



The Green Scene

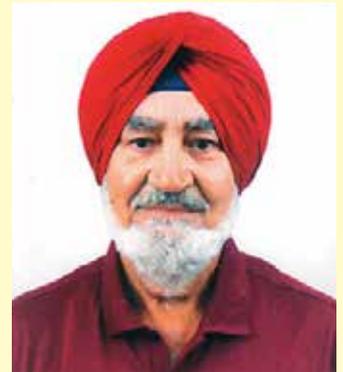
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How beautifully leaves grow old
How full of light and colour are their last days

John Burroughs



Dear Members,

The heat and dust of the AGM and election had hardly settled when the Panasonic was upon us. The Greens were in the throes of death and emergency measures were underway to revive them. In our meeting with the Tournament officials, we gave them the option to withdraw. However, they were gracious enough to convey their decision to continue with the Tournament at the Delhi Golf Club. We, on our part, promised to do our best to offer reasonable playing conditions. The ground staff, led by the Course Superintendent, have worked very hard to revive the Greens. Separately, preparation of a report on the status of our Greens is underway and will be disseminated in the near future.

The new GC has settled down and had its first meeting on 12th October 2018. The Sub-committees have been formed. A new Sub-committee has been created keeping in mind the unique environment of our Club "Environment Sub Committee". Your GC clearly understands the faith and high expectations that you have from it and has got off the blocks in real earnest. The angst amongst our members on various issues of governance and management was evident during the AGM. It mainly centred around the following:

1. Wage Agreement.
2. Lack of responsiveness from the management.

We have set up a committee under Mr. SS. Dhupia to prepare a Paper on Wage Agreement and its Ramifications on Club's financial stability. Another committee under Shri Raghav Chandra, IAS, has been tasked to prepare a Paper on our issues with the Government / Government Agencies which will be disseminated to you so that you understand the limitations and constraints we have to work under in the context of our need to improve our infrastructure. We are also setting up a mechanism where the Management will be more responsive to Members' queries / correspondence.

There are multidimensional issues that the Club faces. We are all aware of them. While the GC will look at all aspects, my focus will be on the strategic issues facing the Club with the intention of creating a foundation for the Club to be taken to the next level. Naturally, the Golf Course (particularly our Greens) are a priority. With regard to our being enabled to create a better infrastructure, I make no promises, except that our efforts will be relentless – the ground work for which is being laid as we speak.

Dear Members, while the GC will 'chip' away at tackling various issues and make a 'pitch' for creating a better environment with the powers that be, how about doing your part. Let me slightly tweak JFK's famous words "Ask not what your Club can do for you, ask what you can do for your Club". Can you clap with one hand? Can there be rights without duties? To make my point, I am posting a photograph taken at the 6th Tee.



BILLY BEDI
President



Dear Members,

Thank you for electing me as Club Captain. It is an honour and huge responsibility which I intend to live up to and surpass. We have a lot of work cut out for us, particularly on the Lodhi and Peacock Courses and the Practice Driving Range (PDR). These plans are underway and detailed communications will be discussed in various forums with the membership before the designs are finalized. Post finalization, the financial aspects will be discussed in an Open House or appropriate forums. May I request you to write or discuss any views that you may want to share on these aspects.

The Sub Committees have been formed and please interact with the Chairmen and members for any suggestions or comments that you may have.

The Panasonic Open was a grand success! Even though the Greens were not 100%, we saw some good scores and an exciting finish.

This year, we invited three boys and three girls juniors to play the Pro-Am as a measure of our support for the development of Junior Golf.

Despite the heavy monsoon this year, the Greens staff has worked hard to get the course in good shape; however, the Greens took a beating because of the damage to the root systems. We plan to open the Greens soon despite what seems to be an early onset of winter and dormancy. Various forms of analysis of the soil and conditions are being done. Proactive steps

are being taken by the Greens staff to keep the course playing well right through the winter season.

May I take this opportunity to point out that about 1150 'C' Members either do not play, don't play enough or do not have requisite handicaps for upgradation. This is holding up the process of upward movement and induction of new members. I wish to appeal to all 'C' Members to play and fulfil the criteria for upgradation. Please play golf!!

