

# **“Top Banana” Society Golf Tournament**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 10:30h Shotgun Start**

## **Tournament Format & Local Rules**

1. **Scoring:** Individual Stableford. Team score – best 8 scores from each team are added to give winning Society, in case of a tie on points, the team with the lower sum of handicaps wins. To make it fairer for the smaller teams against the larger teams, for each player over the minimum 8 players per team there is a 1,5 point deduction from their team score, so for example, a team with 12 players would have 6 points deducted from their team score.

Best Individual Score in two categories – in case of a tie on points, the player with the lower handicap wins

2. **Buggies:** It is not permitted to take buggies beyond the posts marking the ante greens.
3. **Placement of ball:** Balls on fairways may be marked, lifted, cleaned and replaced at a maximum distance of 15cm, without gaining distance. Once the ball has been replaced it is in play.
4. **The lifting and cleaning of embedded balls:** A ball which has become embedded due to its own impact, on any part of the course, may be lifted, cleaned and dropped without penalty.
5. **Ground under repair:**
  - A. All the areas marked with blue posts. Ball may not be played from where it lies; relief must be taken, without penalty.
  - B. Drainage paths covered with gravel but not marked with yellow posts; ball may be played from where it lies or relief may be taken without penalty.
  - C. Any area that has been damaged by wild boar. Ball may be played from where it lies or relief may be taken without penalty.
6. **Protection of young trees:**

Young trees can be identified by blue sticks or tape, if said tree or the watering shallow around its base interfere with the golfer's stance or swing, the ball must be lifted and dropped without penalty in accordance with the rules relating to ground under repair.

7. **Out of Bounds:**
  - A. On the other side of any wall, fence, white post or painted white line which defines the perimeter of the Course.

- B. Green posts next to white posts between holes 2 & 4 and between holes 12 & 13 mark the out of bounds areas when playing holes 4 and 12 respectively.

8. **Immovable Objects:**

- A. Distance markers and concrete paths.  
B. Stone tunnel across the fairway on hole 7.  
C. Stone path and wall to the left of the 9<sup>th</sup> green. If the ball lands between the two painted markers on the path the player may take relief within the designated drop zone without penalty.  
D. The cement bases to the posts marking Out of Bounds limits

9. **Movable Objects:**

Any stones in the bunkers are movable objects.

10. **Water Hazards:** (Including lateral water hazards)

- A. The perimeters of the water hazards on holes 7 and 12 are defined by the parts of the stone walls nearest to the Course around the hazards.  
B. There is a designated drop zone on hole 15, defined by 4 white posts. When the ball enters the water hazard at a point which is closer to the flag than the drop zone the ball may be played from where it lies or it must be played from the drop zone, incurring 1 penalty shot.

11. **Integral parts of the Course:**

The paths, bridges and walls within water hazards are considered integral parts of the Course, also the wooden paths which cross the water hazard on hole 12, the stone walls around the ante greens on holes 10, 17 & 18, the stone walls that mark out the tees, and all the stone walls on the Course.

**Important Note:**

If there is a difference of opinion over the correct ruling during play (e.g. over where a ball should be played from), the player should play the ball from the position he/she thinks it should be played from (and mark the result) and then play a second ball from the position the other player/s think the ball should be played from, and mark this result also.

A final judgment will be given upon returning to the Clubhouse