

BY LAWS
RIVERSIDE GOLF CLUB
ESSENDON INC

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This document aims to provide a single reference source for the By Laws created by the club's Committee of Management over the years. Many of these "laws" remain embedded in the minutes of meetings long past. However it is planned that all new by laws will be recorded in this document and when any "old" by laws come to light these will added to the document.

Constitution:

39. Power to make by-laws

The Committee of Management shall have power to make, alter and repeal by-laws for the conduct and management of the Club provided always that no by-law shall be inconsistent with or affect or repeal anything contained in these Rules.

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GENERAL CLUB BY-LAWS

BL/G1 - DRESS RULES

Members are requested to dress in a neat and tidy manner. Acceptable attire include shirts with collar, trousers, slacks or dress jeans (men, not blue denim), dress shorts with sport socks and Golf shoes. Pennant dress code is Riverside emblem Polo Shirt and Navy or Black Slacks/Ladies – navy only. Not permitted are singlets, collarless tee shirts, track suits, jeans, stubby type shorts, thongs or bare feet. Decisions on the dress standards will be determined by the committee from time to time and notified to members.

BL/G2 - VISITORS

Members may bring guests on any normal competition day except on major competition days eg. Monthly Medals, Club Championships, etc. The same guest may not be introduced more than three (3) times per year. It is the responsibility of each member to ensure that they and their guests observe the Club's rules and the Guest signs the Visitors book.

BL/G3 - RIVERSIDE GOLF CART

Upon application to a committee member the Riverside Club golf cart may be used by any Riverside club member on any day. On club competition days medically unfit members and those over 70 will be given priority. If not booked then it may be used by any member. Users name must be recorded in the Golf Cart Book. A fee of \$10 is to be paid by members for cart usage.

BL/G4 - GOLF BAGS OR BUGGIES

At no time are Golf Bags or Buggies to be brought into or left over night In the Members Clubrooms.

BL/G5 - CADDIES

For All Club events in both Ladies and Men Competitions, Caddies are to be allowed and spectators will always be encouraged.

BL/G6 - JUNIOR MEMBERS UNDER THE AGE OF 12 YEARS

Junior Members of the Riverside Golf Club, under the age of 12 years, must be accompanied by a parent or guardian when playing in any Club Golf Competition as listed in Syllabus.

BL/G7 - SMOKING LAWS

As of 1/4/14, under the Tobacco Act 1987 smoking is prohibited within 10 metres of outdoor public children's playground equipment, skate parks and sporting venues during organised underage sporting events, as well as in the outdoor areas of public swimming pools. Members are to ensure these Laws are followed when our juniors are playing in any organised Juniors Events including Junior Pennant.

BL/G8 - RIGHT OF WAY ON FAIRWAYS

In the interest of speedy play the forward group has right of way on all fairways. Eg if you play a ball from the sixth tee to the fifth fairway, those playing the fifth must give right of way to prevent delays.

BL/G9 - CALLING THROUGH

If your group has fallen behind by more than a hole and you are delaying the group behind you must call the latter group through as soon as further delays become evident. The lowest handicapper in each group is responsible for maintaining the pace of play. Penalties will apply for non-observance.

BL/G10 - CARE OF THE COURSE

Golf Carts and Buggies are not permitted on tee grounds or greens

MEMBERSHIP BY LAWS

To be read in conjunction with Statement of Purpose (2009) - pages 6 - 13

BL/M1 – APPLICATION FORM

Please refer to Appendix 1 for a copy of the current Membership Application Form. (last amended 01/05/2016)

BL/M1 – APPLICATION PROCESS

The person accepting the Membership Application will post the Application on notice board.

The date this is done needs to be written on the top right hand corner of the form.

If money is paid at this time it is to be held until membership acceptance.

(If a receipt is requested at this time then use the Interim Receipt Book (located

On top of Main Receipt Book) and write on receipt: Subject to Application Approval)

The Hon Secretary will remove the applications 14 days after posting and will present them to the COM either at the next meeting or via the email voting procedure detailed below.

