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Tour News

DJ closed the deal in Saudi Arabia, after going head-to-head with Chinese golfer **Haotong Li**, who once again shone in the Middle East swing.

Sergio Garcia did himself no favours when he became the first player to be DQ'd under the new Rule 1.2a for bad behaviour. It's all about 'acting with integrity', 'showing consideration to others', and 'taking good care of the course!' And from what we've heard, he did none of the above!

He's been known to have the odd flare-up over the years, but from the little we've seen – maybe the Euro Tour

put a hold on the footage getting out – he was really pissed off. Who knows? Maybe something's going on off the course?? Probably just crap golf, eh?

Also in the desert, but across the pond in Phoenix at the biggest jol in golf, **Ricky Fowler** – who has definitely under-achieved in golf so far, especially when you consider that his eventual win was only the 2nd time in 7 events that he'd successfully converted a 54 hole lead – prevailed over our own **Branden Grace** in some kind of strange fashion when Ricky also fell fowl of the Rules en route to a treble-bogey 7 on the 11th hole. A ball he'd dropped and had come to rest, and was now back in play, then proceeded to roll back into the water behind the green, forcing him to take another penalty. He then holed an almost 20 foot putt for the treble, and followed it up with another bogey on the next, which actually gave Grace – who was busy birdieing the 13th up ahead - the lead momentarily, but Fowler regained his composure over the closing stretch to notch up a few birds and get the victory.

The PGA Tour, together with the organisers of the Phoenix tourney, had a moving tribute to the Australian golfer **Jarrod Lyle**, who died last year after a long fight with cancer, and who'd been a fan favourite at this huge spectator event.

[Watch the tribute here.](#)

And then in a real feel good move that brought tears to most, and also taking place on their iconic par three 16th hole, they arranged for a local golfer to play the hole with Gary Woodland during the practice rounds. It's great to see the PGA Tour's marketing dept. taking some steps forward, just like their European counterparts have done

with promoting their product through social media.

[Watch the full video here.](#)

And the new Rules weren't far from the headlines, with the caddie assistance thing (Rule 10.2b4) showing up again, after the aforementioned **Haotong Li** was penalised for the same last week in Dubai. First, the not-so-well-known **Denny McCarthy** got slapped with the General Penalty (2 shots) on the Friday in Phoenix for his caddie not moving away as he was preparing for a stroke and taking his stance. Then it happened again, but this time to the very-well-known Major-winner **Justin Thomas** on Saturday morning, and all of a sudden there was a consult with the powers-that-be (the USGA and the R&A), and the PGA Tour then rescinded the penalty on McCarthy, and with no further action taken for JT. Read the Rule below.

(4) Restriction on Caddie Standing Behind Player.

When a player begins taking a stance for the stroke and until the stroke is made:

• The player's caddie must not deliberately stand in a location on or close to an extension of the line of play behind the ball for any reason.

• If the player takes a stance in breach of this Rule, he or she cannot avoid penalty by backing away.

Exception – Ball on Putting Green: When the player's ball is on the putting green, there is no penalty under this Rule if the player backs away from the stance and does not begin to take the stance again until after the caddie has moved out of that location.

This week sees the AT&T Pro-am taking place, the first of 2 events this year at the storied and scenic Pebble Beach, the other being the US Open in June, and in the field are Jordan Spieth, Matt Kuchar – who admitted he's still hurting from not making the Ryder Cup team, and using it as motivation for his 2 wins already this season – Tommy Fleetwood, Branden Grace, Jason Day, Phil Mickelson and DJ, amongst others.

And the Euro Tour leaves the Middle East for 2 weeks Down Under.

The Sid Brews Trophy

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The Houghton Hunt

Position	THE LADIES HOUGHTON HUNT 2019 as at 03rd February 2019	Total Points
1	Hlatshwayo, Dudu	2066.00
2	Rubens, Elaine	1739.50
3	Hofmann, Anne	1713.75
4	Vyvyann - Day, Susan	1675.25
5	Cogswell, Sue	1617.75
6	Pogir, Sandra	1446.75
7	Nurick, Susan	1220.00
8	Cloud, Debbie	1211.00
9	Clark, Rosemary	1141.50
10	Johnston, Yvonne	1139.00
11	Lanham-Love, Angela	1051.25
12	Thornhill, Eileen	995.50
13	Solomon, Lesley	939.25
14	Brooks, Terri	764.00
15	Baloyi, Poppie	695.25
16	Petersen, Tracey	663.00
17	Van Opstal, Amie	638.00
18	Burra-Robinson, Sally	626.50
19	Doo, Colleen	620.75

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Position	THE HOUGHTON HUNT STANDINGS as of 03rd February 2019	Total Points
1	Goldsmith, Mervyn	1028.33
2	Cloud, Ricci	891.00
3	Berman, Brett	824.75
4	Jossel, Graham	817.89
5	Cohen, Jason	767.03
6	Ossip, Mervyn	703.67
7	Seedat, Waseem	694.60
8	Jossel, Jonathan	680.15
9	Nestadt, David	641.50
10	Gumede, Khumbulani	626.25
11	Gnaid, Marc	616.50
12	Nestadt, Jared	590.75
13	Vallabh, Salish	587.13
14	Sacks, Ryan	573.50
15	Kay, Gerald	578.64
16	Drue, Stefan	566.85
17	Farber, David	554.25
18	Rosenzweig, Daniel	552.95
19	Bersiks, Daniel	551.98

