



# The Green Scene

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ADITI ASHOK AT THE OLYMPICS

## You made us Proud

## Best Wishes for a Gold in 2024

FROM ALL DGC MEMBERS

MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING, WEAR MASKS, SANITISE YOUR HANDS



Dear Members,

I hope you are in good health and keeping safe. The second wave of Covid-19 seems to be petering out but with the festive season coming up, the third wave is a serious possibility. Please continue to follow the Covid -19 safety guidelines. The management on its part has ensured that all the club staff, caddies and the LBF staff have been inoculated to make the club safe for its members.

Despite the covid restrictions, your Committee has been busy right through the difficult period. You will agree that the golf course is in excellent condition despite the exceedingly heavy rains. We owe our thanks to the course staff for giving us a golfing experience that has not been seen here for a long time. Our relationship with Troon, the golf management company, has been of great help, not only in maintaining our courses but also in our dealings with vendors. We have saved substantially through preferential pricing.

Your Committee has spent time and effort to improve governance and transparency. A number of steps are being taken in this regard e.g the following policies and SOPs are being developed: -

1. Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for every department.
2. Purchase Policy.
3. Advertisement Policy.
4. All vendors are under contract for the first time.

This will no doubt bring about transparency in the working of the management and will go a long way in steering the activities of the Club in a more systematic and methodical manner going forward.

There are projects that have been undertaken and are now at an advance stage. The projects are:

1. A Water Treatment Plant is being set up with a capacity of 3 million litres per day (mld), which includes 0.6 mld to be supplied to NDMC. This will take care of the course requirements for a long time to come. Equally if not more important, the quality of water will be as required for turf grass. At the same time, we are installing an additional pumping station, which will help in providing the golf course with adequate quantity of water.
2. The PDR & PCR have been renovated in order to give the PCR greens the same feel as the Lodhi Course greens. Mini Verde grass has been planted with the required drainage system.
4. As you know, the golf bags have been shifted from the office block which has given way to a larger gym and a ladies' cloakroom.
5. Once the gym moves from the annexe building, the Pub will be extended. The drawings for this have been finalized.
6. A DGC Mobile App is being developed with modules that will be interactive and give access to relevant information.
7. Your Committee is also looking at creating DGC Branded Merchandise which will be available on line. This will be activated in September itself.

Take care and stay safe. Do continue to follow all safety protocols of Covid-19.

With best wishes,

**MR MANJIT SINGH**  
President



Dear Members,

We have had a longish summer with the monsoons playing truant initially. That said, we were happy to see a large number of our Members braving the heat, playing golf and making most of the facilities that were open. The rains have finally started and we have had quite a few very heavy showers. In fact, on one particular day it rained over 140 mm in a couple of hours – we have no control over the changing weather patterns, but we have been able to keep the Golf Course open despite the heavy rain on most occasions.

The improvements to our workshop are nearly complete and it is looking neat and spacious. I am confident that the changes we have made will facilitate better overall maintenance of our equipment.

The PDR & PCR have been shut for over a month for a major upgrade keeping suggestions by some members in mind. The freshly planted grass has taken root and we have been able to open these facilities – though we will have to resort to picking balls manually for a short while till the ground stabilizes.

A few more cart paths have been concretized – I am confident that those that use carts will not only enjoy their golf, but the ride as well!

Our sprayers finally landed at Nava Sheva and have been delivered. Their arrival has given a big fillip to maintenance of the golf course – a stitch in time saves nine – our existing sprayer was on its last legs!! The other machinery that we have ordered will be delivered in September – giving us a full stable.

An area of concern that continues is the filling of divots. We have seen a large amount of turf from divots strewn across most fairways. This is a clear indication that caddies are not replacing the turf in divots, resulting in the divots taking much longer to recover. I would request Members to ensure that their caddies not only put sand in the divots, but also replace the turf. It is our Course – please look after it.

Please do take care not to litter the course. One does find disposable glasses and plastic bottles etc, on the Tees and in the roughs. Members are requested to dispose these off appropriately.

