



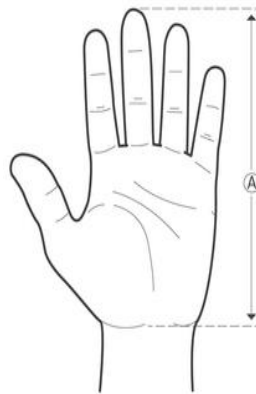
GGC PROSHOP TEAM NEWSLETTER

PROSHOP NEWS

Seasoned golfers know that it is important to keep the grips clean by removing stains from sunscreen, sweat, dirt, and coarse debris that have accumulated. This process will allow the grip to last longer. Often the grips will become “part” of the golf club, but grips do need to be replaced at some point.

With the change of season, it is now a good time to re-evaluate your golf club grips. New grips make the world of difference. Old grips cause you to hold onto the club too tightly. New grips allow for proper pressure, which in turn allows for proper swing mechanics.

We have a special in the proshop for the month of May, buy 10 grips you will get 1 free of equal value. Come into the proshop to get you golf grips evaluated and to see what grip size you need.



Crease to Fingertip (A)	Grip Size
< 5 inches	Junior
5" to 6.5"	Undersize
6.6" to 7.5"	Standard
7.6" to 9"	Midsized
9.1" to 10"	Jumbo

JUNIOR NEWS

The school Holidays are over, and we are now back with our Saturday Junior lessons. At our first session of the term, we welcomed 5 first time students to the class. This just shows we are seeing a trend coming back into the game, which is good to see. As much fun as we have with our Junior's recently in the second class we saw one of our Juniors not feeling very well. It turned out that this was caused by lack of sleep and not eating breakfast. This is a good time to remind all golfers that you need to ensure you keep up your fluid intake and make sure that you have good rest and eat regularly. Looking forward to term 2 and watching all their skills develop in the coming weeks.

Warren Austin

WESTERN GAILES TROPHY

Sunday May 2nd, we saw the Final of The Western Gailes Trophy played between John Toner and Club President ,Paul Brown. A relationship with Western Gailes Golf Club in Scotland arising from our club's names was cemented with an exchange of perpetual trophies to be contested by the members of the respective clubs. This prestigious event has been contested at Gailes since 1937. In a very tight affair Paul Brown came away with the Trophy, winning 2 up. Congratulations to both players.



HOLE IN ONE

A big congratulations to Gailes member Greg Tom on having his first hole in one today! Greg hit a 9 iron into the 12th hole which resulted in a nice looking "1" on his scorecard! Unfortunately, a "10" on the 15th hole did not help his overall score but still couldn't wipe the smile off his face! Well done mate.



JUSTINS BIG WIN

An outstanding effort today for Gailes young gun, Justin McCormack firing a superb round of 4 under par, his first bogey free round, at Windaroo GC to claim the Windaroo Junior Bowl. Sky's the limit, keep the dream alive.



PRACTICE FAIRWAY - DIVOTS

Just a reminder to fill in your divots on the practice fairway just as you would on the course. Of late we are seeing a lot of unfilled divots which makes it difficult to get the area to regrow. It is vital that we try to keep this area in good shape as the only current practice area on the course.

COURSE NEWSLETTER

After 640mm of rain from late February until two weeks ago, we have now suddenly hit the cooler Autumn weather, and it has been a very welcome change. We still have a few wet areas around the course where the water will seep for quite some time, but it has finally been dry enough to get on top of the mowing that has been out of control for quite some time. The cooler weather has certainly slowed up the growth around the course, so I think our growing season has finally at least slowed down.

As we all know, Gailes is one of, if not the best draining course in south east Queensland. It means we rarely have the course closed, even for carts, but this does not mean we don't suffer from heavy, long periods of rain. Due to the age of our greens, they hold moisture much longer than is healthy. Grass does not like wet feet, especially highly maintained and heavily trafficked golf greens. When they stay wet too long, the roots simply rot away. This means it becomes very weak and susceptible to any and all stresses. We had a few areas on some of the greens simply melt out due to the plant shutting down, this coupled with some irrigation issues caused some areas on a few greens suffering damage. They are back to full health and are recovering quite well, they should be back to normal in a few weeks.

The bunkers are another part of the course that doesn't enjoy the heavy rain, but this goes for every golf course. The volunteers have made it their goal to start to investigate all of the greens with drainage issues, and so far they have been very successful in their quest. You would have noticed some pipe sticking out of some of the bunkers, this is to help them drain before we do the more serious machinery work.

