

## Vice President's Message

With December upon us we have already seen the weather changes to much cooler conditions and the implementation of our "winter rules" or preferred lies as they are formally referred to. In closely mown areas of the course you may mark, lift, clean and then place your ball within the length of a scorecard, no closer to the hole from where the ball was marked.

I recently had the opportunity to play in a professional tournament with some European Tour Lady Professionals in Jeddah during the Saudi Ladies Team International. Great experience. Watching the Ladies conduct themselves on the course was amazing. They were particularly diligent in repairing their pitch marks on the greens. It was unthinkable to leave a green without cleaning up after themselves. A lot more of our members need to do a better job tidying up their divots and pitch marks. It is appalling to see how many unrepaired pitch marks are on our greens. Members need to act and speak out when pitch marks aren't being looked after.

Additionally, 'tis the season for Membership Renewal. You should have received an email yesterday with all the instructions and forms to renew your RHGC for 2021. If you have any questions, please email our [Membership Director](#).

Finally, there will be a new Executive Board announced at the December 6th, RHGC Annual General Meeting. December will be my last month serving the Executive Team and it has been pleasure in doing my small part to help advance the objectives of the Club.

See you on the course,

Les

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## Special Guest

Rolling Hills Golf Club was fortunate to have Mike Mikolajczak visit our course this past weekend. Mike is a professional caddie and has worked with many elite professionals. Most recently, he caddied for Esther Henseleit at the first professional women's golf tournament held in Saudi Arabia — the Saudi Ladies International which was sponsored by Saudi Aramco and was held in Jeddah this past November.



Mike really enjoyed the course but commented, “Man, those greens were tough.” As we already didn’t know that!



## Ask Carl

Q: Are we allowed to drive across the water on 12 and 4? What about on 13? Why do I have to use the bridge? What's the big deal with driving through the water?

A: No carts are allowed in the water. These areas are penalty zones and carts driving through will alter the playability. In addition, the grass is altered before and after the water and this also changes the grass playability.

Q: What is the status of Stuart? How do I take a lesson now?

A: There is an outstanding issue with some paperwork required at the Saudi Embassy in the UK. We are working diligently with concerned parties to resolve the issue. As for a temporary pro come and teach, the Executive Board is discussing options. The membership will be updated with a decision has been made.

If you would like Carl to answer a question, please email a Board member and they will make sure Carl gets it. Which is nice.

## Handicap Corner

### Upcoming 2021 GHIN Digital Profile Requirement

Beginning in early January 2021, in order to post scores using the suite of GHIN products (GHIN.com & GHIN mobile app), each member with an active GHIN handicap number will need to register themselves for a 'GHIN Digital Profile'. In order to create a digital profile, a golfer must have a valid, unique email address in their GHIN account before January 2021. More information will be forthcoming on this requirement, but please review the attached list of Frequently Asked Questions for initial projection of what to expect in January. Click [here](#) to access the GHIN Digital Profile FAQs document.

To avoid any disruptions, RHGC has ensured that each active GHIN member has an email in their GHIN account. The RHGC handicap director (rhgchandicaps@gmail.com) has been diligently updating GHIN with all the required information over the past couple of weeks and adding missing emails in GHIN using available email addresses (e.g. from USGA TM). The GHIN email address is where more information will be sent to you in January by the GHIN system to establish your GHIN Digital Profile. So be on the lookout for these emails.

If you need to change your GHIN email address, please email RHGC GHIN Club Admin at [rhgchandicaps@gmail.com](mailto:rhgchandicaps@gmail.com).

### Score Posting for Minors (12 y/o and under) when Digital Profile launches

In tandem with the GHIN Digital Profile release, the ability to post scores and communicate with Minors (12 years old or under) will also be changing. Golfers designated as Minors will not be able to provide an email address, create a digital profile, or directly access GHIN Golfer Products (GHIN Mobile App, GHIN.com, GHIN Kiosks). Instead, their profile must be linked to a Guardian (19+ years old) who can then access the golfer products and post on their behalf. A Minor is defined as a golfer who is under 13 years of age per the date of birth in their GHIN golfer profile.

A new Guardian Management field has been introduced within GHIN to link a guardian to each minor before digital profiles are introduced in January 2021. Click [here](#) to access the Minor/Guardian FAQ's document.

For RHGC, this has been done, the guardian will be the RHGC primary member parent associated with the Minor in their family membership.

## Grounds

The grass is nearing dormancy and this is the time of year that golf carts can do a lot of damage to the grass. As a reminder, please adhere to the below cart etiquette.

- Golf carts should not be driven within 30 feet of the greens
- Golf carts should not be driven between green-side bunkers and the green (hole 2-3-13-14)
- Golf carts should not be driven on tee boxes and collars
- Golf carts should not be driven into water penalty areas (3-4-12-13-15-16)
- Wooden barriers are used to direct traffic. Do not driven over them or move them.
- Where grounds are saturated due to irrigation issues, or rain, do your best to avoid driving over these areas as it can quickly damage the grass
- When practical, drive on cart paths and not the grass
- If driving on grass, stick to the fairway and minimize driving in the rough

We have 9 non-Board Members who have volunteered to help repair pitch-mark damaged greens. This is far shy of the 30+ we were hoping to pick up. Send me email if you have time to help the club ([rhgcgrounds@gmail.com](mailto:rhgcgrounds@gmail.com)).

