



# ROLLING HILLS GOLF CLUB

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## President's Message

I want to congratulate Othman Al-Mulla for winning the cup and Sammy Kim for winning the plate at this weekend's 56<sup>th</sup> annual SAIT. It was a wonderful event with great weather. Thank you so much to the board for all your work in making this event such a success.

This is my final newsletter as President. I cannot believe 4 years have passed and I want to thank all of the RHGC Board members, Volunteers and Members for their incredible dedication and perseverance. In addition I want to thank our SAGA Officers, Community Service Admin, along with Jason Sexton and his crew for supporting so many changes over the years.

Being an officer in an SDG is not easy, it is a lot of work, but with that hard work comes a real satisfaction of a job well done. Our membership is up over 850 and our junior and women's groups are at their highest totals ever. These numbers are being heard throughout the Kingdom as the game of golf is truly growing with 9 new courses being built in the next 10 years and full expansion of professional and amateur tournaments throughout the Middle East. Golf is here to stay for sure! I will certainly miss the action and hustle and bustle of being President, but I also look forward to just enjoy some time away.

Again, thank you for your support over the years and let me know if you want to get out for a game?

Ed Devlin

## From the Pro

The next "Golf in a Week" class starts on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Classes are an hour each day beginning at 7:00 pm and run for 5 consecutive days. Courses aimed at beginner and intermediate golfers. It covers all aspects of the game: Safety, Rules, Etiquette, Swing Method, and an on course Texas scramble. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 600 SAR.

Stuart offers a ladies' only class each Thursday morning from 9:00 -10:00. All equipment is supplied and there is free coffee on arrival. It is ideal for either the beginner or intermediate golfer as it covers all the skills to get one out on the course! The cost is 90 SAR per person per class.

The Junior Tour School will start on Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup> and run each Friday for 4 weeks. The classes are from 8:00am — 9:00am. The schools will cover rules, etiquette, and golf swing mechanics. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 300SR.

Individual Lessons can be taken any day at times convenient — check out the website for more information on lesson prices [www.arabiangolf.net](http://www.arabiangolf.net).

To register, you may contact Stuart at:

[stuarthurstfield@gmail.com](mailto:stuarthurstfield@gmail.com) or WhatsApp +44-775-337-1547

December 2<sup>nd</sup> — Ladies' Classes Continues

December 4<sup>th</sup> — Junior Tour School

December 19<sup>th</sup> — Golf in a Week

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## Upcoming Tournament Information

### Golf Ball Tournament

The Golf Ball Tournament will be held on **December 3rd**.

It is a team format where teams alternate teeing from the Blue, White, and Red Tees. Teams of 4 can sign up now via the [RHGC Tournament Portal](#).

See page 11 for more details.

### December Monthly Medal

The December Medal and the first leg in the 2022 Race for the Hills will take place on **December 11th**.

[Registration is now open.](#)

The [2021 Tournament Calendar](#) is available on the RHGC's website.

December 3<sup>rd</sup> — The Golf Ball Tournament

December 11<sup>th</sup> — December Medal



### Ask Carl

Q: I was told that I could not use range balls on the putting green. Is that true?

A: It is correct that you are not allowed to use range balls on either the putting green or the chipping area. This is part of COVID protocols. Range balls are washed and cleaned prior to being placed on the range. They are meant to be touched by a single person before being hit back out on to the range. If they are used on the putting green, or chipping area, a ball might come into contact with several people; this is not allowed under the present COVID protocols. This is also why you are not allowed to touch the flag stick and why rakes are not being used.

Q: What do I do if I see a ball mark on the green, but I know it's not from my ball?

A: Fix it. Whenever I am on a green, I do a quick scan to look for ball marks I can fix. Why? A ball mark quickly mended will immediately begin healing, with the roots continuing to grow. Unrepaired marks can take a week to ten days to start regenerating. [Click here](#) to see a USGA video on how to repair ball marks.

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.

## 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The RHGC Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at the RHGC Clubhouse on Sunday, December 5th, 2021 at 5:00pm. There is also an option to attend via Zoom. Details for the Zoom option are shown below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86534044428?pwd=M1Y1R1pkalFWcUpLdEQyM1IzOWJiQT09>

Meeting ID: 865 3404 4428

Passcode: 843583

All primary members of the Club in good standing (RHGC dues are current) may vote during the AGM. Please note the attached Proposed 2022 RHGC Budget. The RHGC Board seeks to have the budget approved at the AGM.