In view of the 'Monsoon Rules' we have had to impose restrictions on the use of golf carts on fairways – to prevent damage to the turf – I am sure you will understand.

A PGTI Tournament is scheduled to be held at the DGC in the first week of October – this would be the first time that a professional tournament will be held at the Club after the renovation of our course. I am confident that the professionals will enjoy the new look & feel.

Work on renovation and upgradation of the Pub & Gymnasium is to commence soon. There will be a disruption in some facilities for a short while – our aim is to get them up and running at the earliest, so please do bear with us.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Vishesh Chandiok (C 323) for gifting a 'Mobile Irrigator' to the Club.

Needless to say, please continue to take all safety precautions against Covid. We must keep the DGC Covid free. A positive is that in the recent RT-PCR Tests carried out at the Club – out of 571 members/caddies/staff tested, all were negative. Those that are yet to take their vaccinations – please do so at the earliest.

Stay Safe & Happy Golfing!

**MAJ. GEN. ANIL P. DERE (RETD)**

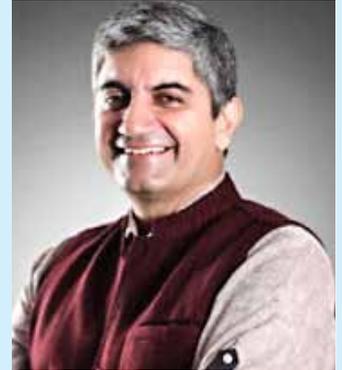
Captain



Dear Members,

It's truly been a period of mixed emotions. Some tragic news and some wonderful news as well. So let me begin by offering our condolences to all the families who have lost a loved one.

The Milkha family tragically lost both Milkha Singh ji and his wife Nirmal Milkha Singh in a span of 5 days. Besides giving India Jeev, his son, who like Milkha Ji has also been conferred the Padma Shri, Milkha Singh ji inspired several golfers, sportsmen and in fact countless people across the world. It was befitting that Neeraj Chopra, who won the gold medal in the Olympics, dedicated the medal to Milkha Singh ji.



Jeev, incidentally, was nominated to accompany the Indian Golf Team to the Olympics but couldn't go because of this tragedy at home. And a matter of pride for DGC is that both Nonita Lal Qureshi and Shalini Malik were also selected to go to the Olympics as Coach and Technical Official respectively. Unfortunately, both did not go for very different reasons. Three DGC members, all selected to go to the Olympics for different roles, but none went. Yes, mixed emotions it is.

The good news is that the course is in terrific shape, exciting events have been lined up and golfers are raring to get back on the course. The ecosystem is ready to receive the members and offer them a great experience.

The club management and staff have worked hard and created covid protocols to make the rounds of golf as safe as possible, but members are requested to persist with their efforts to remain safe. Please do maintain social distancing and keep wearing your masks while at the DGC, and elsewhere too.

We wish you a wonderful golfing season ahead.

With my Best Wishes  
**DIGRAJ SINGH**  
Editor

#### IN MEMORY OF THE FLYING SIKH, MILKHA SINGH JI

In a thoughtful and emotional gesture, appreciated and respected by all, The Delhi Langar Seva Society (DLSS) organized a Ration distribution for the Caddies of DGC in the memory of the Flying Sikh Milkha Singh on the 4th of July 2021. Milkha Ji's daughters Dr Mona Milkha Singh and Sonia Sanwalka, who were in Chandigarh following the tragic loss of both their parents due to covid, came from Chandigarh for the occasion and thanked DGC and the DLSS for the thoughtful gesture. The founder of DLSS, Mr. Gurvinder Singh (Bicky) Dhingra and the CE DGC, Cdr Anil Rattan (Retd) joined Milkha Ji's daughters in distributing the rations.



Dear Digraj

This is a remembrance note on my friend and Nation's pride, the Flying Sikh, Milkha Singh for your news letter and may I request you to please carry it.