It was decided that email voting could be held if the new member applicant had completed handicap and was seeking to play prior to the next COM meeting. An email would be sent to all COM members and affirmative reply received by 7 days. If any objections the application would be held over for discussion at the next meeting.

Letter of acceptance will be prepared by the Asst Treasurer (or Handicapper in her absence) and if required a request for payment.

Assistant Treasurer will advise the handicappers and Captains of acceptance once payment is received. For new lady members MiClub Administrator will be advised of the nominated major event day.

Approved COM Meeting 12/2/2014.

Amended COM Meeting 9/3/2016

Amended COM Meeting 9/3/2017

BL/M2 – ANNUAL FEES

M2.1 Joining Fee

The Joining Fee (new members only) is \$25.00.

M2.2 Subscription Fee Categories

Single Ordinary – no special rates

Single Ordinary/Pensioner – a member who holds a pension card defined by Human Services Concessions Eligibility Guide 2016

Single Ordinary/Student – a student member is defined as being aged 18-25 years of age and holding a student card.

Junior – a junior member is defined as being under 18 years of age.

Social – a social member is defined as a non-golf playing member.

(Last amended 10/4/2016)

M2.3 Annual Subscription Fees

ORDINARY MEMBER \$160

ORDINARY/PENSIONER \$140

ORDINARY/STUDENT – 18 to 25 years (student card required) \$110

JUNIOR – under 18 years \$80

SOCIAL MEMBER (non-golf playing) \$50

(Last amended 10/4/2016)

(Last amended 7/04/2017)

BL/M3 ANNUAL FEES (LAST QUARTER)

A member if elected after the first day of April in any given year, may have the payment of one fourth of the annual subscription (as set in the constitution item 14 (h)), waived upon payment of the full membership fee for the following club year plus joining fee.

(COM Meeting 7/4/2017)

MENS COMPETITION BY-LAWS (BL/MC)

BL/MC 1 - General

A person who is financial and has a handicap is eligible to enter events that any other member of the club who is financial and has a current handicap is also able to enter. Note the Club Championship has its own specific eligibility criteria. Players will be required to pay the correct green fees and any competition fee as determined by the committee before commencing play. Players who have been found to have competed without paying fees will be disqualified from the competition and may be fined.

Each player, before commencing play, will report to the Tee-Master 15 minutes before their tee time and enter their name on the daily competition sheet. Failure to do so shall result in Disqualification. The player shall also enter their name, handicap and date on top of his scorecard and register to play in the MiClub System. All competition events will be played off Golf Australia Handicaps.

Before commencing play, it is the player's responsibility to ascertain their correct handicap and read the notice board for temporary local rules or any other notices affecting competition.

All players MUST hand in cards at the completion of each round whether round completed or not, with special attention being paid to the correctness of their score, applied handicap and correctly signed.

Results of competitions will be listed in the Herald Sun & The Age Golf Results on Monday morning following the competition.

Competition Grades are "A Grade 0-18" and "B Grade 19-36"

BL/MC 2 - Complaints

Any valid complaint or dispute regarding golfing matters must be lodged in writing to the Match Committee within 24 hours following the competition event at which the matter arose.

BL/MC 3 - GPS DEVICES

In accordance with VGL Rules, legal distance measuring devices are allowed to be used whilst playing competition rounds at Riverside Essendon Club events including all sanctioned VGL Events. Mobile Phones with Apps are also allowed provided they do not have access to measure the velocity or direction of the wind.

BL/MC 4 - MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Club Championship eligibility requires (3) three Riverside Competition rounds in the preceding 2 months of which at least one shall be in each preceding month OR 8 rounds in the previous 9 months. These events must be completed Riverside events and entered on GolfLink.

Players will be required to complete a special entry form. Entries close at 2PM on the Sunday prior to the first round of Championships. Entries may be left at Clubrooms or posted. Championships will be conducted in four handicap Grades, "A", "B", "C", and "D". Players will be placed in respective grades by the match committee.