An initiative to create archives of our historic Club has been started. A team of volunteers consisting of Gaby, Soni and Ramesh Kohli have come together for this mammoth job. You will be hearing about the efforts and the manner in which you can help us.

Happy golfing and my best wishes for the festive season!!

Warm Regards,

ROHIT SABHERWAL

Captain

President: Maj. (Retd.) Ravinder Singh Bedi, VrC

Captain: Mr. Rohit Sabherwal, FCA

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Maj.Gen Anil Prabhakar Dere

Mr. A.K. Virmani

Mr. Hemant Bharat Ram

Mr. Gagan Verma

Mr. Shivinder Singh

Mr. Arjun Singh

Mr. Amit Luthra

Mr. Vivek Chandra

Mr. Kanwaljit Singh Johar

Mr. Kulbir Singh

Capt. L.S. Bahl

Mr. Raghav Chandra

Mr. Durga Shanker Mishra, Govt. Nominee

Mr. Dharmendra, Govt. Nominee

Mr. Rajiv Gauba, Govt. Nominee

Mrs. Anuva Saurabh, Lady Captain

Maj.Gen. K.M.S. Shergill (VSM, Retd.), Ex-Captain

NAME OF THE SUB COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	CO-CHAIRMAN	MEMBERS
GREENS	Mr. Rohit Sabherwal	Mr. Amit Luthra	Mr. Arjun Singh, Maj. Gen. Anil P. Dere (Retd.)
FINANCE, LEGAL & PURCHASE	Mr. Kulbir Singh	Mr. Raghav Chandra	Mr. Hemant Bharat Ram, Mr. Vivek Chandra
MEMBERSHIP	Mr. A.K. Virmani	Maj. Gen. Anil P. Dere (Retd.)	Mr. Raghav Chandra, Capt. L.S. Bahl
F&B	Capt. L.S. Bahl	Mr. Gagan Verma	Mr. K.S. Johar
HOUSE	Mr. Gagan Verma	Mr. K.S. Johar	Capt. L.S. Bahl, Mr. Vivek Chandra
TOURNAMENT & HANDICAPPING	Mr. Amit Luthra	Mr. Gagan Verma	Mr. Arjun Singh, Mr. K.S. Johar
HRD	Mr. Vivek Chandra	Mr. Hemant Bharat Ram	Mr. Shivinder Singh
SYSTEMS	Mr. A.K. Virmani	Mr. Hemant Bharat Ram	Mr. Shivinder Singh
ENVIRONMENT	Maj. Gen. Anil P. Dere (Retd.)	Mr. Raghav Chandra	
CSR	To be announced (TBA)		
DISCIPLINARY	President	Captain	

LOOKING AROUND

The election excitement has died down at the Golf Club and it is back to business as usual. Congratulations to the new President Billy Bedi and the Captain Rohit Sabherwal. They have a lot on their plate. Eight out of the twelve elected are first timers, a great combination of the experienced and the new. Committees have been formed and a new committee on Environment has been created to tackle pollution and other environment issues.

This year's elections were historic. For the first time a lady golfer dared to stand for Captain! The conservatives were aghast. How could a woman have the guts to crash into the male bastion? The Greens were buzzing with whispers....."did she or did she not



stand a chance ? Her popularity did not matter, she was a woman. No man would vote for her", they said.

But the Delhi Golf Club proved to the sceptics that it had evolved and was progressive. It was efficiency and popularity that mattered more than gender. The lady polled a large number of votes. The myth had been busted. The club members had shown there was no gender bias. Kudos to them and the gutsy lady who has set new trends.

Now that winter is creeping in and the major tournaments are over it is time for members to spend more time on the course. The club is repairing the Greens and has set up temporary alternatives.

The lunches in the lawns have started drawing crowds. It is therapeutic to sit out and look at the greens stretched as far as the eye can see. But watch out for the crows! The cuisine at the Pub has improved considerably and the player's lounge continues to serve the all- time favourites. But sadly, the juice counters have closed, hopefully temporarily.

This festive season promises to be lively and full of action even for the juniors.....with golf tournaments and Children's parties. It's family time at the club.