With all our love and best wishes

**Mrs & Maj Gen MS Kandal M No K 390**



**Padma Shri Milkha Singh – A True Champion**

## The Flying Sikh has Flown to His Eternal Home

I came to know about the shattering news, the demise of our dear member S Milkha Singh Ji, pride of the Nation, outstanding sports legend and an excellent person whom I met during the Command sports meet at Pune in the mid 1950's and joined the list of his Fans.

We used to exchange greetings while crossing each other, during our rounds at Delhi Golf Club between 1985-87.

After that, from 1993 onwards, we regularly met on the Golf course at Chandigarh Golf Club. It was here that we became fond of each other and were very happy to learn that his and my wife had a common name 'Nirmal'.

I met Nirmal Milkha Ji also at the course and felt as if we had known each other since long. She was a very affectionate person. Although we met singly and as couples only at the golf course or at functions where we both were invited, but the bond kept growing.

Now, we both are feeling their loss as of very close and most loving members of the family.

*"Ankhen num aur labboon pay duaain hain"*

for grant of Eternal peace to both of them and strength to their children and other loved ones to bear this irreplaceable loss.

"The Flying Sikh has Flown to His Eternal Home"



## The DGC League – New Dates announced

The Inaugural DGC League, which had to be postponed due to the pandemic has now been confirmed as per the following dates:

Draw and Selection evening:	22nd Sept 2021
Tournament Rounds:	14th Oct – 31st Oct
Grand Finale:	31st Oct

We've had a great response with 18 confirmed teams and wonderful sponsors.

An APP in being developed for the League which will have live updates of scores. The Link for the APP will be circulated to all members by mail.

And you could catch moments and visuals of the event with regular updates on the following Social Media handles:

Through your Instagram page please follow the handle -

**@DelhiGolfClubLeague**

For Facebook, please follow the page-

**DelhiGolfClubLeague**



**OPENING OF THE CLUB:**

The Club reopened on the 21st June 2021. A golf course in pristine condition welcomed the members and the efforts of the maintenance and operations teams was on display. Reproduced below are two pertinent sections of the notification sent out to all members as they are still relevant and important for members to observe.

**Relevant sections:**

**PRE-REQUISITES BEFORE ENTERING THE CLUB**

- a) The Club Management has made an earnest endeavor to ensure that all staff and workers entering the Club premises are vaccinated to keep the Club a 'COVID FREE ZONE'. In keeping with this, it is suggested that all members/guests are also vaccinated. This will ensure that we are all safe. Needless to state, the safety of 'ALL' is a collective responsibility and the Management requests all the members to kindly ensure requisite restraint/self-discipline in this matter.
- b) Members entering the premises must wear Mask at all times (including those that have been fully vaccinated).
- c) Any Member with a Cold or Flu like symptom should avoid visiting the Club.

**CONDUCT OF THE GAME (LODHI AND PEACOCK COURSE)**

- a) Only golfers and their guests with prior bookings will be permitted to play (i.e., Midweek and on Weekends / Holidays). All bookings must be made in advance with the Starter for both - Lodhi and Peacock Courses (Mob No: 9810003064/9311011794). Members can also enter their



Strict security at Entrance, following covid precautions and guidelines.

- names in the Register at both Starter Huts. The first Tee Off will be at 5.30 AM.
- b) Prior Booking shall be mandatory wef 22 Jun 2021. For 21 Jun only, Members shall be permitted to play on First-Come- First-Serve basis.
- c) Tee - Offs will be permitted only from Tee No. 1 & 10 on Lodhi Course. The gap between flights will be 10 minutes
- d) On Course Sanitizers will be available at vantage / touch points. Golfers are requested to sanitize their hands on a regular basis.
- e) All golfers are requested to ensure social distancing norms with other golfers/ caddies / starters / staff (ideally six feet from each other).
- f) Caddies are mandatory. Golfers may pull their own golf trolleys

**EOM**

The club staff and management have worked hard to ensure that the members are safe and are able to get back to regular use of facilities and services.

