











2025 Farmers Insurance Open GALLERY MANAGEMENT AMBASSADORS

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS!

GALLERY MANAGEMENT TEAM STRUCTURE

- Chair: Gregg Lawless
- Co-Chair: Mark Ward
- Side Captains: Manny Martinez (South), Don Pascetta (North)
- Player/Caddie Evacuation Team Lead: Brenda Scarth
- Roving Ambassador Team Lead: Chris ("D") Dzwigalski
- Gallery Management Transportation Team Lead: Gary Young
- Hole Captains (36—one per hole, both courses Tuesday Thursday; two per hole Friday & Saturday, South course only)
- Gallery Management Office (Mark Rosales & Bob Durham)







FARMERS INSURANCE OPEN ORGANIZATION

- PGA TOUR: Sanctioning Body
- Farmers Insurance: Title Sponsor
- Century Club of San Diego: 501 (c) (3) Host Organization
 - Marty Gorsich Chief Executive Officer and Tournament Director
 - Andy Harmatys Chief Operating Officer
 - Nick Schling Director of Operations
 - Erica Monzon Tournament Services Director







GALLERY MANAGEMENT KEY INTERFACES

- Century Club of San Diego
- PGA TOUR Management and Security
- EES Security
- San Diego Police Department
- Competition Support Committee







GALLERY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REGISTRATION & ASSIGNMENTS

- How do we make assignments?
 - Priority-based
 - 1. Volunteers who register early 1st week or two after registration opens
 - 2. Volunteers who commit to work all 5 days
 - 3. Volunteers who commit to work Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
- We do our best to honor requests. <u>Register early</u> as some subcommittees fill up quickly
- Potential reassignments may occur as volunteers withdraw due to day-today life issues – work, family, etc.







PURPOSE OF GALLERY MANAGEMENT

- Primary duty is safety and gallery control noise and movement
- Gallery Management is there to allow the golfers to play without interference/distraction from the gallery
- Gallery Management is in the middle of the action, not to watch golf but to watch fans, anticipate and control the situation
- Spectators are there to watch golf and have a good time
- Some spectators can go overboard by drinking too much, becoming troublemakers or acting inappropriately







GALLERY MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY

For the Gallery:

- Safety and Security is paramount
- Facilitate spectator movement to help maintain access to viewing locations, hospitality and all public areas
- In tandem with Security (where applicable), safeguard and control access to non-public areas
- Protect integrity of competition by controlling distractions, disturbances and potential interference with errant shots







TWO COURSES – NORTH & SOUTH – Different Responsibilities

NORTH (Tuesday – Thursday)

- Gallery Management on entire hole
- Tee area spotting, ball marking
- Landing area spotting, ball marking (inside and outside ropes)
- Green area spotting, ball marking (inside and outside ropes)
- Staffing ropes at crosswalks, gates and transitions

SOUTH (Tuesday – Saturday)

- Gallery Management on entire hole
- Landing area crowd control outside ropes
- All responsibility for tee area spotting and ball marking from tee box through green is with Competition Support Committee
- Staffing ropes at crosswalks, gates and transitions







THE BEST WAY TO CONTROL THE GALLERY

- Interact by <u>FACING</u> the gallery
- Get to know your crowd, be friendly and courteous
- Talk to spectators, let them know what needs to be done —SET EXPECTATIONS ahead of time
- Look around before you speak or give commands
- Make direct eye contact, especially with someone disruptive
- Use firm loud commands, but be polite STAND PLEASE or QUIET PLEASE
- The magic word is always "PLEASE"!
- Promote physical safety and enjoyment of play







ROLE OF GALLERY MANAGEMENT

Remember you are Tournament "Eyes & Ears"

- We are NOT the Police!
- Know how to contact your Hole Captain before you need them cell phones – text messages
- Know who in your vicinity has a Tournament Radio
 - Hole Captains, EVAC Drivers, GM Leadership, Walking Scorers
- Common sense and patience will go a LONG WAY!!







PROHIBITED ITEMS (Volunteers and Patrons)

- No Cameras (Wednesday Saturday)
- Autographs only at designated Autograph Zones after play ends
 - No autographs on tournament uniforms
- Radios and any noise producing devices
- Spectator coolers
- Weapons
- BAGS for an Umbrella or Chair
- Other items as specified on website







TEE BOX DUTIES

- Clear walkways for players transitioning from green to the next tee
 - Transition should be open and clear before the final putt drops
- Keep rope gates closed at all times <u>except</u> when players and caddies are entering or exiting the tee/green
- Always keep gallery outside the ropes and off the tees & greens
- News Media, with proper credentials, may enter the Tee Box but should remain one (1) arm's length from the rope







TEE BOX DUTIES

- Control background noise/movement <u>before</u> a ball has been teed
- Do not stand behind a Player on the tee (you may be asked to move or re-position by a Player or Caddie)
- North Course: Signal landing zone with direction of the shots







LANDING ZONE DUTIES — Outside the ropes (Note distinction between North/South courses)

- Secure/control areas where balls hit off fairway/outside ropes
- Do not touch or pick up a ball or any surrounding debris
- Mark the ball position with a flag placed between the ball (a foot or two behind the ball) and the approach path of the Player/Caddie (NOT between the ball and the green)
- Protect the ball location and begin to clear spectators around the ball's location
- Stand near the ball and point out the location of the ball to the Player or Caddie as they approach







LANDING ZONE DUTIES — Outside the ropes

- Do not communicate with Player or Caddie unless they ask a question. <u>NEVER</u> offer advice or a ruling.
- If a player or caddie requests a ruling, direct that request to the Walking Scorer accompanying the group
- If a Caddie/Player asks a question regarding the flight of a ball and you did not see it clearly, say so.
- Spectators WILL attempt to crowd around the ball for a front row position to watch the Player
- Move spectators back allowing the Player access to the ball and a clear shot







