

# Player Information

## COURTESY ON THE COURSE

Players are required to observe the Rules and Etiquette associated with the game of Golf, and to be suitably attired at all times both on the Course and in the Clubhouse.

## DRESS CODE

The BGC Dress code on the **course** and practice areas includes the following listed obligations.

- Neat attire, taking into account care of the course, extremes of weather and safety.
- Singlets or clothing with offensive motifs/words are not acceptable.
- Footwear: Golf shoes with metal spikes and thongs of any type are not permitted.

## ETIQUETTE

The overriding principle of golf etiquette is consideration to others on the course at all times.

## COURSE CARE

Please take care of our course by:

- Repairing your pitch marks on the greens,
- Carrying a sand bucket and filling your divots,
- Smoothing bunkers,
- Keeping golf carts away from the tees and greens and in wet conditions, or as directed, use the cart paths.

## SAFETY AND CONSIDERATION OF OTHERS

- Ensure no one is near your area of swing when taking practice swings or playing your shot,
- Shout FORE if your ball is heading towards others,
- Allow ground staff priority at all times,
- Do not disturb or distract other players by talking or moving,
- Ensure your mobile phone is off or switched to silent,
- Do not stand in eye sight of a player putting,

Be careful not to stand on or damage other players line of putt and that your shadow does not distract others.

## PACE OF PLAY

Slow Play detracts from the enjoyment of golf! Please read our pace of play policy.

<https://buninyong.golf/pace-of-play/>

## **COMPETITION RULES AND GUIDELINES**

All competitions are under the control of the Match Committee which reserves the right to change, alter any date, or cancel or vary any competition.

The Starter has the authority to change groups or vary hit off times to ensure the smooth flow of the field. Members are to abide with the Starters directions at all times.

On days when competitions are in progress, any player not taking part can only play when and where directed by the Golf Shop or Match Committee.

The Rules of Golf and the Local Rules of the Club are the rules of play.

All players in a group are responsible for ensuring that the etiquette of the game and the general conditions of play are strictly observed.

No more than 4 players can hit off together without the approval of the Golf Shop Starter or Match Committee.

## **COURSE RECORD**

A course record can only be officially recognised in an individual stroke play competition, with the course set up at its Golf Australia full length rating.

A course record score will not be recognised if a Local Rule permitting preferred lies is in place.

## **HOLE IN ONE**

A Hole-In-One can only be recognised in a competition round conducted by the Club, including the Tuesday 11 hole competition. The Hole-In-One Honour Board is confined to Members only.

## **STARTING TIME SHEETS**

Electronic time sheets are available for all member's competitions formally organised by the Match Committee. Competitors should record their name on the booking sheet for that day. Competitors should utilise the on line time sheet, or contact the Buninyong Pro Shop to reserve a time slot.

Members cancelling a game should delete their name from the booking sheet or inform the Golf Shop as soon as possible.

Time Sheets are available for member's competitions three weeks in advance. No member is permitted to book more than four players.

No member shall delete or change any other member's time without the permission of the Member concerned.

Members' guests are permitted to participate in any Club Competition provided they hold a current Golf Australian handicap. Entry into the field must be made by arrangement through the Golf Administration by phone 5341 3217 or email [admin@buninyong.golf](mailto:admin@buninyong.golf)

## **Handicap**

Competitors should check their handicap through the GolfLink system before commencing each round of play. The onus is on the competitor to ensure that their name, handicap, GolfLink number and the date is clearly recorded on the score card, and that the scores recorded for each hole are correct and legible.

## **RETURN OF SCORE CARDS**

After completion of the round, the competitor should check their score for each hole and clarify any doubtful points with the Match Committee. They shall ensure that the marker has signed their card, countersigned the card themselves, scanned it onto the electronic scanning system, and returned it to the Match Committee as soon as possible.

Scorecards will be determined to have been returned when they are scanned and placed in the scorecard box.

No alterations to scores can be made after cards have been placed in the scorecard box.

The scanned score is the official score. If a difference is detected, after a scorecard has been returned, between the scanned score (the crossed score) and the written score, where the scanned score is lower than the written score, the player shall be disqualified. If the scanned score is higher than the written score, the scanned score shall count.

Players who do not lodge their card as soon as possible after completion of their round will be disqualified from the competition.

If a competitor is in doubt about any rule, the matter should be referred to the Match Committee immediately at the conclusion of play. It is then the responsibility of the Match Committee to determine the outcome.

## **OTHER COMPETITIONS**

Other competitions will be conducted for Members and visitors on days where the program and suitable weather conditions permit. Always check with the Club for competition details and course availability for casual play.

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