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# Deer Tracks

## Sniff & Snort Cancelled!



**Hi All:**

***In view of the snow and the forecast of more snow/rain a number of players are unsure of playing on Saturday. I am, therefore, cancelling the tournament.***

***Happy holidays to all and see you next year.***

***Joyce and Graeme***



Thanks for the cartoon Alan Wright



Ladies Match Play Champions  
Andrea Wainright & Carla Shold



Most Improved  
Alison Holmes



**2018 Ladies Closing Winners**  
Judy Killeavy, Alison Holmes, Muriel Rowland, Mary  
Cochrane (missing from photo)

## Men's League Results



The Wednesday Men's League came to a close on Sept 19th with the annual 3 club challenge and closing dinner. Awards were given out for the team winners of each half, along with the overall top individuals for the year.

Team winners for the 1st half - **Bob Cherrett, Paul Richardson, Mike Cook, Stu Payne** and **Bryce McBain**.

Team winners for the 2nd half - **John Phelan, Rock Fleck, Grant Lorimer, John Cheung** and **Al Wight**.

The **John Gartland** trophy for the individual with the lowest net score for the year was won by **Stu Payne**. Well done Stu. Second place went to **Richard Mann**, third to **Mark Foley** and fourth to **Don Mclsaac**.

The 2018 3 club championship was awarded to **John Cheung** and **Graeme Gordon** who were able to score a net 29 on the front nine. Who needs 14 clubs!

Many thanks to Denni, Katie and staff for great dinner.

Also many thanks to John, Gord and Eddie for all their efforts during the year.

Only 86 more days until Christmas, and 211 days until the start of next year's Wednesday league!

Safe travels to all our members who head south for the winter. See everyone next spring.

Al Ferguson, November 1, 2018

## The Five Dollar Game - 2018

The 2018 edition of the twice weekly \$5 game finished on 29 October, about 2 weeks earlier than previous years, as a result of adverse weather conditions.

The participation level this year has been excellent, with about 10 to 11 players per game. The average has remained constant as a result of new participants replacing members who have left the club.

Below are a number of statistics for the 5-year period 2014-2018.

We would like to thank all members who participated this year and hope to have more members give it a try in 2019.

To all members, hope you all have a great winter wherever you are and hope to see all of you back in the Spring

Don Charlebois



	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	5 Year Total
<b>Total Funds Received</b>	\$ 2,695.00	\$ 2,850.00	\$ 2,415.00	\$ 2,125.00	\$ 2,320.00	\$ 12,405.00
<b>Total \$\$ Distributed</b>	\$ 2,691.50	\$ 2,849.00	\$ 2,412.50	\$ 2,124.25	\$ 2,313.50	\$ 12,390.75
<b>Balance</b>	\$ 3.50	\$ 1.00	\$ 2.50	0.75	\$ 6.50	
<b>Total Games</b>	53	60	50	45	45	253
<b>Total games cancelled</b>	3	8	13	4	6	34
<b>Average \$\$\$/game</b>	\$ 50.78	\$ 47.48	\$ 48.25	\$ 47.21	\$ 51.41	\$ 48.98
<b>1st game</b>	25-Apr-14	17-Apr-15	18-Apr-16	19-May-17	7-May-18	
<b>Last Game</b>	10-Nov-14	20-Nov-15	14-Nov-16	03-Nov-17	29-Oct-18	
<b>Skins</b>	291	383	321	274	278	1547
<b>Low Nets</b>	58	62	57	37	38	252
<b>Total Skins</b>	349	445	378	311	316	1799
<b>Average skins/game</b>	6.58	7.42	7.56	6.91	7.02	7.11
<b>Average payout/skin</b>	\$ 7.71	\$ 6.40	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.83	\$ 7.32	\$ 6.89
<b>Holes with most skins</b>						
<b>Hole(s) #</b>	5	10	10	5	2	
<b># of skins</b>	22	31	25	22	23	
<b>Holes with fewest skins</b>						
<b>Hole(s) #</b>	11	15	11	13 - 15 - 18	8	
<b># of skins</b>	8	16	11	10	8	

