HEALTH & SAFETY

ON SITE

Driveway - please be aware of golfers playing the 13th hole and the pitch & putt course. Children may be exiting the pitch & putt course half way down our main driveway - so please drive with care.

AUTO-MOWERS

The course and grass areas onsite are managed by automatic lawn mowers. They work 24/7 regardless of the weather and do it without releasing harmful emissions. They are PIN code protected, alarmed and GPS tracked.

They are fitted with advanced safety features. To allow them to work efficiently please do not disturb them and keep away from them. Children & Pets should be supervised.

COURTESY ON THE COURSE

- All golfers are responsible for the safety of themselves, playing partners and members of the public who may be on the golf course or footpaths, when playing on the course. No golfer should play if their playing partners are standing close by or in a position where they may be hit by a ball or club. No golfer should play a shot towards the group playing ahead until they are out of range and it is safe to do so – extra care MUST be taken when visibility is poor.
- All golfers must obey any erected signage and be aware of other players and greenkeeping staff on the course at all times. Do not play toward greenkeeping staff until you are certain they are aware of you and moved aside.
- Please consider your personal safety at all times especially when using the steps or walking on slopes / banks in wet weather and when the ground underfoot is wet, slippery or icy. Motorised trollies can be difficult to control in wet and muddy conditions – keep to the paths and flat areas of the course.
- All players must discontinue play if there is a risk of lightning and return to the clubhouse.

FIRST AID

In the event of injury or accident, First aid kits are located in the clubhouse. Should you require assistance on the course please contact

a member of staff – contact details are on the scorecard. Please report any accidents or injuries occurring on the course to a member of staff.

FOOTPATHS

There are footpaths that cross the 13th-18th holes. Golfers MUST give way to walkers to avoid potentially dangerous situations.

ANIMAL HOLES

Animal holes are a natural hazard of a Parkland Golf course and, despite the best efforts of the staff to control them, care should be taken to ensure they do not cause any harm.

SAFE USE OF BUGGIES

All users must be familiar with the operation of their buggy (both forward / reverse gears, emergency braking and stopping) before taking the buggy onto the golf course.

The following guidelines apply throughout the course ;

- Please take care when driving through the car park or on the area in front of the Pro-Shop.
- DO NOT drive or park within 2m of any Bunker.
- DO NOT drive or park within 2m of any Green.
- DO NOT drive or park within 0.5 m of any Tee.
- DO NOT drive between a green and a bunker.
- DO NOT drive across, up or down a slope of any kind (except where a path is provided).
- DO NOT drive through areas of rough, particularly where the grass is long and tufted.
- Please stay on hard paths wherever provided.
- DO NOT drive on a fairway other than the one they are playing.
- DO NOT drive on any part of the practice range or chipping area.
- DO NOT exceed the carrying capacity of the buggy (either by carry passengers or additional bags)
- Under no circumstances should golf trolleys be towed.
- DO NOT use the buggy for any other purpose than it is designed for.

WET AND SLIPPERY CONDITIONS

Exercise caution on paths and steps and avoid walking on steep banks. It is recommended that in winter and at times where the course is wet then, as a minimum, soft spikes should be worn.

It is at the discretion of the green staff, club professional and management as to whether buggies and trolleys may be used in adverse weather conditions. As a hilly course these restrictions are necessary to protect all individuals who may be playing, working on the course or members of the public using the footpaths that cross the course.

LIGHTNING

Golfers should recognise the potential dangers of a thunderstorm and suspend play. If players have paid a greenfee and have to suspend play due to lightening, ensure to call in at the clubhouse before leaving and receive a % credit towards your next round.

FOG

As a general rule, if the flag on the 12th green is not visible from the picnic area the course is closed, however fog may be localised and severely affect parts of the course whilst other areas appear clear. The Green staff may determine that it is unsafe to play because of fog and can close the course at their discretion. Signs to this effect will be displayed at the club entrance.

In the event of fog descending while on the course golfers need to use their judgment regarding further play. They need to consider dangers to themselves, other golfers, staff and the public before playing, if in any doubt whatsoever, they should not play until conditions improve.

THE COURSE

The golf course covers a large area and within its confines has many different types of terrain. Any individual using the course should be aware that there are likely to be many potential, natural hazards all over the course. These can include, but are not limited to, hidden tree roots, fallen tree branches, natural dips and gullies and loose earth. It is the responsibility of the players to make sure of their footing at all times and particularly when straying off the main fairways and closely mown areas of the course.

OTHER GOLFERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Be aware of other golfers, staff and the public at all times as they may not be aware of you, the course layout or where they should be looking.

