

GOLF



KC and the Pirouette

Our Treasurer KC Shing is a man with many hats – lawn bowler, tennis player with the Sunday Morners and Treasurer of the Golf Society.

The results of his endeavours in other activities is now surfacing in his golf movements.

As he putts, he follows the ball to the hole offering verbal encouragement with animated movement, a style reminiscent of certain eccentric lawn bowlers.

The latest offering was seen at Lakewood Golf Club where he prepared to play his tee shot and as he swung he continued to pirouette on the spot on one foot to end up looking back at the other members of his flight with a smile on his face. This smooth movement must have been the result of many hours of training and preparation with a prima ballerina. Attempts to replicate the movement by other flight members were abysmal.

This could be the missing factor in Tiger Woods' new swing, which could propel him back to the top of the world rankings.

Enough of KC for now; our September event was a very enjoyable trip to Pine Valley and Lakewood with keen members enjoying Saturday and Sunday at Pine Valley and another group joining on Sunday after an elongated journey which included the disappearing duo and KFC, then off for fruit and then golf balls and eventually arriving at Pine Valley. We had two delightful days with great weather, wonderful golf course, good company and excellent food, then an overnight in Zhuhai and meet up with the Monday group for our 9th Stableford League Event, held at the excellent Lakewood Course.

Thanks to Alan Thorburn, a Foundation Member of Lakewood, who made the arrangements for our Golf Day there. We were fortunate to have a warm day with



gentle breeze, ideal conditions in which to enjoy this interesting course.

In the last flight Alfonso Cordero, now on 8 handicap, had a disastrous start with a triple bogey on the par 4 first hole while playing partner Michael Cheng, now on 12 handicap, started with a birdie 3. Alfonso had only one par and two birdies in an outward 43 but was warmed up for the back 9 where he had 5 pars and a birdie for 38 and a total of 81.

Michael had 3 pars and a birdie on the front 9 for 41 and 4 pars in a back 9 of 42 for a total of 83.

Kim Lamsam had 5 pars in a front 9 of 41 and 3 pars in a back 9 of 44 for a total of 85.

Results

Nearest the Pin:

Hole C2: Alfonso
B6: AN Other

Longest Drive:

Hole C6: Ian Choo
B7: Alfonso

Stableford:

1st: Michael Cheng 37pts
2nd: William Ko 36pts
3rd: Richard Tinlin 30pts



Best Gross:

Men: Alfonso Cordero 81

Ladies: Kim Lamsam 85

In the Stableford League, Alfonso consolidated his position at number 1 while Michael Cheng, with only three results, moved from 15th to 8th and William Ko, also with only three results, moved from 19th to 11th. The final event, the GS Championships at Kau Sai Chau on Tuesday, 4 October should see some movement in the top positions as Michael and William complete their 4th event and Andy Ko has a chance to strengthen his hold on 2nd place with a good finish.

In the ladies' competition Kim has now completed her 4th event and has a commanding lead with Mary Ching in a solid 2nd place.

The next event is the GS Championships at Kau Sai Chau and a good day should be had by all as the South Course provides an interesting challenge.

The presentation Dinner will be in the evening in the Pavilion with the excellent KCC buffet, and Frank and Friends to get the evening in the swing.

Tuesday, 15 November will see us returning to Nansha to play the popular Valley course, which usually gets a good turnout, before returning to KCC for the GS AGM.

Please make the effort to support the GS Championships and the AGM.

Cheers,
Richard

At Pine Valley 18 September



GOLF ETIQUETTE PART ONE



GENERAL ETIQUETTE

GOOD ETIQUETTE IS IMPORTANT AT ALL TIMES:

- OBSERVE AND RESPECT ANY DRESS CODE
- CHECK IF THERE ARE ANY REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING SPIKED GOLF SHOES
- CHECK IN BEFORE PROCEEDING TO THE FIRST TEE
- BE COURTEOUS TO ALL STAFF
- CONTROL YOUR TEMPER
- AVOID SPITTING ON, OR LITTERING THE COURSE
- ARRIVE AT THE COURSE IN PLENTY OF TIME
- KNOW YOUR HANDICAP
- KNOW THE PLAY FORMAT
- KNOW THE ORDER OF PLAY IN YOUR GROUP
- PUT AN IDENTIFICATION MARK ON YOUR BALL
- PAY ATTENTION TO THE STARTER'S INSTRUCTION

SAFETY

- ENSURE THAT NO ONE CAN BE HIT BY YOUR CLUB OR YOUR BALL WHEN MAKING A PRACTICE SWING OR STROKE
- DO NOT PLAY UNTIL PLAYERS IN FRONT ARE OUT OF RANGE
- ALERT GREEN STAFF IN THE VICINITY OF PLAY WHEN YOU ARE ABOUT TO PLAY A STROKE THAT MIGHT ENDANGER THEM
- SHOUT "**FORE**" IF THERE IS ANY CHANCE THAT YOUR BALL WILL HIT ANYONE
- SEEK SHELTER EARLY FROM LIGHTNING



TROLLEYS & CARTS

- OBSERVE REGULATIONS CONCERNING MOVEMENT OF TROLLEYS AND CARTS
- AVOID TAKING TROLLEYS AND CARTS TOO CLOSE TO, OR ONTO A PUTTING GREEN
- WHEN DRIVING A CART, PROCEED WITH CAUTION... PARTICULARLY ON HILLS
- ALWAYS ENSURE THAT THE PARKING BRAKE IS ENGAGED BEFORE LEAVING THE CART
- DO NOT OVERLOAD THE CART BY EXCEEDING THE NUMBER OF ALLOWED PASSENGERS

TO BE CONTINUED...