

The Niblick June 2024

Your Turner Valley Golf Club news source.

Welcome to the June 2024 edition of "The Niblick".

A Board meeting was held on June 20, 2024. A full copy of the Board Minutes and other key club info can be found on the TVGC Member's website under the Board Documents header or by visiting [this link](#). The next Board meeting is currently scheduled for July 18, 2024.

'Tis the season for sales at the Pro Shop, July will feature a few chances to snag clothing, hats, golf bags, and more at great prices:

Front Entry Rack: We've put out 40% OFF racks in the front foyer, browse men's, women's, and Junior clothing while it lasts!

Canada Day Sale: From June 29th to July 1st, find something with red, white, or black and get 20% OFF!

Stampede Sale: In celebration of the 'Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth', the Pro Shop will be offering 25% OFF on "boots" (golf shoes), hats, golf bags, and more!

Members #10 Hole in One Contest

We had 112 members enter the #10 hole in one contest. \$1120.00 goes to the Junior program and \$1120.00 will go to the lucky participant who scores the first hole in one on #10. The Junior program thanks all the participants. Good luck!

Speaking of Holes in One

Did you know that Frank Bensel Jr. made back-to-back holes in one at the U.S. Senior Open, Friday, on holes #4 and #5 at the Newport Country Club. The National Hole-In-One Registry, which accesses the probability of aces in golf, calculated the odds of making two holes-in-one in the same round as 67 million-to-1. There are no odds available for back-to back aces, perhaps because it was never considered as most courses don't have consecutive par 3s

2024 Monthly Photo Contest

We're almost through our first month of the contest and we've received a tonne of submissions for June. There's some great shots and we'll have a hard time picking a winner next week!

A reminder this contest runs until September and each month we will award a \$25.00 TVGC Gift Certificate to the photographer of the photo chosen as the photo of the month.

A reminder on the "Official Rules":

- Only photos of the course, wildlife, flora, and scenic views will be considered. Photos with identifiable faces will be disqualified.
- Submissions are to be made to turnervalleygc@gmail.com and will need to be in the inbox by month's end midnight to qualify for that month.
- Submissions should include the photographers name and the hole the picture was taken on.

- Submitting a photo means the individual submitting agrees to have their photo and name published, and TVGC reserves the right to reproduce, sell, distribute, and publicly display any photo that is submitted (*Note: credit will be given in the latter case*)
- Winners will be chosen by a “judging panel” and the winner to receive a \$25 gift certificate usable anywhere at the club (Pro Shop, Royalite Grill, and of course Golf!)
- Contest runs until September 30th, 2024.

Good luck to those who participate, we look forward to seeing your great shots!

JULY EVENTS:

7th - Member and Public Shotgun Start 8:30 AM

7th - Mixed Scotch Ball Shotgun Start 1:30 PM - Registration Closes on June 30th.

10th - McLennan - Ross Junior Tour 11:00 AM Tee Time Start

15th - Super Senior Club Championships 8:00 AM Tee Time Start

18th - Corporate Event 9:00 AM Modified Shotgun Start

19th - Member and Public 9:00 AM Shotgun Start

19th - Ladies Open Two Ball 9:00 AM Shotgun Start

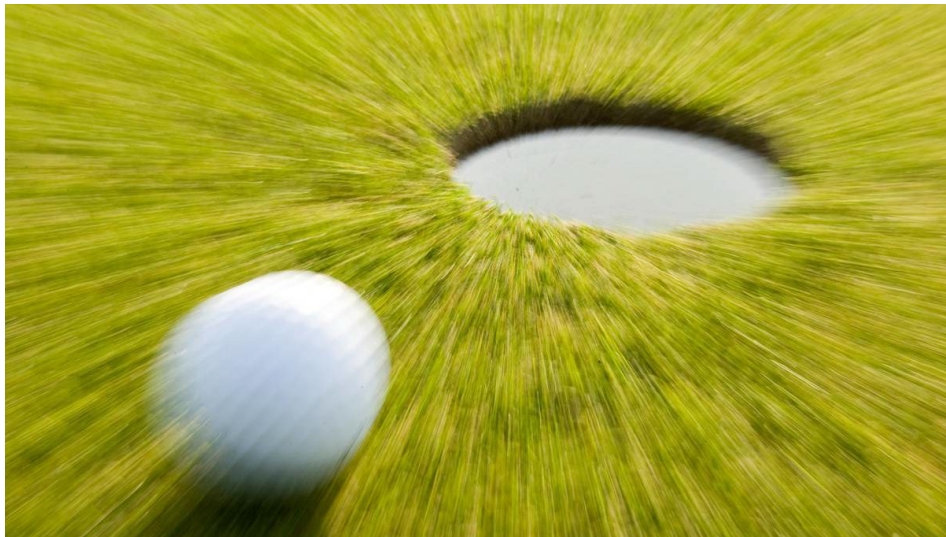
19th - Men’s Member Guest 2:00 PM Modified Shotgun Start

27th - Club Championships 8:00 AM Crossover Start

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Schedule Subject to Change

A list of full events can be found at <https://turnervalleygolf.com/members-golf-copy/#events>



USGA / John Mummert

When it comes to green speeds, there’s a notion that courses should aspire to the lightning-fast greens often referred to or depicted on television. Sensitive for greenskeepers and generally a misunderstood topic among golfers, here’s 4 things every golfer should know courtesy of the USGA:

1. **Green Speeds Fluctuate:** Green speeds fluctuate as greens are comprised of living plants that change and perform differently from season to season, and even day to day. Temperatures, humidity, rainfall, and maintenance all influence daily green speed and truth be told – it’s impossible to maintain the same green speed throughout the year.
2. **Green Speeds Don’t Travel:** With too many variables involved to make comparisons, green speed measurements should never be used to compare one course to another. A speed perfect for one

course may be too fast (or slow) for a course just down the road based on green contours or even golfer skill levels

3. **Speed Costs Money:** While TV broadcasts may talk a lot about green speeds, the most important part of that conversation is often left out. The sheer costs of attempting to maintain faster greens is substantial and beyond the budget of most golf courses. Everything from lawn mower heights, topdressing, and watering are factors, as well as how the greens are grown including removing trees and enhancing drainage.
4. **Speed Can Kill:** Environmental stresses like high heat and humidity can push putting green health close to the edge. Trying to maintain a particular green speed during difficult weather carries a serious risk of long-term damage as the work will impact smoothness and speed for weeks and often this preventative maintenance will slow down green speeds but preserve good playing conditions.

So, faster does not mean better. The bigger picture in golf is that speed is just one of the factors in putting green quality, just like a golfer's club path, clubhead speed, loft and more factor into our individual games.

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