Seasons greetings . Wish you all a very happy festive season.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chandni Luthra".

CHANDNI LUTHRA
Editor



Golf at Tarudham 16th Oct'18 – with the course at DGC closed, the Ladies Section organized a complimentary round of golf at the Tarudham Golf Resort. They hired a bus to travel together to Manesar in a picnic like atmosphere. 18 holes of golf on the picturesque course was followed by a sumptuous lunch organized courtesy Silver Glades. Prizes were given in each 4 ball and the outing was a huge success and enjoyed by all.



After the lull of summer, with the weather improving slowly, golfing activities at the Ladies Section, started with full enthusiasm once again. Autumn was heralded in by a special 9 hole Tournament **“Drive into Autumn”**. The fun filled 9 holes of golf on the Peacock course, were followed by a talk on Skincare & “How to look Youthful” by the renowned Blossom Kochar, which had the ladies enthralled. Once the talk was over, the ladies had a personal one to one session with Blossom and put their queries to her. After that all the participants and Ladies Section members, enjoyed a sumptuous lunch. Gifts for all participants courtesy Blossom Kochar added to make the day a truly fun one.



PREPARATIONS OF DGC LADIES OPEN

The ladies now look forward to their annual DGC Ladies Open from 21st to 23rd November 2018. Participants from all over the country will join this celebration of Women’s Golf.



Natraj Cup 2nd Oct'18 - After a hiatus of several years, the Natraj Cup was played at the club once again on the 2nd of October. It was heartening to see the enthusiasm of the 60 men & women who participated in this tournament. Many youngsters also kept their family tradition alive by playing in the event. The men in blues & the women in their pinks were partners in a better ball format, competing for the coveted silver prizes.

The thematic pink & blue décor along with the delicious spread of street food by the Chef & his team, added to the fun, post the round of golf.

Winner - Payal Soni & K.S. Randhawa • **Runner-up** - Madhu R.K. Singh & Rai Binit Handa



DGC LADIES SECTION MONTHLY COMPETITIONS 2018-2019

Lady Marjorie Tange Salver (Stableford) – 29th August 2018

Winner: Anupama Singh
Runner-up: Aashana Monga

Miyako Cup H'cap -18 & below (Eclectic Stableford) – 5th & 6th September 2018

Winner: Sonaal Chaudhri

Rawlley Salver H'cap -19 to -36 (Eclectic Stableford) – 5th & 6th September 2018

Winner: Anuva Saurabh
Runner-up: Payal Khanna

Madho Pershad Cup (Nett Stroke Play) – 12th September 2018

Winner: Aashana Monga
Runner-up: Mala Bawa

Natraj Cup Mixed Competition (Stableford) – 2nd October 2018

Winner: Payal Soni & K.S. Randhawa
Runner-up: Madhu R.K. Singh & Rai Binit Handa

October Medal (Medal Round) – 10th October 2018

Winner: Neelam P. Rudy
Runner-up: Simran Bajaj
2nd Runner-up: Kanwal Varma

Medal Round – 31st October 2018

Winner: Asha Khurana
Runner-up: Uma Khanna

PANASONIC OPEN INDIA 2018

KHALIN JOSHI WINS IN A GRAND STAND FINISH



(L-R) Mr. Cho Minn Thant, Mr. Manish Sharma, Khalin Joshi, Uttam Singh Mundy and the Club President Maj. (Retd.) Ravinder Singh Bedi

Khalin Joshi finally got the monkey off his back. After three Top-10 finishes this season, Joshi, who has twice before finished runner-up at AsianTour events, ended his wait for a maiden triumph with a win at the eighth edition of the Panasonic Open India at our Club on 28th October.

After surrendering the lead with two early bogeys, the 26-year-old Bengaluru pro bounced back with six birdies, four of which came in the last five holes.

He sank a 10 footer birdie putt on the last hole to clinch the issue. Joshi became the seventh Indian winner in eight editions of the Panasonic Open India.

Joshi equalled 2017 champion Shiv Kapur's best winning score of 17-under to emerge champion, Siddikur Rahman of Bangladesh (69) was second, his third runnerup finish at Panasonic Open and fifth Top-10 at the event in last five starts.