**F&B UPDATE : JUNE-JULY 2021**

**CHAIRMAN: MR. RAJ KUMAR KHANNA**

**CO-CHAIRMAN: MR. JAYANT JUNEJA**

**MEMBERS: LT. GEN. BALBIR SANDHU, MR. KABIR ADVANI, MR. AMAR RAJ SINGH**

Home Delivery Food facility was introduced on Tuesday, 01 June 2021 for the first time at DGC. The aim was to provide members with hygienic and tasty food and enable them enjoy the same in the comfort of their homes. It is with great satisfaction that we inform you that home delivery/ takeaway has become immensely popular and is much appreciated for the food quality and timely deliveries. The DGC is currently delivering at 51 addresses across the city, which covers over 60% of the total membership residences.

Takeaway service is available throughout the day, every day of the week (1200-2130 hrs.), providing a convenient facility for members visiting the club, to order and carry the same along with them when they return home.

With a new Sushi Chef coming on aboard, we intend to offer our delicious Sushi dishes and an array of Sushi dishes has been added to the Home Delivery/Takeaways menu.

We intend to start food festivals soon. A Thai food festival will start wef August 1, and will be followed by many more interesting food festivals.

The new menu alert on a regular interval serves as an important feature of the Home Delivery/Takeaways menu. The membership is updated frequently through regular E-mails and SMSs.

Several offers/deals on drinks (1+1, 2+1) have been underway in the Main Dining Hall/Pub/Main Bar effective 01 July 2021.

**UPDATE FROM THE COURSE SUPERINTENDENT – BENJAMIN MCLEAN**

**Equipment Update:** We have received our first Toro order and it has been commissioned and is in use on the course. This included one Fairway unit, two tow behind Aerators and one Debris Blower, all essential pieces of equipment which assist us to maintain the course at a high standard.



**Maintenance facility Renovation:** This has been a key area of focus for us since November 2020. A



maintenance facility is the heart of any good golf course operation, therefore it must be of top order. With the recent upgrades, including the laying of an epoxy floor, installation of a job board and adequate storage for both equipment and parts we are starting to see a much more efficient and organised operation.

We still have some boxes to tick but we are heading in the right direction.

**PDR Upgrade:** The PDR upgrade was a key task for the course team during June. Our goal was to soften shapes so there was increased visibility of the landing zones. This gives a better indication of carry distance and also facilitates routine upkeep. We have also improved the drainage. We did most of the work in house - ensuring substantial savings.



We greatly appreciate the patience and understanding of the membership during the PDR closure and hope you will enjoy the newly renovated practice facilities.



**Electrical and House works**

- Golf cart parking is now complete. Overhead charging points have been installed. This is a very clean and space efficient design, which enables us to implement a cart rotation system.



*Yes - all this is in our backyard.*



Mezzanine floor, flood lights with power distribution board, main panel, tube lights and lift.

**House works:**

Boundary wall of GI sheet with new MS support structure at the workshop

In the monsoon water used to be stagnant at one place. To address it, the workshop floor has been renovated for smooth drainage.





**INDEPENDENCE DAY 9 HOLES FUN COMPETITION ON PEACOCK COURSE.**



DGC Ladies Committee with Participants

13th August saw a celebration of India's independence, amongst ladies of the Section. The ladies were dressed in "Saffron & White" as they played on the Greens. It was an opportunity for the ladies participating and attending to be out and mingling with friends they had not met for a long time. Whether young or old, everyone enjoyed the afternoon.

