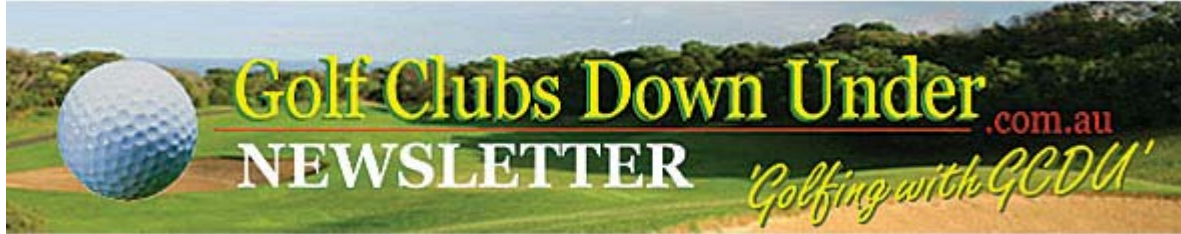


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Hi!

Hey it's June; officially it is winter in Down Under.

So what! Unlike the majority of other golf playing nations we will go to golf each week the same as we do at any other time in the year. The term winter is a calendar expression not a reality that forces us indoors. Spare a thought for the hordes of golfers elsewhere who, because of weather conditions, are obliged to hibernate, many for six months or more or play in the snow with red balls. Aren't you glad you live 'Down Under'?

### **What's your PLAN?**

When we birdie a hole we're all prone to imagining ourselves playing like a touring pro but invariably the next hole brings us back to earth. The difference is a pro practices up to 8 hours a day, every day, and he has a PLAN.

Even if we had that much time would we do it?

Then it is essential that the little practice we do do is productive.

To play your best golf you'll need a combination of playing well with your driver, irons, hybrids, fairway woods, wedges and putter ... as well as having a PLAN.

Every hole starts with a tee shot and, probably, 14 holes start with your Driver. Although you use your putter on all 18 holes (sometimes 2 or 3 times a hole - 30 to 40 putts a round for most Golfers) your tee shot sets the tone for your round more than any other shot.

Saying that – that doesn't mean you should go to the driving range and just start to bang tee shot after tee shot onto the driving range. Over the years, the practice range has hurt more Golfers than it has helped. You need a practice system that allows you to find consistency.

Do you think it's a coincidence that the first driving range (1913 - Pinehurst, North Carolina) was given the name– Maniac Hill? Just think - close to 100 years ago Golfers, like maniacs, were banging golf ball after golf ball without much thought. Has anything changed?

You need to have a Practice PLAN; a practice system you can use so that you understand what you should be practicing based on how you hit the golf ball; a Practice PLAN based

on your predominant ball flight; a Practice PLAN that allows you to groove your golf swing so that you won't have to think about it while on the golf course.

Rather than burn money belting balls at the range see your local Pro, he has the knowledge to help you play a better game. A competent teacher will help you formulate a Practice PLAN, not only to help you harness your driver but for every other part of your game too.

### **Rules Quiz**

I think John must be fated. He was playing Tom in the Club's Knockout event. By the 4<sup>th</sup> Tom was two-up. On the par 5 5<sup>th</sup> John teed his ball high in order to go for a 'big' drive. He stood over the ball, waggled his driver and accidentally knocked the ball off the tee with the club. That's one Tom joked as John re-teeed his ball. (There is always one!) However after John re-teeed the ball, addressed it and commenced his swing the ball started to move slightly. As John was on his down swing the ball fell off the tee and he completely missed it ... though his follow-through was classic. Tom wet himself. What is the ruling?

1. No penalty. The stroke does not count – John may again re-tee the ball.
2. No penalty. The stroke counts but John may again re-tee the ball
3. No penalty. The stroke counts and John must now play the ball as it lies.
4. One stroke penalty. The stroke does not count and John may again re-tee the ball.

### **It's the Law**

No matter how far its shaft extends, a ball retriever is always a foot too short to reach the ball.

### **Loud Mouth**

It must count has the marketing coup of the decade when, at the Winter Olympics, the Norwegian Curling team wore Loud Mouth pants (incidentally they won silver). The demand from around the world for Loud Mouth pants exploded like Mount Vesuvius blowing its top; LM's 12 month's stock of trousers were gone in a matter of days; LM was SOLD OUT!

Good news. The Ladies styles are have arrived and are back in stock, and new stock of all the Men's styles will arrive in the warehouse around the middle of this month; all the crazy patterns that have turned the golfing world up-side-down. Get your order in: [CLICK HERE](#).

### **Twenty20 Golf**

Well we've talked about it and now, it seems, it will become a reality. The PGA of Australia has announced an event the likes of which had never before been seen on any major tour in the world, will be played at The Sands Torquay in Victoria from January 20-23, 2011. The Surf Coast Knockout has been scheduled as part of the 2011 PGA Tour of Australasia.

In an international first, the first three rounds will be contested under conventional stroke play conditions. The first cut (50 + ties) will be made after 36 holes and a further cut (top 36) will be made on the Saturday after 54 holes. The winner will ultimately be decided on Sunday by a reduced match play format – the 16 knock-out matches will be played over six holes only, with tied matches set to be decided by a 'sudden death' hole.

A full PGA Tour of Australasia Order of Merit event, it has already gained substantial support from a host of marquee tournament players, the Victorian Government and tourism bodies

## New Clubs

Did I mention previously the [Dynacraft Prophet Tour Blades](#), a new release from this much respected club design team. Finished with a black PVD coating they not only look good, they play good. Designed for the single figure handicapper (or those aiming to get into single digits ASAP) they embody the appearance and control-ability of a true muscle back (blade) iron but with enhancements that makes them more playable. The hosel has been shortened bringing the sweet spot into the centre of the club face (where you are supposed to hit the ball) and the muscle back incorporates a stability slot which allows material to be positioned elsewhere for increased forgiveness. As you may guess ... I like them. For more info [CLICK HERE](#)

Acer has released a couple of clubs too. There's the [Cabriolet](#) which they explain is a hybrid set without the heavy crown, and the [Ti-Ceptional](#) iron which has a stainless steel frame and an inserted light weight Titanium face bringing with it the benefits of a modern titanium driver.

## US Open

We had fun with the Master ... let's do it again ... I'll find some trifle to reward those who select the winner. Entries close midnight Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> [ENTER HERE](#)

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'Till next time.



Cliff Nunn

### Rules Quiz:

Answer: . 3) Rule 11-3 ... If a ball when not in play, falls off a tee or is knocked off a tee by the player in addressing it, it may be re-teeed without penalty. However, if a stroke is made at the ball in these circumstance, whether the ball is moving or not, the stroke counts, but there is no penalty.

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