



Ratings & Rulings

Ratings & Rulings ♦ November 2010

A Publication for FSGA

Volunteers-of-the-Year

Joseph Proudfoot, of Fort Lauderdale, has been awarded the Volunteer-of-the-Year for Course Rating. Joseph joined the course rating team which is responsible for Broward County in 2004, and he became a captain for the team in 2005. In 2007, Joseph's section grew to include Miami-Dade County, and in 2008, he also took responsibility for all of the women's ratings in both counties. His most challenging ratings have been the five courses at the Doral Resort. Despite having numerous tee configuration changes, his team was able to finish all ratings on schedule. Joseph, originally from Trinidad & Tobago, worked for Exxon for 38 years before joining the FSGA.

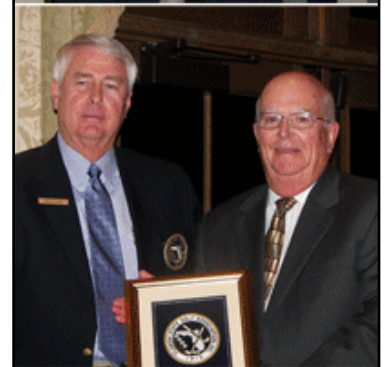
Richard Young, of Cape Coral, was awarded the Tournament Volunteer-of-the-Year. Richard has been involved with the FSGA since 2004. Since his time with the FSGA, Richard has volunteered at over 100 events ranging from the Florida Junior Tour, the Winter Series, USGA and FSGA qualifiers, FSGA Championships, and the FHSAA High State Championships. Richard is one of two Tournament Chairmen in the Fort Myers/Naples area and has also served on the FSGA Board since 2007. Prior to retiring to Southwest Florida, Richard worked 32 years with the NCR Corporation and refereed high school and Division III lacrosse for 20 years.

Hall of Fame

Born in 1936 and raised in Selma, Alabama, **H. Mallory Privett Jr.** graduated from the University of Alabama in 1958 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He served three years in the U. S. Navy as an officer on the Destroyer, U.S.S. O'Hare. He was later employed by the Pratt & Whitney Division of United Technologies Corporation for thirty-three years, managing engineering development of jet engines and retiring in 1992.

Since retiring in 1992, Mallory has served as Overall Volunteer Chairman for Twenty-One Professional Tour events plus hundreds of local events and freely given his time as a volunteer for numerous associations. That is certainly "meritorious service to golf by a volunteer".

Mallory joins the following individuals already inducted into the Florida Golf Hall of Fame: AC Ulmer, Jim Callender, Charlie Bedford, Carl Dann Jr., Bo Williams, Don Bisplinghoff, Bob Murphy, Gary Koch, Bob Rankin, Bill Baker, Cal Korf, Jack Veghte, & Steve Melynk.



Upcoming Events

2011 FSGA Rules of Golf Seminars Schedule

Rules of Golf Workshops are taught by certified Rules Instructors and designed to benefit golfers of all abilities and tournament volunteers.

Location	Date
Timuquana Country Club, Jacksonville	January 11
Quail Ridge Country Club, Boynton Beach	January 14
Baytree National Golf Links, Melbourne	January 20
Kensington Golf & Country Club, Naples	January 21
Belleair Country Club, Belleair	January 25
Hunter's Green Country Club, Tampa	February 4
Country Club of Ocala, Ocala	February 8
Weston Hills Country Club, Weston	February 15
Vero Beach Country Club, Vero Beach	February 17
Mission Valley Country Club, Nokomis	February 22
Rio Pinar Country Club, Orlando	February 24
Gainesville Country Club, Gainesville	March 8
ChampionsGate Golf Club, ChampionsGate	March 11
Plantation Bay Golf & Country Club, Ormond Beach	March 15
International Golf Links of Miami, Miami	March 23
River Hills Country Club, Valrico	March 30

Class Details

- 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
- Indoor slide and video presentations
- Outdoor demonstrations
- Lunch & Rule Book included

Cost

- \$10.00 per person (FSGA Committee Members)

Summary

- A full day interactive class covering the Rules of Golf with emphasis on the most common Rules encountered.

Recent Rulings on the Course

My Lucky Pink Putting Ball

A call came over the radio during the recent FHSAA Golf Finals at Golden Hills Golf & Turf Club from official David Jungk that he had a “situation” on the eighteenth green.

“What’s the problem, David?” I responded as my cart headed in the general direction of the eighteenth hole.

