

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER2018

Dear Member,

Am sure you all agree that the month of February has just been a blessing to us all, the continuous rains have made and brought the best conditions ever to our course, the greens are smooth and soft, the fairways are all greener and knitted not forgetting the rough that is not forgiving.

Missing a round of golf in these conditions this season is like missing the last flight the same can never be repeated next season. I hope you are not waiting for the rains to go before you come for golf.!!!!!!!!



The male Impala is checking on the Crocodile @ number 6 dam that isco existing

SPONSORSHIP

SATURDAY CLUB COMPETITION		WEDNESDAY CLUB COMPETITION	
DATE	<u>SPONSOR</u>	DATE	<u>SPONSOR</u>
03 March	CBZ Holdings	07 March	Mitek
10 March	Please sponsor this day	14March	Mitek
17 March	POSB	21 March	Mitek
24 March	Bring a prize competition	28 March	Mitek

Players you are being urged to show courtesy to the sponsors by attending Prize Giving



LADIES SECTION NEWS

The ladies section continues to be active and we are enjoying meeting all the new ladies who are playing in our weekly competitions, and we have been lucky so far, with not being rained off.

Our Chapman team took part in the WINGATE TROPHY last weekend. Thank you to our ladies who took part in this - 36 holes in one day .There were seven teams and our team came 4th.

We wish our two talented juniors Danielle Bekker and Margaret Nyamukondiwa all the very best for their trip to Morocco - they represent Zimbabwe in the AAJCT (All Africa Junior Toyota Tournament), in order for them to qualify for the WORLD TOURNAMENT to be held in Japan later this year and we send them our very best wishes and have a wonderful trip.

The ladies committee are running a WINE HAMPER to raise prize money for our section. Please can all members support this - tickets available at the Veranda Bar.

Our Silver Division ladies shall be representing Chapman at the GABY TOMLINSON event (foursomes 36 holes) to be held on Sunday 26th February at Royal - we wish them good golfing

Lady Captain; Linda O'Toole



Range News.

- Golf4u range staff wish the Zimbabwe Junior Boys and Girls Teams the best of luck at the Junior All Africa Challenge Trophy in Morocco.
- We have received new balls!!!! Thanks to Mitek. Please remember these balls belong to the range.....
- Look out for the Openair Cinema movies due to start later this month.
- Ladies Clinics please contact the range office 0775 464 666 for dates.
- Happy golfing!!

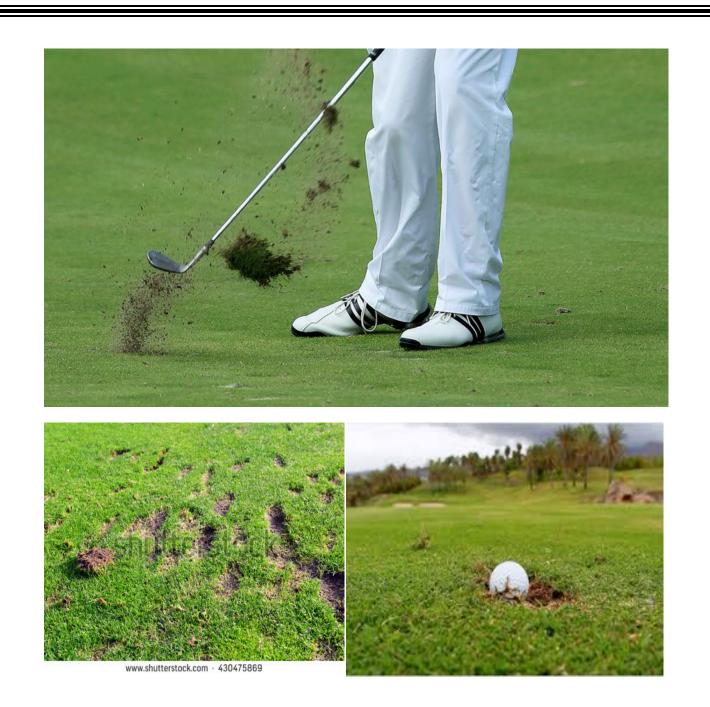




FROM FAIRWAYS TO THE GREENS 'and all in between'

This month we focus on golf course maintenance and what we can do to help...and yes we all can do our bit to keep the course in the condition we would like to PLAY on...