Championships will be conducted over a 72 hole aggregate stroke competition with the winner being decided by the best gross and best nett scores in each grade. In the event of tie (gross) between two

or more players, there will be a 5 hole playoff from the 1st hole to the 5th. If still tied, the winner will be decided by sudden death. Playoffs must commence on the day as close to 2pm as practicable. Nett winners decided by countback. Riverside Golf and Tennis Centre Trophy winner decided by the best nett score from the Club Championship 72 Hole event in October. All grades are eligible and all other Club Championship rules apply.

Players must correctly enter the competition on each of the four weeks, to avoid disqualification from the overall event.

BL/MC 5 - MEN'S MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS PLAYING CONDITIONS

Participants will be required to ENTER by filling out an Entry Form. Entry Forms shall be available in the Clubrooms at the start of February. Entries close at 2pm on the Sunday prior to the event.

Matches will be played using Golf Australia Handicaps from the Blue Course Tees over 18 Holes of Match Play as per the Match Play Index.

Competition will be decided on a last man standing basis.

In the event of a tie, match will continue on and be decided by a sudden death playoff.

Rounds must be completed by the dates in the Syllabus. A player(s) failing to complete a match by the cutoff date shall be eliminated from the Matchplay Competition.

Initial competitor selection shall be conducted by a blind draw with the first 32 Players Drawn Out being entered in the Competition and any remaining Players will be listed as an emergency in order as then drawn out.

On the day of Initial Competition, Players not selected as above will play a Single Match Play Event amongst themselves.

BL/MC 6 - MONTHLY MEDALS

Medals will be played over 18 holes of stroke play using Golf Australia Handicaps to a maximum of 27. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by Countback. To be eligible to win a monthly medal the participant must be a financial member of the Riverside Essendon Golf Club

BL/MC 7 - MEMORIAL TROPHY

This event is played in recognition and respect for members who have passed away. It is an 18 hole Par event played off Golf Australia handicaps. A grade and B grade winners are awarded a trophy on presentation night and have their names recorded on the club honour board.

BL/MC 8 - PENNANT COMPETITION

Riverside Golf Club participate in the VGL Handicap Pennant Competition. The team will consist of eight players each side with other players in reserve. The Pennant Match committee will pick the teams on the Thursday night practice session before each round. Members must wear club attire during competition, which consists of White Polo shirt with Riverside emblem, navy or black trousers/shorts with white socks and Riverside cap. Members are reminded that consuming alcohol on course whilst pennant is being played shall result in Riverside being disqualified

BL/MC 9 - INAUGURAL CUP

This event celebrates the first official competition held at Riverside Golf Club (Essendon). This event will be decided over 18 holes of stroke played off Golf Australia handicaps. There will be a gross and nett winner. In the event of a tie between two or more players, the tie will be decided by a countback.

BL/MC 10 - JACK CUFFE RIVERSIDE TEAMS TROPHY

Teams shall consist of four members. Teams can enter prior to or on the day. Players who do not enter a team will be allocated a team on the day by the tee master. Each Team shall elect a captain for the day and the order that each member plays in at the first tee shall be maintained throughout play. The team captain has the final decision as to which ball to play at any time. Each team will record the use of at least four tee shots from each member. Ties will be decided by countback. Each player must putt out except when it is not possible for players to better the existing score.

BL/MC 11 - FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIP

This event will be decided over 18 holes of stroke played off Golf Australia handicaps. The event has a gross and a nett winner. In the event of a tie between two or more pairs, a sudden death playoff will decide the winners.

BL/MC 12 - ECLECTIC TROPHY

Winner decided by best gross score per hole over all rounds of monthly medals/masters trophy competitions. A minimum of 5 rounds to qualify.

BL/MC 13 - GOLDEN PUTTER TROPHY

Awarded to the player with the lowest average putts, calculated on all monthly medals/masters trophy competitions using the best 5 rounds.

BL/MC 14 - PRESIDENTS TROPHY

The event will be conducted over 18 holes of Stableford using Golf Australia handicaps. In the event of a tie between two or more players, the tie will be decided by a countback.

BL/MC 15 - CAPTAINS TROPHY

This event will be conducted over 18 holes of Par using Golf Australia handicaps. In the event of a tie between 2 or more players, the tie will be decided by countback.

