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# **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

From the Staff of Fort Jackson Golf Club THANK YOU for your support of the golf club.

## **REAL ID REQUIREMENT EXTENDED TO** OCTOBER 2019!

Department of Homeland Security has granted South Carolina's request for extension to become REAL ID compliant. The latest extension expires on October 2019. Starting next October, Fort Jackson will no longer accept South Carolina Driver's License as the sole form of identification. Though it is NOT mandatory for a SC resident to get a SC REAL ID DL, but for entry onto military installations, air travel, etc. REAL ID is required. Golf Club members/patrons without a form of identification that is REAL ID compliant are encouraged to obtain the South Carolina REAL ID Driver's License. If a person elects not to get a REAL ID, they must provide additional identification in order to access the Installation. Acceptable forms of identification are as follows: Proof of Identity (examples: Birth certificate or valid US Passport), Proof of Social Security Number (examples: Social Security card or W-2 Form that has your social security number and name and your employer's name),

Two Proofs of Current, Physical SC Address (examples: current, unexpired SC license or ID and a no more than 90-day-old utility bill with the same name and address). Proof of all legal name changes (examples: marriage license or court order issued by your county's probate or family court. One must show a complete name change history that links your birth certificate name to your present day



#### **WINTER HOURS OF OPERATION**

Tee Times Begin at 8:30 am (Daily) 8 am - 5 pm (Daily) Golf Shop Admin Office 7:30 am - 4 p.m. (Weekdays) 11 am - 7 pm (Daily) Bogey's Lunch 11 am - 3 pm (Daily)

\*\*Effective Monday, November 12, daily tee times will begin at 8:30 am, and the Golf Shop will open at 8 am

#### **NEED TO CONTACT US?**

Admin Office: 787-4344

Pro Shop/Tee Times: 787-4437

Snack Bar: 751-6367

Golf Course Maintenance: 787-4723

name. If you have a valid US Passport or US Passport Card with your legal name, you may use that as your name change document.

Each time an "Annual Visitor" plays a round of golf at FJGC, they will receive \$5 off an 18-hole green fee or \$2 off a 9-hole green fee!

"Annual Visitors" must present their DBIDS

Card and "Annual Visitor" Card when paying

their daily fees.

\*\*Discounted rated do not apply to Guest Days and tournaments.\*\*

# **GUEST DAY POLICY AND DATES**

In order to provide FJGC members with a greater opportunity to take advantage of our monthly Guest Days, FJGC members are now permitted to bring up to three guests after 11 am on Guest Days. Prior to 11 am, FJGC members are permitted to bring only one guest. Also, green fees are waived for your guest(s) but each guest must pay cart and user fees. Monthly Guest Days are scheduled for the SECOND WEDNESDAY and FOURTH THURSDAY of each

Listed below are the upcoming Guest Days: JANUARY 9 and 24 / FEBRUARY 13 and 28 Invite your Family and friends to join you for a great round of golf at FJGC!

# MILITARY LONG DRIVE CHAMPIONSHIP & WORLD LONG DRIVE REGIONAL QUALIFIER **COMING IN MAY 2019**

We are excited to announce that Fort Jackson Golf Club will be the host site for the finals of the 2019 Military Long Drive Championship sponsored by AAFES plus a Regional Qualifier for the World Long Drive Championship. The finals will be held on Tuesday, May 7 and feature live coverage by The Golf Channel. The winners of the twelve scheduled qualifiers for the Military Long Drive Championship will compete for the MLD. Fort Jackson Golf Club will host a qualifier on Saturday, March 30. The MLD Qualifier is open to active duty, retired military, National Guard and reservists. In the Men's Division of the WLD, it is anticipated that over 50 of the "longest hitters in the land" will attempt to qualify for the final stage of the 2019 World Long Drive Championship. There will also be 10-20 women competing to advance to the finals of the Women's Division of the World Long Drive Championship. Qualifying for the WLD will take place on May 5 & 6. Both competitions will take place on the first hole of the Wildcat Course. Expect to see some changes to the tree lines and greenside bunkering of #1 to accommodate the 450 yard long, 50 yard wide grid needed to host the WLD qualifier.

