



## From the Bunker

### November 2020

Welcome to this edition of "From the Bunker", our golf bulletin to help both new and old members keep up to date on things like rule changes, upcoming events, and other golfing matters. We received some great feedback and suggestions in the past and have tried to incorporate those into this edition.

#### COVID-19

We continue to have COVID-19 throwing challenges at us in 2020. Please keep up the good work! We still have preferred lies in bunkers and don't take the flag sticks out when putting. Unfortunately, Warren and Gibson Trophies were cancelled during the round robin phase of the competition by Golf NSW to comply with health orders at the time. However, Major Pennants is expected to go ahead early next year, and the Mixed Pennants has been moved back to May.

#### CLUB ELECTIONS

Congratulations to the newly elected Board Members. In case you don't know the outcome, the new board is:

President:	Grant Marshall
Vice President	Dale Van Den Boogaard
Treasurer	Lee-Ann Toovey
Captain	Bruce Ferguson
Directors	Elaine O'Connor
	Glen Crosland
	Antonino Blancato

Thanks to outgoing Directors Sonya Jones and David Stuto, who remain active in other volunteer roles in the Club.

## PRESENTATION NIGHT



Due to popular demand, this year our annual presentation will be held on

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November from 6:30PM.**

A 2 or 3 course meal will be included in the price, \$55 or \$65, the dress code is **Cocktail**. Time to frock up boys and girls and celebrate the year just past. Keep your eyes peeled for more info and booking details via email. Register via email or at the bar, don't forget to include your dinner choices from the Presentation Night Menu in the email or a copy to be found on the bar.



## RELIEF FROM A PATH

At Barnie, paths are made of concrete or asphalt, or are a bare earth area that has a formal border, such as timber. If your ball comes to rest in one of these areas, you are entitled to relief under rule 16.1 “Relief from Abnormal Course Conditions”.