Ajeetesh Sandhu (70), had one unlucky bounce on the 14th, which ended in a bogey and he tied-3rd at 14-under with Suradit Yongcharoenchai (69). Aman Raj, 23, who still does not have full playing rights on the Asian Tour, finished sole fifth, which was his best finish on the Asian Tour, bettering his T-16 at the same event last year.

Indians once again had a great week with six finishers in the Top-14 and eight in the Top-16.



Our student member, Kshitij Naveed Kaul, 17, got his pro career off to a great start as he shot 68 in the final round to tie for sixth with Jazz Janewattananond (68) and Matt Stieger (69). Veteran Mukesh Kumar (68) and M Dharma (71) were T-10, while Karandeep Kochhar (68) and Sachin Baisoya (73) were T-15.



GOLF CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 2018-19

DATE/DAY	NAME OF THE TOURNAMENT	REMARKS
NOVEMBER 2018		
Sat-Sun, 3-4 Nov	BACHELORS CUP	Members Tournament
Wed, 14 Nov	November Medal + 9 – hole Medal	
Fri, 16 Nov	AMITY UNIVERSITY TOURNAMENT	(100% SPONSORS EVENT STAGGERED START) LODHI COURSE
Sat-Sun, 17-18 Nov	WILKINSON MEMORIAL CUP (CLUB COMPETITION)	Members Tournament
Wed-Fri, 21-23 Nov	9th DGC Ladies Open Golf Championship 2018	
Wed & Thu 28-29 Nov	Maliika Trophy & Fukumoto Cup – Eclectic (1st & 2nd round)	
Fri, 30 Nov	Asian Education Society	Jr. Tournament (Ref. Mr. Ashwini Luthra)
DECEMBER 2018		
Wed, 5 Dec	Lady Irwin Cup (Match Play)- (1st Round)	
Fri-Sat, 14-15 Dec	SWINTON CUP (CLUB COMPETITION)	Members Tournament
Wed, 19	December Medal + 9 –hole Medal	
Sat, 22 Dec	JUNIOR TOURNAMENT	Junior Tournament Peacock Course (Tee Closure 0800 to 1230 hrs.)
JANUARY 2019		
Wed, 16 Jan	January Medal +9 – hole Medal	
Sat-Sun, 20-21 Jan	MEMBER TOURNAMENT	
Wed & Thu 23-24 Jan	Rani Laxmi Bai (36 Holes Stroke Play) (1st & 2nd Round)	Oishi Cup (36 Holes Stroke Play) (1st & 2nd Round)
Thu, 24 Jan	Lili Fuentes (Stableford)	Jogi Rao (Stableford)
FEBRUARY 2019		
Sat, 02 Feb	HINDU COLLEGE ALUMNI	Peacock Course (Tee Closure 0830 to 1230 hrs.)
Thur-Fri, 07-08 Feb	DGC CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	Club Competition (H'Cap 9 or Better)
Wed, 13 Feb	Lili Khanna Rose Bowl Greensome Match Play (1st Round)	
Fri, 15 Feb	CWT MEMBERS-CUM-CHARITY	Members-Cum-Charity Tournament
Fri-Sat, 22-23 Feb.	CAG TOURNAMENT	Govt. of India Tournament
Wed, 27 Feb	February Medal + 9-hole Medal	
MARCH 2019		
Mon, 4 Mar	17th DGC Ladies Inter Club Golf Tournament 2019	
Wed, 6 Mar	Chand Ujjal Singh Trophy Foursome (Stableford)	
Sat-Sun, 09-10 Mar	MEMBER TOURNAMENT (DGS)	
Mon-Fri, 11-15 Mar	NCR CUP	(Amateur Tournament)
Wed, 20 Mar	March Medal +9 –hole Medal/Maliika & Fukumoto Cup Round 1)	
Fri-Sat, 23-24 Mar	LT. GOVERNOR'S SHIELD	Member Tournament
Wed, 27 Mar	Golf Foundation	

