

PMGC Newsletter

NEWS & NOTES FROM THE PEBBLEBROOK MEN'S GOLF CLUB



BREAKFAST MEETING

Our next General Membership meeting is **Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2024** at Palm Ridge Rec. Center. A **fully catered breakfast** from Sharko's Catering will be served. As the club is purchasing a specific number of meals, members that wish to secure a seat must pre-purchase a ticket for \$10. The \$10 will then be **REFUNDED** to the member when they show.

Breakfast includes scrambled eggs, sausage, homestyle potatoes, muffins, Danish and beverages.

In addition to breakfast, **\$500** in door prizes from DA Golf Lab will be up for grabs!

See monitor Gwen Rocha on **either of the next two Wednesdays** (Jan. 24 or Jan. 31) to obtain a ticket.

For questions, email:
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PMGC MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Our annual 3-week Match Play Championship kicks off on **Feb. 7** and continues through **Feb. 21, 2024**.

Registration for the event is **\$15 (\$5 per week)** and is required in advance.

Check your weekly game pouch for registration info.

The Match Play Championship is a fully handicapped, flighted tournament.

To make this event worthwhile, we will need a minimum of 50 entrants, so please consider joining in on the fun.



'KP' CHANGE TRIAL



What do you think??

A few weeks ago, PMGC began designating 'closest to the pin' (KP) holes to players of specific course handicap levels. This is being done on a trial basis.

For instance, handicaps 0-7 would compete only on hole 15, handicaps 8-13 would compete only on hole 3, and so on. The thought behind this was to spread the chance of winning out to more players.

What are your thoughts on this so far? Let us know.



RULES OF THE GAME

By David Eikner - Club Member, Certified USGA Rules Official

What Is the Ruling?

Allen is playing in a low gross/low net event at Pebblebrook Men's Golf Club. On the 11th hole Allen has hit his tee shot onto the green and has properly marked his ball. A fellow competitor, David, asks Allen to move his ball marker as it is interfering with David's upcoming putt. Allen moves his ball marker to the side by one putter head length.

David putts. Allen replaces his ball on the spot next to his ball marker, lifts the ball marker and makes his next stroke towards the hole. Much to Allen's surprise, his ball comes to rest in the hole for a birdie. As Allen is pulling the ball from the hole, he realizes he didn't return his ball marker to its original spot, before replacing his ball. Realizing that he has played from a wrong place; Allen wants to correct his error. However, he does not know how to proceed so he asks David what he should do.

WHAT IS THE RULING and WHAT IS ALLEN'S SCORE FOR THE HOLE?

Ruling - Allen incurs the general penalty (2 penalty strokes) for playing from a wrong place, when he didn't return his ball marker and his ball to their original spots. However, this would not be deemed a serious breach as Allen would not have gained a significant advantage from playing from that wrong place. As it is not a serious breach, the wrong place does not need to be corrected and Allen's putt is considered "holed". His score for the hole would be a 4 (2 actual strokes & 2 penalty strokes).

It's That Time of Year....



We've recently experienced several frost delays on our SCW courses. As far as Wednesday play, we have adopted measures to help spread any delays/cancellations equitably between the AM and PM shotguns.

The group impacted by delays will rotate between the AM and PM shotguns. The rotation will carry over from year to year.

With a delay of 30 minutes or less, both groups will play full 18 hole rounds. With a delay of 60 - 90 minutes, the impacted group's round is reduced to 9 holes. With a delay of 2 hours or more, the impacted group's round is cancelled, and the non-impacted group will play a full 18 holes.

In addition, the possibility exists that any special event or tournament scheduled for the day a frost delay occurs could be postponed or cancelled.

Did you know you can receive text alerts from Golf Ops when frost or other delays impact play?

To subscribe to course condition alerts, head to: [Sun City West - Golf](#)

In addition, you can receive updates on specific course conditions by calling the **SCW Weather Hotline at (623) 544-6175**. During delays, courses will record an initial message at approximately 7:00am and provide updated messages as needed, thereafter.

Frost delays that start out a certain length often decrease due to tee time cancellations and 'no-shows'. Don't assume an initial 2-hour delay will remain at 2 hours for the entire day. If in doubt, contact the course for updates.

While a frost delay can be a nuisance, remember we could have it a lot worse....

