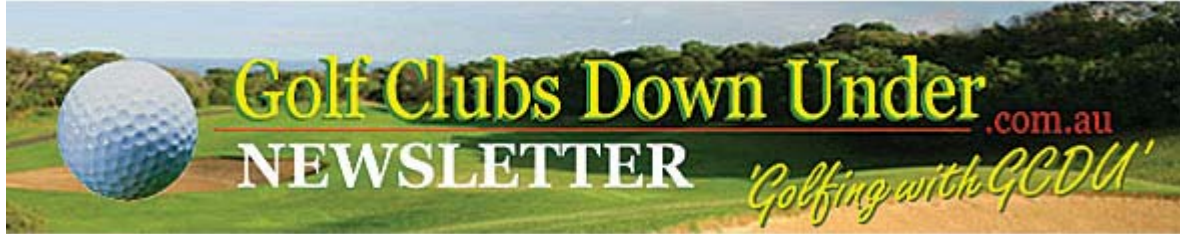


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May 2010

Hi!

So suddenly it is May. Which prompts a reminder to every golfer when studying the Rules of Golf, 'MAY' is a critical word in Rules language – means you can use the Rule to your advantage.

2010 Masters

Wow! You certainly took me at my word, we had over 500 entries and 23 people picked Phil (all of whom have received their prize). Ernie Els was the popular favourite.

Rules Quiz

During the monthly medal, John really got his act together and was playing 7 strokes under his handicap and a par at the difficult par 4 18th would see him post his best ever nett score and claim his first club medal. However, his approach shot to the 18th found the large bunker to the right of the green. Upon reaching the bunker John saw that his ball was in the bunker near the edge of the green while the only rake was at the opposite end of the bunker.

To save time, John retrieved the rake from the opposite end of the bunker, trailed the rake behind him to smooth his footprints created in retrieving the rake and proceeded to where his ball lay. Did I say John was running hot; his bunker shot finished within a metre of the hole. He holes the putt and his playing partners were congratulating him and patting him on the back when the Club Captain walked over

What is the ruling?

1. No penalty. The Club Captain simply wanted to enquire of John's score and offer his congratulations
2. The Club Captain will advise John that he has incurred a one stroke penalty
3. The Club Captain will advise John that he has incurred a two stroke penalty
4. The Club Captain will advise John that he is disqualified

It's the Law

If you seem to be hitting your shots straight on the driving range, it's probably because you're not aiming at anything.

Improve your putting

This drill is called the thumb pointing drill. First, you must focus on the relationship between your hands and the intended target. Now, feel the corner of your lower thumb on the grip that is closest to the target. On your right hand it will be the corner of the nail on the outside of your thumb and if you use left hand low it will be the inside corner of the thumbnail. Take some practice strokes feeling that corner pointing at your target at the end of the motion.

Now putt 3-inch to 6-inch putts making sure to hold the thumb-point at the finish of the stroke. By doing this you will discover the ball went the direction you pointed, good or bad. Two things will come from this drill: 1.) Your focus will shift away from the putter head and ball and 2.) You will complete your stroke giving you better rhythm and distance control. When you get a good feel for short putts, increase the distance until you feel comfortable from all distances.

Once you learn to narrow your focus to your hands and where they are going, putting will become more simple and more fun.

LOUDMOUTH

When the Norwegian team wore Loudmouth at the Winter Olympics, sales, world wide, went off the planet. Unfortunately while Loud Mouth are re-stocking as fast as they can, there are many sizes, many patterns that are not available right now but we are accepting orders, without charging your card, so that you can be among the first when stocks do arrive. Also, LM have introduced a couple of new patterns, Splash, Danger and Cotton Candy which are available in most sizes and a couple of very snazzy shirts too, the Fancies! [CLICK HERE](#)

Will Tiger Woods make a caddie change before the end of the 2010 season?

Tucked away in the bottom right hand corner of page 83 of last Week's Golf World Magazine was a miniature bombshell that few who even subscribe to the magazine may have seen. It was as if Golf World wanted to publish this information, but they wanted to do so in a fashion that would draw as little attention as possible.

Printed in writing so small that those with bad eyesight might need to get their hands on the Hubble Telescope to even read it, the highly regarded golf magazine published the following information gained from PGA Tour insider Tim Rosaforte:

One question Tiger Woods dodged last week was whether his team would remain intact. A logical change is caddie Steve Williams, who has been with Woods since 1999. Rumors of Williams stepping aside circulated at Augusta, with Lee Westwood's caddie, Billy Foster, being the replacement.

But insiders hear that Tiger's next bagman could be Joe LaCava, the longtime caddie for Fred Couples. It makes sense in that Couples and Woods are friends, and LaCava could handle the pressure of carrying Tiger's bag.

Uhh...emm...this is kind of big news, is it not?

Dream Swing

Is it because winter is coming on and players want to use the time to improve their game? Because interest has heightened over the past few weeks in "DreamSwing". It really is a great piece of equipment; teaches you to develop a constant swing just like touring pros. I can solilquise on the gear, because I use it myself, but better still ... call into the GCDU and get an unbiased story [CLICK HERE](#)

'Till next time.



Cliff Nunn

Rules Quiz:

Answer: . 3) Rule 13-4 ... in the hazard the player must not: a) Test the condition of the hazard or any similar hazard; b) Touch the ground in the hazard with his hand or a club; or c) Touch or move a loose impediment lying in or touching the hazard. Whilst John's action in smoothing his footprints made in retrieving the rake was quite innocent, in so doing he tested the condition of the hazard; penalty 2 strokes.

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