



# The Green Scene

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ANNOUNCING..



MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING, WEAR MASKS, SANITISE YOUR HANDS  
AND SMOOTHEN BUNKERS, REPAIR DIVOTS AND PITCH MARKS TOO...

Dear Members,

I do hope that you all are well and keeping safe. Please continue to follow the Covid-19 guidelines as the pandemic continues to hit us in waves.

We had undertaken projects; the Water Treatment Plant, the Pub and the Fitness Training Centre (Gym). Your committee, has been busy working on a war footing to complete the projects as soon as possible. There have been delays due to the necessary stop and start restrictions of the Covid guidelines. We also have The DGC Open in March this year and work on this has started in real earnest.

As mentioned to you earlier, a number of steps have been taken to improve governance and transparency.



### 1. GOVERNANCE

- a. SOPS – For all departments including purchase procedures, minimum / max stock levels etc.
- b. KPMG have been appointed as the internal auditors of the club who will audit the projects that we have undertaken.
- c. We are laying down policies and procedures of the level required for ISO Certification and we hope to get this certification once the procedures are actively in place.
- d. Financial authorisations have been streamlined.

### 2. TRANSPARENCY

- a. Membership registration numbers with date have been put on the website. This is accessible to all to see where their applications stand. Last membership granted in each category have also been mentioned
- b. Upgradation in each category is on the website.
- c. Online application forms for membership will be introduced in due course. This will avoid any confusion of application date and receipt of applications.

We have launched a Delhi Golf Club Mobile App. To begin with this will facilitate the following: -

S.No.	Modules / Icons	Details
i.	Profile	Member and Spouse Pictures with Mobile numbers and Address
ii.	Reciprocal Clubs	List of reciprocal Clubs with their contact details
iii.	Videos	Latest Videos related to the Club through YouTube
iv.	Green Scene	Latest copy of Green Scene can be viewed / downloaded
v.	News / Circulars	To view / download latest Circulars in detail
vi.	Messages	To view short messages
vii.	Reservation Query	Under Development
viii.	Bills Payment	Last six months billing summary can be viewed
ix.	Events	Information regarding upcoming Events
x.	Offers	Latest active offers /bargain/discounts on offer can be viewed
xi.	Directory	To search any membership no. and picture using Name / Surname
xii.	Tee Time Information	Weekend Tee time information can be viewed

Our website is also being overhauled and should be up soon.

I request you once again to follow the Covid-19 guidelines, it will keep everyone safe.

With best wishes and a Happy New Year.

**MR MANJIT SINGH**

President

Dear Members,

We were all hoping for a better start to the New Year – but that was not to be – we have had to grapple with and protect ourselves against the new mutation 'Omicron'. Luckily it is a milder version – but we cannot take it lightly – so please do be careful and take necessary precautions – WMD – Washing – Masking – Distancing.

That said – we have something to look forward to and bring some cheer – the inaugural DGC Open (Asian Tour Event) be held from 24 – 27 March 2022. Things are on track and Mastercard is the Presenting Sponsor. The tournament will be the richest prize money event outside the joint-sanctioned events on the European Tour and Asian Tour, seen in over 25 years at the DGC – with prize money of \$500,000. Members will be happy to note that Mr Gary Player has also confirmed his visit dates and will be with the DGC from 22 – 24 March 2022.

A Press Conference to formally announce the conduct of this prestigious tournament was held on 06 January 2022 at the DGC. The event was covered widely by the media in India and all over the world.

This event cannot be a success without the active participation of our Members. Of utmost importance will be the condition of the Course. So please do nurture it in the run up to the tournament – fill divots and repair pitch marks – and please avoid unnecessary damage to the Course – damaging the turf while taking a practice swing is an absolute NO! Hitting a second ball or practicing on the Course is also not permitted. Our Caddies too must be held accountable.

The weather in the last year or so has been most un-predictable; excessive rain and an extremely harsh and prolonged winter. Hence, as we get closer to the event, we will need to ramp up our maintenance of the Golf Course. This will obviously lead to disruption in play and certain other restrictions; as we will require more time for maintenance – please do bear with us.

