



News Flash

22 March 2013



Dear members

PLEASE NOTE THESE IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE HANDICAPPING MANUAL (EFFECTIVE 1 APRIL)

Handicap Manual Changes Effective 1 April 2013

The South African Golf Association, (SAGA) will make the following changes to the South African Handicap Manual with effect from 1 April 2013 based on extensive feedback from golfers, club captains and club managers.

1. Most likely score replacing conceded putt rule

The current manual says:

5.3.3 When a putt is conceded in an event in which completion of every hole is not essential, the actual score for the hole shall be entered, counting the conceded putt as one stroke.

This section will be changed to read as follows:

5.4 Unfinished Holes, Conceded Strokes

A player who starts but does not finish a hole or is conceded a stroke must record the most likely score (see 3.15) they would have achieved. The number of strokes most likely to have been achieved should not exceed the maximum allowed on each hole as detailed in 5.3 above.

3.15 Most Likely Score

A most likely score is the score a player would most likely have achieved if he started the hole but did not complete the hole or if a player is conceded a stroke. This should be calculated as to the number of strokes already taken plus the number of strokes the player was most likely to have achieved more than 50% of the time.

2. Maximum score on a Hole

Based on recent surveys, the majority of Golfers, Club Captains and Club Managers have advised that the current maximum score per hole makes it difficult for players with handicaps over 18 to reduce their handicaps. The SAGA has therefore revised the maximum score allowed per hole and this section in the SAGA handicap manual will be revised as follows:

5.3 Maximum score on any hole

The maximum score on a hole for handicap purposes is 2 over par except where a player has two handicap strokes on a hole, in which case the maximum score allowed is 3 over par for that hole.

Players should, where possible, complete every hole regardless of their partner's or their opposition's score. Where a player does not complete a hole they should record their most likely score. (See 3.15- Most Likely Score)

3. Removal of the dynamic Calculated Rating (CR) calculation

The SAGA has decided to remove the CR calculation from the system. The CR calculation adjusts course ratings based on adverse weather conditions. This calculation was suspended 13 months ago. It has been removed because the SAGA handicap is based on an average of the best 10 of the last 20 scores, so adverse weather on a particular day will have a minimal influence on the player's average handicap.

The CR calculation is mainly used in countries that use individual competition scores for handicap calculations and where every designated competition score is considered in the player's handicap.



MANAGEMENT

I want to make use of this opportunity to invite members to contact the office of the GM for any suggestions, queries or complaints. I have noticed that many e-mails are sent to reception, which should be directed at me personally. If any member wishes to see me or just to have an informal chat I can be reached at louw@mosselbaygolfclub.co.za, and your mail will be answered. Feedback from members will be assessed on one important criteria only:- **WILL IT BE TO THE BENEFIT OF THE CLUB AND ALL ITS MEMBERS?**

Graag wil ek hiermee alle lede hartlik uitnooi om my direk te kontak met enige navrae, voorstelle, klagtes of net vir informele gesêlsies. Ek let op dat daar heelwat e-posse land by ontvangs terwyl dit eintlik vir my aandag bedoel is. U is welkom om hierdie e-posse direk aan my te stuur by louw@mosselbaygolfclub.co.za. Enige sake wat deur lede aan my opgedra word sal beoordeel word aan een belangrike aspek:- **IS DIT TOT VOORDEEL OF IN DIE BELANG VAN DIE KLUB EN AL SY LEDE.**

FOR SALE

We have a number of Mossel Bay sleeveless tops as well as caps in our possession. The tops were originally embroidered for members that have been with the Club for more than 20, 30 and 40 years respectively. We are putting these up for sale. All members that fall in this category are hereby invited to use this opportunity to obtain this special garment for a nominal fee. However, if we do not get any response we will have to sell them to any interested members. The fees are the following:

- **CAPS @ R50-00 EACH**
- **SLEEVELESS TOPS @ R100-00 EACH**

Please enquire with Lizette at reception to place your order.