BL/MC 16 - MIXED FOURSOMES/JOAN & JIM MCCALLUM MEMORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

This event is conducted over 18 holes of stroke play with Gross and Nett winners using Golf Australia handicaps. In the event of a tie between two or more pairs, a sudden death playoff will decide the winners. The Joan McCallum Memorial trophy winner is the mixed pair with the best nett result on the day of competition (gross winners are also eligible to win the nett event). Riverside Club Members will be eligible for both the Gross and Nett competition. The Nett champions represent the club in the VGL Mixed Foursomes.

BL/MC 17 - EAGLE'S NEST

Eligibility for winning the Eagle's Nest is dependent on participation in Club competitions played off Club markers. The Eagles Nest runs on a 12 months basis and recommences at the beginning of each year.

LADIES COMPETITION CONDITIONS BY-LAWS

BL/LC 1 - General

A person who is financial and has a handicap is eligible to enter events that any other member of the club who is financial and has a current handicap is also able to enter. Note the Club Championship has its own specific eligibility criteria. Players will be required to pay the correct green fees and any competition fee as determined by the committee before commencing play. Players who have been found to have competed without paying fees will be disqualified from the competition and may be fined.

Each player, before commencing play, will report to the Tee-Master 15 minutes before their tee time and enter their name on the daily competition sheet. Failure to do so shall result in Disqualification. The player shall also enter their name, handicap and date on top of his scorecard and register to play in the MiClub System. All competition events will be played off Golf Australia Handicaps.

Before commencing play, it is the player's responsibility to ascertain their correct handicap and read the notice board for temporary local rules or any other notices affecting competition.

All players MUST hand in cards at the completion of each round whether round completed or not, with special attention being paid to the correctness of their score, applied handicap and correctly signed.

Competition Grades are A & B (where competitions have 20 or more entered otherwise one grade), these grades are set at the start of each season. **For a competition to take place there must be a minimum of 5 players entered. If there are 4 players or less a ball competition will be held & score cards will be processed on MiClub. If this occurs on a Major Event Day the competition, where possible, will be rescheduled to a date to be determined by the Match Committee.**

Approved COM 7/9/2017

BL/LC2 – Match Committee

The Match Committee will consist of the Captain, Vice-Captain and Handicap Manager, with the President as an ex-officio member.

BL/LC4 - Complaints

Any valid complaint or dispute regarding golfing matters must be lodged in writing to the Match Committee within 24 hours following the competition event at which the matter arose.

BL/LC 5 - GPS Devices

In accordance with VGL Rules, Legal distance measuring devices are allowed to be used whilst playing competition rounds at Riverside Essendon Club events including all sanctioned VGL Events. Mobile Phones with Apps are also allowed provided they do not have access to measure the velocity or direction of the wind.

BL/LC 6 - Eagles Nest

Eligibility for winning the Eagle's Nest is dependent on participation in Club competitions played off Club markers. The Eagles Nest runs on a 12 months basis and recommences at the beginning of each year

BL/LC 7 – Nominating Major Event Day

New members are required to advise the committee of their nominated Major Events Day (Wed or Sat) when joining the club. The Major Events Day can be changed at the start of each season and in extenuating circumstances only, the Match Committee will consider a written application to change nominated day during a season. If the change is made mid-year the player forfeits the right to win any future major event including medal of medallist and matchplay of their prior Major Event Day.

BL/LC 8 – Motorised Cart Policy

On Major Event days players may use a cart if they have a VGL approved medical certificate or are over 70 years of age.

BL/LC 9 - CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

To be eligible to compete in Ladies Club Championships, a lady member must have been a financial member of the Club for at least 3 months and have played (3) Riverside competition rounds in the preceding 2 months of which at least one shall be in each preceding month, or 8 rounds in the previous 9 months. These events must be completed Riverside events and entered on Golflink

There will be a separate Club Championship event for Wednesday and Saturday members. Players will be required to complete a special Wednesday or Saturday entry form and submit 7 days prior to their respective date of Championship 1st Round to the Captain or Vice-Captain. Telephone entries will not be accepted. There must be a minimum of 2 players for a competition to be held. If 20 players or more enter the championship Grades will be A, B and C. If less than 20 players, Grades will be A and B. Players will be placed in respective grades according to handicap ranges determined by the match committee when entries are received.