Winners of the 2021 Board Election for the 2022 – 2023 term, will also be announced at the AGM.

Should you have any question concerning the budget ahead of the AGM, please contact Jeff Meisner, RHGC Treasurer at [RHGCTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:RHGCTreasurer@gmail.com).

For any questions concerning the AGM or general questions, please contact JP Scallon at [RHGCBoard@gmail.com](mailto:RHGCBoard@gmail.com)

## 2021 Race to the Hills Results

Congratulations to the top finishers in the 2021 RHGC Race to the Hill

Place	Name	R1	R2	Total Points
1	Manuel Soudant	24	26	50
2	Soonhae Kim	16	30	46
3	Geonyoung Kang	26	20	46
4	Adbelbaki Boukbira	27	19	46

## 2021 SAIT Results



Champion  
Othman Al-Mulla



Plate Champion  
Sammy Kim

### Championship Division

Place	Name	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross
1	Othman Al-Mulla	-1	68	75	143
2	Ali Abdulla Al-Shahrani	+2	73	73	146
3	Bouchaib Al-Jadiani	+4	70	78	148

### Plate Division

Place	Name	Total To Par Gross	R1	R2	Total Gross
1	Sammy Kim	+24	84	84	168
2	Michael Burke	+29	89	84	173
3	Ice Soo Kim	+29	86	87	173

### Plate Division - Low Net

Place	Name	Total To Par Net	R1	R2	Total Net
1	Mark Doyle	+3	72	75	147
2	Sammy Kim	+2	73	73	146
3	Michael Burke	+3	76	71	147

Tournament Manager results link: [click here](#)

## 2021 November Medal



## A Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	A	Kirk, Lee	36	34	70
2	A	Thompson, Troy	35	37	72
3	A	Kim, Hakseon	37	37	74

## B Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	B	Farley, Steve	39	31	70
2	B	Kim, Soonhae	33	37	70
3	B	Kim, Sammy	35	37	72

## C Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	C	Abdullah, Zulkiflie	37	35	72
2	C	Musa, Ismaeel	34	38	72
3	C	Park, Junghyun	35	38	73

## D Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	D	Pandiangan, Juni	35	34	69
2	D	Ufongdu, Kene	31	38	69
3	D	Lim, Do	37	33	70

## E Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Front	Back	Total
1	E	Al-Ghamdi, Saudm	35	35	70
2	E	Kim, Hyun Gil	36	37	73
3	E	Simamora, Alfian	38	37	75

## 2022 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Rolling Hills Golf Club is currently accepting 2022 membership renewals at the ProShop. The deadline for renewals is January 31st, 2022.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

All current primary members should have received, via their email address registered in USGA TM/Golf Genius, a prefilled 2022 Membership Form.

Please make any adjustments required on the membership form and ensure that all the fields are filled out. Please note the following, if you forget your printed forms, or they are not filled out completely, your membership renewal will not be processed. Additionally, the Proshop will not accept any handwritten forms. All users should use a computer to complete the fillable PDF forms that were attached to the email that were sent. The forms are also available on the [RHCG Website](#).

#### What to take to ProShop (2 copies of each of the below forms):

- Membership Form — Membership forms must NOT be handwritten. Please use your computer to complete the forms.
- Signed Cart Shed Agreement (if you have a cart shed)
- Completed Green Fees form
- Golf Cart Registration Form (if you own a golf cart)
- Copy of Aramco ID

There will no changes to the Membership Fee Structure from 2021

### GOLF CART REGISTRATION

Recreation and Security have requested that all golf carts must undergo registration. If you own a golf cart, please fill out the attached Golf Cart 2021/22 Registration Form in full. Bring this form with you when you renew your Membership to receive your 2021/22 Golf Cart Sticker. Any golf cart without a 2021/22 Sticker will not be allowed to be used on the golf course. If you already have a 2021/2022 Sticker, the form should be prefilled for you. Please check it for accuracy and make any updates required..

