

# The Life of a Golf Ball

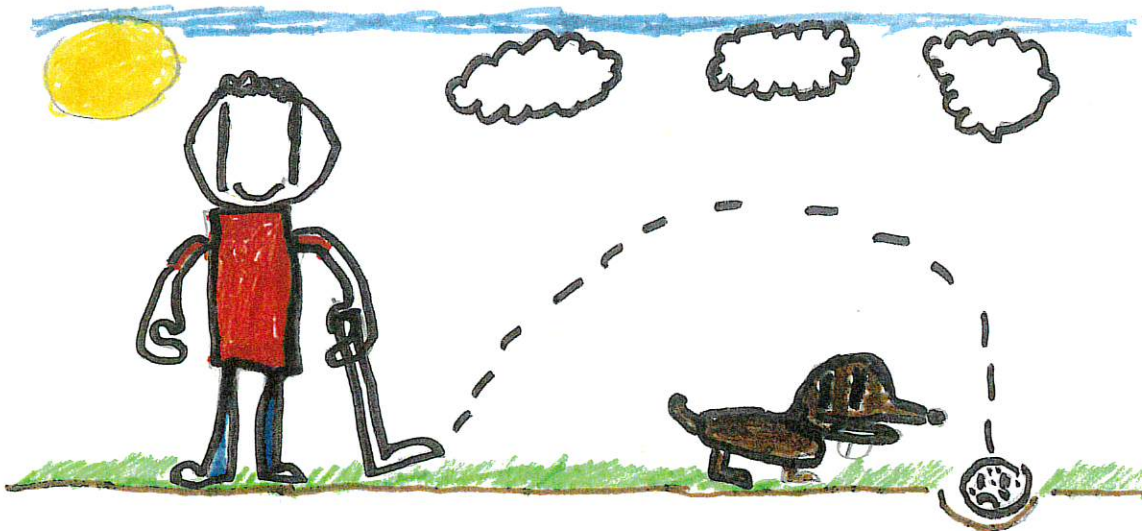
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## Introduction

Imagine the life of a golf ball. You think it would be rough but it's not. There was this golf ball named Golfy. He was a happy ball, but some days he was not. When people came to the golf course he would be scared and tremble. He knew that when he got picked up and put on the ground, that meant he would get hit hard, hit far, and chewed on. Right now, you think why would there be dogs there. This was never a normal golf course. It was a course for people and dogs! He felt scared of dogs because they brought him back with chew marks on him! He felt hurt and sad. There was only one time he liked to be in the jaws of a dog and hit hard in the air. That's when he's in... Tournament! When he gets hit and goes in the air! He likes to go high. When people do that, he says "Weeeeeeee!" When it's over he feels happy. That is the life of a golf ball.

## Golfy's home

Golfy looked like any other golf ball in the bucket. He was round and white with little dents on his face and body. He also had two legs and two arms. He was bored living at the golf course and tired of being chewed on and roughly handled by the golfer's pets. Their pets would run all over the place and slobber all over him. When he was hit by the clubs, he only saw the same boring things. He saw the people practicing, the same grass, and other golf balls. He heard the same swishing of the same green grass blades, birds chirping and wind blowing. Each day on the golf course felt like a messy game of fetch.



## Escaping

One day Golfy decided he needed a change in his life and hid inside of a golfer's golf bag. There he met two friendly golf clubs named Drivey and Putty and a tee named Tee-ty inside the bag. When Golfy noticed the company, he said "Hey everybody. What's up?"



Putty said, "Hi! My name is Putty, and these are my friends Drivey and Tee-ty. Nice to meet you. What's your name?" Putty was a very nice, brave, happy club that stayed in the bag most of the time. He only needed to hit a ball a short distance. He had a long body, two hands, and a line on the back of his half-moon shaped head with a flat face.

Golfy answered, "My name is Golfy."

Putty proceeded to introduce each friend to Golfy. Drivey had a long body and was always happy like Putty but was used all the time. Drivey could hit balls far in the air. He had four lines on his face, a curved half circled shaped head, and he was the longest out of the bunch. Drivey let balls fly high without getting their face covered in grass.

Tee-ty had a flat top, a short body about three inches with a little point at the end. She was placed in the ground when Drivey hit the ball off the top of her head. She sometimes jumped out of the ground and landed on her face when Drivey hit a ball really hard.

Putty asked Golfy, "Why are you here?"

Golfy answered, "I'm tired of being hit and chewed by dogs with slobber all over me. I want to stay and live my life here.

"You'll have to come with us wherever we go," said Putty.

Tee-ty exclaimed, "Wait guys, we must talk about something! The TOURNAMENT."

Drivey said, "Oh yeah, we'll have a tournament in two days and the course also has dogs to retrieve the balls for the golfers."

Golfy looked surprised and sad because he thought he'd gotten away from dogs completely, but he hadn't.

Drivey quickly said, "Don't worry, the dogs were very well trained. Our owner has been there before, and they always treated his balls with respect." During the tournament the dogs are specifically trained to return the ball to the golfer. The dogs could be a yorkie, labrador, golden retriever, or husky, and they don't chew as much. They have one or two trainers who used sign language to communicate with the dogs and taught them how to get the ball without so much slobber and chew marks.

Drivey said, "Get ready, there's going to be a tournament. There will be a lot to see and some of the friendliest dogs you'll ever get picked up by"

Golfy had never been in a tournament before and didn't know what to expect. He felt scared and nervous but decided to trust his new friends.

## Tournament

When Drivey hit Golfy high, he saw many new things. Golfy saw new cars, trees, dogs, people, and houses. You might think that it would hurt to land on the ground after flying so high in the air, but it doesn't. Golfy could spread his arms and legs to land safely. When his golfer hit him in the tournament, Golfy stuck his arms and legs out in the air and waved "Bye-Bye" to the crowd. He could see that all the people in the crowd were shocked when they saw him waving with a smile on his

face. Golfy really enjoyed getting a hole in one after travelling far in the sky. It was the best moment of the tournament.

## Conclusion

Now that Golfy had experienced his first tournament, he's learned two things. He wants to go again and again to tournaments in different states, and he's NEVER going back to live at a golf course. He had helped his golfer win first place by landing a hole in one and had a new experience. If Golfy could give advice to other golf balls that were scared to go to a tournament, he would say, "Be brave, believe in yourself, and keep rolling," That is the life of a golf ball named Golfy.

