



# CROW TIMES

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## Captain's Letter

**Sunil K. Vasant**  
Captain, 2024 - 25

### Dear Members

This committee has just completed 3 months in office. September has been a month full of action and all the committee members are forging ahead with their plans and promises made in July.

A new post of 'General Manager' has been created. The incumbent is charged with the responsibility of streamlining HR processes and defining Roles and Responsibilities. This gains significance as many of the older employees retire or are on the verge of retirement. The GM will also be primarily responsible for liaising with Government Departments and ensure 100% compliance. The GM will also oversee all major projects. The GM will report to the Hon Secretary / Captain.

As a significant part of the Go Green initiative the monthly statement of accounts are now being sent by e mail only. All the major purchases and contracts are routed through Source EZY resulting in substantial savings and getting value for money.

For the first time BGL this year will have twenty teams participating and a majority of members who wish to participate will be selected by the team owners and captains. We will soon have the auction round and the draft round to finalize the teams.

The inaugural Tombola turned out to be a bumper event with around 250 participants; mostly ladies and we propose to make it a periodic event.

Infrastructure is getting a lot of attention. The expansion of the workshop to house all equipment and the roof work for this is completed. Work has begun in the washroom area of the Men's locker room. This is

slated for completion by the 1st week of November. Kitchen work in the NCH is in full progress.

The Golf course, the heart of any Golf club, is being tended to with utmost care and importance. The bi-annual maintenance of the entire course has been completed as per the guidance of Mr. Clinton of M/S Troon. Two new 30-meter poles on the 8th fairway, which continued to allow the loose ball to go over are replaced with 45 meters poles to put an end to this vexed problem. The new 30 meters poles have been shifted to the 16th fairway where the old poles were very vulnerable.

The entrance of our new club house is getting a facelift with beautiful landscaping.

Our club has retained the cup at Pilikula Golf club. Congratulations!!

WhatsApp Grievances and Suggestions to



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# Tic!

**B. Sreenivas Murthy**  
Chief Editor

Ahoy! The much anticipated BGL- the mother of all tournaments is upon us and everyone is frantically getting their teams match ready. Partying, oodles of advice and a bagful of goodies. Not to forget strategy and tactics. The BGL is not just about your handicap nor how well one plays but how well the team fares. The initial rounds bring out the primal urge to finish off your opponent in match play- it is one on one. After

three 'bloody' rounds should the team make it to the finals , the tenor completely changes to one of doing the 'golf tango'. Swinging in tandem. Coaxing and cajoling your partner and regretting your own loose shot, more than you ever would, while playing for yourself. This is truly an all inclusive team event. May the best team win.

Talking about teams, are all categories of members and associates really on the side of team BGC. One wonders when a particular category openly seeks special treatment even if it means changing the rules. Else...

## Tournament Results

### Karnataka Open Amateur Golf Championship-2024

30, 31 August & 1 September, 2024

Open Event		
Sunil S	139	Winner
Tanish R Gowda	140	Runner
Handicap 0 - 9		
Amitab Poddar	139	Winner
Nandan Rao	143	Runner
Handicap 10 - 18		
Rohan Mittal	133	Winner
Praveen Raghunath	135	Runner
Handicap 19 - 24		
Lokesh Mehta	139	Winner
Shashank Mahesh (Better 2nd Round Score Against Dr Deepak Shivarathre)	139	Runner
Senior's - 65+ Gross		
B N Subramanya	159	Winner
Senior's - 65+ Net		
Dr Rame Gowda	134	Winner
Ladies - Gross		
Keerthana Rajeev Nair	149	Winner
Ladies - Net		
Anita Shrishrimal	137	Winner

### PGC Vs BGC Interclub Match

28 & 29 September, 2024

Main Team			
BGC		PGC	
Doubles	Singles	Doubles	Singles
5	4	1	8
Total	9	Total	9

Fellowship Team			
BGC		PGC	
Doubles	Singles	Doubles	Singles
1/2	5	3 1/2	3
Total	5.5	Total	6.5



## Entertainment Schedule

### October, 2024

#### Wednesday Chitrahara

2nd	Gandhi Jayanti
9th	Murali (ACP)
16th	Hitesh Mehta
23rd	Divya Raghavan & Narasimhan
30th	Priya Yadav

#### Saturday Retro

5th	Lesley
12th	Dasara
19th	Hema Nayak
26th	Raman Iyer

1st November  
**Rajyotsava  
Celebration**



## Tournament Calendar

### OCTOBER 2024

- Addicts at MDGC**  
18 / 19 / 20 October, 2024
- BGC Centenary Cup**  
25 / 26 / 27 October, 2024