“I have a young lady who hit a shot to the eighteenth green. She marked and lifted her ball on the putting green and then I noticed that she put down a pink ball; her original was white.”

“I’m on my way.” I responded.

David went on to report he had spoken with the young lady and that she indeed did attempt to substitute a ball on the putting green. This happened to be her ninth hole of the day. I didn’t want to think about what may have transpired earlier!

I arrived at the eighteenth green and approached the group gathered around. David motioned me toward the player in question.

I asked the young lady to tell me what happened and what she had done. She politely pointed out that she was only putting down her lucky putting the ball; the pink one.

I informed her that the Rules required her to finish the hole with the ball she started with, unless the Rules permitted substitution as in the case of a ball lost in a water hazard or an unplayable ball for example.

“Oh” she said. “I didn’t know that.”

“Yes, and unfortunately, each time you do that you have to add two penalty strokes to your score for the hole.” I continued. “Is this the first time you’ve done this today?” I asked.

“No, I’ve done it all morning and all day yesterday” was her reply.

Somehow I knew that answer was coming.

“OK, you need to add two penalty strokes to each of the holes you’ve played so far today.”

She quickly interjected “I don’t do it on the par threes since I start them with my lucky ball.”

“Alright, we’ll add two penalty strokes to each of the other six holes you’ve played today. The good news is that you’ll still be able to keep playing. And as far as yesterday’s round, it won’t be able to count.”

“Oh, OK I’ll do that” was her reply as she headed off to the next nine.

Remember, use the definitions, index or the table of contents to find the correct Rule that applies to the situation and follow the Rules of Golf to help yourself enjoy the game of golf.

Jack Pultorak

Director of Rules and Competitions



Course Rating Update

Hello Course Raters,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! I would like to talk about organization of ratings. When a rating arrives here in the office, there are several things that need to be done in order to issue a rating. First and foremost would be the entering of the data, but before this data can be entered I need to make sure we have all the data correctly organized. All tees need to be correctly designated, and all tees the club wants rated have been submitted to the office. I also need to have the date of the rating included on the form 1's. These are minor issues but are necessary in the rating process. With that said I would also like to clarify a couple of items that we all see in the process of course rating.

Combo tees are a tee designation that incorporates, most commonly, two sets of tees. For example, let's say a course has a Blue tee and a White tee for men. They also have designated a set of Blue/White tees that alternate between using the Blue and Whites tees, to make up the yardage of the Blue/White tee. When submitting your form 1's please make sure that the measurement data is submitted with your rating data, and that the configuration of the combo set of tees is also included. This way I can issue a rating based from the nearest set of rated tees using a yardage adjustment.

When tees are greater than 7,000 yards (6,000 yards for women) and less than 4,800 yards (4,000 yards for women), these tees can be rated without collecting separate rating values, provided I have a set of tees less than 7,000 yards (6,000 yards for women) and less than 4,800 yards (4,000 yards for women). I use the obstacle ratings and effective playing length correction factors for both the scratch and bogey golfer from the nearest set of tees less than 7,000 yards (6,000 yards for women) and less than 4,800 yards (4,000 yards for women). Then I apply the actual measurements of the longer or shorter set of tees to these obstacles to issue a rating. So when this situation arises, make sure I have the measurements and a note stating that we need to issue a rating from the "X" tees.

Next month we will address when a club appeals a rating. Thanks for all of your help and I will talk to you soon.

Gary Donat

Director of Course Rating



Recruit your Friends

We are in need of more Committee Members. Please talk to your friends and see if they are interested in coming along with you to volunteer at an event. Please let the Tournament Chairman know before the event.

We want your club on GHIN!!

The FSGA is actively trying to get the entire state using one handicap system being the GHIN Handicap System. GHIN has grown to more than 580 clubs in the state and we want your club to join the list. Please talk to your club staff or call the office and let Aaron Skoviera, Director of GHIN, show your club why GHIN is the most advanced Handicap System available.

Volunteer Central – Signing up for FJT & Winter Series Events

The **2010-2011 Florida Junior Tour** season is underway. Volunteer sign-up is now available online under Volunteer Central. We need your help to continue conducting first-class events for Florida's juniors. Please sign up to volunteer for the opportunity to watch Florida's future of golf.



