



NO GOLF



Can I play golf?

If you live in metropolitan Melbourne, you cannot play golf.

Golf courses outside metropolitan Melbourne can open, however a person can only play golf with one other person or members of their own household.

People playing together must be able to keep at least 1.5 metres distance from each other and maintain 100 metres from all other groups (i.e. only two people should be playing a single hole at a time).

PLEASE NOTE that due to the move to Stage 4 COVID-19 restrictions there is considerable uncertainty as to when the remainder of our 2020 events will be played, with nothing possible before the 14th September at least.

Hopefully we will have some further clarity early September and members will be updated when that happens, both on the club website and by email.

Once able to recommence play, priority will be given to the conduct of our club championship but, at this time, it is difficult to say when and where that event might be played.

"Golf is a hard game to figure. One day you will go out and slice it and shank it, hit into all the traps and miss every green. The next day you go out and, for no reason at all, you really stink."

Bob Hope

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Men and Women recording things in their diaries.

Wife's Diary:

Tonight, I thought my husband was acting weird. We had made plans to meet at a nice restaurant for dinner.

I was shopping with my friends all day long, so I thought he was upset at the fact that I was a bit late, but he made no comment on it.

Conversation wasn't flowing, so I suggested that we go somewhere quiet so we could talk. He agreed, but he didn't say much.

I asked him what was wrong; He said, 'Nothing.

I asked him if it was my fault that he was upset.

He said he wasn't upset, that it had nothing to do with me, and not to worry about it.

On the way home, I told him that I loved him.

He smiled slightly and kept driving. I can't explain his behaviour.

I don't know why he didn't say, 'I love you, too.'

When we got home, I felt as if I had lost him completely, as if he wanted nothing to do with me anymore. He just sat there quietly and watched TV.

He continued to seem distant and absent. Finally, with silence all around us, I decided to go to bed. About 15 minutes later, he came to bed. But I still felt that he was distracted, and his thoughts were somewhere else. He fell asleep; I cried. I don't know what to do. I'm almost sure that his thoughts are with someone else. My life is a disaster.

Husband's Diary:

A one-foot putt... who the hell misses a one-foot putt?

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Birthdays for September

Richard	Baird
Ron	Damons
Terry	Edwards
Tony	Farriciello
Joe	Jhoty
Brian	Loft
George	McLaughlin
Gavin	Pearce
Neville	Petrie
Fortunato	Rizzo
Ronald	Wilson

**THERE ARE MORE THINGS
TO LIFE THAN
GOLF..**



BUT I IGNORE THEM



"Would you mind stepping behind me? The glare off your outfit is blinding me!"

Golf Therapy

Two women were playing golf. One teed off and watched in horror as her ball headed directly toward a foursome of men playing the next hole. The ball hit one of the men.

He immediately clasped his hands together at his groin, fell to the ground and proceeded to roll around in agony.

The woman rushed down to the man, and immediately began to apologize. 'Please allow me to help. I'm a Physical Therapist and I know I could relieve your pain if you'd allow me, she told him.

'Oh, no, I'll be all right. I'll be fine in a few minutes,' the man replied. He was in obvious agony, lying in the foetal position, still clasping his hands there at his groin.

At her persistence, however, he finally allowed her to help. She gently took his hands away and laid them to the side, loosened his pants and put her hands inside.

She administered tender and artful massage for several long moments and asked, 'How does that feel'?

He replied: It feels great, but I still think my thumb's broken!

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"Golf is a game that needlessly prolongs the lives of some of our most useless citizens."

Bob Hope

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Sponsorship and Golf Balls

The Golf Balls for the Ball run are now the Optima XSF golf balls. A much better ball than the current CS ball.

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“The game has such a hold on golfers because they compete not only against an opponent, but also against the course, against par, and most surely - against themselves.” - Arnold Palmer

Great Australian Moments Ogilvy's US Open

by Martin Blake



The United States Golf Association, which owns and runs the event, likes to make it so, much to the occasional chagrin of the pros accustomed to playing week-to-week events on the tours that they effectively own, such as the PGA Tour and the European Tour.