## HANDICAP CORNER

As we come to a close of the RHGC 2021 season, here is a recap of some stats:

### 1. Number of GHIN Members 448

78 are New in 2021

36 have No Handicap (NH)

97 or 22% are members with GHIN activation date of 10/16/2013 (when Club implemented GHIN)

### 2. Scores Posted 15,560

By Type

Score Type	Count
H (Home 18H)	7,700
N (Combined 9H)	6,000
C (Competition)	3,419
A (Away)	441

Penalty Scores 342

**Total Rounds 23,418**

Rounds By Tee

<u>T</u> Gender	<u>Tee</u>	<u>CR</u>	<u>Count</u>	
Male	Yellow	67.4/130)	120	
	White	70.2/133	17,421	Pri- mary
	Blue	72.5/137	2,217	
Female	Red	71.5/129	3,479	Pri- mary
	Yellow	72.9/131	79	
	White	76.5/135	95	
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>23,418</b>	

### **Remember Post scores the same day you play**

Review your tee times before you play

If you don't play – please cancel tee time

If you plan to play only 9H make sure tee time is booked as 9H

If you forget and tee time has passed, contact [rhgchandicaps@gmail.com](mailto:rhgchandicaps@gmail.com)

### 3. Tournament Results (Dec 2020 to Nov 2021)

To see all the 2021 Tournament results, please visit the Handicap Section of the RHGC Website or [click here](#).

## RULES CORNER

The USGA and R&A in 2019 combined to create a “Player’s Edition” of the new Rules of Golf to make the Rules easier and quicker to understand and apply for all golfers. This set of rules is grouped into 10 categories. You can view the Player’s Edition [here](#), where each rule is included, with purposes for each.

### General

Fundamentals of the Game (Rules 1 to 4)

### The Rules of Play

Playing the Round and Hole (Rules 5-6)

Playing the Ball (Rules 7-11)

Specific Rules for Bunkers and Putting Greens (Rules 12-1)

Lifting and Returning a Ball to Play (Rule 14)

Free Relief (Rules 15-16)

Penalty Relief (Rules 17-19)

### Other

Procedures for Players & Committee When Issues Arise in Applying the Rules (Rule 20)

Other Forms of Play (Rules 21-24)

Committee Procedures

### How to Use the “Player’s Edition of the Rules of Golf”

The Player’s Edition of the Rules of Golf is intended for you, the golfer. Much of the information from the full Rules of Golf that is intended for those administering golf competitions has been left out of the Player’s Edition. This means it has under half of the content of the full Rules, and it means that it is possible to read the entire Player’s Edition in a short period of time. It also serves as a helpful on-course resource that should assist you in resolving the vast majority of Rules situations that you are likely to encounter on the course, or at least encounter on a regular basis. Also included are colored diagrams for further context and clarification, which can be viewed online or in app form.

When looking to answer a question or resolve a Rules issue on the course, the Contents page (at the front) can be a helpful tool to enable you to find the Rule that is relevant to your situation.

The Index (at the back) can also help you identify quickly the Rule that is relevant to your situation. For example:

If you accidentally move your ball on the putting green, identify the key words in the question, such as “ball moved” or “putting green”.

The relevant Rules (Rule 9.4 and Rule 13.1d) can be found under the headings “Ball Moved” and “Putting Green” in the Index.

A reading of these Rules will confirm the correct answer.

In addition to using the Contents and the Index in the Player’s Edition of the Rules of Golf, the following points will assist you in using this Rule book efficiently and accurately:

**Know the Definition** - There are over 70 defined terms (for example, abnormal course condition, general area, etc.) and these form the foundation around which the Rules are written. A good knowledge of the defined terms (which are italicized throughout the book and contained in one section near the back of the book) is very important to the correct application of the Rules.

**Understand the Facts of the Case** - To answer any question on the Rules you must consider the facts of the case in some detail. You should identify:

The form of play (are you playing match play or stroke play; is it single, foursome or four-ball; etc.).

Who is involved (does the question involve you, your partner or caddie, your opponent or his or her caddie, or an outside influence)

What part of the course did the incident occur (was it in a bunker, penalty area, on putting green, etc).

What actually happened



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## Junior Golf

## October Event Scores



### November Jr. Golf Event

Junior Golfers of all skill levels are invited to participate.

