



TOMGC Rules and Greens

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Saturday President's Cup winner

Dave Rebensdorf, being awarded the perpetual trophy by Club President Mitch Anderson. What a thrill it was to watch two really good golfers go at it for 18 holes. No, I'm not talking about Dave and me, I'm talking about Dave and fellow golfer Russ Friesen. Two spectacular rounds of golf which came down to the 18th hole, where Dave sunk a birdie putt to break the tie between these two champion golfers. Dave shot a one over par 73, while Russ shot a two over par 74. And this was from the blue tees; and Dave hardly ever used his driver! What?

I recently had the pleasure of playing golf with another really good golfer in J.C. Cochran. During the round, J.C. mentioned that he had mistakenly removed one of the clubs he intended to use for the round that day, and wanted to know if it was ok to add a club after the round had started, since he was playing with only 13? I said yes, it is ok to add a club at any time during the round, provided you do not exceed the 14-club limit. Rule 4-4 a., further clarifies, stating that if a player starts with 14 clubs, he is limited to the use of those clubs, except if he should start with fewer than 14 clubs, he can add clubs at any time, provided he does not unduly delay play. J.C. added a 14th club at the turn. (What about a damaged club?)

In a recent round at Wood's Valley, Scott McClellan and his entire foursome teed off on the 18th hole, when they were meant to tee off on the 9th hole. Scott wondered if this was a violation? Rule 11-4 and 11-5 cover this nicely. It is a two-stroke penalty in stroke play and may or may not be a penalty in match play. Look it up, know the rules, and have fun!