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## ***2008 Members' Advisory Committee***

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The Members' Advisory Committee is determined by the membership through a nomination, invitation or volunteer process. The Committee meets each month during the March through October period and otherwise at the call of the Chair.

The mandate of the Committee is to serve the Membership and act as liaison with Management with the objective primarily being golf, fellowship, member's activities, for the benefit and enjoyment of all Club Members. Members are invited to register comments, suggestions or complaints with members of the Committee.

***This information handout is intended for the sole use of Members of Pheasant Glen Golf Club. It is not to be used for solicitation of any kind.***

## ***Members' events and competitions***

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### ***Event dates 2008 season***

<b><i>Friday April 25<sup>th</sup>:</i></b>	<b><i>Member/New member Reception.</i></b>
<b><i>Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>:</i></b>	<b><i>Spring Event.</i></b>
<b><i>Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup> :</i></b>	<b><i>Summer Event.</i></b>
<b><i>Sat/Sunday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>:</i></b>	<b><i>Club Championship.</i></b>
<b><i>Saturday Sep 27<sup>th</sup>:</i></b>	<b><i>Fall event.</i></b>

For Member information, please check the bulletin board located by the Golf Shop and please assure your e-mail address is current should you wish to receive our minutes and notices electronically.

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### ***Spring, Summer and Fall Events***

- open to Members and their spouse (significant other/guest)
- entry fee includes dinner and prizes, fee to be set by the Members' Committee
- entry fee for non-members will include a discounted green fee
- teams will normally be a mix of women and men
- while the emphasis will be on draw prizes, the format of the event will determine the prize categories
- handicaps will normally be determined by using the Callaway system

### ***Hole-in-one Pot***

- open to all Members
- entries are received in the Golf Shop up until the date of the first Members' event
- entry fee is set at \$10.00
- event runs from the date of the first Members event and closes on the date of the last Members' event
- in the event there is no hole-in-one registered, the pot will be split up and a draw will take place at the Members' closing event

### ***Dutton Cups***

- open to all Members with current registered handicaps
- women will compete for the Donna Dutton Cup and men will compete for the W.R. Dutton Cup
- entries for both competitions are received in the Golf Shop generally up to the end of April, beginning of May
- the respective draws will be posted for play
- it is the responsibility of the player in the upper bracket to arrange the match no later than the date posted for completion, usually a two week window
- an extension can only be authorized by the Members' Advisory Committee
- any questions as to procedure/rules will be decided by the Golf Professional on duty
- handicaps current at the time of the match will be in effect
- the higher handicap player receives the difference in the two handicaps as the strokes fall on the score card
- if after 18 holes the match is tied, play will continue on the 1<sup>st</sup> hole until a hole is won outright
- each competitor is guaranteed two matches – competitors losing their first match will be placed in a consolation flight
- prizes will be awarded to the winner, runner-up, consolation winner and runner-up

### ***Club Championships (2 day event)***

- open to all Members with current registered handicaps
- entries will be received in the Golf Shop up until the Thursday before the tournament – entry fee, including dinner and prizes is currently set at \$25.00
- play will commence from the first tee only
- any questions as to procedure/rules will be decided by the Golf Professional on duty

- a new and inclusive format will recognize all levels of golfing interest and ability. Gross and net prizes will be played from Black, Silver and Gold tees (Men), and Gold and Green tees (Women).
- the following Champions will be recognized based on a gross score:
  - Men – from the Black Tees, Club Champion; from the Silver Tees, Senior Club Champion – 55 and over.
  - Women – from the Gold Tees, Club Champion; from the Green Tees, Senior Club Champion – 50 and over.
- all competitors will be placed in flights according to the tee they choose to play from.
- flight prizes will be distributed on a gross and net score basis
- following play on the final round, there will be a dinner reception hosted by the Members' Committee followed by the presentation of prizes.

### ***Event Cancellation Guideline***

Should a scheduled event be cancelled after members have paid their entry fees, the following actions shall be taken under the following circumstances:

- 1) Cancellation of an event 3 days or less prior to the scheduled date due to the golf course being unplayable:
  - The after-event dinner shall go on as planned and all available awards money shall be distributed as door prizes during the evening. Although the event itself is cancelled, no refunds shall be provided as the restaurant would be placed in the position of having committed for staff scheduling and dinner supplies already ordered.
- 2) Cancellation of an event 4 or more days prior to the scheduled event:
  - All entry fees will be refunded to members and the event will either be cancelled or re-scheduled.
- 3) When a significant number of players decide not to play on the day of the event because of inclement weather or some other reason:
  - Should less than 50% of the paid up entrants finish the round, the dinner shall go on as planned and all prize money shall be awarded as door prizes.
  - Should 50% or more of the entrants finish the round, the event and dinner will continue as planned.

## ***BCGA/RCGA Affiliation***

Pheasant Glen Golf Club, and all of the people who are members, enjoy the many benefits that are realized as a result of the work of the governing associations of the game. Course ratings, handicap systems, competitions, junior development and government lobbying are just some of the activities from which all golfers benefit.

In accordance with the “RCGA Handicap System” Pheasant Glen has established a “Handicap Committee” to ensure the integrity of the Handicap Factors issued, and that all acceptable scores are posted by members and made available for peer review.

Members of Pheasant Glen Golf Club contribute to the work of these organizations by paying an annual membership fee. These annual fees are invoiced along with the Annual Dues for membership.