RED - MEMBERS TOURNAMENT • SENIORS TOURNAMENT • GOLF CARNIVAL

BLUE - LADIES/JUNIOR

BLACK - PRO/AMATEUR TOURNAMENT

PURPLE - CHARITY/CORPORATE TOURNAMENT

GREEN - ALUMNI • FRIENDSHIP MATCH

DARK BLUE - MEMBERS PVT. EVENT

HOLE-IN-ONE



It was 9 a.m. on July 1, 2018 that our four ball comprising Dr. Dua, Brig. Bains, Justice S. Katriar and myself reached hole no.17. Dr. Ajay Dua and Brig. Bains teed off first; Ajay hit the green and Brig. settled in the deep bunker. Justice S. Katriar, my partner, landed on the Green. So far so good. Lastly I teed

off and went through the stroke with 7 Callaway. The ball pitched short of Green by the side of the deep bunker, got a short bounce and rolled down the Green to its destination. HOLE-in-ONE was the shout that disrupted the otherwise peaceful environment.

"While man blames fate for other accidents, he feels personally responsible for the hole-in-one". I was no exception in taking the credit as on the earlier three occasions in the years October 2000, April 2001 and January 2010.

I K Rasgotra

ASIA PACIFIC GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 17-19 OCTOBER 2018, MIYAZAKI, JAPAN

India finished 5th out of 13 countries with Amit Luthra finishing a tied 13th individually. Kapil Dev, Rishi Narain and Amit Luthra from DGC were part of the team.

The four teams participating – i.e. Japan, Korea, Australia and New Zealand were very strong. All the other teams finished well behind India in Japan.



RAGHAV CHUGH

Raghav Chugh, 15 year old Golf Prodigy, is a product of JTP 2013-14 and a Talent Member of the Club. Raghav has won many IGU Junior Golf Tournaments in India and was the number one in IGU order of merit in 2017. In the current year also he is ranked as Top Junior Golfer of India.

In August 2018 Raghav won the 2018 Taiwan Junior Open Tournament with a Total Score of 5 under par competing as the youngest in his age group of 15-18 years and demolishing the field by massive 7 Strokes. Last year

Raghav had won U.S. Kids Golf World Championship in Malaysia in a field that included participants from 22 Countries. Apart from playing National and International Tournaments Raghav never misses an opportunity to play DGC Junior Golf Tournaments, and last month in the Junior Golf Tournament on Peacock Course he shot an incredible 8 under par in a day tournament to win by 6 Strokes.

Raghav has represented India in various International Golf Tournaments

Raghav was the youngest Indian to have a World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) in 2016 before his 14th Birthday. According to WAGR Raghav is amongst Top 15 (Under 16 years) Golfers in the World.



A PIGEON, A SQUIRREL AND PARROTS



Photograph by Ms. Champika Nanda Sayal

UNIQUE FEAT AT DGC

With the closure of the A course Greens, our 4 ball decided to hone our short game skills on the B course which was in much better shape and rather picturesque.

It was on the 7th, a par 3 approx. 140-150 yards to the pin, I teed off with a 7 iron and lo and behold the ball pitched on the Green and rolled right into the hole. There was a wild cheer from the group and as well



DIPLOMATIC FLAVOUR

In the July issue I had referred to the Diplomatic connection of our Club which seems to have faded in recent times. But I cannot leave out our very important connection with our neighbour so here it is. Mr Riaz Khokhar had been in the Pak H.C. first as a Counsellor and then as High Commissioner. He was hugely built and therefore quite conspicuous but more than that he was a left-handed golfer among the very few with that speciality. My wife was to go to Lahore to interpret for an International Conference on Islamic Architecture and his help was valuable in getting a visa at short notice. A small aside will not be out of place – at the formal reception in Lahore she happened to get to talk to President and casually told him that whereas the other delegates were to be taken to Khyber she was not included. Immediately he gestured to his staff, her passport was taken and embossed “cleared to visit Khyber Pass and Swat Valley.”

In the DGC, the Mother Teresa Cup used to be an annual event followed by prize distribution and drinks hosted by one of the Embassies. Once I partnered a Lady from the Swiss embassy and we won – the prize being a swatch watch! My partner was playing her last shot on the final hole – a long putt in fact but she was exceedingly cool and holed out. When I remarked about her composure and pointed out how confident she had been before playing the shot she said that she had been a skier and that helped her in golf!!

