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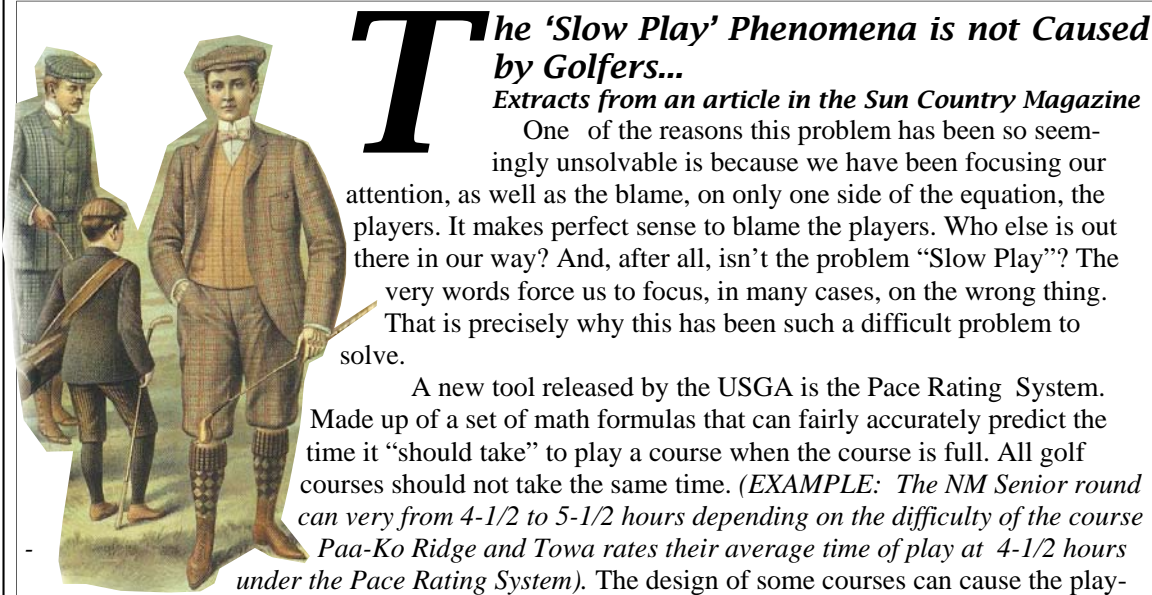
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The 'Slow Play' Phenomena is not Caused by Golfers...

Extracts from an article in the Sun Country Magazine

One of the reasons this problem has been so seemingly unsolvable is because we have been focusing our attention, as well as the blame, on only one side of the equation, the players. It makes perfect sense to blame the players. Who else is out there in our way? And, after all, isn't the problem "Slow Play"? The very words force us to focus, in many cases, on the wrong thing. That is precisely why this has been such a difficult problem to solve.

A new tool released by the USGA is the Pace Rating System.

Made up of a set of math formulas that can fairly accurately predict the time it "should take" to play a course when the course is full. All golf courses should not take the same time. (EXAMPLE: The NM Senior round can vary from 4-1/2 to 5-1/2 hours depending on the difficulty of the course Paa-Ko Ridge and Towa rates their average time of play at 4-1/2 hours under the Pace Rating System).

The design of some courses can cause the players to travel over 1-1/2 miles, taking 24 minutes or more just to travel between greens and tees. How could you possibly expect to play in four hours? The answer is, you can't! In fact, the fastest way to improve the pace of play on golf courses is to change basic course management policies and practices. Don't get it wrong, golf course professionals are doing the best they can with the tools and information they have. And golfers are not entirely in the clear. The first step is to help golf courses make a few changes, then it becomes very easy to spot those players and foursomes that really are slow players.

The Myth of the Four-Hour Round Let's destroy that myth. Why? Because it places unrealistic and unachievable goals both in the minds of the players, i.e. "If it takes more than four hours to play it was a bad day, a slow day." and in the minds of course managers, i.e. "We've got to squeeze in more players to make our budget every day because the budget was based on rounds being played at an unrealistic pace of four hours."

On many of today's new courses, it is physically impossible to play in less than four hours or even four and a half hours. As a result, the 'myth' set all of us up for failure and frustration. If play is over four hours, players automatically call it slow play" and blame the players in front of them and the pro shop. Tee times continue to squeeze more and more players on the course to make the budget over-crowding the course and making matters worse.

