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# CARE OF *OUR* COURSE

Our golf course is said by many to be amongst the top 10 in Australia.

We can all help to show it in its best light even on days of heavy play. The damage we cause to the surfaces during a round will be barely noticeable if we carry out the simple tasks outlined in this brochure.

*ETIQUETTE* is at the heart of the game of golf

*“(It) provides guidelines on the manner in which the game of golf should be played. If they are followed, all players will gain maximum enjoyment from the game. The overriding principle is that consideration should be shown to others on the course at all times.”*

*‘The Rules of Golf’*



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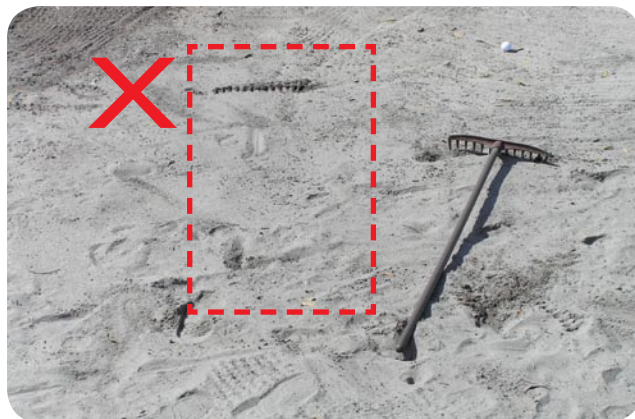
# BUNKER MAINTENANCE



Always follow the lead of the staff leaving the rake pattern as they have – back raked faces and teeth used on the floors. The ball is then less likely to plug, come to rest high on the face or against the back lip. *Carefully leave the rake at the base of the bunker facing the direction of play.*



Out of position rake will retain the ball against the lip.



Imprint from a rake that has bounced into place after being thrown back into the bunker.



Never enter or exit bunkers on the face.



The ball will not roll away from the lip if sand is loosened by the rake tynes. Turn the rake over and use the back near the edge.



1

Enter & leave the bunker from the lowest point not up or down the face.



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Rake evenly using 2 hands (club is held against rake handle).



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Use the back of the rake on the faces. Avoid bringing sand onto walk-ins by pushing excess back from the edge.



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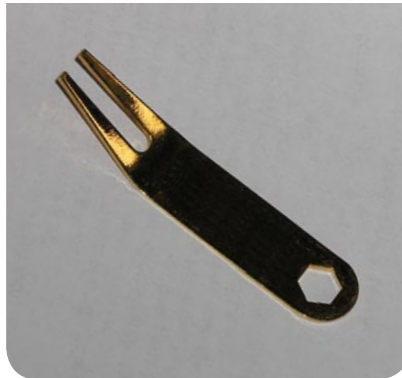
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If rake unavailable – moving backwards, glide feet in a half circular motion until all marks are smoothed over. (This includes those made entering and leaving the bunker.)

# BALL MARK REPAIR



Scarred & bumpy putting surface caused by un-repaired or poorly repaired pitch marks.



A pitch mark reparer designed for this task should be used.



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Commence at the **back** of the ball mark.



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Gently push the turf inward, continuing around the entire mark.



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Tap down with putter to smooth surface.

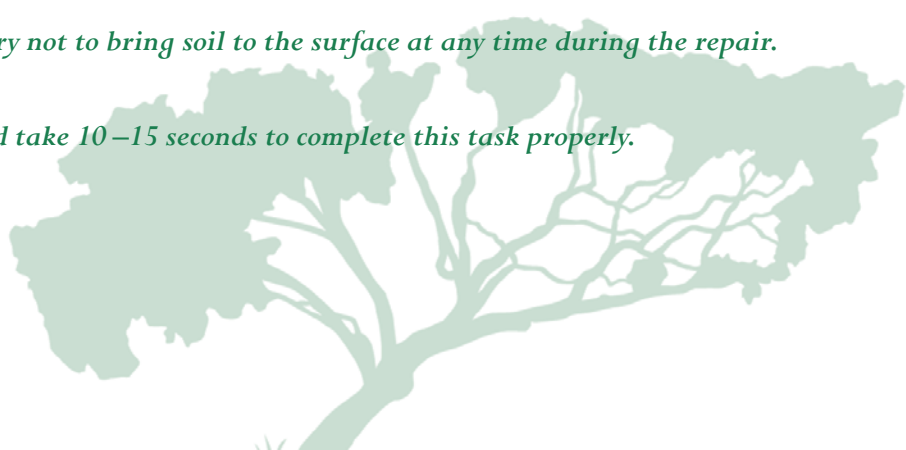


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Properly repaired mark well on the way to recovery.

*Please try not to bring soil to the surface at any time during the repair.*

*It should take 10–15 seconds to complete this task properly.*



# DIVOT REPAIR

All players are asked to carry a sand bucket or dispenser attached to their buggy.

- Bucket & soil bins are located adjacent to the path leading to the 1<sup>st</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> tees and beside the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> tees.
- Soil bins are also located adjacent to most tees.



Fill the divot with sand from the dispenser or bucket.



Press sand firmly into the divot and level off.



Completed job showing consideration to following players.



"Sand and loose soil are *loose impediments on the putting green but not elsewhere*". *The Rules of Golf*



Players who carry their golf bag are requested to also carry a sand bucket for divot repair.