Divots a green keepers (and Players) nightmare that is if un repaired. This is what every golfer aspires to do, but the resultant damage is not pleasant to the eye and unfair to other players.



IS THAT WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLAY YOUR NEXT SHOT FROM??????

The above illustrations are what SOME players leave behind after a round of golf we certainly hope not. BUT if you are the time to change is now

Look after your course and love it as we on the G&F do.....

In golf, a "divot" is a piece of turf that is cut out of the ground in the course of playing a <u>stroke</u>. (Divot can also refer to the hole left where the turf was gouged out.)

Most golf shots played with an iron or wedge will scrape off a thin layer of turf where the ball was resting. This is because those clubs are <u>designed to strike the golf ball on a descending path</u>:

Since the iron is still moving downward, it continues down after striking the ball, digging slightly into the turf as the swing bottoms out.

Golfers will take deeper or shallower divots depending on their swing shapes, but divots are the common, expected result of a good golf swing with an iron or wedge.

The term "divot" dates to the 1500s in (appropriately enough) Scotland, although it appears to come from roofing rather than golf. When houses were "shingled" with pieces of sod, those pieces of sod cut out of the ground and layered on rooftops were called divots.

A good divot will start just in front of where the golf ball was at rest - meaning that your club struck the ball first, then the ground (<u>see YouTube video</u>). If the divot starts *behind* the ball, you have mis-hit the shot (this type of mis-hit is often called hitting the ball "heavy" or "<u>fat</u>"). If your divot points left of the target (for a right-hander), you cut across the ball at impact on an outside-to-inside swing path (which often results in a <u>fade</u>, <u>slice</u> or <u>pull</u>).

If your divot points right of the target line (for a right-hander), your swing path was inside-tooutside (which can result in a <u>draw</u>, <u>hook</u> or <u>push</u>).

Taking a divot is appropriate with iron shots, but if you take a divot with a wood you've probably mis-hit the golf ball, most likely by having an angle of attack that is too steep.

Do Golfers Need to Try to Replace the Divot?

So you dug up a chunk of turf playing a 5-iron from the fairway, leaving a big ol' bare patch (the divot hole). Now what? Are you supposed to do anything about that? Repair the damage somehow?

In most cases, yes. The Golf Course Superintendents Association says that replacing or repairing a divot greatly speeds up the healing process of the turf. But the specifics of how you repair that divot can differ depending on the golf course's wishes.

ALL WE ASK IS THAT EVERY PLAYER DOES HIS OR HER BIT TO REPAIR THEIR DIVOT AND THAT THAT HAVE NOT BEEN REPAIRED BY UNCARING PLAYERS *PLEASE*!!!!!

Tools of golf... a golfer should not only have a max of 14 clubs in their artillery but golf course repair tools as well.

These being 1: Sand bags to repair all the divots.... Compulsory (I THINK) at Chapman!!!!

2: Pitch fork ...to repair those unsightly holes/dents in the green that we all complain about!!!!

A **golf pitch fork** is a useful piece of golfing equipment that is also known as a **golf** divot tool. It features two prongs, rather like a **fork**, and it is used to repair the damage made to the grass on a **golf** course. Often, **golfers** may cause scrapes in the grass when they swing their **golf** clubs.

ON the lighter side

During John's physical examination, his doctor asked him about his physical activity level.

John described a typical day this way, "Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five-hour walk about seven miles through some pretty rough terrain. I waded along the edge of a lake. I pushed my way through some trees and vegetation. I got sand in my shoes, eyes and hair. I avoided standing on a snake. I climbed several rocky hills. I took a few 'leaks' behind some big trees. The mental stress of it all left me shattered and at the end of it all, I drank eight beers."

