

Monthly Medals

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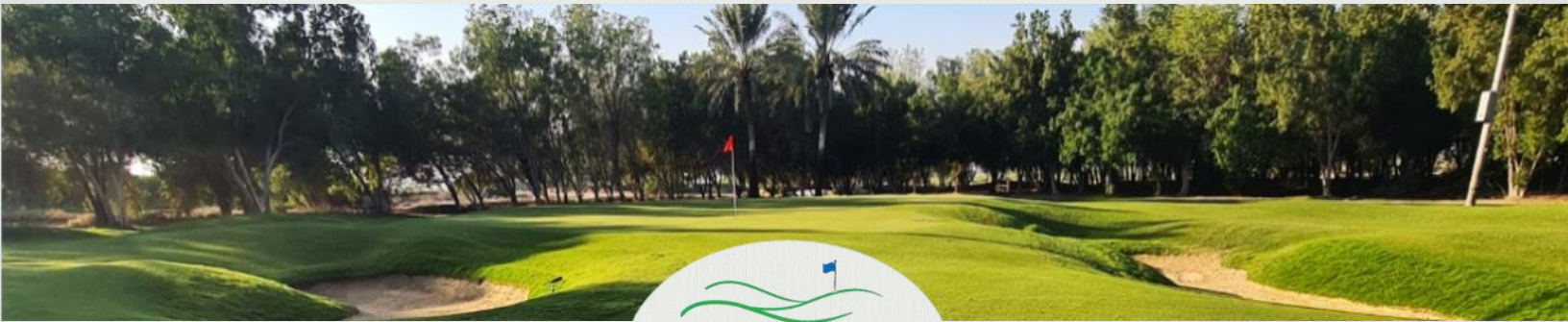
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

RHGC is please to announce, that in cooperation with SAGA, the course on the weekends during the hot summer months will **open at 5:30am**. This will allow members to get out a little earlier to avoid the sweltering heat. Additionally, you will notice that there is **cold water in the coolers** on the course. RHGC is actively working to ensure that all water stations on the course have water coolers.

We've also been informed that Community Services has approved the budget to **light the back 9 holes** of the course. We are very excited about this news and hope that installation of the new lights will commence soon.

While there are no major tournaments planned for the summer, the **Monthly Medals will take place each month**. There have been some changes made to the way these tournaments are organized and played. Please see page 2 for details.

See you on the course,
Bruce Waldner
RHGC President

Tips for Golfing in the Summer Heat

- Hydrate early and often
- Don't skip the sunscreen
- Find shade whenever you can
- Know your limitations

Rolling Hills Golf Club



The next Monthly Medal will take place on August 12.
Registration to open soon on golfgenius.com

**Please note the following changes for monthly medal tournaments as of June 18, 2023,
as decided by the Tournament Committee:**

- **All Players:** As done in recent Monthly Medal tournaments, handicaps will be reviewed before each tournament and adjusted by Tournament Committee, if needed, and communicated to the player(s). This to maintain the fairness of play to others and per the COP, *"The Committee in charge of the Competition reserves the right to: Adjust the Playing Handicap of an entrant within the Terms of the Competition where there is evidence that the player's Handicap Index does not reflect their demonstrated ability. Any adjustments or reviews will be coordinated with the Handicap Committee."* The adjustment is for each event only and does not affect your regular GHIN H.I.. (Note: these reviews/adjustments will also be done in non-monthly medal tournaments, as determined by the Tournament Committee.)
- **Monthly Medal Pairings:** Will be randomly selected by Golf Genius. Each threesome (or foursome) will have players from different flights dependent on the number of people registered and will be assigned a tee time by Golf Genius.
- **Monthly Medal Scoring and Certifying of Scores:** All Scoring will be via Golf Genius App utilizing the Digital Scorecard feature which requires that the Marker and Scorer verify the scores at the end of the Round and digitally sign the scorecards.
- **All Monthly Medal Players Must Report to the Tournament Scoring Table within 15 minutes of completing the Round and having certified their scores:** This is to validate the scores, assist with any discrepancies or problems, and to ensure that the scores have been properly recorded for the Monthly Medal Tournament in Golf Genius. Scores will then be marked electronically as checked and verified for the Monthly Medal Tournament, and will be considered final. The Monthly Medal Tournament Scoring Table will close 15 minutes after the last group has finished their round. Players with incomplete scorecards at this time will be disqualified.

To view the full Monthly Medal Conditions of Play, [click here](#).

HANDICAP CORNER

Rules of Handicapping 3.3: When a Hole is Started but Player Does Not Hole Out

There are various circumstances that might result in a player starting a hole but not holing out. For example, when:

- The result of the hole has already been decided,
- A hole has been conceded in match play,
- A player’s partner has already posted a better score in a Four-Ball format and the player picks up, or
- A player has already reached their net double bogey limit on a specific hole.