Even-par is often a winning score. It's a last-man-standing tournament and in 2006, Australia's Geoff Ogilvy found himself on top after an utter dogfight at the fabled Winged Foot, near New York City. It was the first men's major win by an Australian for more than a decade since Steve Elkington's 1995 PGA Championship triumph, and the signature moment of Ogilvy's outstanding career.

Melburnian Ogilvy did it in remarkable circumstances, shooting five-over par for the tournament, the highest-winning score against par since Hale Irwin, again at Winged Foot, shot seven-over to win in 1974.

It was enough to beat Americans Phil Mickelson and Jim Furyk and Scot Colin Montgomerie by a shot.

Destiny called Ogilvy that afternoon, for he was still a shot off the lead until the last scorecards came in. Both Mickelson and Montgomerie appeared to have him covered but at the tough par-four 18th, each contrived to make calamitous double bogey

sixes as the Australian sat in the clubhouse watching with his wife, Juli.

Both Mickelson and Montgomerie then threw it away and were left with regrets. Mickelson still has never won his national Open, and Montgomerie never won a major, despite his Ryder Cup heroics and domination of European golf.

The drama was unrelenting. First, Montgomerie, uttering "what sort of shot is THAT?" faltered with a poor long iron shot that sailed into deep rough right of the green and took a six, leaving only Mickelson ahead of the Australian.

Then Mickelson, seeking his national title for the first time and a shot ahead coming to the 18th, carved his drive left into the trees and – characteristically it must be said – went for a miracle shot with his second. Eventually plugged in a greenside bunker, he needed to get up and down from the sand to force a playoff with Ogilvy. He could not manage it.

Alas, that Open has been viewed through the prism of other people's failures rather than Ogilvy's excellence. But there is no denying Ogilvy's grit on that final day, highlighted by a chip-in from beside the 17th green to save par, right around the time when he realized that he had a chance of winning.

"It was in, or it was down in three," he told Golf Australia's *Inside The Ropes* podcast in 2019. "There was no down in two there. It was going 15 feet past, because that's the way the green was."

That shot brought out a rare Ogilvy fist-pump but there were still more dramas to come for him. At the par-four 18th, he hit a pure drive down the middle only to walk up and find his ball nestled in a sand-filled divot, the most insane piece of ill-fortune when the timing is factored in. "Pretty disappointing after you've hit the drive you've waited your whole life for," was how he described his feelings.

Ogilvy's pitch with a nine iron must have had him wondering again if the Gods were

down on him. Beautifully struck, he watched it laser at the flag. "In the air, both 'Squirrel' (caddie Alistair Matheson) and I thought it was going 'stiff'."

But the ball only carried only to the false front of the green and spun back off the putting surface. Another metre of carry and it would have been perfect. Back in the fairway, Ogilvy cursed.

The Aussie now had to confront a tricky up-and-down under immense pressure, now knowing that he was in the mix for the US Open. At his big moment, he hit the shot that he remembers most, a gorgeous, spinning chip with a wedge that grabbed and stopped just behind the flag, and then sank the putt from just inside two metres. He was almost devoid of outward nerves in making the four straight closing pars that were enough.

Mickelson had an idea how the ending would be judged. "Don't feel guilty about it," he told Ogilvy later, according to the Australian, who has spoken to the American several times about it. "He's been really gracious about it," said Ogilvy on *Inside The Ropes*.

Geoff Ogilvy, who grew up in the Melbourne sandbelt, riding his bike down to the nine-hole Cheltenham course after school and then caddying for adults at Royal Melbourne, ended up winning three World Golf Championship events and an Australian Open to go with the big one, the US Open. Now living back in Australia after 20 years in the US and delving into his passion for course architecture, he carries the moniker of major winner with grace. "It changes people's perspective of you as a golfer," he said. "You get a level of respect – whether it warrants it or not – people are different around you for a long time."

Optima™

An Old Golfer was hitting his ball from near a water hazard and his club fell into the water.

When he cried out, the Lord appeared and asked, "Why are you crying?"

The golfer replied that his club had fallen into the water and he needed the club to have a chance to win the tournament and supplement his meager pension.

The Lord went down into the water and reappeared with a golden club.

"Is this your club?" the Lord asked.

The golfer replied, "No."

The Lord again went down and came up with a silver club.