An area of concern is our handicapping system – or rather the lack of it. For some reason a majority of our Members do not submit their score cards after their round of golf. In the absence of a robust handicapping system, it becomes extremely difficult for the Management to conduct events/tournaments at the Club. I would like to request our Members to submit their score cards on a regular basis.

Another challenge we face is the lack of a pool of qualified referees in the Club. Despite our best efforts, the attendance at the Rules Clinics that we conduct is poor. We have received a suggestion to first identify prospective candidates and then run a Level 1 Rules Clinic by certified referees of the IGU. Those that clear Level 1 will be requested to appear for Level 2 – and those that qualify will be awarded certificates by the IGU.....we need volunteers!

The renovated Pub and the new Gymnasium will be opening soon – this will be a major upgradation to our infrastructure..... something that we have all been looking forward to.

There has been a bit of a delay in the completion of the Water Treatment Plant. Inclement weather and extremely wet ground conditions precluded construction activities. Things are back on track and the project should be completed soon.

Stay Safe & Happy Golfing!

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

Captain





Dear Members,

This role as an editor has given me an opportunity of understanding and appreciating the range of activities that go into running the club and also manage this beautiful ecosystem. And I salute the efforts of all the members, the committee and staff who have all worked tirelessly during this pandemic to manage the course, the operations, complete the new projects and also put together the DGC Open.

In fact, promoting the DGC Open is a huge statement by DGC of its commitment towards promoting the sport in India. The event, besides enhancing the DGC Brand internationally, will also provide the members, especially the Juniors, a golf education masterclass and an opportunity of watching top class players in action. Please come and watch the players practice and then go about their business.

In this edition of the Green Scene we have also honoured one of India's great lady golfers, Mrs Sita Rawlley and also welcomed Gaurav Ghei onto the coaching panel with some valuable golfing tips from him.

Enjoy the Read.

With my Best Wishes

**DIGRAJ SINGH**  
Editor



### 50 YEARS AGO 1971

In 1970, the Indian Open became a part of the Asian circuit; the 1971 Indian Open at the Delhi Golf Club was the first time it was played as a part of the Asian circuit.

The final round saw Australian Graham Marsh and compatriot David Graham locked in a close contest, both at 206 on the 3rd day; all square on the 71st tee where Graham pulled his drive in the thick bushes to bogey and trail by one shot. All Marsh had to do was to par the 72nd and emerge victorious with a score of 275.

The 1971 Open is also remembered for Stan Peach hitting the dome of the Barakhamba, rolling down to the green

and getting a birdie. It was then the 7th hole, known as the Platform Hole; the green was on a platform about 7ft high surrounded by bunkers on three sides. It was a par 4 hole played from a tee close to the hollow of the current 12th hole.

The top amateur was Manjit Singh, our present President.

It was in 1972 that work was started on the Peter Thompson designed championship course and a 9 hole course - the present Peacock Course.

**RAMESH R KOHLI**

**CDR. HARINDER SIKKA (RETD) DISTRIBUTED JACKETS TO CADDIES**

Cdr Sikka is someone who was amongst the first few people who started giving carefully curated gifts and provisions to caddies in the golf events he runs. And in continuation to his annual practice, he distributed winter jackets for the Caddies on the 7th of January.



**CADDIES WELFARE TRUST (CWT)**

CWT's work at DGC continued in earnest during the months of November and December 2021. For the fourth time 300+ packs of 20 kg of rations were distributed in November, to the smartly turned out caddies, each sporting their new grey & blue winter uniforms provided by **Havells**.



Thank you to Mr. Gupta of Havells for the smart and warm uniforms.

The event was attended by senior DGC member Col. HN Singh, a committed supporter of the Trust and Rayaan Lal, grandson of the late BM Lal. Both handed over cheques to some of the successful caddies children eligible for CWT's scholarship awards. Mr. Ajay Anand, once again, generously donated N95 masks to all the caddies.



