

What's News???

- Tomorrow is the Father & Son Day as well as an Invitation Day. Good luck to all players.
- Tonight's sheet is for the 1st Round of the 2009 Club Championships. Remember that it is a shotgun start and for those of you that have indicated that you are competing in this years Major Event, please ensure you put a 'Q' on your card next week so that we can track your scores. Remember that you will be paying the competition fee for the 1st 2 Rounds next week. This has been the usual practice of the past and this year is no exception.
- Before the beginning of the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Rounds, the top 10 players of each grade will be highlighted on the whiteboard. The players that are also contesting the event will also be shown but on the print out per grade, which will also be posted on the whiteboard.
- Remember that we will conduct a cut after the 2nd & 3rd Rounds and will be to the discretion of the Match Committee. In the past, cuts have been made with top 16 etc. This year, we will determine the cut by the scores produced and not the number of players.
- The Final Round will be played in Grades at the beginning of the afternoon field off the 1st tee.
- Don't forget the Major Pennant Team will Play Pymble at Castle Hill Country Club next Sunday at 12pm. As mentioned last week, a bus will be travelling to the course and you are asked to let the office know if you are intending to go on the bus. There will be a \$10 charge for the bus. It will be on a first come first served basis.
- Remember tomorrow, keep up with the group in front and all the best to you all.

Dropped Ball Strikes Tree Branch Then Ground; Whether Re-Drop required.

Question: A Player drops a ball within the area prescribed by the applicable Rule. It bounces off a tree branch and as a result strikes the ground outside that area. What is the ruling?

Answer: The Ball struck a part of the course (the Branch) where the applicable Rule requires (Rule 20-2b). Therefore, provided it does not roll into any of the positions listed in rule 20-2c, it is in play and must not be redropped. In measuring the two club lengths to determine if a redrop is required under rule 20-2c(vi) the point on the point on the ground immediately below the spot where the ball first struck a part of the course (the branch) shall be used for measuring purposes.

As referred to in the Decisions on the Rules of Golf 2008-2009 Rule 20-2c/1.3 pg 321
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