**DGC LADIES SECTION MONTHLY COMPETITIONS RESULTS :**

**NAVAL KISHORE CUP (PAR COMPETITION)  
23RD JULY 2021**

Winner	Runner-up
Ishita Gupta	Riya Chaudhary

**JULY MEDAL 28TH JULY 2021**

Winner	1st Runner-up	2nd Runner-up
Himadri Singh	Aashana Monga	Sharnaya Sah

**LADY MARJORIE TANGE SALVER (STABLEFORD)  
30TH JULY 2021**

Winner	Runner-up
Himadri Singh	Keya Badugu

**MONSOON MEDAL 6TH AUGUST 2021**

Winner	1st Runner-up	2nd Runner-up
Riya Chaudhary	Ayesha Gupta	Mala Bawa

**MADHO PERSHAD CUP (NETT STROKE PLAY)  
11TH AUGUST 2021**

Winner	Runner-up
Ayesha Gupta	Neelam Sihota



With Covid cases falling and restrictions easing, the ladies section resumed their tournaments once again in July 2021. The youngsters came out in large numbers giving the senior ladies a challenge and winning most of the prizes.

**CATEGORY H'CAP -18 & BELOW**

Winner	Runner-up
Kirat Khanna	Keya K. Badugu

**CATEGORY H'CAP -19 TO -36**

Winner	Situ Puri
Divya Kohli Nagpal	Arti Chowdhuryj

**THE DELHI GOLF CLUB MONTHLY MEMBER TOURNAMENT 24TH & 25TH JUL '21 RESULT**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS !!**

**“A” DIVISION: HANDICAP 9 & BELOW**  
 Winner Mr Kartikeya Bharat Ram (B491) - H'cap - 9 39 Pts  
 Runner Up Mr. Sandeep Khanna (K506) - H'cap - 9 37 Pts

**“B” DIVISION: HANDICAP 10 TO 18**  
 Winner Dr. Rohit Mehra (M570) - H'cap - 15 39 Pts  
 Runner Up Mr. Shunil Juneja (J126) - H'cap -18 38 Pts

**“C” DIVISION: HANDICAP 19 TO 24**  
 Winner Mr. Kuldip Sarna (S493) - H'cap - 26 38 Pts  
 Runner Up Mr. Sivaji Ganguly (SP1186) - H'cap - 19 35 Pts

**SUPER SENIOR (OVER 80 YEARS OF AGE)**  
 Winner Mr. Raj Bhargava (B206) - H'cap -15 26 Pts  
 Runner Up Mr. J.m. Kapur (K076) - H'cap -17 22 Pts

**MY CADDY MY BUDDY BY NETRA SURI (ST 1057) : OUR JUNIORS SHINE IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE..**



Netra Suri handing over rations to the caddies. In the pic: Mrs Guneeta Duggal and Maj RS Bedi (Retd), ex President of DGC, both from the CWT. The CWT is doing yeoman service for the caddies.

**DGC JUNIOR KASHIKA MISRA WINS:**

14 year old DGC Junior Kashika Misra Won the "Greens to Glory Golf Tournament" played on the par 72 ITC Classic Golf Course on the 23rd of July 2021. She won in her category, B, with a score of 9 over 81. She followed it up with a victory in her category at the "Golf and Golfers Tournament" held at the newly renovated par 70 Qutub Golf Course on the 30th of July 2021 with a score of 5 over 75.

Its good to see the increasing number of Junior Tours being organized in NCR which are giving the Juniors an opportunity to play and compete on different courses, providing both a competition and upskilling opportunity. Keep it up Kashika.

During the lockdown, I really wanted to get back to playing golf. It struck me then that the caddies who make us play would be sitting in their homes without any earnings. Caddies being a group, working on daily wages, I wondered if I could do anything to help them. I



Netra Suri

brought it up with my parents, who discussed it with a friend, a member of Delhi Golf Club. He connected my parents to the Caddies Welfare Trust, who got the ball rolling. After having been advised a target collection of Rs 2.5 lacs, we engaged with Milaap.org to initiate a fundraiser, "My Caddy, My Buddy". After achieving the goal of Rs 2.5 lacs, we raised the target to Rs 3 lacs. Eventually we raised Rs. 2.86 lacs and the whole amount was transferred to the CWT.