Commodore Mukund Kunte AVSM,PMMS,I.N.(Retd)

as the group behind us. Next was my partner, Prem Prakash, who teed up and hit a shot which also landed on the green and rolled in following the same path as mine. There was much excitement and jubilation and some felt it was for the Guinness Book to have 2 holes in one in one four ball. On a quick google I found that this feat has been recorded before, but the Registry of the “hole in one society” puts the odds at 17 million to one for this feat. **Sanjaya Varma**

(Some 40 years ago I witnessed a similar feat on the 17th hole at our Club. **Ramesh Kohli**)



LODHI COURSE		
ANANT N HAKSAR 7th Hole	(H-074) 04.08.18	
MAJ L M KAPUR 17th Hole	(K-016) 05.08.18	
SUDHIR SETH 17th Hole	(CPA-140) 11.08.18	
PRANAV SAHAI 12th Hole	(SL-166) 18.08.18	
GURSHER SINGH 12th Hole	(K-790D) 24.08.18	
ANJUM PERVEZ 5th Hole	(TC-560) 26.08.18	
MASAKAZU KOBAYASHI 17th Hole	(SP-1106) 02.09.18	
HARGOBINDER SINGH DHALIWAL 17th Hole	(D-303) 09.09.18	
AMAR SINGH 17th Hole	(A-018) 20.09.18	
MAJ JAGAT JIT SINGH 5th Hole	(S-394) 30.09.18	
JAIKRISHAN LILARAM 12th Hole	(J-065) 02.10.18	
RAKESH BHALLA 17th Hole	(B-487) 03.10.18	
BRIG SUNIL BUDHIRAJA 17th Hole	(B-305) 04.10.18	
SHEEL BHADRA SARKAR 7th Hole	(S-667) 06.10.18	
VADM. SUKHMAL JAIN (RETD) PVSM 5th Hole	(J-094) 06.10.18	
CHETAN SINGH 5th Hole	(C-210) 06.10.18	
AJAI SINGH SIROHI 17th Hole	(S-846) 07.10.18	
AMAR SINHA 17th Hole	(CPB-183) 09.10.18	
SATYA PAL RATTI 17th Hole	(SP-1104) 09.10.18	
USHA CHATRATH 17th Hole	(SS-278) 10.10.18	

PEACOCK COURSE		
RAJAN NARAIN 7th Hole	(SL-446) 07.08.18	
ANIL KOHLI 5th Hole	(K-788) 24.08.18	
PREM PRAKASH 7th Hole	(P-224) 02.10.18	
SANJAYA VARMA 7th Hole	(V-154) 02.10.18	
KISHIN J BHARWANI 3rd Hole	(SP-1111) 30.09.18	
RANJIT PACHNANDA 1st Hole	(P-212) 06.10.18	
NIMMI DHIR 1st Hole	(D-275) 06.10.18	
PREM VASISTHA 5th Hole	(CPA-99) 08.10.18	
ARUN KHANNA 6th Hole	(K-720) 13.10.18	

An apology: In the last issue of Green Scene, the photographs of the following were wrongly placed. The error is regretted and corrections made as under.

LODHI COURSE		
BRIG. JATINDER SINGH 17th Hole	(S-797) 23.06.18	
INDER KRISHNA RASGOTRA 17th Hole	(R-153) 01.07.18	
A MEHTA 17th Hole	(CPA-104) 06.07.18	
VIJAY KHOSLA 12th Hole	(K-352) 07.07.18	



We are grieved to record the sad demise of the following members:
The Club extends its heartfelt condolences to their families.