Col. HN Singh with caddy Rajesh's son Shivam



Caddy Pramod's daughter Priyanka receives her cheque from Rayaan Lal



Mr. Ajay Anand distributes N95 masks



Mr. Virender Ganda & members hand out sweaters

CWT are indebted to Mr. Virender Ganda who distributed sweaters to all the caddies in December and Dr. Naveen Talwar who handed out 700 blankets (2 per caddy) in January.

As we enter 2022, CWT is delighted to collaborate with DGC on a Caddy Training Programme and is grateful to Ms. Shalini Malik who has agreed to address the rules aspect of the sessions.



Dr. Naveen Talwar distributes blankets

**F&B COMMITTEE UPDATE :NOV-DEC 2021**

**CHAIRMAN: MR. PRABHASH JAIN**

**CO-CHAIRMAN: MR. GREESH BINDRA**

**MEMBERS: MR. JAYANT JUNEJA, LT. GEN. BALBIR SANDHU, MR. KABIR ADVANI, MR. SUNIL CHANDRA, MRS. MALA BAWA**

Lawn lunches are in full swing this winter with multi cuisine food counters and newly added stalls (Zambar, Ali's, Ambrosia, Thai Wok by Vendy's, Kunafa & E-icery) with all-new cuisines & revamped offerings.

The cordoned area in the lawn is also open at dinner time so please come and enjoy this lovely cool weather and great food out in the open. In addition, enough gas and electric heaters have been organized for the dining tables outside.

During the last few months there have been a number of Food Promotions and Special Events organized at the Club Lawn during Winter Lunches. We hosted the Pizza & Pasta, Tawa Taka-Tak, & Thupka & Thai Food Festivals.

We have introduced Thai Food in Home Delivery/Takeaways Menu.

Special Events such as X-MAS Themed Lawn Lunches and New Year Lunch were appreciated by the members. A special discount of 20% on beverages was offered to members who attended these two events.

All these events organized by the Club Team, led by the Chief Executive & Manager Hospitality Services were found to be popular and well attended. Children were welcomed and it was good to see them enjoying themselves.

The special offer for a complimentary cake on advance booking by members celebrating their birthday/anniversary has been greatly appreciated and is an ongoing program and hopefully all members will take advantage of this offer on their birthdays/anniversaries

Home Delivery/Takeaways menu with one-point contact has drawn a very positive response from the members. Please take advantage of our clubs' Home Delivery/Takeaways during Covid times.

Special offer (i.e., a starter of your choice) is being offered complimentary with all the orders above Rs 1500/- on advance order for Home Delivery/Takeaways.

Members can also expect several new promotions on food & beverages in the coming months. Please look out for our fliers/emailers/SMS.

Two new introductions in the near future will include a Sea Food Festival and a New Menu at the Pub.

**SYSTEMS COMMITTEE UPDATE**

**CHAIRMAN: CMDE. SHARAT MOHAN (RETD.)**

**CO-CHAIRMAN: MR. SANJEEV KUMAR TRIPATHI**

**MEMBER: MR. L.R. RAISINGHANI**

The Club's website is being revamped and the new version, with numerous improvements over the existing one is expected to be launched soon.

The Club is also launching an application for smart phones. Work on this app is at an advanced stage and trials are expected to start soon. The app will be launched in both android and IOS versions on completion of satisfactory trials. Once completely developed, members will be able to access all facilities of the club, including placing orders for F&B, pay their bills, make reservations, view tee off timings and notices, etc.

**Strict Compliance to COVID Guidelines – yet work continued on 3 key projects**

On 8 January 2022, the weekend curfew was announced. During this crucial period, the Club followed proper Government guidelines and managed its functioning with limited staff and with no halt of any essential services. A continuous practice was proper daily sanitization after regular intervals. The Club made it easier for club employees and staff/labour of the contractors to work together during the weekend curfew by providing lodging and food services to about 60-70 club staff and contractor's labour, while they continued work on three key separate projects, the renovation of the Pub, renovation of the Gym and the Water Treatment Plant's project work.