All players must correctly enter the competition on each of the three weeks to avoid disqualification from the overall event.

The Championships will be conducted over a 54 hole aggregate stroke competition with the winners being decided by the best Gross and best Nett scores in each grade for Wednesday and Saturday. In the event of a tie (GROSS only) between 2 or more players in any Grade there will be an 18 hole play-off.

The Nett Champions will be the players with the best nett scores for their respective days. In the event of a tie (NETT only), the tie will be decided by countback.

The Gross winner cannot win the Nett event.

The Wednesday and Saturday Club Champions will be the players with the best gross score for their respective days. The player with a handicap of sub 18.5 GA will represent the club in the VGL League Champion of Champions event, if both players have a sub 18.5 GA handicap a playoff will be required to determine the player to represent the club.

All Match Committee decisions will be final.

BL/LC 10 - LADIES MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Players will be required to complete a special Wednesday or Saturday entry form and submit 7 days prior to their respective date of Matchplay 1st Round to the Captain or Vice-Captain.

A blind draw will be conducted to determine matches to be played.

On the day of initial competition, players not entered will play a Single Match Play Event amongst themselves.

Matches will be played using Golf Australia Handicaps from the Red Course Tees over 18 holes of Matchplay as per the Stableford/Par Index.

Competition will be decided on a last Lady standing basis.

In the event of a tie, matches will continue on and be decided by a sudden death playoff.

Rounds must be completed by the dates as listed on the event result sheet. A player(s) failing to complete a match by the cutoff date shall be eliminated from the Matchplay Competition.

BL/LC 11 - MONTHLY MEDALS

Medals will be played over 18 holes of stroke play using Golf Australia Handicaps. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by Countback. To be eligible to win a monthly medal the participant must be a financial member of the Riverside Essendon Golf Club

BL/LC 12 - FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Foursomes Championship will be conducted over 18 holes of stroke using Golf Australia handicaps. **Players in the Wednesday event will be required to complete Wednesday entry form & submit 7 days prior to the Foursomes event to the Captain or Vice Captain. No entry form is required for Saturday Foursomes due to the small field.**

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In the event of a tie between two or more teams the tie will be decided by a count back. The Nett winners represent the club at the VGL Foursomes Championships.

BL/LC 13 - PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

This event will be conducted over 18 holes using the Stableford scoring system using Golf Australia handicap. In the event of a tie between two or more players, the tie will be decided by a count back.

BL/LC 14 - CAPTAIN'S TROPHY

This event will be conducted over 18 holes using the Stableford scoring system using Golf Australia handicap. In the event of a tie between two or more players, the tie will be decided by a count back

BL/LC 15 - MEMORIAL DAY

This event is played in recognition and respect for members who have passed away. It is an 18 hole Stableford event played off Golf Australia handicaps. In the event of a tie between two or more players, the tie will be decided by a count back

BL/LC 16 - INAUGURAL CUP

The Inaugural cup celebrates first official competition was played after the Club Name changed from Essendon Golf Club to the Riverside Golf Club (Essendon). This event will be conducted over 18 holes of stroke play using Golf Australia handicaps, with gross and nett winners. In the event of a tie between two or more players, the tie will be decided by a count back.

BL/LC 17 - MEDAL OF MEDALLISTS

The eight monthly medal winners for Wednesday competition will play off for the Wednesday winner over eighteen holes of stroke play using Golf Australia handicaps.

The eight monthly medal winners for Saturday competition will play off for the Saturday winner over eighteen holes of stroke play using Golf Australia handicaps.

In the event of a tie between two or more players, the tie will be decided by a count back.