Mr P.S. Kaicker
(K-029)



Mrs Sudhershnan
Kumar (K-531)



Mrs Swarn
Gadhiok (G-120)



Mrs Bubble
Khosla (K-368)



AIR MARS Man Mohan
Sinha (S-572)



Mr Rajive Sawhney
(S-909)



Mrs Asha Khanna
(K-012)



Mrs Prabha Bagai
(B-318)



Mr Azhar Siddiqi
(S-852)



Mrs Vinod Nigam
(N-066)



Vice Adm K K
Nayyar (N-125)



Mrs Kamla Sondhi
(WS-078)



Maj Vijay Kumar
Laroia (L-103)



Maj Gen. S C Suri
(S-365)



Mrs Shashi
Agarwal (A-126)



Mrs Bali Anant
Singh (A-010)



Mr K Kipgen
(K-328)



Mr P N Nevile
(N-062)



Mr Bhupinder Singh
Phool (P-169)



Kumari Rani
Shalidra (S-043)



Dr N P S Chawla
(C-077)



Mr P C Bhalla
(B-236)



Mr. Sahibjeet Singh
Dhall (SD-684)



Mr Laxmi Lal
Bhandari (B-374)



Dr S S Sidhu
(S-213)



Mr Gurpreet Singh
(G-036)



Capt N S Sodhi
(S-504)

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GUESS WHO?



The Photograph of Rohtas Singh was identified by Ms. Soni M Singh and Mr. Amit Luthra



ROHTAS SINGH

Leading professional of the 1970s & 1980s

- Winner of the DCM Open 1975, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1982, 1985, 1987
- Winner of the Dunlop Invitational 1978
- Winner of the Wills Masters Open 1978, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1985
- Winner of the Modi Classic Open 1979, 1981, 1982, 1984
- Winner of the Surya Nepal Open 1999
- Represented India in the World Cup 1983

USE OF MOBILE PHONE

- (a) Mobile phone usage in the Dining Hall, Main Bar, Pub, Card Room, Party Room and Health Club is not permitted either by the member or his/her guest/s. Mobile phones must be kept on silent/vibration mode.
- (b) Mobile phone usage on the Course is discouraged and they should be kept either switched off or on "silent/vibration mode".

- (c) Member will be responsible for misuse of the mobile phone by his/her guest/s.
- (d) Penalty for misuse Rs.300/- per violation and habitual offenders may have to face disciplinary action.

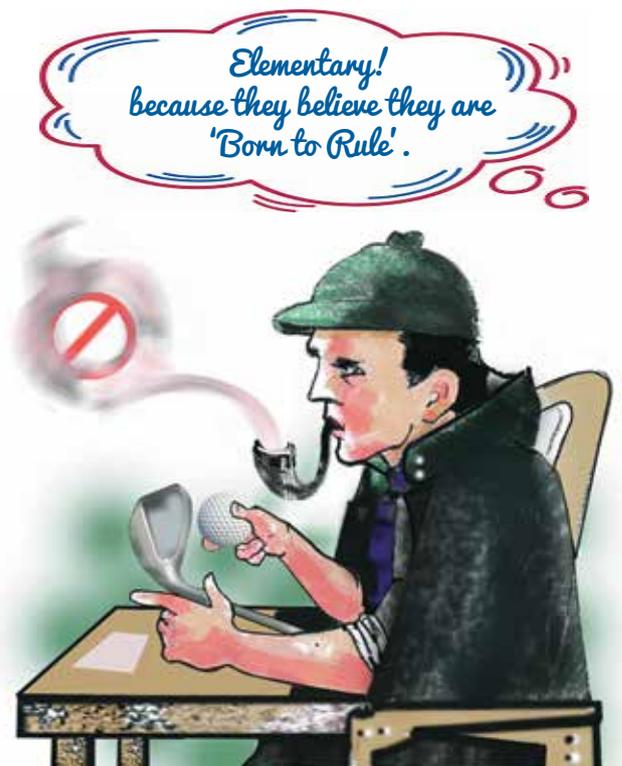
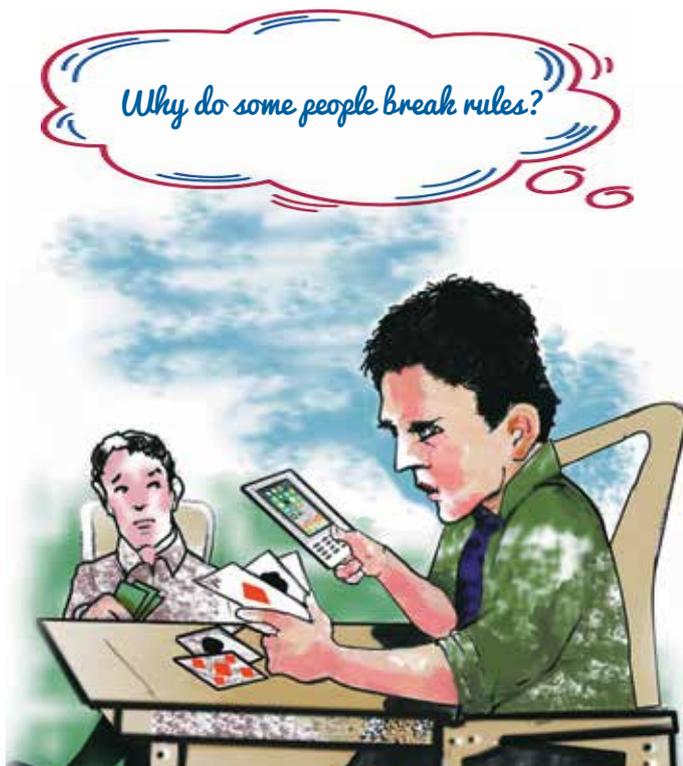
NO SMOKING AREA

