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Goldsboro Municipal Golf Course is owned by the City of Goldsboro and Operated by the Parks and Recreation Department—Scott Barnard, Director



Members that have recently turned 60 , contact Patricia Magby at Parks and Recreation for a dues adjustment to 'Senior' rates.

ATTENTION: NEW LOCAL RULE

A ball lying on a closely mown area on hole number 13 may be lifted without penalty and cleaned. Having lifted the ball, it must be placed on a spot within one club-length of and not nearer the hole than where it originally lay.

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Course Superintendent—Joe Martikke 919-922-2194
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Greetings Fellow Golfers,

Above is a picture of your Golf Course Committee. From left to right are Jody Dean, Golf Director; Milas Kelly, Rick Farfour, Joe Thomas, Mike Farfour, Byron Ash, Secretary; Doug Safford, President and Gene Farmer, Vice-President. Not Pictured is Joe Martikke, Course Superintendent. The principal objective of this committee as established by the Goldsboro City Council would be to improve and enhance the quality of customer service and overall appearance of the golf course as well to review club house operations, maintenance and upkeep of the golf course. Each person is appointed by the City Council to serve a three-year term or until their successors are appointed and qualified. They meet on a quarterly basis at the Golf Course. It is very important that you get to know each of these individuals in that any concern, complaint or compliment be taken to them. Their meetings are always open to the public and will be posted in the 'Calendar' as time approaches. As usual I can always be relied upon to receive any of the above and pass it along to the appropriate person, either clubhouse related (me) or conditions of play of the course (Joe). High School golf season starts in February and ends in April. If you have any young aspiring High School golfer, please do not hesitate to contact me for lessons. I will also help with the High School coaches as needed. I am hoping in March if all things go according to plans, to start giving a 'Free' clinic every Saturday from 10-11:00. Keep a watch in your Newsletter. Crazy weather? Snow one day and the 70 degrees the next. Ol' Man Winter ain't through with us yet. Posted this before on cold weather but it doesn't hurt to be reminded. Being prepared is probably the best advice to give anyone. In cold weather, although not essential, a hand warmer certainly is a useful and welcomed addition. But don't put your golf ball in the same pocket with your warmer. That is a penalty. Dress for the occasion. Staying warm is the objective. Don't wear such bulky clothing so as to greatly restrict your swing. Layers of clothing are much more effective, especially if the weather warms during your round. An example might be thermal underwear, turtleneck shirt and a loose fitting sweater or sweater vest. For the lower torso you might include a heavy pair of pants (not made from wool) and two layers of socks. Your hands, feet and head are the most critical to keep warm. So don't forget a toboggan (or head scarf) for your head and gloves for your hands between shots. Playing in cold weather also calls for some adjustment in technique and strategy. Cold causes muscles to contract. Before and during the round you will have to pay more attention to warming up and stretching. Particularly stretch the back muscles so a full turn can be made. When wearing extra layers of clothing, the backswing will also tend to be shortened. This coupled with playing a cold golf ball will require you to add more club to reach the desired distance. Most people know that cold affects the distance a golf ball travels, but how many know how much? Just a little food for thought. With the air temperature at 95 degrees, a ball that will travel 262 yards will travel 250 yards at 68 degrees and 244 yards at 41 degrees. This means that if we play golf when it's 50 degrees outside, we will lose at least a club to a club and a half in distance from our normal summer play. 150 yards to the hole? Instead of hitting a 7 iron, you might rethink and go with a 6 or an easy 5. See ya next month.

Jody F. Dean, PGA

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