Give up the 'myth of the four-hour round' and accept the reality of the individual pace rating for each course Now, with an achievable goal in our sights, and our expectations in tune with the goal, we have a fighting chance of walking away feeling satisfied.



"Ok. You can knock off the goofy practice swing. I got us four a side!"

Tournament Results

PINON HILLS Golf Course
Monday June 22, 2009

DESERT GREENS Golf Course
Monday June 8, 2009

Closest to the Pin

West # 7 - Steve Chavez
East # 16 - Chuck Wilson

First Flight

Paul Sackett	Low Gross	77	\$80
Pharbus Harper	Low Net	70	\$80

Second Flight

Keith Gottlieb	Low Gross	77	\$80
Ed Winebrenner	Low Net	68*	\$80
Chuck Wilson	2nd Low Net	68*	\$70
Bob King	3rd Low Net	68*	\$60
John Sutton	4th Low Net	69	\$50
Bob Hays	5th Low Net	70	\$40

Third Flight

Don Blass	Low Gross	81	\$80
Joe Peel	Low Net	60	\$80
Dick Hall	2nd Low Net	63	\$70
Don Yeaman	3rd Low Net	65	\$60
Richard Widick	4th Low Net	68	\$50

Fourth Flight

Ted Asbury	Low Gross	86	\$80
Ken Richards	Low Net	66	\$80
Frank Armijo	2nd Low Net	67	\$70
Donald Trujillo	3rd Low Net	68	\$60

Fifth Flight

Roger Herd	Low Gross	90	\$80
Tony Maes	Low Net	67	\$80
Thomas Jones	2nd Low Net	68	\$70
Ed Leonard	3rd Low Net	69	\$60
Tommy Burrow	4th Low Net	71	\$50

Sixth Flight

Gary Adamson	Low Gross	94	\$80
Ken Leiting	Low Net	61	\$80
Jim Delleney	2nd Low Net	62	\$70
John Cleland	3rd Low Net	64*	\$60
Bill Sensabaugh	4th Low Net	64	\$50

Closest to the Pin

Hole # No Report
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First Flight

Leonard Atencio	Low Gross	76	\$80
John Bennett	2nd Low Gross	78	\$70
Hector Gonzalez	Low Net	68	\$80
Carl Pearson	2nd Low Net	69	\$70

Second Flight

Mike Belew	Low Gross	86	\$80
Andrew Dominguez	Low Net	69	\$80.
Gary LeLoff	2nd Low Net	70	\$70
Warren Bush	3rd Low Net	71	\$60
Jack Sanzari	4th Low Net	73*	\$50
Ed Winebrenner	5th Low Net	73	\$40

Third Flight

Dick Hall	Low Gross	79	\$80
Lawrence Montoya	Low Net	67	\$80
John Knipp	2nd Low Net	69	\$70
Bob Spurlock	3rd Low Net	70	\$60
Martin Suhr	4th Low Net	70	\$50
Gabe Saucedo	5th Low Net	71	\$40

Fourth Flight

Tom Pino	Low Gross	86	\$80
Chuck Jones	Low Net	69*	\$80
Gary Bates	2nd Low Net	69*	\$70
Steve Steele	3rd Low Net	70	\$60
Doug Bosomworth	4th Low Net	71	\$50
Bill Blackstad	5th Low Net	72*	\$40
Bill Armstrong	6th Low Net	72	\$30

Fifth Flight

Jerry Meloche	Low Gross	\$80
John Romero	Low Net	\$80
Oliver Larson	2nd Low Net	\$70
Roger Dahlke	3rd Low Net	\$60
Kim Leven	4th Low Net	\$50
Dick Hill	5th Low Net	\$40



I have to remember that the * means I had a score card play-off on the first four holes starting on hole one (1).

NOTICE:

If you need to cancel from a tournament, find out if there is any room left or, want to enter a tournament late.....please call ~ Hal Donovan at 505-891-2522

Thanks to ALL for your efforts
To eliminate slow play.

