

#### News for the PebbleCreek Golf Community

# Golf Blast - March 23, 2020

After careful consideration, in an effort to stop or slow the spread of Covid-19 (coronavirus), we are announcing the following protocols. The decisions have not been made lightly and we appreciate your cooperation during this challenging situation. This is a fluid situation and further changes may happen.

# **Checking in for Golf**

In an effort to control social contact, we are asking golfers who are annual pass holders, to check in by phone. One person per foursome can now check the group in by calling the Golf Shop at 623-935-6757. In addition, anyone wanting to charge their fee to their homeowner account may also call in this transaction. We will no longer take cash as a form of payment for golf or range balls. All transactions will need to be charged to your homeowner account or by credit card. We will have a staff member outside the Golf Shop to check people in that need to pay with a credit card. In an effort to minimize gatherings of people, the Golf shops will be closed at the end of business, Tuesday, March 24. Moving forward all physical transactions must be handled outside. Please exercise social distance when approaching the area. We will still have staff members in the Golf Shop answering phones, making tee times and answering any questions. All merchandise sales are discontinued until further notice.

#### **Group Gathering**

Many of you play in larger groups; please observe social distancing before and after the round. "Gathering" behind the last green or in the parking lot is still a form of social gathering. This guidance is per CDC and is for your health and safety.

#### **Golf Carts**

We ask that, when possible, all players take their own carts. We recognize that family members/spouses will likely still ride together. All regular golf cart rules will still be in effect. Please keep your carts on the cart path as much as possible.

#### **Driving Range**

Range ball buckets will now be sanitized after each use. Range balls are washed daily, after they are picked up from the driving range. All range balls in the ball machine have been cleaned. The range ball machine will be sanitized periodically. We will be marking off spaces on the range tee by placing lengths of wood on the ground to keep appropriate social distance. Please do not move these pieces of wood. All other touch points on the range have been removed, including, benches, water buckets and bag stands. The range ball machine will be open from 6:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### **Tee Times**

Beginning on Saturday, March 28, 2020, we are extending tee time intervals to 10 minutes. We will be calling tee times from the Golf Shop. Please do not start before your tee time. If there a back up on any hole (especially par 3s), please practice social distancing while waiting to play the hole.

#### Changes to the Course set-up starting Tuesday, March 24

We will no longer have flagsticks on the practice green. Cups on the practice green will be lifted (have the liner sticking up above the surface of the green about an inch) to avoid people touching the cup. Holes on the course will have a foam insert in them to keep the ball from going to the bottom of the cup. Please leave the pin in at all times. Ball washers, water jugs and bunker rakes have all been removed from the courses. If you play out of a bunker, please try to smooth the sand with your feet. Snacks and beverages

are no longer available from our ranger cart. Please bring your own beverages, snacks and a wet towel to keep your equipment clean. The indoor restrooms at Toscana's will remain open for golfers. Please don't go in the restaurant.

### Food and Beverage Service

Ed's Dogs and the service window on the back patio will be open with limited hours. The patio areas are closed.

### Coronavirus

PebbleCreek Golf Operations is taking steps to address coronavirus. We are regularly cleaning and sanitizing our work stations. The golf carts will be washed and sanitized every time after they are used.

## What You Can do to Protect Yourself and Others

The CDC recommends a number of steps you can take to help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases, including:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Follow CDC's recommendations for using a facemask.
  - CDC does not recommend that people who are well wear a facemask to protect themselves from respiratory diseases, including COVID-19.
  - Facemasks should be used by people who show symptoms of COVID-19 to help prevent the spread of the disease to others. The use of facemasks is also crucial for health workers and people who are taking care of someone in close settings (at home or in a health care facility).
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
  - If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.

You can find this information at:<u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention-treatment.html</u>

Please check the <u>CDC website</u> for updates as events progress.

Please help us take care of our beautiful golf courses by filling divots and fixing ball marks on the greens. Please do not drive your golf carts in the desert areas. Please do not trespass into homeowner backyards. The golf course staff appreciates your help!

Best regards, John McCahan Director of Golf PebbleCreek Golf Resort 623-935-6751

This is a Publication of the PebbleCreek HOA ©2020