Also, The Golf Channel will be on site in late April to begin setting up the hitting platform, grandstands (1000+seating) and laying out the competition grid. You can expect to see Wildcat #1 set up as a par four, as well as, modified routing for cart and player traffic for a couple of weeks. Play on Wildcat will also be restricted during the competition. We will be reaching out for volunteers to assist on the Driving Range and on the competition grid once requirements are finalized. This will be a great opportunity to showcase FJGC and Fort Jackson. Plan to join us for a memorable event! For the official announcement of the 2019 World Long Drive and Military Long Drive visit the following web address: https://golfweek. com/2018/12/06/06/full-world-long-drive-2019-schedule-including-inaugural-event-with-military/

# UPCOMING EVENTS

#### FIRST FRIDAY-Golf Tournament

Our next monthly First Friday Golf Tournament will be held on January 4, 2019 (12:30 Shotgun Start) and February 1, 2019 (12:30 Shotgun Start). You may enter your own team but the team must have a total team handicap of at least 40, with no single handicap counting for more than 20 of the team's total. Individuals are also encouraged to sign up. The PGA golf professionals will make teams of the individuals that enter. Call the Pro Shop or stop by the clubhouse to sign up. Come and enjoy the fun!

# **CG'S QUARTERLY GOLF TOURNAMENT** March 15!

The Commanding General's Quarterly Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, March 15. The four-person Scramble/Captain's Choice event will begin with a shotgun start at 12:00 on the Old Hickory Course.

The field is limited to 32 teams, so enter soon! Field will be flighted based upon team total handicap. Gross and Net prizes PLUS traveling trophies will be awarded for the winning teams. Entry fee includes all applicable fees plus a



box lunch and post-tournament food & beverages. Entry fees: **FJGC Members**: \$35/person. **Non-Mem**bers: Active Duty E1-1E5: \$35/person. Authorized Patrons (E6 & above): \$45. Civilians: \$50/person. Additional information, to include ways to enter, are available on the official CG's Quarterly Scramble Entry Form that is included in this issue of "Tee Times."

## **COUPLES VALENTINE'S DAY TOURNAMENT**

Grab your Sweetheart and join us for our annual Valentine's Day Couple's Tournament scheduled for Sunday, February 10 on the Wildcat Course starting at 1:00. Entry Fee is only \$55 per couple, which includes all applicable fees, cart, prizes and dinner following play. A modified Captain's Choice format will be played. Our Couple's Tournaments offer you and your significant other a great opportunity to meet others and enjoy a fun afternoon on the links.

#### 2018 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Jeff Nichols emerge from the pack to claim the 2018 FJGC Men's Club Championship over Amel Brooks. This was Jeff's third crown having also won the 1994 and 2010 FJGC Men's Championships. Donna Johnson successfully defended her title in winning the 2018 FJGC Women's Club Championship. Flight winners in the Men's Championship include:

> Championship-Jeff Nichols. First Flight-Harry Ferguson, Second Flight-Nate Teixira, Third Flight-Howard Lofton

#### MILITARY LONG DRIVE QUALIFIER-MARCH 30TH

On Saturday March 30, FJGC will host a regional qualifier for the 2019 Military Long Drive Championship. The winner of the regional qualifying event will earn a spot in the championship finals at FJGC on May 7. The MLD Qualifier is open to Active Duty, Retired Military, National Guard and Reservists. More details will be provided once registration begins.

#### HANDICAP FEE INCREASE

The Carolinas Golf Association has increased their Handicap Fee by \$2 for the 2019 Sea-

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son. The Handicap Fee for FJGC Members will now be \$22 per person. For non-members utilizing the club's handicapping services the annual fee with now be \$31/person.

#### **RANGE CLUB**

Make 2019 the year you work to reduce your handicap! Joining the FJGC Range Club is a great first step. A yearly membership to the Range Club is only \$225. Each additional Family member can be added to a Range Club Membership for an additional \$25 per person. Each Range Club member will be issued two range ball bags. Before each practice session, simply return your empty bags to the Golf Shop and exchange them for two full bags. Any lost or missing bags can be replaced for a \$5.charge.