SUMMER CUP COMPETITION CONDITIONS BY LAWS

BL/SC 1 – Summer Cup Conditions

The Summer Cup will commence in November for 12 weeks. Players must pay a \$10 entry fee. The completed entry form and fee must be handed to the respective Captain or Vice Captain prior to competing. The event is over nine holes of Stableford on Fridays/ Saturday/Sundays. Please note- as per Rule 7.1b Rules of Golf – a player must not practice on the competition course. That is you can only play in one competition on any day (not a 9 hole and an 18 hole competition on the same day).

Competition will be played off Yellow Public markers using GA handicaps. Handicaps are to be rounded up or down, for example 29.4 =29 while 29.5 =30.

Players to mark cards as Holes 1 – 9. The best Stableford score for the combined each Friday's/Saturday's/**Sunday's** competition will be awarded a prize for that's weeks Event.

Cards must be signed & placed in the club mailbox (on front gates to clubroom) by dark on the **Sunday** of each round. Selection for Qualification for Finals shall be Eight (8) players with the Best Aggregate Score over the Best Six (6) Rounds of a possible 12 Rounds in the Event. It is Not Compulsory to have Played Six (6) Rounds to qualify.

The top Eight (8) Qualifiers will play Elimination Stableford Rounds.

In the event of a Tie for Eighth Position, the player with the Best Single Round will Qualify. (see below if actual score is the same for the Best Single Round)

If Two or More Players are Tied for any of the Qualifying Positions, the Player with the Best single round will qualify for the best position of the draw.

If the Player's Actual Scores are the same for the Best Single Round, then a Countback will Apply and shall continue on this process for each of the next five (5) Best Single Rounds until positions are decided.

If by chance a decision is not reached after checking the best six (6) rounds then all tied Players names to go into a draw with first drawn etc to take the Best Qualifying Position.

If during any Finals of Summer Cup Matches, a game is Drawn on Stableford Points then a Sudden Death Playoff is to commence immediately from the 1st Hole.

Approved COM 7/9/2017

FINANCE BY LAWS

BL/F1 - Non Club Fundraising

The Treasurer shall only accept monies that are the direct result of Club Golfing Activities that benefit all members.

These monies are only to be generated during events as gazetted in the Club Syllabus.

In the case of scheduled events that include fundraising activities, such as Ladies Charity Day only funds generated for the benefit of the golf club ie bar takings, comp fees shall be banked by the Treasurer.

All monies resulting from nett fundraising activities not related to golfing activities and/or not benefiting all club members shall not be banked by the Treasurer and shall be the responsibility of the relevant subcommittee.

The charity to benefit from any fundraising activities at the club golf event must be nominated in advance by the subcommittee, preferable when the Syllabus is set and must be a bonafide charity. All funds raised for the charity nominated shall be forwarded in full to that charity by the relevant subcommittee.

Approve COM 9/3/2017

BL/L1- LIQUOR PURCHASING

APPOINTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL OFFICERS

The COM will from time to time appoint or recruit suitable persons, they must be from the COM ranks or from the sub-committees under its control. An LCO cannot be an ordinary club member who is not a committee member under the control of the COM.

Mens Proposed LCO – Mark Kingsley & Paul Schneider

Remuneration Clerk for Men – Shawn Farrell

Ladies Proposed LCO – Esther Bryant & Marj Troon

PPOPOSED PROCESS

A liquor control Officer (LCO) will procure the designated supply and deliver to the Golf Club bar.

The LCO-1 will present the receipt to the remuneration clerk (ie Shawn Farrell) . The remuneration clerk (ie.Shawn Farrell) will apply for a BSB payment for the amount to the value of the receipts and attach the receipts to the requisition. The requisition is then passed to the treasurer for approval and payment.

The LCO-2 will check or take advice on stock levels to ensure the supplementary stored supplies are rotated through the bar in a timely manner. LCO-2 can also report on all dealings regarding alcohol supplies for the monthly COM meeting.

BUDGET

As the cashflow of the club becomes “tight” in the early months of the year it is critical that supplies are not overstocked.

Remuneration clerk to liaise with Treasurer re appropriate funds available

BL/L2 – VISTORS BOOK & VISITING VGL AFFILIATED PENNANT TEAMS

Players from visiting Pennant Teams affiliated with the Victorian Golf League, by way of being paid up members of the VGL are not required to sign the visitor’s book. All other visitors must abide by rules stated in By Law BL/G2 Visitors.