"Is this your club?" the Lord asked.

Again, the golfer replied, "No."

The Lord went down again and came up with an old iron club. "Is this your club?" the Lord asked.

The golfer replied, "Yes, that's it!"

The Lord was pleased with the golfer's honesty and gave him all three clubs to keep, and the golfer won his tournament and went home happy.

Sometime later, the golfer was walking with his wife along the water hazard, and she fell into the lake.

When he cried out, the Lord again appeared and asked him, "Why are you crying?"

"Oh, Lord, my woman has fallen into the water!"



The Lord went into the water and reappeared with Kate Upton. "Is this your woman?" the Lord asked.

"Yes," cried the golfer.

The Lord was furious. "You lied! That is an untruth!"

The golfer replied, "Oh, forgive me Lord. It is a misunderstanding. You see, if I had said 'No' to Kate Upton, you would have come up with Jennifer Anniston. Then if I said 'No' to her, you would have come up with my woman. Had I then said 'Yes,' you would have given me all three. And Lord, I am an old man not able to take care of all three women in a way that they deserve... so that's why I said 'Yes' to Kate Upton.

And God was pleased.

The moral of this story is:

If a golfer ever tells a lie, it is for a good and honourable reason and only out of consideration for others.

Cartoons and jokes contributed by Mario Caruso.

JASON DAY SPLITS WITH COACH COLIN SWATTON

By [AAP](#) Jul 30 2020



Jason Day has ended his 20-year partnership with coach Colin Swatton. The former World No.1, now ranked 43, says he intends to work on his own after splitting with his mentor.

"It's been a long and successful road working with Col," Day told [pgatour.com](#) on Wednesday ahead of this week's World Golf Championships-FedEx St Jude Invitational.

"I have just decided I want to make a change and work on my own as it pertains to my golf swing."

Swatton took the Queenslander under his wing as a 12-year-old at a golf boarding school not long after the teenager lost his father to cancer.

"Col has been way more than just a caddie and coach to me. I am forever grateful for all he has done for my golf and his continued friendship," the 32-year-old said.

Swatton said he would "cherish the ride" with Day, who won the 2015 PGA Championship as he rose to the top ranking.

"It's been a privilege to work with Jason since his childhood and I'll always cherish the ride we've shared that took us all the

way to the top of the golf world," Swatton said.

Day has not won on tour since 2018 and battled chronic back issues but after slipping outside the world top 50 earlier this year has climbed back with back-to-back top-10 finishes.

He said the results had boosted his confidence.

"My game feels like it is coming together at the right time so I'm looking forward to trying to maintain this momentum," Day told the website.

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The 23-year-old major winner who's made breaking records a habit

By Ben Morse, CNN



Collin Morikawa lines up a putt for eagle on the 16th green during the final round of the 2020 PGA Championship.

At the age of 23 years, 6 months, 3 days, Morikawa became the third-youngest PGA Championship winner since World War II, behind only Rory McIlroy and Jack Nicklaus.

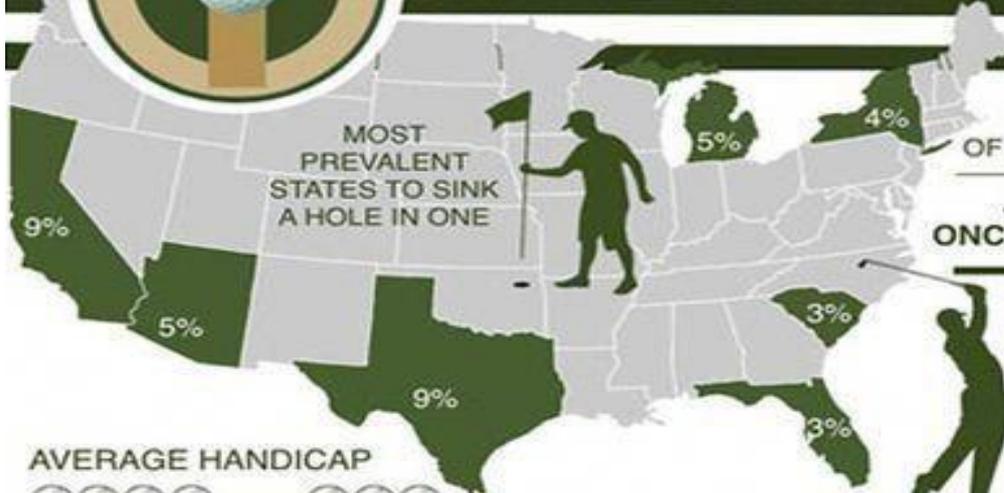
But comparisons to Tiger Woods -- who also won the competition aged 23 -- are farfetched at the moment, according to Morikawa.