RT-PCR Tests conducted for Staff and Members from 11-13 Nov 2021. 507 people were tested

## THE DELHI GOLF CLUB MONTHLY MEMBER 31 DEC 2021 - 02 JAN-2022

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS !!

#### MIXED CATEGORY

Winner Ms. Shiraz Singh & Mr. Shafi Goroo  
Runner Up Ms. Anuva Saurabh & Mr. Ronen Pawar

#### GENERAL CATEGORY

Winner Mr. Kuldip Sarna & Mr. G P S Paintal  
Runner Up Mr. Rakesh Goel & Mr. L M Kapur

#### SENIOR CATEGORY

Winner Mr. V.N Sharma & Mr. Janaki Das Grover  
Runner Up Mr. Ram Kishan Sarkar & Mr. Raghu Raj Singh

## Retirement of Col Harbir Singh (Retd)



Col. Harbir Singh (Retd.) retired from the services of the Club on 30th Nov 2021. He served the Club for a short span of 2 years and during his tenure he headed the HR & Administration departments. He managed the administrative matters of the

Club very efficiently and also managed to handle the HR affairs in an amicable manner and maintained a win-win situation for both the employees and the Club.

## DGC JUNIORS SHINE..

### Ranveer Singh Dhupia wins the US Kids Tour Championship

Ranveer Singh Dhupia won the US Kids Tour Championship played at the ITC Classic on 18th Feb 2022. He birdied the last three holes to finish at a score of -1 (71) and won by two strokes.

This was the final event on the US Kids Fall 2021 Tour and with this win Dhupia also came second in the order of merit. Readers will be pleased to know that DGC Boys Vedant Banerjee, Ranveer Singh Dhupia and Ranveer Mitroo dominated the US Kids Fall 2021 tour by grabbing the first three spots on the order of merit list.

Banerjee won three events, came second in two and third in another. Dhupia won two events and came second in one and



From Left to right -  
Ranveer Singh Dhupia // Vedant Banerjee // Ranveer Mitroo

Mitroo was very consistent and had six top 5 finishes in the season.

Thanks to these performances, Bannerjee has qualified for the US Kids World Championships which will be played at Pine Hurst, USA. This is the World's largest junior tournament. And Dhupia and Mitroo have qualified for the European Championships which is to be played at Edinburgh, Scotland. This is Europe's largest junior Tournament.

### Udai Aditya Middha wins the YOUNG MASTERS AMATEUR GOLF TOURNAMENT

DGC Junior Udai Aditya Middha won the YOUNG MASTERS AMATEUR GOLF TOURNAMENT played at the par 70 TARUDHAN VALLEY golf resort on the 20th and 21st of Jan 2022 with scores of 73, 67 and 68. With this win, he opened his World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) account as the top 3 players in the event received WAGR points. Udai's ranking of 4231 is certain to motivate the young talent to move up and do even better.

Udai seen with Faisal Quershi who promoted and organised the event. The series of events he runs for juniors are a huge motivation for the kids.





### **"DGC'S OWN WATER TREATMENT PLANT – THANK YOU ASHISH, KARTIK AND SRF FOUNDATION**

This is a story on what the phrase "The DGC is my second home" really means. While claiming the Club to be our "second home", most of us are really expecting our "second home" to do things for us. As opposed to this one way expectation, how many of us are really prepared to give something to our "second home". The story that follows is one such rare example.

While all of us members of the DGC love playing on our course, how many actually realise what it takes to keep our 2 courses in good repair and in a healthy state. While most of us would not be familiar with maintenance practices to keep our turf healthy, we all know that the one vital ingredient is the right quality and quantity of water, the absence of which has caused our turf many woes year after year. The absence of any of these two factors has disastrous consequences for the turf – a phenomenon with which the DGC is familiar. Virtually, the only source of water supply to our Club is from the Okhla Plant of the Jal Board. This supply is erratic, never sufficient and of a poor quality. Summer months are especially bad, when the Club has to resort to buying water and have it brought in tankers because bore wells use is forbidden. DGC's annual outgoing to Jal Board for the water supply is in the region of Rs 70 lacs? And then there was the added cost of bringing water by tankers.

