

What's News for 10th July 2009

* Due to the heavy rain that we have experienced of the past few days, there will be no carts on the course over the weekend.

* Tomorrow sees the re-introduction of the famous 'Bundy Clock'. The reason for this is largely due to a certain group of players who have little or no consideration of others. These players are a constant nuisance in regards to their speed of play and its a pity that the other 95% of players have to be put into the same basket as them. Whilst this will be the first stage of trying to correct one of the biggest issues at our club, the following stages will involve 'naming and shaming' those slow coaches. It will be one players responsibility to bundy the card at the beginning, halfway and end of the round. Only the times that are stated on the card from the bundy clock will be recognised so don't think writing them in constitutes an official time. We have done some research amongst other clubs in Sydney and have found that the best way these clubs have made in roads into the time on course is to point out the slow players. By ensuring the card is compulsory for each group to bundy, we can take the first step towards stamping this issue out for good.

Now a word from The Pro:

Most members have adopted the Titleist Pro V1 as there choice of ball.

Heres a thought for you. This is what the Top 10 players in the World tee it up with:

Number 1 Tiger Woods - NIKE ball (made by Bridgestone)

Number 2 Phil Mickelson - Callaway

Number 3 Paul Casey - Nike

Number 4 Kenny Perry - Taylor Made

Number 5 Sergio Garcia - Taylor Made

Number 6 Geoff Ogilvy - Titleist

Number 7 Henrick Stenson - Srixon

Number 8 Steve Stricker - Titleist

Number 9 Jim Furyk - Srixon

Number 10 Vijay Singh - Srixon

So next time you decide on your ball ,take a look at what the World top 10 are using

Rule of the Week

Player lifts ball under Rule not permitting cleaning & rotates it when replaced

Question: A piece of mud adheres to a player's ball. The player lifts the ball under a Rule which does not permit cleaning. When he replaces the ball, may he place it facing another direction so that the mud would not interfere between the clubface and the ball?

Answer: Yes, provided the ball is replaced on the spot from which it was lifted. However if the player rotated the ball in such a way as to "tee" it on the mud, he would be in breach of Rule 20-3a

As referred to in the 2008-09 Decisions on the Rules of Golf – Decision 21/5 pg 340