When a player starts a hole but does not hole out for a valid reason, subject to other provisions set out within the Rules of Handicapping, the player must record their most likely score or net double bogey, whichever is lower, as appropriate for the situation and depending on the format of play.

Most Likely Score: The score a player records for handicap purposes for a hole that is started but where the player does not hole out. The most likely score is:

- The number of strokes already taken to reach a position on a hole, plus
- The number of strokes the player would most likely require to complete the hole from that position, plus
- Any penalty strokes incurred during play of the hole.

Most likely scores should be determined on any hole using the following guidelines:

Position of the Ball	Strokes to be Added
If the ball lies on the putting green, and is no more than 5 feet (1.5 metres) from the hole:	Add one additional stroke.
If the ball lies between 5 feet (1.5 metres) and 20 yards (20 metres) from the hole:	Add 2 or 3 additional strokes, depending on the position of the ball, the difficulty of the green and the ability of the player.
If the ball lies more than 20 yards (20 metres) from the hole:	Add 3 or 4 additional strokes, depending on the position of the ball, the difficulty of the green and the ability of the player.

(See Diagram 3.3.)

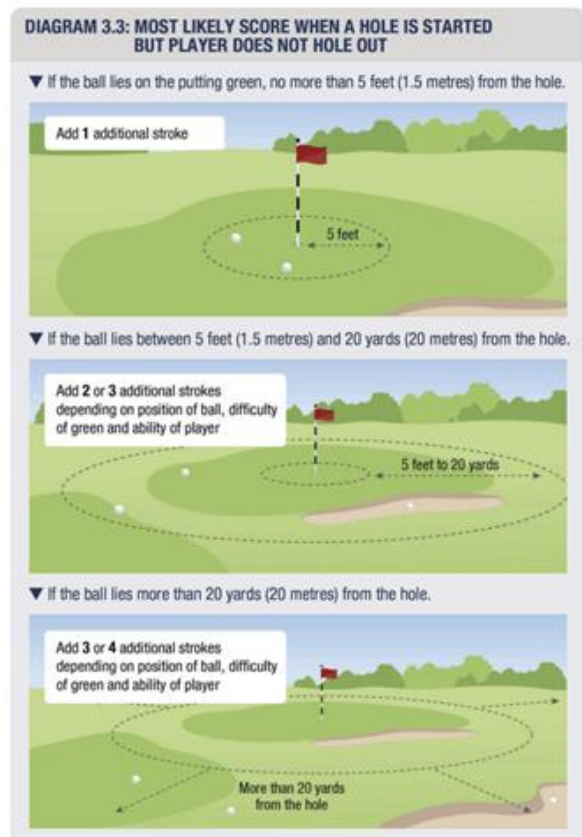
Rule 3.3 Interpretations:

3.3/1 – Clarification of the Meaning of Most Likely Score for Handicap Posting and When It Should Be Used

A *most likely score* is used to record a player’s probable score on a hole, when the hole has been started but the player did not hole out their ball. It should be a reasonable assessment of the number of strokes needed to complete the hole.

For example, in a Four-Ball match-play competition, a player’s partner holes their ball from off the putting green for three. The player’s ball lies 15 feet (5 metres) away from the hole in four strokes and the score for the side cannot be improved. To save time, the player may pick up and record a *most likely score* for handicap purposes.

Based on the *most likely score* guidelines, the player would record a score of six or seven for handicap purposes (four strokes taken plus two or three additional strokes).



Important, Hole Not Played:

In general play (e.g., due to darkness or construction) or competition play where the player does not record a score (e.g., a match ends on the 15th hole), if the hole is not played, the score recorded for handicap purposes is net par, equal to par plus any handicap strokes the player is entitled to receive based on their Course Handicap. In either case (most likely score or hole not played), failure to complete or play the hole must not be for the purpose of gaining an unfair scoring advantage.