He is just the ninth player to win the PGA Championship on their debut.

Morikawa now has three PGA Tour wins in just 29 starts. Remarkably, he has more wins that missed cuts.

WHAT DOES IT TAKE?

A STATISTICAL LOOK AT THE RARITY OF A HOLE IN ONE...



450 MILLION ROUNDS OF GOLF ARE PLAYED EACH YEAR

A HOLE IN ONE IS SCORED **ONCE IN EVERY 3,500 ROUNDS!**

OVER 128,000 HOLES IN ONE ARE SCORED EACH YEAR

1-2% % of GOLFERS WHO MAKE A HOLE IN ONE EACH YEAR

AVERAGE HANDICAP



45% OF HOLES IN ONE ARE MADE WITH A TITLEIST BALL



CAN YOU DO IT AGAIN? ODDS OF MULTIPLE HOLES IN ONE

2 HOLES IN ONE IN ONE ROUND



OF GOLFERS WHO MAKE A HOLE ONE...



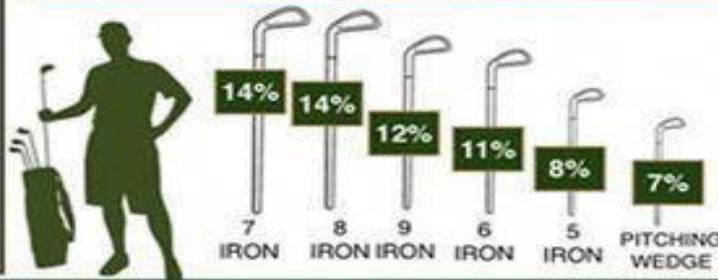
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MOST HOLES IN ONE SCORED BY ONE PERSON

57% OF HOLES IN ONE ARE MADE BY MID-HANDICAPPERS (10-19)

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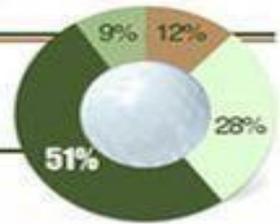
AVERAGE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE



40% OF HOLES IN ONE ARE MADE WITH A 7, 8 OR 9 IRON

60% OF HOLE IN ONE GOLFERS ARE 50 OR OLDER

- 10-29
- 30-49
- 50-69
- 70+



LONGEST HOLE IN ONE: 404 YARDS



AVERAGE HOLE LENGTH: 147 YARDS

SHORTEST HOLE IN ONE: 30 YARDS



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Membership Secretary,
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Sir,
I hereby apply for membership of the Hume Veterans Golf Club and if elected, agree to abide by the Articles of Association, By-Laws of the Club and Committee rulings. I have obtained the age of 55 years I am a financial member of a Golf Club affiliated with the Australian Golf Union and have a current handicap recognized by the Australian Golf Club Union or have a current Golfink handicap.

Name in full (in block letters) Polo Top Size.....

Golf Link Number

Address.....

..... Postcode.....

Email Address.....

Home Club..... Date of Birth.....

Home Telephone no..... Mobile.....

Emergency contact Name & Phone No.....

Signature.....

The above-mentioned candidate is personally known to us and we believe him to be a suitable person to be elected a Member of the Hume Veterans Golf Club.

Proposer (in block letters)

Signature.....

Seconder (in block letters)

Signature.....

Membership fees can be paid via direct debit to Hume Vets Golf Club

BSB: 033-118 Account Number: 344854

Provided that the Directors shall not be bound to accept the application for Membership of any person, provided also any inaccuracy or misrepresentation in the particulars relating to the applicant or his description shall render his election voidable at any time at the discretion of the Club.

Date received by the Membership Secretary...../...../.....

Signed.....