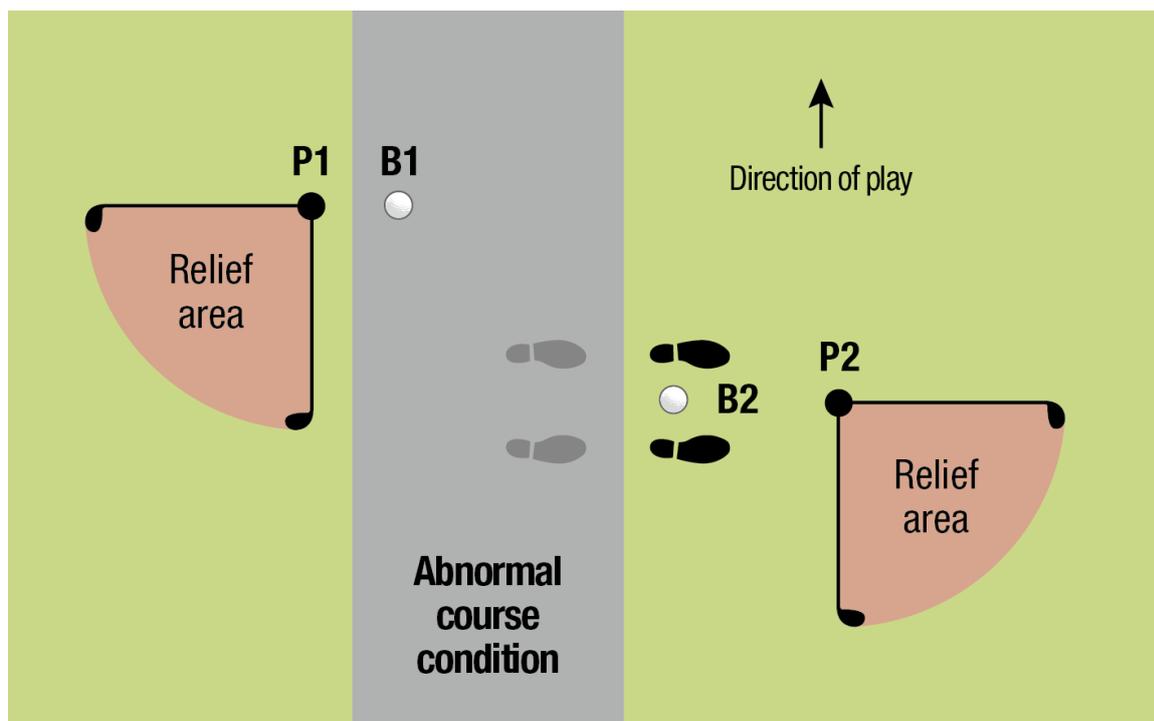
### *When Relief Is Allowed*

(1) Meaning of Interference by Abnormal Course Condition. Interference exists when any one of these is true:

- The player’s ball touches or is in or on an abnormal course condition,
- An abnormal course condition physically interferes with the player’s area of intended stance or area of intended swing...

If the abnormal course condition is close enough to distract the player but does not meet any of these requirements, there is no interference under this Rule.

Bare areas where a track has formed because that is where most players walk (unless they have a formal border) are not paths and therefore an integral part of the course. **You are not entitled to relief under rule 16.1 if your ball comes to rest in these areas.**



*The diagram assumes the player is right-handed. Free relief is allowed for interference by an abnormal course condition (ACC), including an immovable obstruction, when the ball touches or lies in or on the condition (B1), or the condition interferes with the area of intended stance (B2) or swing. The nearest point of complete relief for B1 is P1, and is very close to the condition. For B2, the nearest point of complete relief is P2, and is farther from the condition as the stance has to be clear of the ACC.*

## **NEW GARDEN AROUND THE CLUB HOUSE – No play zone Rule 2.4**

This area is to be treated as an abnormal course condition relief maybe taken under 16.1b. In summary the reference point is the nearest point of relief no closer to the hole. The relief area is one club length from that point no closer to the hole. Complete relief must be taken, this includes both swing and stance relief. The edge / boundary of said garden bed is bordered by rocks in some parts, in other areas where no boarder is visible the area is defined as a line parallel to the Club house wall and 2 club lengths from the wall. Yes that means dropping on the wood chips.

## PRO SHOP SPECIALS

- \* November 15% off all bags
- \* Srixon All Weather Gloves 2 for \$28

## Special Event

- \* Wilson Staff Fitting Day on 30th November from 12 – 4pm ([bookings essential](#))



The poster features a dark blue background with a glowing blue 'WS' logo at the top center. Below it, the words 'FITTING DAY' are written in large, glowing blue letters. Underneath, the text 'GET FITTED FOR THE NEW LINE' is displayed in white. A row of five Wilson golf clubs is shown in the center. Below the clubs, the text 'MAKE AN APPOINTMENT' is written in white. At the bottom, there are three white boxes containing event details: 'DATE: 30th November 2020', 'LOCATION: Barnwell Park Golf Club', and 'TIME: 12.00pm - 4.00pm'. To the right of these boxes is an image of a Wilson Duo Soft Ball sleeve. Below the boxes, the text 'REGISTER YOUR APPOINTMENT AND RECEIVE A 3 BALL SLEEVE OF WILSON DUO SOFT BALLS.' is written in white. At the bottom, the words 'DISTANCE' and 'PRECISION' are written in glowing blue letters, with 'WHEN YOU NEED IT' and 'WHEN YOU WANT IT' respectively below them. A Wilson golf club head is shown in the bottom center, and the Wilson logo is at the bottom right.

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# FITTING DAY

GET FITTED FOR THE NEW LINE



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WHEN YOU NEED IT    WHEN YOU WANT IT

**Wilson**

## **CARMEN'S**

Carmen's is back! After a coronavirus enforced absence, enjoy the culinary delights of Carmen's restaurant for lunch or dinner, or just have a great toastie or bacon and egg roll at halfway.

Carmen can provide tasty snacks at halfway during your round.