17	Dee, Cullen	620.75
20	Pokroy, Pam	618.25
21	Ruifers, Grizelda	539.00
22	Vasani, Dolar	532.25
23	Summerfield, Mary-Ann	515.50
24	Weil, Stephanie	498.75
25	Gropp-Elis, Liza	488.50
26	Rose, Isobel May	330.75
27	Blumberg, Dora	320.00
28	Gering, Robyn	298.00
29	Beswick, Sandra	282.00
30	Mogale Koma, Stacy	245.00
31	Ziegler, Lynne	239.50
32	Harris, Mary	231.00
33	Mgoduso, Thandeka	184.75
34	Clingman, Adele	159.25
35	Motau, Innocentia	108.00
36	Tabengwa, Monica	91.50
37	Murphy, Jennifer	81.00
38	Lubner, Hilary	45.00
39	Bouzaglou, Hila	25.00
40	Shapiro, Denise	20.25
40	Goodman, Laura	20.25
40	Mokgatlhe, Dolly	20.25
40	Osterloh, Patricia	20.25

20	Yung Fah, Clinton	534.29
21	Clinton, Liam	520.70
22	Bytenski, Ryan	495.22
23	Polakow, Rael	491.00
24	Wainbergas, Michael	488.47
25	Rosen, Marc	477.00
26	Pelkowitz, Joshua	441.35
27	Kuzwayo, Muzi	437.35
28	Phillips, Howard	423.08
29	Kangisser, Daniel	422.00
30	Bernstein, Garv	416.50
31	Khethwa, Michael	415.25
32	Koor, Sandy	410.32
33	Rosen, Matthew	409.75
34	Cohen, Les	409.27
35	Solomon, Jarred	402.00
36	Barnett, Michael	383.65
37	Nesladi, Ryan	379.25
38	Borek, Cansin	371.25
39	Pelkowitz, Daniel	346.80
40	Delacour, Ian	343.34
41	Joffe, Justin	337.25
42	Robinson, Ashley	326.50
43	Musiker, Ricky	312.75
44	Machet, Selwyn	307.70
45	Krost, Chad	304.00
46	Darsot, Raees	303.80
47	Gamsu, Dennis	302.86
48	Kotzen, Gavin	302.00
49	Levenberg, Frank	301.95
50	Frangos, Nic	295.08

That's about all for this week.

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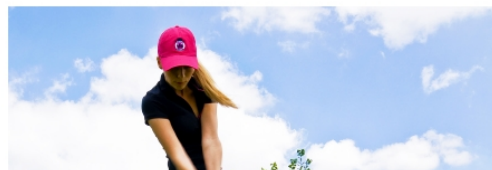
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Feel the thrill

The sweet spot matters

One of the best feelings in golf is when you make contact out of the "hitting zone" with your driver. It's an exquisite moment. There's satisfaction in watching the ball speeding down the fairway.





It's not easy though. You're swinging the club with the longest shaft. The ball might be teed up, but it's going to be over 40 inches away from where your hands are gripping the club. It used to be you had to find the sweet spot in a much smaller head. Now the head and face are larger, and the manufacturers work to extend the hitting zone.



We're delivering thrills

Our passion is helping you experience the thrill of contact out of the hitting zone. If you're looking for more thrills, come and spend 30 minutes with us.

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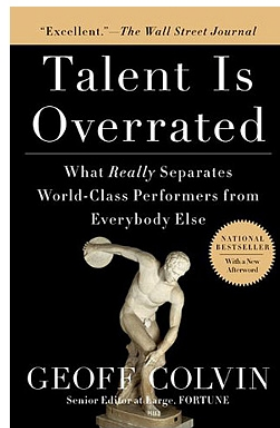
How does a golf ball deliver it all;
Soft, fast, distance, spin, durability?

[Watch the video >](#)

How good could you be?

Talent is overrated

Geoff Colvin, in his theory of "Deliberate Practice", contends that you can all be so much better at golf, and much quicker than you imagine, with a better approach to practice.



This isn't about beating balls until your hands bleed.

It's about having a sensible structure that accommodates the commitment you feel you can make.

There are four essential steps according to Colvin's principals:



<i>A personal plan that starts from your current reality, identifying the areas you can most easily improve, quickly.</i>	<i>Go beyond your comfort zone, practicing shots you are not comfortable with. Choosing to hit shots you can't execute properly or consistently might not seem like fun, but you need to deliberately push your boundaries.</i>	<i>If you don't have a lot of time for practice, then limit the new skills you're trying to develop. You need, through repetition, to sear the new movements required into the brain.</i>	<i>You need continual and specific feedback. You need to record your swing in practice, or have a coach present. If the result is bad, you need the diagnosis as a feedback. If the result is good, you need the positive affirmation of the movements that created the result.</i>
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Start your journey. We want to help.

We want to help you on your quest for a better playing experience. Let us start you off with an assessment. Then, involve us in your progress. Let us provide feedback and guidance. Better golf shots, more often, is a great payoff.



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