

## **Cooroy Veterans' Golf Club**

### ***How to speed up slow play***

This guide recognises that we are a group of veteran golfers so some allowances have to be made. The main aim is to relax and enjoy our golf as a social event but ***ultimately responsibility for speeding up slow play lies with each golfer.***

The committee will monitor play and impose penalties for repeat offenders. You don't have to compromise or hurry your shots to have a fast and enjoyable game.

- ✓ ***One player*** in your group should note the time you started and when you finished. ***4 hours or less*** should be the target.
- ✓ The ***low marker*** in the group should take responsibility keeping the group moving along at a good pace. This is not a reflection on higher markers rather a simple way of assigning responsibility.
- ✓ ***Adopt ready play*** at tee rather than waiting on ceremony. Preferably the shorter hitter tees off first. ***Watch each player's ball*** and try to get a marker on where it landed.
- ✓ ***Have a selection*** of tees and markers and a spare ball in your pocket.
- ✓ If there is any doubt about finding your ball ask your marker if you can ***hit a provisional ball.***
- ✓ ***Don't spend more than two minutes looking*** for your ball and don't get the whole group looking for it. They should be going to their ball and hitting when the fairway or green is clear.
- ✓ ***Playing in a cart should be quicker.*** The driver drops his passenger at the ball with the appropriate club or selection of clubs and then proceeds to his own ball.
- ✓ When ***chipping near the green*** carry your chipper and putter.
- ✓ At the green ***park buggies and bags close to the exit*** so when you have finished the green can be cleared quickly. Your clubs can be put away and the score card filled in on the next tee.
- ✓ ***Don't spend time*** collecting lost balls.
- ✓ Slow play is often caused by ***a lack of awareness*** of what is going on around you on the course.
- ✓ Remember your group's position is in relation to ***the group in front***, not the group behind.

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You may be aware there has been frustration with **Slow Play** during our Wednesday competition.

The attached **GUIDE** has been put together to assist in addressing pace of play by providing tips on **HOW TO SPEED UP SLOW PLAY**.

We are a group of veteran golfers so some allowances must be made for physical abilities. Ultimately however, responsibility for pace of play lies with each individual golfer and maintaining a general awareness about what is going on around you on the course.

The committee will continue to monitor the situation and may in future impose penalties for offenders. Our aim is to create a relaxed social environment where veteran golfers enjoy a friendly but competitive game of golf.

If you have any concerns please speak directly to our Captain, *Grant Smallacombe*, Vice Captain, *Steve Howes*, or any of the committee.



Cheers

*Rod Booth - Secretary/Treasurer  
Cooroy Veterans' Golf Club*