In 2019-20, while DGC was going through the nitty gritty of the renovation of the greens' complexes, the water supply problems were discussed in detail. It was realised that a major sewage pipe ran through the length of the 13th Lodhi fairway carrying millions of litres of untreated water into the Jamuna. It made sense to tap this and create our own water treatment plant, in order to be self-sufficient and to have the right quality of water for our courses. All necessary permissions were sought and obtained from the Ministry of Urban Development and the NDMC to tap the sewage line and to build a treatment plant.

The present management took up the project in real earnest with a clear understanding that the project was going to be expensive but absolutely necessary. The budget for the WTP was pegged at 4.5 Cr. and work commenced in real earnest. It is now nearing completion

(just off the 8th Lodhi fairway).

This little background build up was necessary to narrate the heart warming story that unfolded- an act of great generosity that encapsules the true meaning of "the Club is my second home". The 4.5 Cr. expenditure to be incurred on the project, though absolutely essential, was not something the Club could comfortably afford - what with the planned "DGC Open" looming large. Could DGC find a sponsor for the WTP? It was easier said than done. A tough call, to say the least. Knowing their love for the game as also their long association with the club, the Bharatram brothers (Ashish & Kartik) were approached for some funding for the project. A dialogue ensued and they were obviously keen to know what benefits the club expected to derive from the WTP. It was conveyed to them that -

- a. The Club would become self-sufficient in its requirements for the maintenance of both the courses.
- b. The Club would not have to purchase water either from the Jal Board or in the form of tankers.
- c. The water would be of a quality that is ideal for turf management, thus greatly improving our turf and green areas and most importantly, would be of great benefit to the ecosystem / environment as 3 million litres per day of untreated water would be prevented from being discharged into the Jamuna.

It was most uplifting when within a few days of this dialogue, the Club received word from the Bharatram brothers that SRF Foundation would be more than happy to sponsor the entire cost of the WTP project up to 4.5 Cr. A rare example of what one can give to our "second home" rather than what our "second home" can give us.

The Club owes Ashish and Kartik Bharatram a huge thank you and will be in gratitude for this very generous and thoughtful act. We are certain that our management will find a way to suitably acknowledge this contribution which has a positive and long term impact on our 2 courses as also the ecosystem and environment.

## CHRISTMAS 9 HOLE FUN COMPETITION

The Ladies Section celebrated Christmas with a nine hole fun competition on the Peacock Course. 35 enthusiastic ladies played the event on the 24th of Dec, despite the covid restrictions in place. Lovely weather and good food added to the fun and festivities, while Christmas colours of red and white added to the ambience.

### PRIZE WINNERS

- Winner (H'caps -18 & below) - Sharanya Sah
- Winner (H'caps -19 to -36) - Kamini Gupta
- Runner-up - Simran Bajaj
- Platinum Girl (Age 70 yrs & above) - Uma Khanna

### BIRDIE PRIZES

Neelam P. Rudy / Sharanya Sah / Sonaal Chaudhri



## 27TH PUNJAB OPEN LADIES AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2021

The DGC Ladies participated in the Chandigarh Ladies Open and it was wonderful to see our players especially Anjali Nagpal return with several prizes.

- Anjali Nagpal Winner - Challenge Senior (nett)
- Anjali Nagpal Winner - Super Senior (gross)
- Anjali Nagpal Winner - Super Senior (nett)
- Anjali Nagpal Winner Challenge Bowl (H'cap 19-24) (gross/nett)
- Shiraz Singh Winner - Young seniors - (gross)



Anjali Nagpal - Punjab Open

## 14TH ARMY LADIES OPEN AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2021

The DGC players did us proud at AEPTA with a rich haul of prizes in their respective categories. Young Kashika Misra, part of the camp of excellence claimed the main Championship trophy while Sharanya Sah also from Camp of Excellence won the junior trophy.