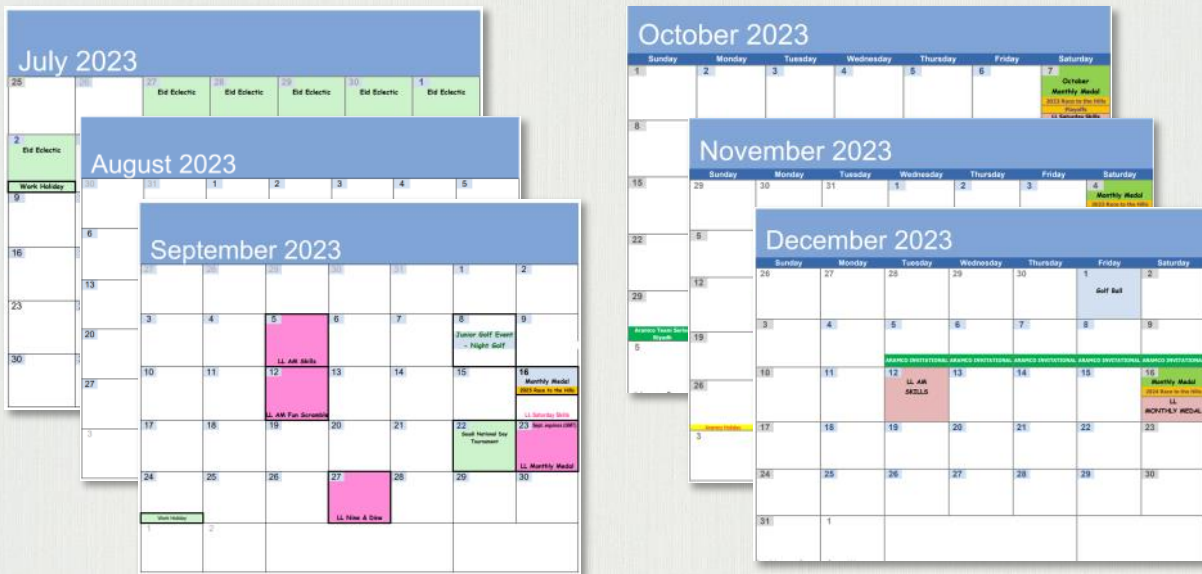
***Quote of the Day** “If there is one thing golf demands above all else, it is honesty.” - Jack Nicklaus*

Should you have any questions, or suggestions for future article topics, [please contact me](#). I hope everyone has a GREAT summer. Stay cool and hydrated!! *Stephen Vezendy, RHGC Handicap Director.*

CALENDAR UPDATES

A few events have been added to the RHGC calendar and a few others have been subsequently moved around to accommodate all the planned activities. [Visit the RHGC website](#) to view the changes and mark your calendars for these key events:

- Saudi National Day Tournament - Sept 23
- Club Championship - Oct 21 & 22
- Halloween Night Golf - Oct 26
- 2023 Race to Hills Playoffs - Nov 4
- Turkey Shoot - Nov 11
- Oilman’s Tournament - Nov 17
- Annual Golf Ball Tournament and Gala Dinner - Dec 1
- Aramco Invitational Tournament - Dec 5 to 9



NEW DATE

2023 ANNUAL GOLF BALL DECEMBER 1, 2023

Mark your calendars for the 2023 Golf Ball Tournament in the morning at the Royal Golf Club in Bahrain, followed by the Golf Ball evening event at the Manama Crowne Plaza.



Hi Ladies,

Hope everyone is having a great summer. Our next event will be Wednesday, September 27th. We will play a scramble and then meet after for swimming and appetizers (please plan to bring your favorite).

See everyone in a couple of months.

Cheers,
Angela Farley, Ladies' League Director



Current Rank	Previous Rank	Player	Events	Number of Wins	Points in this Event	Total Points	Points Behind Lead
T1	T7	Boukbira, Abdelbaki	7	2	11	46	
T1	T3	Syafron, Edward	6	2	7	46	
3	6	Okator, John	6	2	7	44	2
4	1	Chun, Soyoung	4	2	0	42	4
T5	T10	Lu, Feng	8	0	7	40	6
T5	2	Abdul Razak, Mokhtarudin	4	2	0	40	6
7	T3	Haq, Nabeel	5	2	0	39	7
8	5	Bedford, David	6	1	0	38	8
T9	-	Ba Im, Ahmad	6	1	1	36	10
T9	T7	Kang, Geonyoung	7	0	0	36	10
T11	T10	De Jong, Gertjan	8	1	1	34	12
T11	T10	Simamora, Alfian	4	1	0	34	12
T13	T25	Pillai, Manu	6	0	9	32	14
T13	-	Kim, Hakseon	7	2	1	32	14
T13	T25	Musa, Ismaeel	4	1	9	32	14
T13	-	Iyinagoro, Odili	4	2	0	32	14
T17	T25	Binsaad, Maaz	6	0	5	28	18
T17	T15	Romli, Gunawan	4	0	0	28	18
T17	T15	Lim, Do	4	1	0	28	18
T17	T15	Mahmood, Arslan	4	0	0	28	18
T21	T28	Suriakusumah, Dicky	5	0	5	27	19
T21	18	Tarihoran, Anton	5	0	0	27	19
T23	T19	Lee, Jae	7	0	1	26	20
T23	T19	Akinyose, Segun	4	0	0	26	20
T23	T48	Kim, Soonhae	6	1	11	26	20
T23	T19	Ahn, Young Kyoung	7	0	1	26	20
T23	T19	Park, Jung Hyun	6	0	0	26	20
T23	T19	Masoud, Rodney	6	1	0	26	20
29	24	Evans, Simon	5	0	0	25	21
T30	T60	Abdullah, Zulkiflie	6	1	11	24	22
T30	T43	Abdkarim, Mohdghazali	6	1	7	24	22

For the full 2023 Race to the Hills Leaderboard status, [click here](#).