### December 4th, 2021

Casper Soudant	44
Samuel Gustas	48
Gethin Evans	49

Start: 10:00 – Driving/Putting Range (warmups)

10:20 – Group pairings announced

10:30 – Competitive Groups head to #1 Tee, Fun groups to follow

12:45 – All Groups back in the Clubhouse for lunch and prizes

Finish: 1:30 – Golfers are free to go

Fun Division - For younger and less experienced juniors that just want to have fun playing a few holes of golf on the course

Competitive Division: For the older and more experienced juniors that want to test their golf skills on the course and compete against other juniors

#### Who Can Play?

RHGC Club members ages 8-17 years old or those who have or are currently taking lessons from Stuart Hurstfield (RHGC Golf Pro)

Greens Fees - Free for all junior RHGC members and 75 SAR for non-members

Equipment Needed - Golf clubs, golf balls and tees.

#### Sign-Up

Sign up for the November Golf Event is currently available on the Tournament

Management (TM) website, or via email to [rhgcjuniorgolf@gmail.com](mailto:rhgcjuniorgolf@gmail.com)

For more information, any questions, or to volunteer as a marshal, please contact:

Jake Rosenthal: 054 774 4309 (WhatsApp) or email at: [rhgcjuniorgolf@gmail.com](mailto:rhgcjuniorgolf@gmail.com)

***REMINDER: Due to current policy regarding non-family members sharing a golf cart, all participants will be expected to walk and carry their clubs***

***If a participant's parent chooses to use their own or rent a cart, then the participant can ride with them, but no other participants may ride in that cart***

***Please ensure all participants arrive with a mask and check-in at the starter shed prior to going to the driving range***



# Junior Golf

DEVELOPING THE PLAYER, GROWING THE GAME™

## Ladies' Golf

November was a busy month for TMLL!

We started the month with some of the Club ladies traveling to Jeddah for the Women's First Aramco 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tournament. While there some of group was invited to play in the Pro-Am. Where our own Janice Anderson was on the 1st place team.

The following week we returned to volunteer for the Aramco Team Series. Rahmi Kemalawati entered an Instagram challenge and was invited to play. Way to go Rahmi!!



Thank you to all of the volunteers for each week – we saved the day!

Upon returning we had two fun tournaments – a daytime event and an evening event. We love having evening events to allow more members to join us.

Lastly, please join me in thanking Amanda Henson & Nicky Liao for their service this past year.

As 2021 comes to an end we will have one last open play and monthly medal. I wish you all a joyous festive season and look forward to more golf and fun in 2022!



Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about ladies golf at RHGC. Angela Farley  
 TMLL Director  
[rhgcladiesdirector@gmail.com](mailto:rhgcladiesdirector@gmail.com)



# Golf Ball Tournament

## Friday, December 3rd at RHGC

Format: Stroke play event for teams of 4 players, with tee boxes alternating from Blue to White to Red, best 3-ball per team.

Signup on Tournament Manager: 4-player teams can sign up now. It will be opened for individuals at a later time. Limited to 18 teams.

Entry Fee: SAR 100 per player. Prizes will be awarded for winning teams, as well as some skill prizes, with details to follow at a later stage.

Players for the Golf Ball Tournament do not have to attend the Golf Ball event in the evening.

## Let's Par Tee at the Clubhouse! December 3, 2021

SR 25/person

**Purchase tickets in the Pro Shop by 6pm Wednesday.**

\* **Doors open at 7:00PM** \* **Music till 11:00PM** \*

*Come for an evening of live music from The Manic Street Teachers and DJ Spark. Drinks and snacks included.*

*No need to sign up on TM, first come first serve at the ProShop.*

*Table seating is in groups of 8.*

*Bring your own cup.*

*Masks required inside, Tawakalna and temperature check at the starter prior to entry*

*ProShop Hours: 11AM-6PM weekdays, 6AM-12PM weekends, closed Sundays*



& DJ SPARK

With band members coming from all over the world, it is of no surprise The Manic Street Teachers play music from the charts of every decade since popular music began. Their lead singer Tracey Trevino Berlinguette manages the band's mainly upbeat songs with supreme quality. You will find it hard not to get up and dance whether it is to Joan Jett and "I love Rock and Roll" from the early 1980's or last year's hit "Blinding Lights" by The Weeknd.