Do not play until those in front or members of the public are out of range. Shout 'fore!' if you believe a wayward shot of yourself or a playing partner may hit another person.
Before taking practice swings ensure you are well away from other people.

REPORTING

It is the duty of members, guests and visitors to report any Health and Safety occurrence or issue. The Clubs policy is of continued improvement and there is a log book for incidents and near misses in the main office.

Health and Safety – Hole by Hole

Practice Range – Be aware of other golfers, staff and the public – especially if the sun is in your eyes - do not play until they are out of range. Do not hit shots over 250 yards and beware of hooks & slices especially if you see players on the 13th tee and 14th green.
Par 3 - Beware of the main driveway in, take care when accessing and leaving the pitch & putt course. Please wait for traffic to clear before taking your shot on the 1st and 2nd tee. Always be respectful of other users of the course and ensure other groups are out of range before taking your shot.
1st –. Beware of the path crossing this hole and the 9th tee box and 8th green to the left of the fairway. Please shout "fore!" if your shot heads this way.
2nd – Remember that the 3rd fairway passes to the left of this hole, please shout "fore!" if your shot heads this way. Be aware of the severity of the slope up and down from the tee box area
3rd – Be aware of players either side of the fairway playing the 2nd and 4th hole.
4th – Be aware of players either side of the fairway playing the 3rd and 5th hole.
5th – Be aware of golfers to your left playing the 4th and also to your right playing the 6th - they may be hidden behind the hedge - so shout "fore!" if you head to the right, even if you can't see anyone!

6th – Please wait in a safe place for the 8th tee box to clear before taking your shot. This tee shot is partially blind so make sure that the group in front are out of range before playing. With the 5th & 7th fairway either side, please shout "fore!" if you hit a wayward shot. Be aware of water hazard to left of fairway, take care near banks.

7th – Be aware of the severity of the slope up and down from the tee box area. Please await the sound of the bell to signify the fairway ahead is clear before taking your shot. With the 6th & 10th fairway either side, please shout "fore!" if you hit a wayward shot. Remember to ring the bell to signify to the group behind that you are clear. Be aware of small pond before fairway & to the left of the fairway, take care near banks.

8th – Be aware of the severity of the slope up and down from the tee box area and watch for any players on the 6th tee before taking your shot. The 10th fairway is to your right, so please shout "fore!" if you hit a wayward shot. Be aware of wayward shots from the 1st tee box.

9th – Before teeing off look for players leaving the 1st and 8th. This is a short hole so please ensure players have left the green and made their way to the 10th tee before taking your shot. Be aware of pond to the back and left of the green - very steep banks and deep water.

10th – No Specific issues for playing, please be aware of the severity of the slope up to the tee box area. 7th fairway to your right, 11th &12th fairway to your left, please warn surrounding golfers with "fore!" should you hit a wayward shot.

11th – The 12th tee box is to your right, please ensure the group ahead are clear before taking your shot. Please be aware of surrounding fairways and warn golfers of wayward shots.

12th – No Specific issues for playing, please be aware of 10th fairway to your left. Large body of water to the right of the fairway - deep water & steep banks, small pond to left of the green with deep water and steep banks - take care near banks.

13th – No Specific issues for playing, please allow for traffic to clear on main driveway to the right before taking your shot. Be aware of 14th fairway to your left and footpaths to the left and the right. Ensure the path is clear before taking your shot. Pond in front of tees - deep water, take care near banks.

14th – Be aware of the severity of the slope up and down from the tee box area. Please ensure the footpath is clear before taking your shot. Be aware of 13th and 15th fairways either side of this hole - particularly if your tee shot heads right to the 15th green which is out of sight from the 14th tee.
15th – No Specific issues for playing, please be aware of 14th fairway and footpath to your right and 16th fairway to your left. Ensure the footpath is clear before taking your shot. Please be aware of high 16th tee box and potential for wayward shots.
16th – Be aware of the severity of the slope up and down from the tee box area. Be aware of the 15th fairway and warn neighbouring golfers of wayward shots with "fore!". On approach to the green please wait for footpath to the left of the green to clear before taking your shot.
17th – Be aware of the severity of the slope up and down from the tee box area. Please ensure the 17th green and 18th tee is clear before taking your shot.
18th – For the tee shot which can be partially blind, ensure that the group ahead are out of range. Be aware of fishermen on the lakes to the right of the fairway. Be aware that walkers may be crossing the fairway ahead, courtesy should always be given to any walkers. Deep water in both lakes with steep banks - take care near banks.