TOTAL	Volunteer
1	Glenn Reierson
2	Handy Vincentius
3	Halvor Cova
4	Fahad Mulaik
5	Donnell Cathey
6	Chuck Bradford
7	Johannes Vaartjes
8	Tim Billa
9	Tom Harneshaug

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# Safwa's Specials

Rolling Hills Golf Course Clubhouse Patio  
 To place an order, Whatsapp 050 597 2659

Monday                      Shawarmas.....10 SAR

Whatsapp pre-order by 3PM, recommended, not required



Tuesday                      Burger and Fries.....45 SAR

Extra Fries.....15 SAR

1/3 pound (150g) fresh ground burger  
 Fresh, hand-cut fries  
 Add 5SAR for cheese and/or grilled onion  
 Whatsapp to pre-order, recommended, not required.



Wednesday                      Rotisserie Chicken and Fries

Whole Chicken.....60 SAR

Half Chicken.....35 SAR

Extra Fries.....15 SAR



Whatsapp pre-order Tuesday evening with pick up time request. (Every effort will be made to fill orders placed after Tuesday evening, but no guarantee.)

## Friday and Saturday Breakfast and Lunch (7:30-1:00)

(Prayer break Friday, 11:30-12:00)

Limited availability

- Breakfast Sandwich: Egg and Cheese.....18 SAR
- Breakfast Burrito with Homemade Salsa.....25 SAR
- Burger and Fries.....45 SAR

- ♦ Non-members may order
- ♦ Required temperature check at Starter next to Pro Shop, then proceed to back patio of the RHGC Clubhouse
- ♦ Cash payment (only) on the back patio
- ♦ Non-members not allowed entry to Clubhouse (per EPD rules)
- ♦ Pre-orders recommended, but only required for rotisserie chicken

\*\*Wear a mask and maintain a safe distance. Correct change appreciated.\*\*

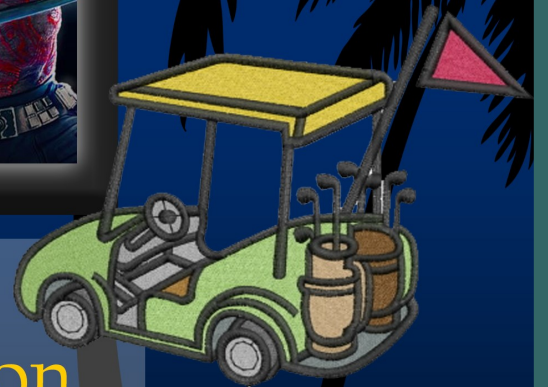
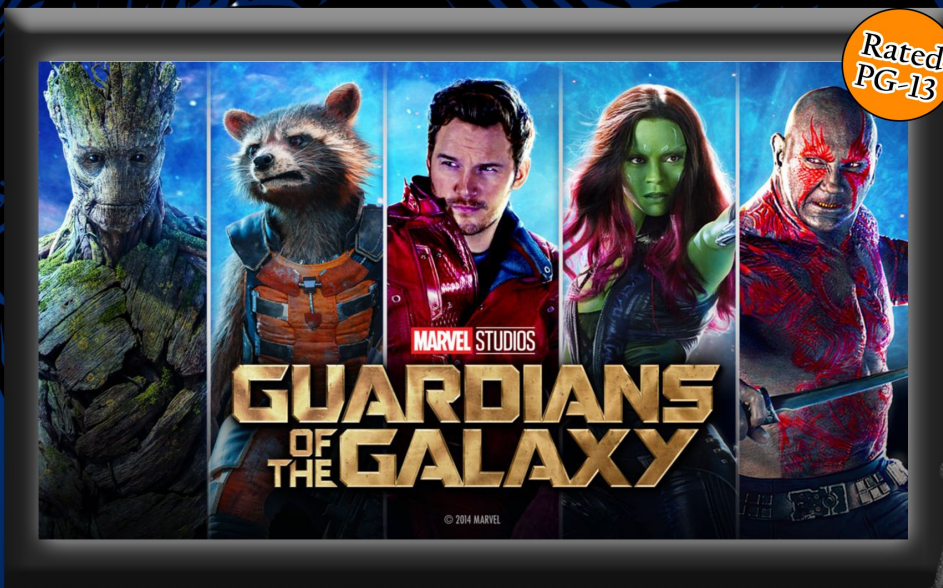
\*Weekday meals are ready beginning at 3PM until sold out.\*

MENU AND PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

# GOLF CART DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT



Thurs, January 28 @ 7pm



Be on the lookout in January for information on food, cost, and reservations!

Volunteers needed to help with set-up & take-down

Contact Tamara at [ttahir@saeslearning.com](mailto:ttahir@saeslearning.com)

- All ages welcome
- Bring your golf carts, blankets, & lawn chairs
- Movie showing on grass behind clubhouse

**Classifieds****FOR SALE****2004 CLUB CAR GAS GOLF CART****13,000 SAR**

- Well maintained, runs great and gets used 3 times per week & stored in cart shed
- Serviced yearly (last service October 2020 – new filters & oil change)
- Runs great and gets used 3 times per week
- Comes with seat covers, 1 sand bottle & holder and storage basket
- Available the afternoon of December 5<sup>th</sup>
- Contact **Jay Harrington 54 774 5991** or [jhwgharrington@gmail.com](mailto:jhwgharrington@gmail.com)



If you would like to sell a golf related item in the RHGC Classifieds, please contact Bruce Waldner.