CWT then organised rations for around 350 DGC associated caddies and some daily wage earners at the Club. On 12th July 2021, the rations were distributed in a function that was beautifully organised by CWT and DGC. I was really happy seeing the expression of happiness on the caddies faces during the function, even behind their masks. It was a humbling experience for me. They were grateful for the

little bit I could do. I would like to thank everyone who helped me in this initiative and gave me this opportunity to be of some help to the caddies. I wish I could do more and will endeavor to do so in the future.

Footnote: DGC salutes this spirit demonstrated by Netra and several others, to help society during this pandemic.



**NATIONAL COACH - JASJEET SINGH,  
CHAIRPERSON - ANUVA SUARABH,  
GURBANI SINGH, ADITI ASHOK AND ASTHA MADAN**



**Putting her way into our hearts - By Anuva Saurabh**

On the 8th of August an enthusiastic India awoke at the crack of dawn to see Aditi Ashok's final round of golf in the Olympics. Many had only heard about the game and had absolutely no concept of how it was played. Yet this young girl with her quiet composure and confidence, who had her mother and not a professional, caddying for her, won the hearts of everyone. Despite being ranked 198th in the World she matched the best in the World stroke for stroke. Her game sparked an unprecedented interest in what is essentially considered an "elitist" game.

Aditi's journey is one which we have witnessed and shared. In 2008, at the Ladies All India Championship at Eagleton Bangalore, a 10 year old girl playing with her father was persuaded to miss school and participate in the tournament. Aditi played spectacularly, finally winning the Bronze Division Match Play Trophy. From there on she has truly never looked back and has grown from strength to strength.

She won the Junior National Championship for three consecutive years from 2012-2014, simultaneously winning the Ladies All India too, in 2014. She was already one of the youngest to win the All India, which she had won at the age of 13, despite competing with older and more experienced players.

Juggling the time constraints of playing both the Junior and the Ladies tour as well as attending school sporadically, was challenging. This meant many personal sacrifices for her family and her, both financial and otherwise. Her mother Maheshwari, gave up her well paid job to accompany her young daughter all over the country and the world. Being on tour constantly made it difficult for Aditi to have a normal



Then Chairperson - Anuva Saurabh, Aditi Ashok, Gurbani Singh, Mehar Atwal

teenage life and friends in school. However Aditi's passion and single mindedness, along with her parents constant support helped her maintain her focus and work towards her goals. Unlike most of the girls, her aim was not a golf scholarship abroad and collegiate golf but to play professional golf at the highest level.

Her first international outing to Evian Junior Tournament was followed by a selection in the Indian Team for the Queen Sirikit Cup held at the DGC in 2011. With her consistency and dedication she made the team at Evian (under 14) a record 3 times. Thereon she was selected to represent India at the Asia Pacific, the Malaysian and Singapore Opens, the Queen Sirikit Cup, as well as the World Amateur Tournament.

Aditi's journey consists of many firsts. She is the only Indian golfer to have played at the Asian Youth Games, the Youth Olympics and the Asian Games besides participating twice in the Olympics. She was the youngest participant at the Olympic games in Rio in 2016. She won the Ladies Amateur British Stroke Play in 2015 and turned Pro on 1st of January 2016.

She set her goals high and went for qualifying to the Ladies European Tour where she was the first Indian to win the Lalla Aicha Tour School. This made her the youngest winner of a Q School for an International Tour. She continued her journey of firsts by becoming the first Indian Woman to clinch a Ladies European Tour Title at the Indian Open.

This quiet serious girl has never been a long hitter. An attack of Covid in May 2021 left her further handicapped. However, her strength lay in her ability to read the greens without any assistance. Her hot putter worked magically on the carpet

of the greens, and everyone hoped that this determined young girl would putt her way to a podium finish. Sadly, it was not to be. She may not have won a medal but she won the hearts of many all over the World.

As Champika Sayal, Secretary General - Women's Golf Association of India (WGAI) succinctly put it "It is an unprecedented achievement by Aditi Ashok at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. The credit goes entirely to Aditi's parents and her self discipline and single minded commitment toward the game"

We are sure that it is only a matter of time before she makes us proud again. 2024 is only a few years away and we wish her all success.