Approved COM 9/5/2017

APPENDICES

1. Membership Form

ADDENDUM

Riverside Golf Course Local Rules

LOCAL RULES:

To be read in conjunction with the rules of golf and temporary local rules (see notice board)

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS. The protective screens near the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 6th Tees, the screens on the left hand side of the 3rd fairway, rear of the third green, left side 9th fairway, the power supply pylon on the left of the 5th fairway, the power pole behind the 7th green and distance markers and are immovable obstructions. Rule 24-2 (b) applies. Stakes defining the course boundaries, lateral water hazards and ground under repair are immovable obstructions. Refer to applicable rules.

STAKED TREES & SHRUBS (including guards/stakes). If a staked tree, or a tree or shrub under two club lengths, interferes with a player's stance or area of intended swing, the ball must be lifted without penalty and dropped as prescribed in rule 24-2 b (immovable obstructions).

PATHS & TRACKS. A ball coming to rest on a path or track on any part of the course may be lifted and dropped to the nearest point of relief, no nearer to the hole without penalty. Rule 24-2 (b) applies.

CRACKS & EMBEDDED STONES. A ball coming to rest on a crack or embedded stone through the green may be lifted and dropped to the nearest point of relief, no nearer to the hole without penalty. Rule 25-1 applies.

OVERHEAD WIRES. If a ball strikes an elevated power line or cable, the stroke must be cancelled and replayed without penalty. Rule 20-5. If the ball is not immediately recoverable, another ball may be substituted.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR. All garden beds, defined by areas of plants clearly defined by retaining walls, trees or shrubs that have had mulch or wood chips placed around them by ground staff or defined areas of plants that contain Spinifex grass and edging around tee boxes, are ground under repair from which play is prohibited. The player must take relief under Rule 25-1.

LATERAL WATER HAZARD. The pond between the 2nd fairway & the 9th green is a lateral water hazard. When a ball is played into a hazard the player shall proceed in accordance with Rule 26-1.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS CLOSE TO THE PUTTING GREEN. In addition to relief available under 24-2, if a ball lies off the putting green, but not in a hazard, and such an obstruction on or within two club-lengths of the putting green intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole, the player may obtain relief without penalty as follows. The ball shall be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay by which (a) is no nearer the hole (b) avoids such intervention and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be cleaned when so lifted.

OUT OF BOUNDS. All ground beyond the boundaries of the course as defined by the inside line of the fence posts which mark the course limits, protective screen on the left hand side of the 1st fairway, OOB stakes on the hill left hand side 4th fairway and screens rear of the 4th green, all areas outside the line defined by white stakes marked OOB or with black tops. All ground beyond the course side of the path on west side of 5th fairway, chainwire protective fence to the west of 5th green and from the footbridge behind the 5th green along course side of the channel to protective screen left side of 1st fairway.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT ON 5/3/2014

LOCAL RULE FOR ACCIDENTAL MOVEMENT OF A BALL ON THE PUTTING GREEN

“Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1 are modified as follows:

When a player’s ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment.

The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1.

This Local Rule applies only when the player’s ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

Note: If it is determined that a player’s ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced

Approved by Committee of Management 9/3/2017

2. EXTREME WEATHER POLICY

2.1 Dangerous Weather

Dangerous weather includes lightning, extreme heat and severe winds.

The Match Committee will in the event of lightning, severe winds or extreme heat, suspend or abandon play in the competition of the day.

However, should any player consider there is danger from lightning or adverse weather in the area, he or she should discontinue play until it is safe to resume. That is, an individual player's judgement can overrule that of the match committee.

If a player discontinues play they must still return their scorecard to the clubrooms.

2.2 Heat

If the temperature on the [Bureau of Meteorology website](#) for the day of competition is forecast to be higher than 35 degrees at 2pm, the competition is cancelled and is replaced by a 9 hole event for the day.

The competition as listed in the syllabus, if the competition was a major event, will be rescheduled where possible to a date to be determined.

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