## **ETIQUETTE & PACE OF PLAY**

**Etiquette:** The golf game relies on the integrity of the individual to show consideration for other players and to abide by the Rules of Golf. All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be. This is the spirit of the game.

**Some things to consider are:** Safety of self and other players; causing no disturbance or distraction while another player is addressing and hitting a ball; not standing in a player's line, or casting a shadow on the green; checking with marker to ensure the score is correct.

**Pace of Play**: It is a player's responsibility to maintain a good pace of play. At UGC, the suggested time is 4 hours and 15 minutes. If the game is delayed due to loss of ball, it is suggested:

- ► That the player hit a provisional ball, to save time
- ► That the group behind may play through when it becomes apparent the ball will not easily be found

## Always:

- ▶ In the fairway: Play ready golf, except in a Team competition or Match Play game
- ► Keep up with the group in front
- ▶ Plan your next shot while waiting for another to hit
- ▶ Be ready to hit the ball when it is your turn
- ► Move forward as you place your club in your bag
- ► Try to limit practice swings to one
- ► Carry an extra ball to be prepared if a shot goes O.B. or may be lost
- ▶ Move briskly away from the green and onto the next hole
- ► Complete scorecards at the next hole after teeing off
- ▶ Leave clubs or cart between the green and the next teeing ground
- ▶ Be ready to tee off at the next teeing ground before recording your score
- ► Take responsibility to keep your group moving
- ▶ Don't be offended if someone tries to hurry you along
- ▶ If your group falls behind, the first two who are holed out proceed to the next hole

## On the green:

- ► Mark your ball as soon as possible
- ► Be ready to attend the flagstick
- ► Line up your putt and be ready when it is your turn to play
- ► Use <u>continuous</u> putting whenever possible
- ▶ Pick up the flagstick for replacing in the hole, if you are the first to hole out