### COACH SPEAK

We are starting a section on Golfing Tips from our quality Golf Coaches at DGC. We requested Jasjit Singh to write a piece which would tell us a bit about Aditi and also offer some tips to our members. He has travelled with Aditi as the National Coach

#### Aditi Ashok - By Jasjit Singh

A shy little girl with a plait, and oodles of focus and determination. That was the 9-year-old Aditi Ashok I met in 2007. Amongst the other children who participated, Aditi stood out. It is no surprise that she excelled in her game even then by winning in her category. This was the US Kids Tournament at Tarudhan Valley in Gurgaon.

Who would believe that a 12-year-old competing with older players could beat them with her skill and talent, coming first in the East India Ladies, All India Championship and other events.

So unassuming and immersed is Aditi in her world that if she were to pass by you would not realize that she has achieved so much at such a young age. She has put in hours of hard work, day after day for as long as I can remember, and like other parents, hers have stood by as

pillars of strength.

What I noticed about Aditi during our travels for the Queen Sirikit Cup, Youth Asian Games, Youth Olympics, and Asian Games, was her drive. All she could think about was golf. Her routine was fixed --- play the course, practice, and return to the hotel. This was her routine day after day. Her track record is so strong that I don't think there is another player who can match her exploits.

We would roam the Games Village at the Youth Olympics in Nanjing, China, looking to exchange badges, make little friendship bands and get our names written in Chinese on special poster paper. We got to enact the Player versus Bookie act at the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) stall at the Games Village where we got a flicker book of us together. It is something I will treasure as the years go by.

We always blame the system, but I must add that we should make the best of what we have. Champions don't always emerge from perfect systems. They are people who have the hunger to achieve and pick themselves up even in defeat.

So, to all aspiring players, don't give up the hunger to succeed.

### Diksha Dagar

We are proud of Diksha Dagar - Winner DGC Ladies Amateur Open 2018, for making the Olympic Team. We wish her greater success in the future



Diksha Dagar with Maj RS Bedi (Retd), ex President of DGC



**SHALINI MALIK CHOSEN TO REFEREE AT THE OLYMPICS**

**- By Anuva Saurabh**



Golf is a unique game where the onus of penalties lies on the player. Many great golfers like Greg Norman, Bobby Jones & Justin Rose have sacrificed a victory by penalizing themselves. As

Bobby Jones succinctly put it "When you cheat in golf the only person you are cheating is yourself".

Only at the competitive level of the game is there a "Rules Official" nearby. They are there as an arbiter of the rules, the one to explain to the players the rules governing a particular situation. Referees / Rules officials at the Olympics too naturally played a major role in ensuring that the 72 hole golf competition was played within the framework of the sacrosanct rules of golf.



The DGC has always been known for its many golf champions in different formats of the game. We are proud to add another feather in our cap, with one of our own being chosen as a "Referee", at the highest level of the game – the Olympics.

Shalini Malik is one for whom the DGC has literally been a second home. At the age of 15 she started golf, at the annual JTPS's in the early 90's. Her love for golf grew

and she never looked back. Soon she was participating in Junior and then Amateur tournaments, till she went of the United States on a collegiate Golf Scholarship.

In 2007 the Ladies Section sponsored some of its members for a referee course organized by the R&A & IGU. Shalini was one of the few to pass this difficult examination.

Soon she was refereeing Junior and Amateur, IGU tournaments. She had found her calling and was finding greater enjoyment in the Rule Book than her clubs. She rapidly graduated to the top level. The highlights of her career include refereeing at "The Open" Championship, one of the oldest tournaments in the World.

She has proved her mettle and obviously made her mark internationally. This is apparent as the LET (Ladies European Tour) nominated her to be a part of the 3 member team, presiding over the Women's Olympic Event.

She would have been the only Indian Rules Official at this golf competition. It would have been wonderful to have not two, but three Indian women on the course during the exciting match. Unfortunately for her and us, the

airlines rescheduled their flights and despite all efforts to get onto another flight, she was unable to reach Tokyo.