**Text your order (0414 609 398) to Carmen when on the 9<sup>th</sup> tee, and it will be ready for you when you get to the clubhouse.**

## **DIVOTS**

As per usual, in this edition we again outline how to repair divots and pitch marks. As these are a perennial problem for golf courses, our top tips are repeated!

- Use the sand to repair divots both on the fairways and in the rough.
- Remove any loose turf from the divot. Do not replace the dislodged divot back in the grass.
- Knock in all sides of the edge of the divot with your club or your shoe.
- Lightly sand the divot creating a smooth playing surface.
- Where possible, avoid walking on bare patches in order to give the grass an opportunity to recover.

## **PITCH MARKS**

- A pitchmark that is repaired correctly will recover in 24 hours.
- An unrepaired pitchmark left unattended for 2 hours will take up to 56 days to recover.
- Unrepaired pitchmarks also foster disease and infections in the green.

Correctly repairing a pitch mark is as simple as:

- 1 Start at the back of the mark and push forward with your pitch mark reparer (avoid the use of tees or keys)
- 2 Use the reparer around all sides and slowly ease turf toward the centre of the mark. Do not lift the soil upwards.
- 3 Lightly tap down the repaired pitchmark with your putter leaving a flat smooth surface.

## **TEES**

Like pitch marks and divots, did you know grass does not like to grown down into holes? It likes a level surface or slight up hill. That's why a filled divot will grow grass quickly.

We can ALL HELP by filling TWO divots on each tee box, one for us and one for the player that forgot. If you see bare ground on the tee maybe sprinkle the rest of your bucket over it, which will aid regrowth (if only the same thing worked for hair!).

## **SLOW PLAY**

During October, the stroke rounds for the Club Champs meant that there was slow play. Every group has a bad hole every now and then, a lost ball and having to go back to the tee, or sculling

3 or 4 chips onto and over the green – that's golf and it happens all the time. It's what happens after some trouble that is important. The group needs to do a little work to catch up.

Here are some ideas for you to try if you find your group is behind and need to catch up:

- The **low marker** is responsible for pace of play for the group, so if that is you – keep the group moving!
- Closest to pin on green, mark your ball quickly.
- First in the hole? Soon as you putt out walk to next tee and get ready to play as soon as one of your group get there.
- Mark cards on the next tee while others are hitting off, or if you are a hole behind, do it down the fairway when you are waiting to play.
- If you cannot score in Stableford or Par etc, pick up.
- Leave chit chat with other groups to the club house.
- Play '*ready golf*' when you are falling behind. If there is no danger walk straight to your ball, don't wait behind the shortest hitter. If you are walking to the far side of the fairway, it shouldn't worry them. Play out of turn a few times to catch up. Hit when safe and ready, don't wait for other payers even if they are further away from hole than you are.
- If your ball is already on the green and someone else is in the bunker, be ready to rake the bunker for them so they can move their clubs and get ready to putt by the time you've finished raking the bunker (of course this one is for a post-COVID world!)
- Always leave your clubs at side of green, between the hole and the next tee. Don't leave your clubs at the front of the green!
- If you are searching for a lost ball or have fallen more than hole behind, please be a good sport and immediately call the group behind through – don't wait for them to ask.
- Putt out when possible, rather than mark your ball – that saves a minute or so each hole.

Now that we are using the scoring app, how long we take for a round is recorded. The Match Committee will be poring over this data to see if some of us need a little reminder about how to play faster!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER**

### **MEN**

Medal of Medals 5/12/2020

Summer Cup commences 19/12/2020

### **LADIES:**

Summer Cup commences Wednesday 2/12/2020, Saturday 5/12/2020

That's all for this edition of "**From the Bunker**". We are always looking for constructive feedback to improve future editions. Please send your suggestions, complaints or ideas to [membership@barnwellparkgolfclub.com.au](mailto:membership@barnwellparkgolfclub.com.au) .

**Regards,**

***Barnie Match Committees***

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