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**BUDOCK VEAN GOLF CLUB**

**COURSE RISK ASSESMENT**

**GENERAL INFORMATION.**

At all times staff and volunteers working on the course have priority and no golf shots are to be played if the staff / volunteers are within shot range.

**OUT OF BOUNDS.**

We ask that all players are mindful of other players, staff and volunteers, playing / working on the 5th and 7th fairways. Call ‘FORE’ when needed to inform players, staff / volunteers of wayward shots.

Please be aware of the potential risk to members of the public / property owners and damage to private properties that run adjacent to the 2nd and 7th fairways, where possible please inform staff members within the club of possible damage caused.

Be aware of the OOB adjacent to the 3rd fairway with the possible risk of injury to members of the public, fellow golfers and damage to private and commercial vehicles occupying the hotel / golf club car park. Please inform a member of staff in the golf club to any damage caused.

We bring your attention to the 9th / 18th hole, DO NOT OVER CLUB. There is a sign on the tee reminding golfers of this. Be aware of the possible risk of injury to hotel guests that may be using the facilities, the hot tub behind the green, hotel terrace where hotel residents and members of the public eat and view the green and sunbathers directly behind the green. The hotel does have in place yellow signage warning residents and members of the public of the dangers around this green.

**BLIND GREENS AND APPROACHES.**

We bring your attention to the blind greens of the 2nd and 4th greens, we ask players to ring the bells just off the greens so as to inform players behind that it is safe for them to play their approach shots into these greens.

When playing into the 1st and 5th greens please be aware of their proximity to each other, shout ‘FORE’ to inform players of a wayward shot, alternatively let golfers play out the 5th hole before playing into the 1st green and visa versa.

**USE OF TROLLEYS, ELECTRIC TROLLEYS AND MOTORISED BUGGIES**

Buggies owned and operated by members should provide copy of insurance providing 3rd party public liability each year when renewing membership. Any visitor bringing their own buggy must provide a copy of an insurance certificate providing 3rd party public liability before use of the buggy on the course is allowed. The club manager or deputy will decide on the weather conditions if any vehicles are to be permitted on the course.

All buggy drivers must be over the age of 17 years.

**REDUCED VISIBILITY WEATHER CONDITIONS.**

When visibility is poor or adverse weather conditions prevail a decision will be made by the CLUB MANAGER OR DEPUTY on that day as to whether the conditions are fit to play or not. Closure of the course will be indicated by placing the COURSE CLOSED sign adjacent to the 1st tee and published on the clubs web page to indicate that the weather is not fit to play.

**LIGHTNING POLICY**

In the event of lightning all golfers should evacuate the course as quickly and safely as possible, the option to play on is not allowed. The course will then reopen for play when it is deemed safe to do so and the weather conditions permit.

**PUBLIC ACCESS**

The course is open to BUDOCK VEAN HOTEL guests, players should be aware that members of the public will be walking the course at any time particularly adjacent to the 6th/7th 15th/16th fairways 8th /17th tee block. Members of the public should be given right of way and shots should not be taken when they are within shot range.

**FOOTWEAR**

All golfers (members and visitors) must ensure they have golf shoes which are adequate and suitable for the ground/weather conditions on the day of play.

**PLAYER INSURANCE**

All golfers (members and visitors) are advised to hold adequate 3rd party insurance to provide cover for liability at law for damages in respect of; property damage, equipment damage, death and bodily injury.

**REVIEW DATE;** 1st April 2022.

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| **WHAT ARE THE**  **HAZARDS AND DANGERS?** | **THE RISK AND WHO**  **TO** | **SERVERITY, LIKELYHOOD**  **AND RISK RATINGS** | **CONTROL MEASURES USED**  **TO REDUCE LIKELELYHOOD**  **AND RISKS** | **OTHER PRECAUTIONS** | **TOTAL RISK**  **RATING** |
| Being struck by a ball hit offline by a player on another part of the course | Personal injury to other course users, spectators and equipment | 3,4,12 | All players must remain alert at all times.  Players who have played an offline shot must immediately shout “FORE” to alert all surrounding players.  Staff must be aware of golfers on the course and move to allow play to pass them safely before returning to their task. |  | low |
| Being struck by a ball hit by a playing partner | Personal injury to other players, course users, spectators and equipment | 2,5,10 | Non playing partner(s) must not advance in front of the shot being played.  Players who have played a shot towards a playing partner(s) must immediately shout “FORE” to alert all surrounding |  | low |
| Being struck by the swinging club of a playing partner | Personal injury to other players, course users, spectators and equipment | 3,3,9 | Players must stand at least 2 metres away from the arc of the swinging club |  | low |
| Tripping on uneven, sloping, or slippery ground | Personal injury to players, spectators, and damage to equipment | 4,2,8 | Tripping hazards should be removed by green keeping staff | Course inspection routinely and closed when weather is poor | low |
| Slipping when entering or exiting a tee block | Personal injury to players, spectators and damage to equipment | 2,1,2 | Trolleys and motorised buggies are not allowed to be taken on to these parts of the course at any time | AS ABOVE | low |
| Slipping when entering or exiting a bunker | Personal injury to players, spectators and damage to equipment | 1,1,1 | When entering/exiting bunkers to play/after playing a shot, entry and exiting should be from the shallowest edge of the bunker.  Trolleys (whether motorised or pull) and motorised buggies must not be taken within 2 metres of any of these slopes in any weather conditions | Course inspection routinely and closed when weather is poor | low |
| Slipping on an undulated wet part of ground | Personal injury to players, spectators and damage to equipment | 2,2,4 | All golfers should ensure they have golf shoes which are adequate and suitable for the ground/weather conditions on the day of play | Course inspection routinely and closed when weather is poor | low |
| Green keepers lock up adjacent to 1st 2nd 3rd fairways | Personal injury to players, spectators and damage to equipment | 2,1,1 | This area is out of bounds to all members, visitors, spectators and should not be entered under any circumstance |  | low |

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| **PROBABLE SEVERITY** | **LIKELIHOOD OF HARM** | **RISK RATING** |
| Trivial Injury = 1 | Very Unlikely = 1 | 1 to 6 = LOW |
| Minor Injury = 2 | Unlikely = 2 | 7 to 14 = MEDIUM |
| Moderate injury = 3 | Possible = 3 | 15 to 36 = HIGH |
| Serious Injury = 4 | Likely = 4 |
| Major Injury = 5 | Very likely = 5 |