference between "arriving at your tee time" and "reporting before it." If you walk onto the tee at 6:00am, you haven't started on time ; you've only begun preparing to start: checking in, loading bags and carts, practice swings. *Golfers should report at least ten minutes early*, so the group is simply waiting for the clock, not getting ready for it.

Why It Matters More in a Four-Ball

Four bags and carts, four warm-ups, four players who all need to be present; more people means more that can go wrong. If everyone reports early and ready, the first ball can go within a minute or two of the tee time; 6:02 or 6:03 for a 6:00am start. If even one player is late, that buffer is gone before a shot is hit.

A Shared Facility, A Shared Responsibility

On our community course, no one owns the day, everyone shares it, and everyone's enjoyment depends on everyone else doing their part. *Being ready on time is a simple courtesy that keeps the whole day running smoothly.*

Practical Habits for a Prompt Start

- Arrive with enough buffer to check in and warm up before heading to the tee, not after
- Load carts or trolleys early
- Agree a "ready by" time within the group, a few minutes ahead of the actual tee time
- Take practice swings off to the side, not on the tee
- Hit away promptly once it's your turn

Conclusion

Being on the tee "at" your tee time is really being late. True punctuality means being ready to play the moment the clock allows — first ball away within a minute or two. *On our course, that discipline is a small act of consideration that keeps the day fair and enjoyable for everyone behind you.*



**MONTHLY
MEDAL** RTTH2026
RACE TO THE HILLS



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LADIES GOLF



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RHGC Presents

Legends of the Game

TRIVIA NIGHT



DJ SHANNON IS BACK!!

Teams of 6-8 Players

BOOKYOURTABLE TODAYASSPOTS ARELIMITED
PRIZES FOR BEST DECORATED TABLE



Friday
11 September



06:00pm -
10:00pm

REGISTER NOW

THE ROLLING HILL GOLF CLUB

Desert Stars Golf Tournament

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 13TH

THE ROYAL GOLF CLUB,
BAHRAIN

SPACE IS LIMITED SO REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!

KEY DETAILS

TEXAS SCRAMBLE FORMAT WITH A TWIST. PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED IN THE EVENING AT THE GOLF BALL. THE ENTRY FEE IS 400\$AR PER TEAM. THIS COVERS TWO DRINK VOUCHERS, BREAKFAST, TICKET TO THE GALA AND PRIZES. THERE IS A 57\$D PER PLAYER GREENS FEES TO BE PAID BY EACH PARTICIPANT AT ROYAL GOLF CLUB IN BAHRAIN ON THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT - PLEASE NOTE YOUR TEAM WILL STILL BE PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GREENS FEE PAYMENT IF YOU CANCEL AFTER NOVEMBER 3RD. NOT ROLLING HILLS GOLF CLUB. CANCELLATIONS AFTER NOVEMBER 3RD WILL RESULT IN A FORFEITURE OF ENTRY FEE



SOLD OUT

RHGC
Presents

Desert Stars Gala

Entertainment
by
DJ Shannon

Dinner, Dancing
& Prizes

Ticket Price:
Members 100
Non-Members 200

Hilton Bahrain
November 13, 2026
Doors Open @ 5:30pm

Register
Here

Limited Special Room Rates Available



**Rolling Hills Junior Golf**

JUNIORS NIGHT SEPT 18TH

WHO CAN PLAY?

For Junior Golfers ages 8-17 of all skill levels!

Free For Club Members or

Pay 50 SAR per junior at the pro shop

JOIN NOW!

AGENDA

6:00 PM Driving Range/Putting Warm-up

6:20 PM Pairings Announced

6:30 PM Competitive groups head out to 1st Tee

6:30 PM Fun groups shotgun start on holes 4-6

8:30 PM All groups back to the clubhouse for food and prizes

DETAILS

Competitive Division: For older/more experienced golfers who want to compete

Fun Division: For beginners/juniors who just want to have fun!

All golfers must bring their own clubs, balls, and tees

**A parent is requested
to stay and supervise
their kids for safety
and logistics**

REGISTER:

Please respond by Sept 15th

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