Buildings in the Club that are designated 'No Smoking area'.

- Main Club House • Annexe • Office

DGC Toons: Born to Rule!

Ramesh Kohli & Ramendranath Sarkar





Rising Air Pollution is Becoming a Leading Cause of Lung Cancer

Dr. Shubham Jain

Consultant – Surgical Oncology

Max Super Speciality Hospital, Saket

The air pollution is not only responsible for various respiratory and cardiac health conditions but can also put you at a higher risk of having lung cancer, depending on the severity and duration of exposure. The National Air Quality Index (AQI), considers eight pollutants, namely PM10 (Coarse dust particles), PM2.5 (Fine dust particles), NO2 (Nitrogen dioxide), SO2 (Sulphur dioxide), CO (Carbon mono-oxide), O3 (Ozone), NH3 (Ammonia) and Pb (Lead). Based on their ambient concentrations, corresponding standards and likely health impacts, a sub-index is calculated for each of these pollutants. The worst sub index reflects the overall AQI, and is stratified into one of the six categories ranging from good to severe.

According to Berkeley Earth's findings, a PM2.5 (a key measure of AQI) level of 22µg/m3 is the rough equivalent to smoking one cigarette per day. Not surprisingly thus, an average non smoker in Delhi, is consuming a roughly 8 to 9 cigarettes per day. India has a total of 9 out of the top 10 most polluted cities in the world by particulate matter concentrations.

Globally, the risk of cigarette smoking is related number of pack years an individual would have smoked in his life time, that is considering a pack of cigarettes to consist of 20 cigarettes, the number of packs anyone would have smoked in a day multiplied by the number of years one has been smoking for. Though there is no fixed threshold, the higher the number of pack years, the higher the individuals risk of developing various cancers in his

lifetime. This has been closely linked to the fine particle concentration i.e. PM2.5, as finer the particle the more deeply it can go into your blood stream.

In fact, researchers have even been able to clearly establish the benefits of screening for lung cancers in populations at high risk, defined as being current or former smokers who have quit within the past 15 years, in their 5th decade or more of life, having smoked more than 30 pack years. Thus an average non-smoking Delhiite of around 60 year's age, already fits the description. Not surprisingly thus, lung cancer figures in the top 5 most frequent cancers in India, and unfortunately it is diagnosed mostly in advanced stages.

In 2 large trials, annual screening with non-contrast low-dose CT scan also referred to as LDCT has been found to reduce deaths due to lung cancers, by at least 20–25% in both men and women. Such scans basically help in identifying the disease early at a stage when it is more amenable to treatment, and thus potentially curable. In India, unlike other standard health programmes, like – vector disease control, maternal health, immunisation drives – cancer screening hasn't been given the same push due to resource crunch. But any individual understanding the risks and consequences posed, can definitely realise the advantages that abstaining from cigarette smoking and annual LDCT check-up may have to offer.

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