

CCMGA Time Clock Procedures: February, 2011

In response to the overwhelming response from the 2010 members survey, CCMGA recently purchased an employee-style time clock for use in our club events, with the objective of tracking and improving the pace of play in our events. The following are some points to keep in mind about the time clock, and these are subject to change as the year progresses:

- The clock will be located in a spot convenient to #10 tee and #18 green. For the February event, it will be located adjacent to the range ball bin outside the pro shop.
- One player in each tee time will be given a time card for recording his group's turn and finish time. This will typically (but not always) be the lowest handicap individual in the group.
- Although one person will be assigned the time clock card, ALL players in each group are responsible for ensuring that the turn and finish times are recorded, and that the card is turned in along with completed scorecards after play.
- As this system will only work if everyone complies, groups not submitting a properly-completed time card may be subject to penalty or disqualification.
- Groups are expected to meet the following pace of play criteria at the completion of each nine holes:
 - Complete the nine holes in 2 hours 15 minutes or less, OR
 - Record turn/finish times within 14 minutes of the previous group
- At present, the only action that will be taken is to publish the results of each event's times, and to notify those groups who are found to be out of position. If merely tracking times is not sufficiently effective at speeding up play, the Board may elect to impose mandatory penalties for groups who finish out of position...players will be notified in advance if that standard is adopted.
- Finally, please keep in mind that the time clock is only one tool to help with this problem. Players and groups are always subject to penalty if they are clearly out of position and do not rectify the situation within a reasonable time frame. As a reminder, you should consider your group to be out of position if:
 - The group ahead of you has already left the green when you reach the tee of a Par 3 or Par 4.
 - The group ahead of you is already on the putting green when you reach the tee on a Par 5.

Elsewhere on the CCMGA website, we have suggestions for improving your pace of play, and we encourage everyone to print and follow those guidelines.

Thanks in advance for your help in addressing our pace of play problems.

CCMGA Tournament Committee