Prizes :

### Champion of the Tournament (Best Gross)

Winner Kashika Misra

### Juniors : 36 Holes (Best Gross) Age : (12-18 Yrs)

Winner Sharanya Sah

### 36 holes Best Gross & Net ('B' Div) Hcap - 13-18

Runner-up (Gross) Sanjoli Singh  
Runner-up (Nett) Neelam P Rudy

### ECL Championship Trophy : 36 holes Gross & Net ('A' Div) Hcap - 0-12

Runner-up (Gross) Ayesha Gupta

### Best Stableford points Overall (0-30) - First Day

Runner-up Ritu Kohli

### Seniors Competition: Age (65 yrs & above) - 36 Holes (Stableford)

Runner-up Situ Puri



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

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS !!**

**NOVEMBER MEDAL**

Winner	Ayesha Gupta
1st R-up	Kashika Senthil
2nd R-up	Sunita Dutt

**DEEP SINGH MEMORIAL STABLEFORD OF FULL  
HANDICAP - H'CAP -36 & BELOW)**

Winner	Neelam P. Rudy
Runner-up	Shiraz Singh

**DECEMBER MEDAL**

Winner	Ayesha Gupta
1st R-up	Pamela Bhagatl
2nd R-up	Anushka Gupta

**LADY IRIWN MARCH PLAY**

**OFF FULL HANDICAP – H'CAP (-36 & BELOW)**

Winner	Sunita Dutt
Runner-up	Ishita

**JANUARY MEDAL**

Winner	Himadri Singh
1st R-up	Ishita
2nd R-up	Ayesha Gupta

**FEBRUARY MEDAL**

Winner	Himadri Singh
1st R-up	Anushka Gupta
2nd R-up	Reetu S.K. Singh

**OISHI CUP**

**OPEN STROKE PLAY – H'CAP (-19 TO -36)**

Winner	Neelam Sihota
Runner-up	Kamini Gupta

**JOGI RAO TROPHY**

**STABLEFORD – H'CAP (-19 TO -36)**

Winner	Situ Puri
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**THE DGC OPEN – KULBIR SINGH**

As I start keying in these few words, it is exactly 37 days for one of the most ambitious projects our Club has ever ventured into, yes and I am referring to The DGC Open, an Asian Tour sanctioned tournament scheduled between 24th and 27th March 2022!

An Empowered Organizing Core Committee was created to focus on this golf tournament as no other tournament of this scale had been attempted by the Club before. We were confronted with many challenges, first, being accepted by the Asian Tour as a host venue with an ambition of creating the only "Club owned" tournament in the country which would grow over the next five years in reputation and therefore attract the best players in the region. The next challenge was to find a main sponsor who would believe in the Club being able to manage a tournament of such magnitude. And of course, to get the course back in tournament shape after a very severe and an unusually wet winter.

But let us go back on how the idea was first conceived. About five years ago, Siddarth "Chiku" Shriram as President of the Club felt that the Lodhi Course had outlived its life and needed a major revamp if we were ever to be considered a venue for a major golf event. We all know the process of selection and reconstruction that was gone through then and only after the upgradation of our Lodhi Course was accomplished in 2019, it was but a natural progression that the DGC was now ready to host a major international tournament. Alas, the pandemic set us back two years but as signs began to emerge that the virus might be leaving us, though reluctantly and hence slowly, some of us began to get the confidence that maybe the time was ripe to attempt moving ahead.

To begin with, we had many objectives in mind before we ventured out. It was very clear to us that we must make this tournament the best show the golfing community in the country would witness. After all, the DGC had the reputation of being the nursery to many champions, who had brought repute to the Club and won accolades over the years. It is the Club's stated objective to train and nurture juniors who grow to become our champions and we need to retain that position of eminence. We had to demonstrate to the Asian Tour that we were not only committed but also had the ability and resources to undertake such a venture and also raise the required monetary resources for its satisfactory conduct. We would then require a main sponsor who would believe in us and extend the support to sustain such an effort. And lastly, whether we would be able to sustain the tournament and to nurture it till it becomes an annual fixture on the golfing

circuit in the Asia Pacific region.