STEWART POOLE - GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

LADIES NEWS

The ladies had a successful day playing the recent Stafford 4BBB honour board event. The winners this year were Diana Ahn and Jenny Lee winning 3up with 2 holes to play. Congratulations to the runners-up, Lily Yan and Beryl Brennan

RULE OF THE MONTH

2.1 Course Boundaries and Out of Bounds

Golf is played on a course whose boundaries are set by the Committee. Areas not on the course are out of bounds.

2.2 Areas of the Course

There are five areas of the course.

A The General Area

The general area covers the entire course **except** for the four specific areas of the course described in [Rule 2.2b](#).

It is called the “general” area because:

- It covers most of the course and is where a player’s ball will most often be played until the ball reaches the putting green.
- It includes every type of ground and growing or attached objects found in that area, such as fairway, rough and trees.

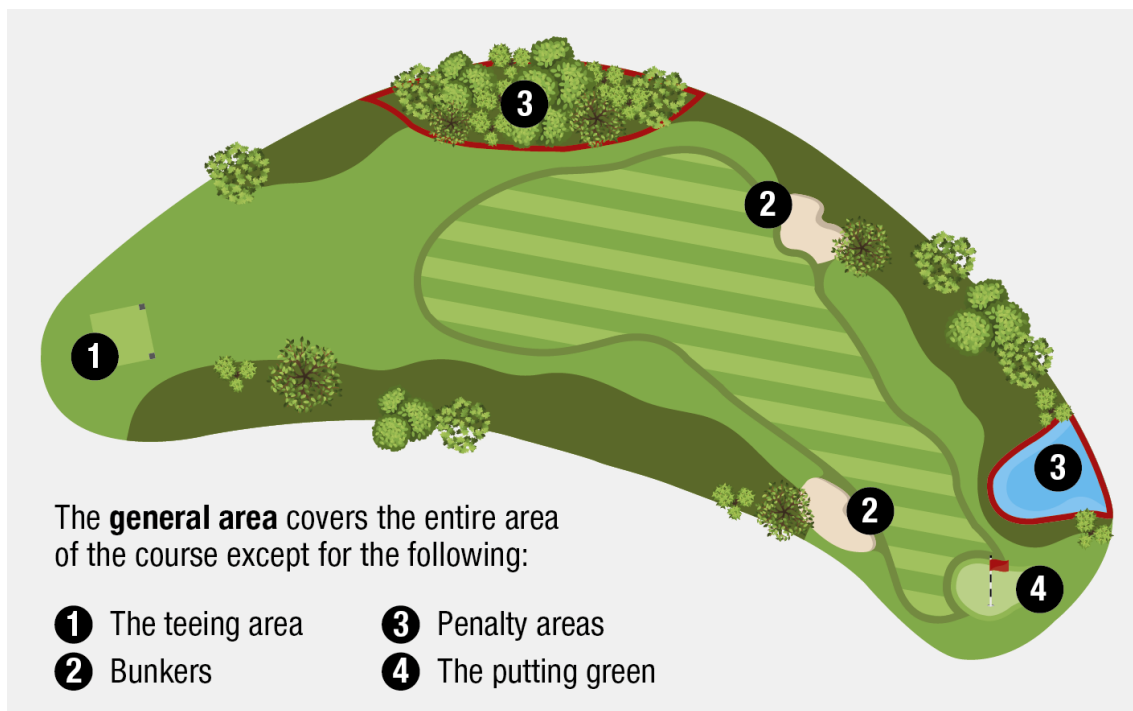


DIAGRAM 2.2: DEFINED AREAS OF THE COURSE

B The Four Specific Areas

Certain Rules apply specifically to the four areas of the course that are not in the general area:

- The teeing area the player must use in starting the hole he or she is playing (Rule 6.2),
- All penalty areas (Rule 17),
- All bunkers (Rule 12), and
- The putting green of the hole the player is playing (Rule 13).

C Determining Area of Course Where Ball Lies

The area of the course where a player's ball lies affects the Rules that apply in playing the ball or taking relief.

A ball is always treated as lying in only one area of the course:

- If part of the ball is in both the general area and one of the four specific areas of the course, it is treated as lying in that specific area of the course.
- If part of the ball is in two specific areas of the course, it is treated as lying in the specific area that comes first in this order: penalty area, bunker, putting green.