We would like to remind ALL Range Club Members that your range balls are for your personal use only and cannot be shared with another person. We also ask that you NOT keep filled bags of range balls in your vehicle. The storage of balls in your vehicle greatly REDUCES the number of balls available to our patrons. In turn, this requires us to collect balls off the range more frequently and increases our labor costs. Of course, increased costs will be passed along to all of our customers!

#### **GREAT SHOTS**

We are pleased to pass along the following reported "Great Shots" for the past few months. Headlining the list are a trio of aces! Gary Moore got his round off to a good start with his ace on Old Hickory's second hole. Paur Curtis recorded a hole-in-one on the sixth hole of Old Hickory. Herb Hohe's tee shot found the bottom of the cup for his hole-in-one. Mike James



# **RULES CHANGES EFFECTIVE JAN 1, 2019**

By now, most of you are aware that some significant changes in the Rules of Golf became effective on January

1st. For more information and specifics of the changes, visit the USGA website. We will have a summary of the Rules changes available in the clubhouse.

The 20 Most Important Changes to the Rules on Golf in 2019:

1. Search Time-Reduced from 5 minutes to 3 minutes. 2. Ball Moved During Search-Replace no penalty.

- 3. Emboded Ball-Free relief anywhere through the
- 4. Measuring a Drop-Use longest club (except putter). 5. Dropping-Drop from knee height rather than shoul-
- 6. Taking stance on wrong green is not permitted. 7. Ball Unintentionally hits player or Equipment-No penalty.
- 8. Double Hit-No penalty, now counts as the 1 stroke. 9. Touching sand in bunker incidentally is permitted. 10. Loose Impediments can be moved anywhere including hazards.
- 11. Dropping a Ball Out of Bunker-2 penalty strokes.
- 12. Water Hazards-now call "penalty areas".
- 13. Touching Ground in Penalty Area-No penalty.
- 14. Ball Moves on Green After Being Marked-Replace without penalty.
- 15. Ball Accidentally Moved on Putting Green-Replace no penalty.
- 16. All damage to green can now be repaired.
- 17. Positioning a club for alignment is not permitted. 18. Caddie assisting with alignment is now not permitted.
- 19. Putting with flag stick in hole is now permitted. 20. Ball wedged against flag stick and side of hole is now deemed as holed.

#### **GOLF SHOP NEWS**

Choose the best Titleist for your game. The New Titleist Pro V1 and Pro V1x golf balls offer total performance for every player. Each element of a new Pro V1 and Pro V1x is precisely formulated and designed to work together to deliver the performance you need on every shot. With the new Titleist Pro V1 and Pro V1x you will experience even longer distance on all shots with lower long game spin and even more consistent flight, along with Drop-and-Stop greenside control, very soft feel and long lasting durability. The Titleist Pro V1 and Pro Vix will be arriving soon.

<u>Callaway Mack Daddy 4 wedges are in stock.</u> The Callaway Mack Daddy 4 builds on the success of the Mack Daddy 3 wedge with a new type of groove pattern and an additional grind. The big news on the face is the introduction of what Callaway are calling 'Groove-in-Groove Technology'. For some time now, wedge makers have roughed up the surface of the face between the actual grooves on the face in order



to increase the amount of spin. This has been done through milling patterns as Callaway did on the MD3, or creating micro grooves between the real ones. There are rules on how much you

can do this of course, and Callaway has worked within these to take the limits of the micro grooves and make them 'Micro Positive' so instead of the grooves being recessed into the head they are turned inside out and protrude from the surface. This of course creates a more prominent rough surface between the actual

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a more prominent rough surface between the actual grooves and enables the face to get stuck into the cov-

er of the ball at impact to create more spin.