## **HANDICAP POLICY**

*August 7, 2006*

### **PREAMBLE**

Pheasant Glen Golf Club (PGGC) has full affiliation with the Royal Canadian Golf Association (RCGA), including the Women’s Division of the RCGA, and the British Columbia Golf Association (BCGA). These associations control and administer the systems of golf course rating and handicapping.

Benefits of affiliation include independent rating of our golf course from all tees for both men and women and access to an approved RCGA Handicap System to record scores and issue Handicap Factors to members of PGGC.

### **POLICY**

1. PGGC has adopted and follows all of the procedures of the RCGA Handicap System in order to maintain the integrity and fairness of all members’ handicaps. This will make certain that fair and equitable competition in all events within the Club, and outside the Club exists for all competitors. This includes Junior, Women’s and Men’s Clubs, club-wide competitions, interclub and outside competitions.
2. To administer the procedures of the RCGA Handicap System, and make the game equitable and enjoyable for all members, PGGC has established a Handicap Committee reporting to the Members’ Advisory Committee. It is the role of the Handicap Committee to: know the RCGA System; communicate the RCGA System to Club members; ensure the opportunity exists for peer review of handicap scores; and follow the procedures of the RCGA System at the Club.

### **PROCEDURES AND ROLE OF THE HANDICAP COMMITTEE**

- 1 **Peer Review:** this will be established and integrated into practices by communicating how to “View Scores” on the handicap computer system plus use of “T” scores and competition results review – see following items 2 and 3.
- 2 **“T” Scores:** The Handicap Committee in consultation with the Men’s and Women’s Clubs shall establish schedules of “T” or Tournament Rounds and post

notices adjacent to the scoring computer. The “Tournament ” button should be selected when entering these scores.

- 3 **Competition Results:** the Handicap Committee will review the results of competitions and take appropriate action if score entries are incorrect. This will normally be achieved by audit of the best 10 net and gross scores for: entry, correct use of Equitable Stroke Control “ESC” and “T” designations.
- 4 **Allocation of Handicap Strokes to Holes:** Men’s and Women’s stroke allocation to each hole on the golf course will be monitored and reviewed by the Handicap Committee and Management.
- 5 **Education:** the Handicap Committee will:
  - Send an annual notice to members re. The Handicap System (see item 6 below).
  - Be available for education and Q&A at Men’s and Women’s monthly lunches
  - Write features in newsletters and communiqués
  - Give an annual seminar where there is sufficient interest.
- 6 **Notice to Members:** issue an annual reminder to include:
  - How to post a score
  - What scores are acceptable for scoring
  - How to post for casual, tournament and away games
  - A list of the Handicap Committees’ policies and procedures
  - Handicap adjustment powers of the Handicap Committee
  - Penalties for players failing to return scores.
- 7 **Handicap Factor Adjustment:** the Handicap Committee is required to reduce or withdraw the Handicap Factors of players who do not return all their acceptable scores and who otherwise do not observe the spirit of the RCGA Handicap System.  
  
Conversely the Handicap Committee also has the authority to increase the Handicap Factors of players who because of exceptional circumstances have Handicap Factors that are too low.
- 8 **Failure to Post Scores:** if players do not turn in all acceptable scores or do not observe the spirit of the RCGA Handicap System, the Handicap Committee has authority to determine the amount of adjustment and post penalty scores.

## *Women’s and Men’s Clubs*

Female Members of the Club may join the Women’s Club that schedules play each Tuesday morning from April through October. There is an elected committee that organizes the activities of the Women’s Club. Tee times are blocked for this group and

currently play starts at 8:30 AM with the exception of the last Tuesday of each month, when a modified shotgun start format is used. On the last Tuesday of each month the ladies hold a luncheon following play and give out prizes for the month.

Male Members of the Club may join the Men's Club that schedules play each Wednesday morning from April through October. There is an elected committee that organizes the activities of the Men's Club. Tee times are blocked off for this group and currently play starts at 8:30 AM with the exception of the last Wednesday of each month, when a modified shotgun start format is used. On the last Wednesday of each month the men hold a luncheon following play and give out prizes for the month.

## ***Golf Course Etiquette***

### ***Every Member should***

- Arrive at the golf course ***15-20 minutes before*** their tee time, allowing time to register and warm up
- Recognize that a dress code exists to enhance everyone's experience
- Keep pull carts, as well as golf cars, on the path at tees and greens, and avoid tracking through wet areas or areas that are already showing wear
- Not take pull carts ***between*** sand traps and putting surfaces
- Not take divots with practice swings
- ***Replace*** divots after hitting a shot or fill divot with sand provided
- Enter a sand trap ***from the lowest side*** – never climb down the face of a sand trap
- Rake sand traps after play – leave the sand trap the way you would like to find it, and leave the rake ***outside*** of the sand trap when finished
- ***Repair*** your ball mark upon reaching the green – every time a ball lands on a green, it makes a ball mark – if your ball didn't land on the green, look for someone else's ball mark and fix it
- Respect signs on the golf course – they are there to either provide information, assist in maintaining the golf course for your ultimate benefit, or as a safety reminder
- ***Keep pace*** with the group in front – the pace of play should be ***four hours*** for 18 holes – no one enjoys excessive waits, but neither do they enjoy being chased – respect other golfers
- Treat the golf course as a place of reverence, to be enjoyed for all that it provides, and recognize the work and effort of others that goes into making it such a place
- Be thankful for the opportunity to enjoy the company of other golfers, on a golf course in wonderful condition, in a setting that is both peaceful and undisturbed, and recognize that every game of golf presents different challenges and conditions and it is these things that attract us to the game, and keep us all playing it

***Remember, every time you play, every swing you take.....  
.....It's a whole new ballgame!***