

Checking out the information fairway

Most people know it as the information highway but with all the resources available on the Internet about golf, it could just as easily be called the information fairway.

Here's a sampling of some sites on the Internet.

The Virtual Edge - The Ontario Golf Directory

www.io.org/~tve

Whether you're going on a vacation or just looking to try some new courses, this site gives you a comprehensive list of 614 courses and ranges in Ontario. The list is broken down into six regions and provides information such as dress codes, practice facilities available and whether you need to call ahead for tee times. Courses are listed by public, private, semi-private,

executive courses and golf centres (driving ranges or other practice facilities). *Rating: Birdie.*

The PGA Homepage

www.pgaonline.com

If you're looking for information on your favorite PGA player this isn't the place to look. There is very little about the players. Even information about tournaments is sketchy. There is a collection of news stories regarding the PGA which is somewhat interesting. Overall, it's not what most pro golf fans would be looking for. *Rating: Bogie.*

World Golf

www.worldgolf.com

If you're planning a trip this site will provide links to help you find out about

courses in the area. The U.S. is broken down state by state, so if you're going to Kentucky, you can easily access the golf sites for that state. Most states provide a directory of courses. You can also get information on courses in just about any other country in the world. It also provides a list of Canada's top 50 courses, a directory of courses and classifieds. *Rating: Birdie.*

The Golf Circuit

www.sdgolf.com

Now to find that information on your favorite pro golfer, this is better place to look. This site has stats and news stories for the PGA, LPGA, seniors and Nike tours. It also provides golfing tips, rules a trivia quiz and links to other golf sites. *Rating: Birdie.*

Tip from the Top

Poor putters don't think at all about the speed they take the putter back.

The good putters do! They know the speed of the back stroke regulates the speed of the forward stroke.

When I am putting, I believe the ball is just going to drop into the cup. Think of words such as speed, weight, pace and tempo and you will create a better putting stroke.

Someday when you are putting on the practice green before a round, instead of trying to hole putts, work on tempo on your stroke, blending the speed of the back stroke and the forward stroke in a smooth rhythm.

I think that you'll be amazed at how easily and well you will handle even the toughest greens.

Golf tip provided by Bill Simpson, Golf Director at Top Of The Tee Golf Centre.

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