Scotty Cameron putters are available in the golf shops which offers seven high performance mallet-style models that provide golfers at every level of the game with stable, forgiving putter setups. Scotty made the "dampener" behind the face 30% larger. This would make the putter feel softer, and change its acoustics slightly as impact as well. Rounding the top-line of the Select putters in a way that visually makes the top line appear thinner. No performance change is expected from this, it would only make us feel warm inside, improving the view at address over the putter and ball. The four-way balanced sole design that shifts the balance point of each 2018 Select model putter, accounting for the weight of the shaft, grip and each model's offset. The idea is that this creates a putter that sits perfectly square at address and aligns more easily. Obviously NO putter bought will make you a better putter, a fitting is truly the only way to do that, which you do *before* you buy a putter so you are buying the correct one that fits you and your stroke via toe flow. All these putters are designed for a specific stroke type, that's why in the putter specs you'll see Scotty's designation for "toe flow". Between the Select and Futura line of putters, there is an answer for everyone. It's just knowing which one is the answer for you. If you have any questions or need any assistance concerning golf equipment, Installment Plan or special orders, please ask the Pro Shop Staff.

Our Installment Plan is available for purchase of \$300 or more. Callaway Trade In, Trade up is also available when you purchase Callaway golf equipment. Please feel free to ask Ada Simmons or the Pro Shop staff about any special orders. We will be happy to assist you.

#### PROPER ATTIRE REMINDER

For men, collared shirts or a sport shirt is required when playing golf at FJGC. Women may wear collared shirts or sleeveless blouses with broad straps across the shoulders. T-shirts, cut-offs, tank tops or similar attire is prohibited. For first time visitors, some leniency is provided in order to assure that their first visit to FJGC is a positive one.



#### ETTIQUETTE REMINDER

Keep in mind that your goal should be to keep up with the group ahead of you, not in front of the group behind you. Be considerate and let faster groups play through!

JUST A REMINDER

User fee must be paid for each round of golf you play. User fees are not good for the whole day.

THINK ABOUT IT....

If you have paid fees to walk your round of golf, is it right that you hitch a ride with a patron that PAID cart fees or to put your clubs on their cart?

**HANDICAP CART POLICY** 

Recently, numerous concerns have been voiced regarding abuse of the Handicap Cart Policy. In order to obtain enhanced cart access due to physical limitations, one must submit the required documentation to the Admin Office which is then reviewed by members of the GAC. Patrons are reminded that carts MUST be kept at least 20 feet from the putting surfaces. Also, carts are NOT permitted between the green and bunkers. Everyone's cooperation is greatly appreciated.

#### **KEEP UP-TO-DATE BY EMAIL**

Currently, we have email addresses for over 80% of our members. The club newsletter, tournament announcements, demo days, etc., are provided to FJGC members through our email database. If you're not receiving FJGC emails, stop by the Admin Office and sign up so you can keep in touch. It only takes a few minutes!

#### THE RULES CORNER

1. A player's ball lies in a bunker in an unplayable situation. The player takes relief by dropping a ball under the lateral relief option of the unplayable ball Rule (19.3a) in a bunker but mistakenly drops it in the bunker closer to the hole than where the original ball lay. To correct the player's mistake, he or she lifts the ball and takes relief under the back-on-the-line option, dropping the ball in the bunker. Which is the correct ruling?

a. The player is allowed to correct his or her mistake of dropping the ball nearer the hole. However, the player must also correct his or her mistake of changing options by continuing with the unplayable ball option initially selected.

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**b**. By taking relief under the back-on-the-line option when correcting the player's mistake of dropping the ball nearer the hole, the player took relief correctly.

- **c**. The Committee must decide which correction procedure the player may use.
- 2. A player's ball after a stroke comes to rest against the unattended flagstick in the hole but no part of the ball is below the surface of the putting green. The player removes the flagstick and the ball moves. What is the ruling?
- a. If the ball falls in the hole, there is no penalty and the ball is holed.
- b. If the ball moves away from the hole, there is no penalty and the ball must be played from where it comes to rest.
  - c. If the ball moves away from the hole, there is no penalty
- 3. If a tree basin has an artificial wall, the wall is an obstruction.

  True or False?

ANSWERS: 1. B, ,Rule 14.5a; Rule 14.5b(2). 2. C, Rule 13.2c. 3. True, Defination of Obstruction .