2.3 Objects or Conditions That Can Interfere with Play

Certain Rules may give free relief (relief with no penalty) from interference by certain defined objects or conditions, such as:

- Loose impediments (Rule 15.1),
- Movable obstructions (Rule 15.2), and
- Abnormal course conditions, which are animal holes, ground under repair, immovable obstructions and temporary water (Rule 16.1).

But there is no free relief from boundary objects or integral objects that interfere with play.

2.4 No Play Zones

A no play zone is a defined part of an abnormal course condition (see Rule 16.1f) or a penalty area (see Rule 17.1e) where play is not allowed.

A player must take relief when:

- His or her ball is in a no play zone, or
- A no play zone interferes with his or her area of intended stance or area of intended swing in playing a ball outside the no play zone (see Rules 16.1f and 17.1e).

See Committee Procedures, Section 5H(1) (a Code of Conduct may tell players to stay out of a no play zone entirely).

FROM THE CAPTAIN

After what seems like a long period of heavy rain and storms which saw the course take quite a battering, we are still seeing the rains tumbling down causing disruptions to playing conditions. Whilst the rain is welcome it is becoming an issue for the health of greens as no doubt you would have noticed. For greens to remain healthy they need good drainage, and our greens are not draining well at present due to age and nutrient build up.

Credit must go to the ground staff for keeping the course playable during this time.

WELCOME BACK DON FARDON.

After a period of absence, it is great to see Don Fardon back at the club playing again. For those who don't know Don he has been an icon of Gailes Golf Club for decades through his golfing prowess and his contribution to the club. At his prime Don was one of the best amateur golfers in Australia. If you see him around say hello, Don always has some good advice on golf to pass on to anyone who asks. Welcome back Don.

CLUB RESULTS

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| • Doggie Wolf 4BBB: | David Reid & Mark Dougan | 47pts |
| • Anzac Cup (Ted Bousan Shield) | Johannes Van Geest | 41pts |
| • Mary Stafford Salver | Dianna Ahn & Jenny Lee | |
| • Western Gailes Final | Paul Brown Beat John Toner | 2 & 1 |
| • Brian McCarthy Memorial | Allan Enarbia | 39pts |
| • May Monthly Medal | Peter Mansell | Nett 68 |

Congratulations to all the winners.

GOLFER OF THE YEAR:

This event has been running now for 16 weeks with the YTD results showing a very close bunching at the top of the table. (see table below). Just as a re-cap each Saturday result is converted to a stableford score and the top 50 place getters score points as follows>

<u>Place</u>	<u>Points</u>
1 st	100
2 nd	98
3 rd	96
4 th	94
50 th	2

The top 5 positions at this stage of the year are:

1 st	Alan Frost	566 pts
2 nd	Peter Kuiper	558 pts
3 rd	Con Labuschagne	496 pts
4 th	Burn Ashburner	460 pts
5 th	Shane Han	426 pts

Remember the final result is based on your top 20 rounds throughout the golf year so the final result can be in doubt right to the end.

UPCOMING EVENTS

11 th May	Ladies Jack Coogan Salve Rd1
14 th May	Dingo Hill.
18 th May	Ladies Jack Coogan Salve Rd 2.
22 nd May	Presidents Cup 4BBB Qualifying.
25 th May	Ladies Jack Coogan Salve Semi Finals.
27 th May	Ladies Jack Coogan Salve Final.
30 th May	Presidents Cup qtr Finals.
5 th June	Monthly Medal.
6 th June	Presidents Cup Semi Final.
13 th June	Presidents Cup Final.

MEN'S MID-WEEK SENIOR PENNANT.

Gailes has played two rounds to date in the Mid -Week Pennant series with following results.

V's Virginia (away)	3 all draw
V's Brisbane (Home)	4/12 to 1 1/2

LOCAL RULES (COVID RELATED)

I am sure you have heard through the grapevine that there are clubs returning to pre – covid conditions in relation to Flags and Bunkers, that is they are putting rakes back in bunkers and removing the “pool noodles” from the holes.

At Gailes we have already done away with the Pool Noodles and Flags can be either in or out as desired.

As far as bunker rakes are concerned there are no immediate plans to change the current local rule of 1 x club length place in all bunkers.

NEW FENCE ON 4TH HOLE

You will see that there has been a new fence erected along the length of our 4th Hole. The new fence is now some 5 x meters in from the old one thus bringing the OOB closer in. The new fence will now form the new OOB boundary.

COURSE CARE

Just a reminder to all members about the importance of filling in your own divots and anyone else's you see unfilled. I would also remind Motorised Cart users to respect the Blue lines around the greens.

BOB OGILVY - CAPTAIN

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