### NOVEMBER 2024

- Rajyotsava Cup**  
1 / 2 November, 2024
- Governors Cup**  
8 / 9 / 10 November, 2024
- Addicts at Mysore**  
15 / 16 / 17 November, 2024

- BGL 1st Round**  
22 / 23 November, 2024

- BGL 2nd Round**  
29 / 30 November, 2024

### DECEMBER 2024

- BGL 3rd Round**  
6 / 7 December, 2024
- BGL Finals**  
13 / 14 December, 2024
- PG Gurjer Memorial Tournament**  
20 / 21 / 22 December, 2024





## Deep Dive with Gaiban Babu

This is how people booked tee times back in the late 80's and early 90's. "Members came in at 5am and placed their balls on the tee box one behind the other and waited for their turn to tee off" says Gaiban Babu...

Babu has been in BGC for over 34 years. "I used to caddy earlier on and was studying for my degree alongside. We used to get 1 rupee 50 paise as caddy fees. I used to earn Rs. 100/- month which went a long way in supporting my large family"

The then Captain pulled up a reluctant Babu from being a caddy to a Handicapping clerk. He was offered a salary of Rs. 750. He says "This decision that I took has changed the course of my life"

BGC which he calls his "Home" has helped him when he was studying... later helped to get his children educated. He has 2 children. His Son is a software engineer and a daughter who has a degree in Business Management.

He shows his Gratitude by being Extremely loyal to the club. He was offered a more lucrative job, he did not take it as he says "This is my home".

He has donned many hats during his tenure of 34 years. Handicap clerk, worked in the accounts department, Rooms section etc... He's most proud about his association with the inception of junior golf in BGC. "I have seen many of the children who joined our junior golf programme become professional golfers".

He recalls that he was part of the first BGL under the captaincy of Sreenivas Murthy "Very few people are aware of the challenges and difficulties faced to conduct the First BGL... Eventually it was a resounding Success".

He narrated how tee times would be



booked on Sundays "20 people, one person representing their group would reach BGC around 5am.. I would reach at 5:30. I would give them coins with Nos 1 to 20 on them... Who ever picks No.1 would get to pick their tee time and then the others would follow".

All scoring and giving handicaps were done manually those days. Babu got so good at it that even now some clubs outside of Bangalore call him to do the scoring.

Babu retired some time back. He missed BGC so much that he has been brought in as a Marshall. He intends to train other young caddies as Marshalls.

Babu has been the go to guy for just "putting" things in order where tournaments and scoring is concerned. He's one of the reasons for tournaments running seamlessly and smoothly as a well groomed fairway.

We the members of BGC are thankful to Babu. People like him working behind the scenes has gone a long way for us to feel at "Home" in BGC.

Thank you Babu.

**Sunitha Simha**



Johnnie Walker 18 Yrs	2+1
Johnnie Walker Black Label	2+1
Johnnie Walker Gold Label	2+1
Johnnie Walker Blonde	2+1
Johnnie Walker Red Label	2+1
Singleton	2+1
Caol ila	2+1
Glenkinchie	2+1
Lagavulin	2+1
Talisker	2+1
Godawan 01 & 02	2+1
Black & White	2+1
Ardmore S/M	2+1
Royal Brackla 12 Yrs S/M	2+1
Royal Brackla 18 Yrs S/M	2+1
Royal Brackla 21 Yrs S/M	2+1
Aberfeldy S/M	2+1
Dalwhinnie	2+1
Toki Whisky	2+1
Teacher's 50	2+1
Teacher's Highland Cream	2+1
Dewar's White Label	2+1
Dewar's 12 yrs	2+1
Dewar's 15 yrs	2+1
Ketel One Vodka	2+1
Haku Vodka	2+1
Grey Goose Vodka	2+1
Tanqueray Gin	2+1
Gordon's Gin	2+1
Bombay Sunset Gin	2+1
Bacardi Rum	2+1
Patrón Silver Tequila	2+1



## Sad Demise

Dr. Sameer Hariani	H-053	11.09.2024
Manu Nichani	N-100	15.09.2024
Dr. Srikant Jagirdar	S-293	17.09.2024
M. Narayan	N-093	25.09.2024
K. Suman	S-962	27.09.2024



Winners of BGC vs PGC Interclub Match 2024



Winners and Runners of BGC Karnataka Ameature Championship 2024



Tombola Night



Expansion of workshop roof.



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