RIVERVIEW Golf Course

Tuesday June 23, 2009

Closest to the Pin

Hole # 8 - Dick Hall

Hole # 11 - Kim Levan

First Flight

John Bennett	Low Gross	73	\$75
Pharbus Harper	2nd Low Gross	74	\$65
Paul Onuska	Low Net	65	\$75
Don Blanton	2nd Low Net	67	\$65

Second Flight

Duane Werth	Low Gross	82*	\$75
Xavier Lopez	Low Net	65	\$75
Gary LeLoff	2nd Low Net	69	\$65
Mike Belw	3rd Low Net	70	\$55
Andrew Dominguez	4th Low Net	72*	\$45
John Sutton	5th Low Net	732*	\$35

Third Flight

George Carver	Low Gross	87	\$75
John Krusick	Low Net	67	\$75
Jim Speed	2nd Low Net	69	\$65
Jimmy Frybarger	3rd Low Net	70	\$55
Lawrence Montoya	4th Low Net	71*	\$45

Fourth Flight

Frank Armijo	Low Gross	89	\$75
Gary Bates	Low Net	66	\$75
Jerry Culver	2nd Low Net	68	\$65
Gary Garvey	3rd Low Net	69*	\$55
Glen Finley	4th Low Net	69*	\$45
Donald Evans	5th Low Net	69	\$35
Doug Bosomworth	6th Low Net	70*	\$25

Fifth Flight

Daniel Hallas	Low Gross	89*	\$75
John Romero	Low Net	58	\$75
Kim Levan	2nd Low Net	59	\$65
John Cleland	3rd Low Net	60	\$55
Ed Vickers	4th Low Net	61	\$45
Jimmy Maddy	5th Low Net	64	\$35

Attitude is Everything... A lot of people have said that and I've come to the conclusion it's true as it keeps you in the right frame of mind and helps you save shots, making up for a lot of golfing ills. [Bob Tway]

Never Give Up [Sergio Garcia]

Tempo over temper [Sandy Lyle]

Think about the shot you've got nest. It helps you forget a bad shot [Retief Goosen]

FOUR HILLS Country Club

Closest to the Pin

West #3 - I.B. Hoover

East #13 - Ron Jacob

First Flight

P. Ehlis & R. Grebe	Low Net	54	\$75
C. Harding & F. Lackey	2nd Low Net	58	\$65
J. Dines & P. Onuska	3rd Low Net	58.5*	\$55
C. Evans & M. Parry	4th Low Net	58.5	\$45

Second Flight

D. Griffith & A. Jaramillo	Low Net	56.5	\$75
E. Winebrenner & J. Cleland	2nd Low Net	57	\$65
D. Yeaman & J. Speed	3rd Low Net	58.5*	\$55

Third Flight

P. Casaus & M. Romero	Low Net	55.5	\$75
G. Carver & D. Sandoval	2nd Low Net	57	\$65
E. O'Neil & P. Walsh	3rd Low Net	58*	\$55
T. Royle & B. Butterfield	4th Low Net	58	\$45

Fourth Flight

E. Candelaria & N. Burns	Low Net	48	\$75
L. Crandell & O. Creel	2nd Low Net	51.5	\$65
W. Niederberger & D. Broich	3rd Low Net	52.5	\$55

"You focus on what you can do, not what you can't do."



How do they feel?"

the shoe salesclerk asks the golfer trying on a new pair of golf shoes.

"They're a little too tight," the golfer answers

"Try pulling the tongue out," the clerk offers.

"Nath theyth sthlll feeltth a bith tighth," the golfer replies.



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Flashback

February 1991 - 'To PROMOTE greater fellowship and enjoyable competition within the Association, the Tournament Committee would like to discourage the formation of foursomes by individual groups thus permitting the committee to assign the players to foursomes'

June 1992 - Handicaps: "We occasionally receive comments from a member who questions why some other members are frequent winners in our Tournaments. Members win because they play better than other players in their flight." Bill Myers, Pres.

February 1992 - Play the ball as and where it lies. No more moving one club length.

Board of Directors, January 8, 1992: Motion made and passed, "A member of ten or more years standing, who has made considerable contribution for the good of the Association, and is now physically unable to compete, may be appointed an Honorary non dues paying member by the Board of Directors.

December 1994 - SLOW PLAY Tournament Committee will assign one member of each group as Captain. History repeats!?



Question 1: I didn't realize my partner was marking his ball on the green as I was chipping. My ball hit his putter as he was bending over to place his mark.

Answer 1: What a stroke of bad luck. Unfortunately, it will cost you one-stroke in both match & stroke play and must be played from where it came to rest after the deflection.

Question 2: I move my ball marker one putter-head length because it interfered with my opponent's putt and I forgot to replace it. Should I have been penalized?

Answer 2: You played from a wrong place when you forgot to move your marker back. Two-stroke penalty in stroke play, loss of hole in match play (Rule 20-7)



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