Location	Date	Entries Close
Delray Dunes G & CC (13-15), Boynton Beach	September 11-12	August 4
Eagle Creek Golf & CC (16-18), Naples	September 18-19	August 11
Wyndemere CC (13-15), Naples	October 2-3	August 25
Sugarloaf Mountain G & TC (16-18), Clermont	October 16-17	September 8
World Woods GC (13-15), Brooksville	November 6-7	September 29
Mission Inn Resort (16-18), Howey-in-The-Hills	November 13-14	October 6
Lake Wales CC (13-15), Lake Wales	December 11-12	November 3
Old Corkscrew GC (16-18), Estero	December 11-12	November 3
Brooksville CC (16-18), Brooksville	January 8-9	December 1
Gainesville CC (13-15), Gainesville	January 15-16	December 8
Amelia National GC (16-18), Amelia Island	January 29-30	December 22
Viera East GC (13-15), Viera	February 12-13	January 5
Southwood GC (16-18), Tallahassee	February 26-27	January 20
LPGA International (13-15), Daytona Beach	March 5-6	January 26
Vero Beach CC (16-18), Vero Beach	March 12-13	February 2
Cypress Run GC (13-15), Tarpon Springs	March 19-20	February 9
Harmony Golf Preserve (16-18), Harmony	April 2-3	February 23
Rio Pinar CC (16-18), Orlando	April 16-17	March 9
Lemon Bay GC (13-15), Englewood	April 30-May 1	March 23
Ritz-Carlton Members GC (16-18), Bradenton	May 14-15	April 6
Innisbrook Resort & GC (Boys 16-18), Palm Harbor	May 28-30	April 20
Orange Co. Nat. (Boys 13-15 & Girls 13-18), Winter Garden	May 28-30	April 20
The Evergreen Club (13-15), Palm City	July 16-17	June 8

2010-2011 Winter Series

The **2010-2011 Winter Series** is underway and volunteer sign up is now open online.

Location	Date	Entries Close
PGA Golf Club, Port Saint Lucie	November 29-30, 2010	November 17
Orange County National, Winter Garden	December 13-14, 2010	December 1
Victoria Hills Golf Club, DeLand	January 3-4, 2011	December 22
Waterlefe Golf & River Club, Bradenton	January 17-18, 2011	January 5
Santa Lucia River Club **Four-Ball** , Port St. Lucie	January 31-February 1, 2011	January 19
Hunters Green Country Club, Tampa	February 14-15, 2011	February 2
Verandah Club, Fort Myers	February 28-March 1, 2011	February 16
Southern Hills Plantation, Brooksville	March 14-15, 2011	March 2

Happy Birthday to all of our Committee Members!



Jerry	Conde	The Villages	11/1
Don	Lighter	Palm City	11/1
Marilyn	Nichols	Leesburg	11/2
Toni	Emanuel	Orlando	11/3
Steven	Jones	Lakeland	11/3
Chuck	Lucas	Lecanto	11/5
William	Broekema	Ponte Vedra	11/7
Anthony	Criso	West Palm Beach	11/7
Francis	Deschaine	Jacksonville	11/7
Richard	Haverly	Bonita Springs	11/7
Jeff	Straus	Estero	11/7
Marc	Hirsch	Naples	11/10
Ronald	Denne	Naples	11/11
Don	Eckerson	Sun City Center	11/11
Carol	Wagener	Bonita Springs	11/11
Paul	Heiler	Naples	11/13
Donald	Knareboro	Lakeland	11/13
Michael	Magrone	Naples	11/13
Dick	Sutch	Stuart	11/13
Jeff	Lasley	lady lake	11/16
Michael	Quinlan	Haines City	11/16
Jeffery	Render	Gainesville	11/16
Jack	Marschner	DeLand	11/19
Garry	Tracy	The Villages	11/19
Ray	Columbaro	Vero Beach	11/20
Drew	Camolilla	Kissimmee	11/21
Jim	Shupe	Bradenton	11/21
Richard	Young	Cape Coral	11/21
Barb	Eberwein	Tampa	11/22
Bernard	Grzywacz	Wellington	11/22
Marion	Zanetti	Poinciana	11/22
James	Aurelio	Gainesville	11/23
Jack	Besavitch	Valrico	11/24
Stephen	Nutt	Jacksonville	11/24
Clayton	Robinson	Palm Beach Gardens	11/25
Brenda	Davis	The Villages	11/26
Tom	Alexander	Shalimar	11/27
Richard	Banks	Naples	11/27

Happy Birthday to all 38 of our Committee Members born in the month of November! If you should be listed and are not, our database must have some bad information, so please email your birth date to Jeff Magaditsch at jmagaditsch@fsga.org.