However, we at the DGC are extremely proud of Shalini who has truly reached an Olympic level of officiating.

We are sure that she will be there at the next Olympics, keeping the flag of DGC flying high.



**On the spot & first interview by Capt Gypsy Chowdhury, after Mary Lou Retton, 18 became the first American to win Gymnastics Gold Medal at the XXIII World Olympic Games Los Angeles, USA, 1984**

## PROUD OF BEING AN INDIAN

- Ramesh R Kohli



It was the penultimate day of the Tokyo Olympics 2020.

The medals tally : India:

2. Silvers, 4 Bronzes and no gold.

Neeraj Chopra was in the finals of men's javelin throw event. -The Nation was glued to their TV sets. When he achieved 87.03 meters with his first throw, expectations rose sky high.

His second throw was hurled 87.58 meters, way ahead of his nearest rivals. The tension was palpable as a nation waited with bated breath to see whether any of his rivals would throw a longer distance and when the last competitor completed his tryst, India erupted with joy.

The elusive Gold at last! A first in track and field events in the history of India's Olympic participation and only a second Individual gold after Abhinav Bindra's at the 2008 Olympics in 10 meters Air Pistol event.

Truly a great moment in Indian sports that all Indians are proud of.

For me personally, it was a moment to savour in memory. Over two decades ago, I had made Spots for Doordarshan on the theme of Proud Of Being An Indian in which prominent sportspersons like Milkha Singh, P.T. Usha, Bachendri Pal, Col. R.S. Brar, Ali Sher and others were shown winning laurels and to the accompaniment of *Sare Jahan Se Achcha*, responding with "I am proud of being an Indian."

When the national anthem played as Neeraj Chopra alighted the podium to receive his gold, the atmosphere reverberated with "India is proud of you".

"I am proud of being an Indian" was written all over him.

**To add to India's glory, our Paralympians brought home 19 medals, a superlative performance.**

## FREE COVID TEST CAMP – 13, 14 & 15 JUL 2021



A FREE RTPCR Covid testing Camp was organized at the staff cafeteria on DGC premises for Members, Staff, Caddies and Contractual Staff over three full days as above.

571 people availed the opportunity of getting themselves tested.

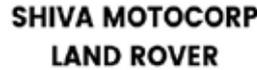
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With an intention of making DGC COVID free, and in the midst of a shortage, a Vaccination Drive was conducted at the DGC on the 19th of July for all members, staff, caddies and contractual staff. The doses, ie whether first or second were given were as per eligibility.





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**HOLE-IN-ONE: LODHI COURSE**

MR. NAVJEET SINGH SOBTI (CPB175)  
17th Hole 26.06.21



MASTER DEWAN KABIR NATH (N148)  
12th Hole 16.07.21



**HOLE-IN-ONE: PEACOCK COURSE**

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5th Hole 13.07.21



MR. NIKHHIL JEET (SD1292)  
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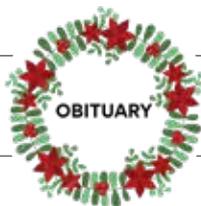
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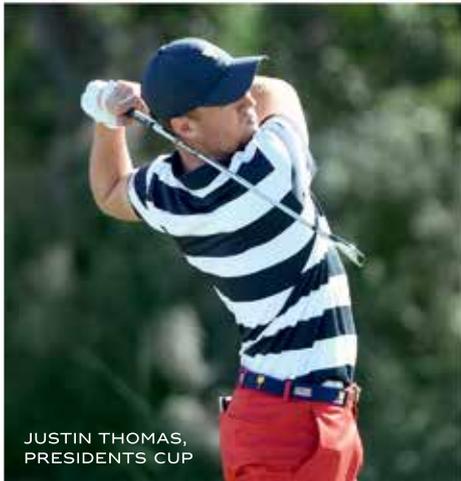
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