# REMOVING & REPLACING FLAGSTICK



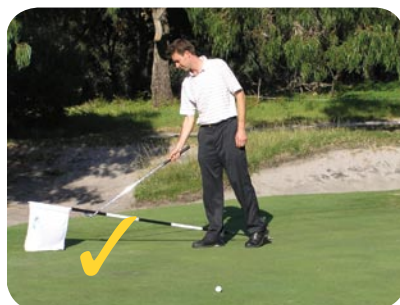
Damage to the edges of the hole is caused by careless flagstick replacement.



Return the flagstick to the centre of the cup.



Do not allow the flagstick to drop onto the putting surface with force.



Gently lower the flagstick onto the green using the putter or by holding onto the flag.



# BUGGIES ON & ACROSS THE GREENS



Concentrated traffic around the edge of the green will wear out the turf.



Please be assured that the turf **will not** be damaged on the green when buggies are taken on and left there while putting.

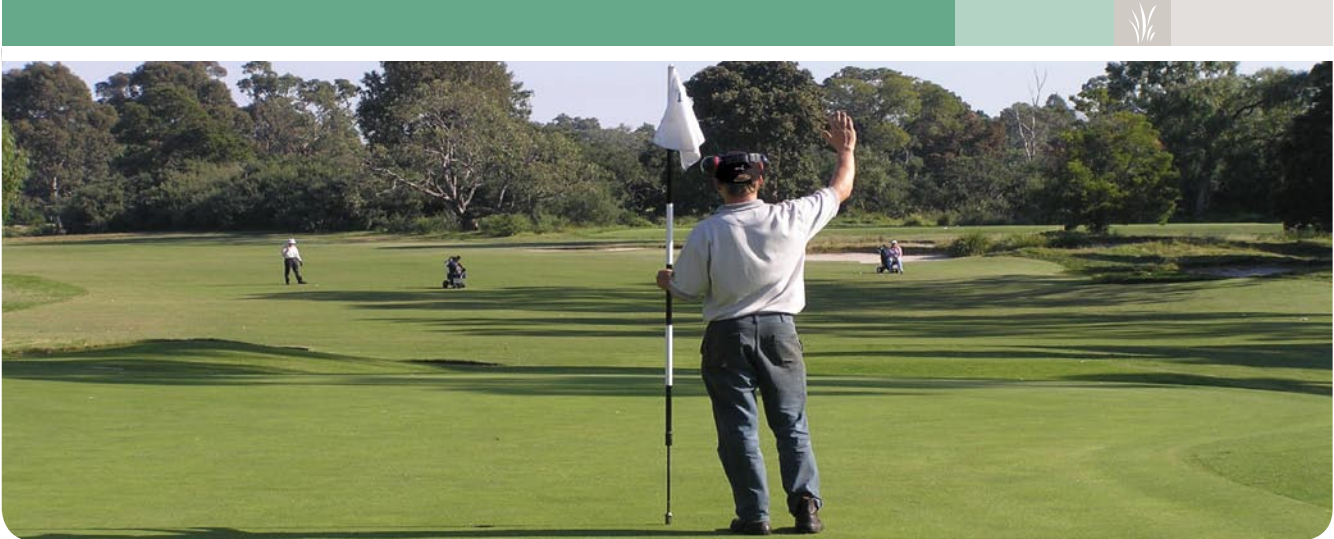


# COURSE STAFF SAFETY

The nature of golf course work can at times place course staff in danger. Whilst staff members are trained to be aware, golfers must also be mindful of the situation. The noise coming from machines makes it impossible for operators to hear a golfer call 'FORE'.

*The onus is on members & their guests to provide our staff with safe working conditions.*

**IT IS UNSAFE TO HIT UNTIL THE STAFF MEMBER IS AWARE OF YOUR INTENTION.**



When the flagstick is removed from the hole please cease play.



The noise coming from machines makes it impossible for operators to hear a golfer call 'FORE'.



Recommence play when the flagstick has been returned to the hole and the staff member has called you up.



# GOLF CART OPERATION

Golf carts and 3 wheel ride-on buggies permit those unable to walk the course with the opportunity to play, however these machines place considerable stress on golf course turf, especially around greens and tees.

If they are driven carefully and according to the following guidelines the wear and tear on the turf can be minimised.

Please ensure that carts are:

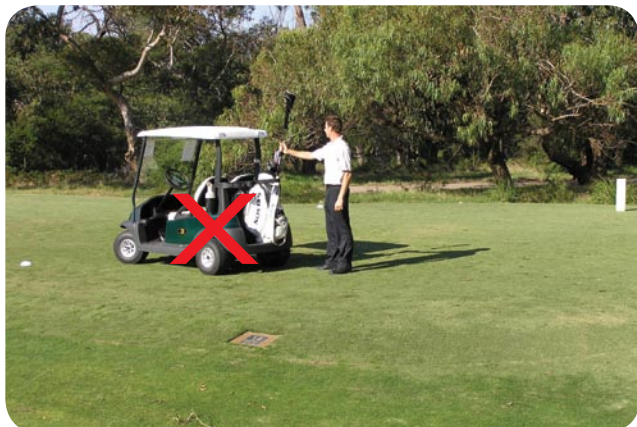
- Not taken within 5 metres of greens and tees, unless on established pathways.
- Not driven on fairways during wet or frosty conditions.
- Not driven through newly planted or sensitive areas of rough.
- Not parked in front of greens – this also applies for pull buggies.



Wheels will burn or bruise fine turf on the edge of the green.



Do not park near or in front of greens.



Cart is not to be parked on the tee.



Leave cart adjacent to the tee.



Correct cart position – well away from the green.



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*Further information regarding the  
“Care of our Course” is available  
from management.*