## CHANGES TO THE RULES OF GOLF

### THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THE RULES OF GOLF WILL TAKE EFFECT JANUARY 1, 2019

1. There is no longer a penalty if your ball accidentally moves while you are searching for it
2. There is no longer a penalty if you accidentally move your ball or ball marker when it is on the putting green
3. There is no longer a penalty if your ball in motion accidentally hits you or your equipment. Double-hitting a shot will now only count as one stroke.
4. The rule for dropping a ball when taking relief is that the ball is now to be dropped from knee length
5. The time for looking for a lost ball has been reduced from 5 minutes to 3 minutes
6. You may now take relief if your ball is embedded anywhere EXCEPT IN THE SAND
7. You may now continue to use the original ball or substitute another ball whenever you take either free relief or penalty relief
8. You may now leave the flagstick in when you are putting a ball that is on the green. There is no penalty if your ball hits the flagstick
9. You may now repair spike marks and animal damage on the green
10. There is no longer a penalty for touching the putting green in pointing out the target of your putt
11. You can no longer take relief from a lateral penalty area on the opposite side from where the ball last entered the lateral penalty area
12. There is no longer a penalty if you touch or move loose impediments (such as leaves, stones, sticks) or touch the ground with your hand or club in a penalty area
13. There is no longer a penalty if you touch or move loose impediments in a bunker
14. You may now touch the sand with your hand or club in a bunker except in the area directly behind or in front of your ball. You may not touch the sand with your hand or club to test the condition of the bunker
15. For two penalty strokes you may take relief outside the bunker by dropping the ball back on a line from the hole through where your ball was at rest in the bunker (Deerfield's current rule for our lady members on hole 13 still applies)
16. You may now continue to use any club that is damaged during the round no matter how the damage happened
17. You may not replace a damaged club during the round unless you were not responsible for causing the damage

In an effort to promote faster play you are encouraged to make each stroke in no more than 40 seconds, and usually more quickly.

Playing out of turn (ready golf) in stroke play is now affirmatively encouraged in a safe and responsible way to save time.

Here is a YouTube video link (from Bill Marriott) with the 20 most common rule changes for next year <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=chPOtfLUHC0>

## A Short History Test 1923

### Who Was:

1. President of the largest steel company?
2. President of the largest gas company?
3. President of the New York stock Exchange?
4. Greatest wheat speculator?
5. President of the Bank of International Settlement?
6. Great Bear of Wall Street?

These men were considered some of the world's most successful of their days..

Now, 80 years later, the history book asks us, if we know what ultimately became of them..

### The Answers:

1. The president of the largest steel company, Charles Schwab, died a pauper.
2. The president of the largest gas company, Edward Hopson, went insane.
3. The president of the NYSE, Richard Whitney, was released from prison to die at home.
4. The greatest wheat speculator, Arthur Cooger, died abroad, penniless.
5. The president of the Bank of International Settlement, shot himself.
6. The Great Bear of Wall Street, Cosabee Livermore, also committed suicide

However, in that same year, 1923, the PGA Champion and the winner of the most important golf tournament, the US Open, was Gene Sarazen.

What became of him?

He played golf until he was 92, died in 1999 at the age of 95. He was financially secure at the time of his death.

The Moral: Screw work. Play golf.

Thanks Mike Daniels for the submission.



## RULE CHANGES IN EFFECT FOR GOLFERS AGE 60+:

**Rule 9.k.34(a):** If a tree is between the ball and the hole, and the tree is deemed to be younger than the player, then the ball can be moved without penalty.. This is so because this is simply a question of timing; when the player was younger, the tree was not there so the player is being penalized because of his age.

**Rule 1.a.5** - A ball sliced or hooked into the Rough shall be lifted and placed on the Fairway at a point equal to the distance it carried or rolled into the Rough with no penalty. The senior player should not be penalized for tall grass which ground keepers failed to mow.

**Rule 2.d.6 (B)** - A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed NOT to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck and luck has no place in a scientific game. The senior player must estimate the distance the ball would have traveled if it had not hit the tree, and play the ball from there.

**Rule 3.B.3(G)** - There shall be no such thing as a lost ball. The missing ball is on or near the course and will eventually be found and pocketed by someone else, thereby making it a stolen ball. The senior player is not to compound the felony by charging himself with a penalty.

**Rule 4.c.7(h)** - If a putt passes over a hole without dropping, it is deemed to have dropped. The Law of Gravity supersedes the Rules of Golf.

**Rule 5.** - Putts that stop close enough to the cup that they could be blown in, may be blown in. This does not apply to balls more than three inches from the Hole. No one wants to make a mockery of the game.

**Rule 6.a.9(k)** - There is no penalty for so-called "out of bounds." If penny-pinching golf course owners bought sufficient land, this would not occur. The senior player deserves an apology, not a penalty.

**Rule 7.G.15(z)** - There is no penalty for a ball in a water hazard, as golf balls should float. Senior players should not be penalized for any shortcomings of the manufacturers.

**Rule 8.k.9(S)** - Advertisements claim that golf scores can be improved by purchasing new golf equipment. Since this is financially impractical for many senior players, one-half stroke per hole may be subtracted for using old equipment.

Please advise all your senior friends of these important rule changes and keep multiple copies in your golf bag. Those not following the rules need to be provided a copy.

Golf is.... above all.... a game of integrity.

Thanks for the submission Rick Batting.



# Merry Christmas!

## Hope to see everyone back in 2019!



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