Inspired by the story, the doctor said, "You must be one hell of an outdoorsman!"

"No," John replied, "I'm just a crappy golfer."

A warm welcome to our New Members feel at home and enjoy the company.

Rosina Munthumbira	Mikael Johansson	TsungaiKadenhe
MlamboGarikai	Vivian Mandizvidza	RinosMautsa
LawarenceKwendambairi	Sheila Matinya	Lisa Burbidge
TendayiKanjanda	Davison Norupiri	Boniface Denenge

EXTERNAL RESULTS February Games

A League Chapman won 4/2 against, Police@ Ruwa B LeagueChapman won 6/0 against, Wingate @ Royal Well done to our teams, keep it up.

<u>Next Fixtures</u> March Games

<u>A League</u>Chapman vs B/Brooke@ Wingate <u>B League</u>Chapman vs Mt Pleasant @Ruwa

All games will be played on the 25th of March 2018

PleaseNote; If you wish to represent the Club in the 'A' and 'B' Leagues games contact the following League Captains: E Chakanyuka<u>edchak@hotmail.com &</u>Chips De Oliveira<u>chips@alpha.co.zw</u>



MONTHLY MEDAL SPONSORED BY CBZ BANK

Our CBZ Sponsored Monthly Medal Competitions will this year be played according to handicap order, members are urged to enter their names at Golf Admin if they wish to play. There will be a booking sheet at Golf Admin NoticeBoard or Call Golf Admin for assistance.

The draw will be done on Thursday prior to the Saturday Competition. No Entries will be entertained after the draw.

Championship Division 0-6 h/caps

Runner Up:Martin Masvimbo h/c 4 nett 72Winner:Greg Scott h/c 6 nett 71

Division B 7-12 h/caps

Runner Up:Godfrey Muzunze h/c 9 nett 71Winner :Jason Muller h/c 8 nett 71Division C 13-18 h/capsRunner Up:Kyle Shirto h/c 18 nett 73Winner:Godfrey Jowah h/c 17 nett 70

Division D 19-24 h/caps

Runner Up:Mukumba h/c 21 nett 72Winner:Davison Komola h/c 19 nett 69



POSB Mega Medal Results

Winner : Kenias Horonga h/c 12 nett 66

- R/up : Takudzwa Basopo h/c 12also on nett 70
- 3^{rd} : Kyle Shirto h/c 18 nett70
- 4^{th:} : Clamance Dzama h/c 14 nett 70

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

- THE CHAPMAN AGM IS ON THE 26 OF MARCH 2018 @ 1745 hrs .Please note that only fully paid up members who are in good standing can participate at the AGM
- We have advertising opportunities on offer for corporate organisations on the scoreboards, tee box and billboards in and around the golf course. For more information kindly contact thereception@chapmangolf.co.zw or marketing@chapmangolf.co.zw .
- Corporate organisations are invited to advertise on our New website. \$150.00 per year or \$30.00 per month. Visit our website on <u>www.chapmangolf.co.zw</u> to view your handicap, fourth coming events, recent results and much more.
- Members are reminded to handle club property with care i.e. changing rooms' equipment, towels, showers, sauna and any other club property you make use of.
 - Players are urged to look after their valuables when they are at the Club,
 - > They must not leave their car windows and doors open, please close and lock them.
 - They must lock away their valuables eg jewellery, cash, cell phones etc in the changing rooms
 - They must check for all their Golf Clubs with their caddies after playing and before leaving the premises.
- Please note lockers are Club property for rental at **\$40.00** per annum.
- Members are urged to update their email addresses for them to receive important club updates.
- We have reservedcell phone numbers **078 4014414** for accounts office and for the reception **0718 194 081** for members 'incoming calls only.
- Let us keep our Club environment clean by placing litter in the bins provided on the course and around the Club house.

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