



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTED ON FEBRUARY 2, 2016

## INCREASE IN MATCH FEE

Dear Members:

In order to keep up with the increase of the costs of organizing matches, tournaments and competitions, the Board has approved the increase of the regular match fee from Naf. 7,50 to Naf. 10,00 per match as of July 1, 2016.

While hoping to have informed you accordingly.

Best regards.

*Your CG&SC Match Committee*

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## CLUB OFF LIMITS – FEBRUARY 22, 2016

Dear Members:

It has now been two months since we moved to our new clubhouse. The contractor has officially turned over the project and the two-month maintenance term has by now expired. Of course, all pending issues have been taken care of satisfactorily and signed off by the Board.

The new clubhouse is operating to our satisfaction and expectation. However, it has probably not escaped your attention that it is taking a long time before the locker rooms, restrooms and golfbag storage are fully operational. Unfortunately, we have to announce that the supplier of all wooden furniture for the cafeteria, kitchen and bar, mirrors and the installation of the bag storage carrousel did not fulfill all his promises and that as a result of that, we had to part ways with him. Luckily, the financial damage was limited and except the fact that we did loose a lot a time, we will stay



within the budget. Between now and one week, all lockers and carrousel will be installed and will be available to the members.

The last phase: Monday, February 22, 2016 we will start the demolition of the old clubhouse which is expected to take about two weeks. To be able to successfully complete the first phase [we have decided to close the club for all member activities on Monday, February 22, 2016](#). This means that the club will be off limits to everybody - there will be no golf, no squash and no access to the clubhouse on this day. After the demolition, the parking lot will be leveled and covered with a temporary layer of fine gravel (diabaas).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask me or any of my colleagues in the Board.

With kind regards.  
On behalf of the Board.

Marten O'Niel  
*Commissioner - New Building*

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## DEMOLITION OLD CLUBHOUSE

Dear Members:

This is our last call to those members who still have not emptied their lockers and/or removed their pull carts out of the old clubhouse. If you haven't done so by now, you will be granted the opportunity to do so until February 10, 2016. After this date, we will start the preparations to demolish the old clubhouse and the Board will not be responsible anymore for any damage or loss to the content of the old lockers and/or pull carts.

Members who are interested in one of the old lockers can pick one up only after first having registered with Eileen.

The Board of the Curaçao Golf & Squash Club

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## LOCAL GOLF COURSE RULES & ETIQUETTE

The Board of the Curacao Golf & Squash Club would like to refresh some of our local rules and some worldwide recognized golf and etiquette rules.

### COURSE MAINTENANCE

When our green keepers are working on a green they take out the flagpole. This means that the green is closed for play and no approach may be made for safety of, and courtesy to the green keepers. Players should pick-up their ball and continue their round on the next T-Box.

When the green keepers are mowing the fairways or are otherwise busy on the course, they try to observe the players on the course and when players are approaching they interrupt their work or move aside their equipment and invite players to continue their round by waiving them through. Players must wait for that signal and are not allowed to hit balls when green keepers are in reach of a shot.

### PACE OF PLAY AND PRIORITY ON THE COURSE

Our course is a nine-hole course and we do not require our players to arrange T-Times to start on hole 1. This brings some local etiquette rules into play making it possible for flights already underway to continue their rounds uninterrupted and for flights starting later, flights playing a 10-holes round or playing a shorter round to mix with flights already on the course.

Players starting later are on our course allowed to start on other holes than hole 1, for instance on hole 3, 5 and 7 provided there is room to do so. This is never the case when a group of players already on the course has approached the green of the previous hole. Such a flight has right of way and a starting flight must wait until the previous flight has teed off and is out of reach. This may mean that on busy days it may be difficult for late starters to mix in.

### [Pace of play on our course](#)

The current Etiquette guidelines as suggested by the U.S.G.A. and R&A describe in the "Pace of Play" section: "It is a group's responsibility to keep up with the group in front. If



it loses a clear hole and it is delaying the group behind, it should invite the group behind to play through, irrespective of the number of players in that group. Where a group has not lost a clear hole, but it is apparent that the group behind can play faster, it should invite the faster moving group to play through."

### Priority on the course

"Priority on the Course" is determined by a group's pace of play regardless of the number of holes the group is playing. The term 'group' includes a single player.

The Board adopts these suggestions with the following exceptions:

1. a player playing more than one (1) ball and two players playing from one set of clubs do not constitute a group as outlined above; such players have no "standing" and must give right of way at all times.
2. a group consisting of more than 4 players does not constitute a group as outlined above, has no "standing" and has to give right of way at all times.
3. a group that extends the number of players during the round loses its group status and thus their "standing" and has to give right of way at all times.

Note that the Board does not encourage these exceptions in any way but they are tolerated provided other groups are not obstructed in their play.

The Board of the CG&SC has determined many years ago that Monday afternoon is reserved for Youth, Tuesday afternoon for Ladies and Wednesday afternoon for Men's golf. This means that these afternoons Youth, Ladies and Men respectively have priority on the course. Provided there is sufficient room others are allowed to play bearing in mind above course etiquette rules.

When the Committee has organized a match, the course is open only to participants of the match and closed to all other players. This is in any case relevant as of 4 PM. on afternoons when Company Members Competition matches are played and as of 1 PM. on Saturday afternoons.

### OTHERS

When a player of a flight in front of your flight has hit a ball on your fairway, give that player the right of way. Logic: if you keep that player from hitting, you will hold up his flight which in turn will hold all the flights behind them including your flight.



Do NOT, under any circumstance, hit a ball toward a green unless the flight in front of you has completely left the green and is at a safe distance from that green. NOT even as a statement for them "hurry up".

Never hit a ball unless you are 100% sure that your ball will land at least 100 yards away from the flight in front of you. Human strength works in mysterious ways and when you least expect it, you hit the best shot of your life and DO reach the golfers in front of you.

*In general, "the Spirit of the Game" section describes that: "Golf is played for the most part, without the supervision of a referee or umpire. The game relies on the integrity of the individual to show consideration for other players and to abide by the rules. All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be. This is the spirit of the game of golf." If we keep this in mind we can all enjoy our beautiful course.*