Today we can say with reasonable confidence that we are well on our way to achieving all our objectives.

Mastercard, the international financial services company, has come forward and will be the main sponsor for our inaugural edition of The DGC Open with a prize purse of US \$500,000. The last two days of the tournament will be live telecast across 60 countries and will reach over 800 million households. Following this, many sponsors starting with some oil companies and corporates some of whom are our members, sponsors from the hospitality and transport sector and many others have come forward to support your tournament. It is also our objective to take the prize purse to US \$1,000,000 over the five-year period or sooner if the first one is a success.

As a star attraction of the tournament, we will have the legendary golfer Gary Player with us for three days between the 22nd and 24th of March and besides interacting with members, conducting a coaching and training session for our juniors, he will also formally inaugurate the tournament with the first tee off on 24th March before he departs for the Masters in the USA. After all this is a Gary Player Design course.

Needless to say, such a tournament cannot be a success without the wholehearted support of its members for their endurance and encouragement and for this the Organizing Committee remains grateful. This tournament is also propelling the Club to spruce up its physical appearance, areas which are beginning to look a bit aged. To make this also into a fun experience for the members and visitors, for the first time, we will be creating a "Fan-Zone" in the Swimming Pool area which will have, besides a few convenience food stalls, a golf simulator, a fun putting area and a large LED screen to watch the players while imbibing a selection of beverages!

Looking forward to having all of you come watch the best players both from the merit lists of the Asian Tour and the PGTI compete in the Inaugural edition of The DGC Open as we remain committed to the promotion of golf in this country.

**GAURAV GHEI**

We welcome Gaurav onto the august body of coaches at DGC. A top class player like him coming to coaching is a wonderful benefit for the members, especially the Juniors at DGC. Gaurav is offering us some chipping tips in this piece. And who can forget his chip-in to Win the USD 500,000 Gadgil

Western Masters in 1995. He must know a thing or two!!

**Gaurav's Chipping Tips:**

The fastest way for a club golfer to lower his handicap and improve his score is to get better around the greens. This is because an average club golfer does not hit more than 5-6 greens in regulation.

A good place to start is the basic chip shot. I recommend 2 basics that every golfer should follow which are essential for good contact and consistent chipping.

I see most golfers who struggle have a bad set up to start with. Their shoulders are tilted too much with the right shoulder much lower than the left, the centre of the chest behind the ball and the shaft leaning too much towards the target.

This promotes an outside in backswing and a steep choppy action which leads to skulls and fat chips. Try to get your shoulders more level at address, centre of chest on the ball and the shaft straighter at address so that your hands are just ahead of the ball

The second most important thing is that your weight at address should favour the leading leg (left for right handed golfers) and stay there during the shot. There is no weight shift in a chip shot

A great drill to feel this is to hit some chips with your right foot pulled back and up on its toe. If there is any excessive body movement you will not make a crisp contact

Hope these things can help you chip the ball a little better

Happy golfing





## SITA RAWLLEY A CHAMPION PAR EXCELLENCE – ANUVA SAURABH

1925 to 2015

Six years ago, late in November, Indian Women's Golf lost one of its leading lights.

The success of Indian Women's Golf in the global arena, belongs to many path-breaking stalwarts, amongst whom the pioneer was Sita Rawlley. In 1977 she was even recognized by the Indian Government for her stellar contribution and received an Arjuna Award.

Certain people are bestowed with courage, indomitable spirit and reserves of strength, which an ordinary person cannot even begin to comprehend. Sita Rawlley was one such gutsy, strong lady with an unparalleled passion for life and golf.

Sometimes the distance between what we want and do and what we actually achieve is unbridgeable. However Sita Rawlley's passion for golf assured that she achieved more than she had set out to do.

