

Rock Harbor News

From the Corner with Jon

Jon Rifle, Head Professional:

Christmas is right around the corner and the annual merchandise sale is just days away. There will be plenty of items to choose from for yourself or gifts. We are also getting to the time of year where we will have frost delays and we appreciate everyone's patience and Chris's professional experience when we will let people out on the course.

Winter Golf Tips and Tricks

Dress Appropriately

Nothing is worse than getting to the course and realizing you are under dressed for a chilly day. In case you did forget your jacket, the pro shop will gladly sell you a quarter zip pullover, no problem! You will be out in the elements for the next 3.5-4.5 hours, so keeping warm will make the day much more desirable. Layer up and prepare for the cold temps and piercing winds.

Take More Club

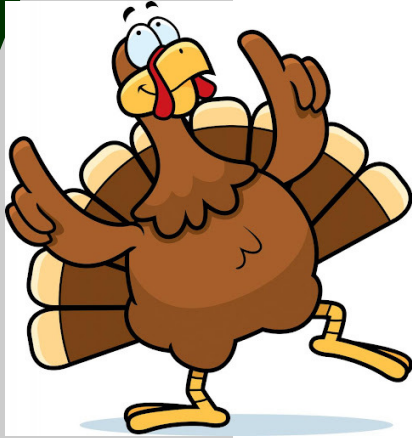
Yes, you will have to swallow your pride when playing in the cold. You won't be cranking out those 300 yard drives that you might be used to during the heat of the summer. Take one or two more clubs when hitting your approach shots, as the ball doesn't travel as far in colder temperatures. Here's a good rule of thumb for determining distances—the difference is roughly two yards of carry for every 10 degrees of temperature change. You should base your normal averages on 80 degree temperatures.

Switch To A Softer Ball

This ideology is solely based on compression. During the normal season, would you rather be playing a Pinnacle Rush or a [Titleist ProV1](#)? What made you make this decision? A Pinnacle golf ball is already considered to be one of the hardest golf balls in the market. Now think about playing one of these in 30 degree temps? The ball becomes even harder. The point of switching to a softer ball is all about feel. This will help make the golf ball not seem like a rock at contact. A softer ball will react better than a harder ball. However, when playing in the cold, how much feel can you actually have?



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Mr. Turkey has some great news!

Our annual Turkey's For Sharing Tournament, held on October 23, 2021 at Rock Harbor was a great success for our community.

We are thankful for each person who shared in the event, you raised enough to share 268 turkeys with the Salvation Army to give out to those in need over the holidays.

This is a great success and we hope you continue to be generous thought-out the holiday season and into the new year.

Out of the Past



Hugh Tolson takes his turn with Santa.



Gary Shell, AKA, Santa sits with Roxy, Bobby Jenkins' long time companion while serving as course superintendent



Some of our staff from Christmas 2016 pause for a photo in front of the tree.