PACE OF PLAY TIPS

for every golfer

1. Be prepared and arrive on time.
2. Keep up with the group ahead.
3. Be ready to hit when it's your turn.
4. Limit practice swings and pre-shot routines.
5. Search for lost balls within the 3-minute time limit.
6. Play "ready golf" by hitting when you're ready, instead of furthest from the hole.
7. Move to the next hole before recording your score.



Rolling Hills Golf Club



Mark your calendars for the September Monthly Medal taking place on September 16

Registration to open soon on golfgenius.com

Upcoming Club Pro Activities

LADIES ROLL UP CLASS

Every Thursday, ladies are invited to join Thursday morning group sessions from 8 - 9 am for beginner and intermediate golfers. All equipment is supplied and instruction covers all the skills to get one out on the course! The cost is 90 SAR per person, per class and sign-up is at the ProShop.

GOLF IN A WEEK

The next Golf in a Week class starts on **Sunday, July 23**. Classes are from 7 - 8 pm and run for five consecutive days. These group sessions are ideal for beginner and intermediate golfers and covers all aspects of the game: safety, rules, etiquette, and swing technique. All equipment and range balls are supplied. The cost is 600 SAR. Sign up at the ProShop.

INDIVIDUAL LESSONS

Individual lessons incorporating GASP video analysis can be taken at times convenient to suit your schedule.

Junior pricing is 30 minutes/150 SAR and Adults is 50 minutes/200 SAR.

Register at stuarthurstfield@gmail.com or WhatsApp +44 775 337 1547.



Golf club repairs and re-gripping service available. Contact Stuart for details.

JUNE MONTHLY MEDAL RESULTS

June 10, 2023



Flighted Winners

A Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	A	Kim, Hakseon	67
2	A	Ahn, YoungKyoung	71
3	A	Binsaad, Maaz	72

B Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	B	Abdkarim, Mohdghazali	69
2	B	Farley, Steve	72
3	B	Tarihoran, Anton	73

C Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	C	Ponsford, Hayden	66
2	C	Kang, Geonyoung	69
3	C	Silva, Benedict	69

D Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	D	Greenhalgh, Wayne	68
2	D	Michelangeli, Juan	71
3	D	Romli, Gunawan	71

E Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	E	Patel, Amar	71
2	E	Song, Jae-Sang	73
3	E	Song, Youngwook	73

Closest to the Pin

Hole	Winner	Distance
4	Jung, Seung	11' 2"
8	Hertlein, Les	10' 5"
11	Daud, Rodziah	5' 8"
14	Kennett, Glenn	17' 10"

See full results [here](#)



EID ECLECTIC

Congratulations to the winners of the June 2023 Eid Eclectic!

1	Binsaad, Maaz	-9
2	D'Antoni, Jonathan	-7
3	D'Antoni, Gaetano	-6
T4	Harneshaug, Tom	-4
T4	Steenkamp, Christoffel	-4



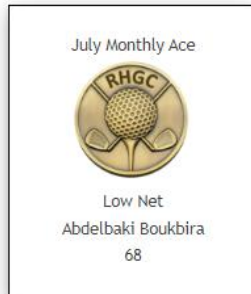
**Hitting the links
while traveling out
of Kingdom?**

Share a photo of your international golf experience to be included in an upcoming RHGC Newsletter.

Send in your name, photo and a caption to
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JULY MONTHLY MEDAL RESULTS

July 15, 2023



Flighted Winners

A Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	A	Kim, Soonhae	69
2	A	Hertlein, Les	72
3	A	Syafron, Edward	72

B Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	B	Harneshaug, Tom	70
2	B	Abdkarim, Mohdghazali	71
3	B	Jung, Seung	72

C Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	C	Musa, Ismaeel	73
2	C	Lu, Feng	73
3	C	Suriakusumah, Dicky	74

D Flight

Place	Flight	Name	Total
1	D	Abdullah, Zulkiflie	71
2	D	Pillai, Manu	74
3	D	Okafor, John	77

Closest to the Pin

Hole	Winner	Distance
4	Abdullah, Zulkiflie	3' 0"
8	Hertlein, Les	14' 8"
11	Boukbira, Abdelbaki	16' 5"
14	Ponsford, Hayden	1' 0"

See full results [here](#)