She won the Northern India in 1971, 1979, and 1980 as well as the West Bengal Open in 1979 and 1980. In addition, she won three consecutive National titles from 1976 to 1978. During the early days of women's golf in India - Sita Rawlley's achievements were legendary and she represented India in the Queen Sirikit Cup in 1981 & 1983 and was the Convener of the IGU from 1993 to 1995. She Captained the Indian Team to the Sri Lankan Open and won the Championship. She was also Captain of the DGC Ladies Section from 1962-1963 and once again from 1987-1989 and took the section to greater heights.

Inspired by her passion and dedication the Late Siddharth Shriram and the Usha Group, at her request, agreed to sponsor the Northern India Ladies Open at the DGC. This fruitful and fulfilling relationship continued for nearly half a decade and helped the DGC Ladies Open get acknowledged as one of the premier and most sought after tournaments on the circuit.

She was a Patron member of WGAI, a professional golf body for women. This was a natural progression to promote women's golf by creating avenues for the girls to make golf a profession.

Life however brings strange twists, and turns. Due to a medical complication which resulted in her legs being amputated, she was confined for the last 5 years of her life to a wheel-chair. This however did not deter



this courageous lady and she continued to participate in the Ex-Captain's putting competitions, despite being handicapped. Neither did she sacrifice her elegant chiffons saris and pearls for comfortable attire. She was always immaculately coiffured and continued to live her life to the fullest despite personal setbacks.

As Champika Sayal says - "Sita Rawlley played golf with courage and fortitude throughout her career. She believed in fighting the battle to be a winner". At the same time many players bear testimony to the fact that she willingly dispensed advice about how to play and improve your game to newer players.



Receiving the Arjuna Award

Her death in 2015 greatly saddened all of us. We had lost a true visionary and a sportswoman who had contributed immensely by bringing Indian women's golf to the forefront. She had a strong connection with golf and the people associated with it. Those of us privileged enough to have know this legendary Lady, miss both her presence and her contribution.

As Indian Women's golf scales greater heights we remember her many accomplishments. Sita Rawlley may not physically be amongst us any longer, however she continues to remain an inspiration to women all over.

**FITNESS TRAINING CENTRE OPENED**



The New Fitness Centre was inaugurated on the 12th of Feb 2021 at the old bag storage location. Spread over 1400 Sq Ft, the state of art Fitness Centre has several top end and carefully curated "Celebrate Life" machines and equipment to serve the needs of a fitness enthusiast.

Golf fitness enhances the way your body moves and affects how you swing the club. It protects you from injury. Golfers with good kinesthetic awareness perform better and that comes from muscular strength, endurance and flexibility. The Fitness Centre has the equipment and quality trainers to help you with that.

This welcome addition to the facilities at DGC is a must use, especially for the juniors who are getting serious about their games.



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**PUB Reopened**

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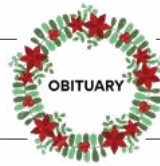
The Seating Capacity of the Pub is 144 Covers. Timings of the Pub, which are subject to DDMA Guidelines are as follows:

**11AM- 03:30PM & 7PM-10:30PM On Fri and Sat**

With stunning views of the course and the Swimming Pool, the USP's of the new Pub include sophisticated seating arrangements, a Long Island Bar, Extended Terrace Seating and a Live Kitchen

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MR RAVI KUMAR GHAI 5th Hole	(G295) 28.10.21	
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DR ANIL KOHLI 1st Hole	(K788) 12.11.21	
MS KIRAT KHANNA 6th Hole	(K649) 16.11.21	
MR VERRINDER SINGH 7th Hole	(V056) 26.11.21	
MR SHIVENDRA KUMAR 1st Hole	(K499) 29.11.21	
MR NIPENDER KOCHHAR 6th Hole	(K622) 14.12.21	
MR RAHUL BHALLA 1st Hole	(B575) 14.12.21	
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MR PRABH DAS 1st Hole	(CPA192) 28.12.21	

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