LET US TALK RULES

Let us see how well you know your rules.....

QUESTION 1

Player A hits his tees hot down the fairway and the ball comes to rest 10 cm inside the fairway. The club has a local rule allowing a player to place within one club length. **Question** – Is he/she allowed to place the ball outside the fairway and into the semi-rough area where there is a better patch of grass? **Yes** or **No**?

QUESTION 2

A member of Mossel Bay Golf Club plays in a competition and hits her ball in the semi rough. She walks up to her ball and sees it lying in the open on a bare patch. When she addresses the ball her stance is on fresh bird scratchings. **Question** – Is she allowed a free drop? **Yes** or **No**?

QUESTION 3

John makes a practice swing near his ball and hits a stone. The stone hits the ball and causes it to move. His marker then adds a two shot penalty to his score. **Question** – Was this penalty justified? **Yes** or **No**?

Please forward me the answers to these 3 questions to louw@mosselbaygolfclub.co.za. Watch the next newsletter for the answers and the results of member's views, as well as new questions.

LEAGUE CLOTHING

The league clothing for Mossel Bay Golf Club's male league teams was changed at a recent Board meeting. The official outfit is now beige long trousers with a blue and white shirt. Players will be notified when the shirts become available.



RAFFLE



Stand a chance to win
this amazing prize:

**CLEVELAND STAND BAG
WORTH R1000-00**

"I can be yours for just R10!!!"

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 26 Maart Africa Tours
- 27 Maart Sakemanne
- 31 Maart Goeie Vrydag
- 11 April Dames Klub Kampioenskappe
- 11 Mei **SANLAM KANKER DAG**
- 12 May Junior Klub Kampioenskappe



Neem asseblief kennis:- JUNIOR KLUB KAMPIOENSKAPPE HET VERSKUIF NA SONDAG 12 MEI 2013 EN WORD OOR 18 PUTJIES GESPEEL. INSKRYWINGS MOET BY ONTVANGS GEDOEN WORD.



LAM R49-99/kg



VRYDAGAANDE VLEISTREKKING:

Baie dankie aan Andre Marx, eienaar van Ultra Meat (by die Mikeva Sentrum), vir die borg van ons Vrydag-aande se vleistrekking en Fantastic Friday. Indien jy nog nie daar was nie, is dit nou die tyd om van hulle heerlike produkte aan te skaf.



UITSLAE / RESULTS



WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH 2013 - 4 BALL ALLIANCE

1
JJ JOUBERT / TOSSIE MARX **116**
FRANCOIS BARNARD / PIERRE BOTES

2
ANTON IZAAKSE (SNR) / MICHAEL SELF **112**
HENRY MARAIS / BENNIE BADENHORST

3
FANIE & STEFAN VAN VUUREN **107**
JOHAN VAN RENSBURG / WOUTER KOTZE

NEAREST THE PIN

NR 18 (ladies) Anzelle Zeelie
NR 6 (men) JJ Joubert



WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH 2013

GROSS A-DIV 0 - 9
1. Roelof Combrinck 74
2. Jordon Duminy 74

NETT A-DIV 0 - 9
1. Wouter Kotze 68

GROSS B-DIV 10 - 18
1. Andre Middel 83
2. Henry Marais 84

NETT B-DIV 10 - 18
1. Johann van Langelaar 71

GROSS C-DIV 19+
1. Wayne Mitchell 92
2. Billy Capel 92

NETT C-DIV 19+
1. Nick Weideman 73

NEAREST THE PIN

NR 4 Earl Manie
NR 12 Arrie van der Linde

Enjoy your golf this week.

Louw & Team



PRO SHOP TALK

HOT DEALS FOR THE WEEK

Buy any 2
shirts and get
the 3rd one
free

T&C Apply

TAYLORMADE PENTA TP5 BALLS

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R89-00 PER SLEEVE