LANDING ZONE DUTIES — Outside the ropes

- Be prepared to drop the rope line to avoid interference with the shot, but do so <u>ONLY</u> if the Player requests the ropes be dropped
- If a stake needs to be removed (Player/Caddie requests it), be sure to mark the hole it was in to make replacement as easy as possible
- Under no circumstances touch the ball or cause the ball to move
- Mark the ball with a flag or stand near the ball until the Player/Caddie arrive. If asked location of the ball, point to the ball or flag marker
- Keep the Gallery quiet and motionless before the shot by FACING the Gallery and requesting "QUIET"







DUTIES AT THE GREEN

- Prepare the spectators for the approaching Players remind them about silencing their electronic devices & the need to be quiet
- When Players are on the Green, face the crowd
- Keep spectators outside the ropes, quiet and still
- Do not stand in front or directly behind a Player
- Do not rake sand traps or reposition rakes
- <u>NEVER</u> WALK ON THE GREEN AT ANY TIME FOR ANY REASON, or allow unauthorized persons to access the green (Players, Caddies, Rules Officials, Tournament Officials, Security are OK)







DUTIES AT CROSSWALKS AND GATES

- Gates are to remain closed at all times except:
 - 1. The gates should only be opened when the crosswalks are closed
 - 2. Gate at the green should be opened and crosswalks closed just before the last putt drops. You may be asked to do so earlier for premiere player groups
 - 3. Crosswalks to remain open except when gate is open
 - 4. Gate at the tee should be opened just before a Player leaves the green of the previous hole







SECURITY

Safety and Security of Volunteers, Players and Spectators is Paramount

- All volunteers and spectators will be scanned with magnetometers as they enter the course
- Please check the <u>website</u> for permitted bags and items, as well as bags and items to leave in your vehicle. A pre-approved tournament logo clear drawstring backpack will be provided for all volunteers
- Please be aware of your surroundings for suspicious objects –unattended bags or packages, suspicious spectators, etc. If you see something suspicious, report it immediately to the nearest Gallery Management Leadership, Hole Captain, Security or Law Enforcement







APPROPRIATE DRESS

- Valid 2025 Tournament Credentials are required to enter course
 - May be deactivated for cause
- Official polo shirt, jacket and head gear only
- Khaki/tan pants, knee-length shorts, skorts or capris (No Cargo or Denim)
 - Please note: GM Leadership and Hole Captains wear BLACK pants and black-banded straw hats
- Closed-toe shoes (No Metal Spikes, Sandals or Flip-Flops)







APPROPRIATE DRESS

- Umbrella/Rain Gear w/o cover
- Folding umbrella type chair w/o cover
- Non-uniform shirt for "after duty"
- Be prepared for changing weather cold, warm, wet. Dress for warmth & layer. White long sleeved shirts underneath volunteer polos OK







VOLUNTEER DINING

Food & Beverages for Volunteers

- Continental breakfast, grab and go snacks and beverages in the Volunteer dining tent (Volunteers Only)
- Box lunches & beverages will be delivered to holes around mid-day
 - NO LUNCH DELIVERY ON TUESDAY
- Bring your own food and snacks, in a clear container (NO glass) if desired/needed
- Outside beverages are not allowed on course (water excluded)







ALCOHOL & SMOKING POLICY

Alcohol Policy

Consumption of alcoholic beverages while on duty is PROHIBITED.
 Volunteers are discouraged from drinking in public areas when off duty and still in uniform/wearing volunteer credential.

Smoking Policy

 As an event on City property, smoking (including but not limited to: cigarettes, cigars, vape devices) is not allowed at any time.







SUSPENSION OF PLAY

- If play is suspended for weather or darkness, you will hear a <u>prolonged blast</u> on an air horn, repeated once, indicating that tournament play has been suspended
 - See next slide for spectator notification relative to weather conditions.
- In the event of a suspension of play, Gallery Management volunteers must <u>wait</u> to hear from their Hole Captain on how, when and where to proceed
 - Hole Captains are to coordinate communications and meeting locations
- When play is resumed after a suspension, you will hear two short blasts of an air horn, repeated once.







PGA TOUR WEATHER ALERT SCALE (NEW)

To be posted on Tournament scoreboards and other locations:

Inclement Weather - Spectator Statement

Observe the electronic leaderboards throughout the golf course for weather warnings displayed using a color-coded alert scale. Spectators should take precautions upon observing any weather warnings and be ready to seek safe shelter if appropriate, which may include exiting the premises.

In the event of Dangerous Weather - Avoid the following: Hilltops/high places; Golf Carts; Temporary Structures; Trees; Wire Fencing.

WEATHER ALERT SCALE



MOBILE DEVICES - Spectators

- Devices must be ON SILENT AT ALL TIMES; flash may not be used
- Devices may be used to capture video, audio and photos (content)
- Content may be used for personal purposes (e.g., personal social media); NO COMMERCIAL USE
- No live streaming or real-time coverage (i.e., no shot-by-shot coverage)
- Data use (i.e., texting) permitted
- Phone calls allowed only in designated areas
- Please be respectful of play and do not interfere with Players, Caddies, Officials or media
- All posted signage and instructions from tournament staff must be observed
- Failure to comply with this policy may result in the revocation of your Credential







AUTOGRAPHS

- DO NOT APPROCH PLAYERS OR CADDIES
- Volunteers may NOT ask for or receive autographs or selfies/photos when on duty or while in uniform
- No autographs on uniform items







FIRST AID AND POLICE

- First aid, security and police personnel are available on the course.
 If a need arises, please remain calm and contact the nearest Hole
 Captain or Leadership
- Please provide the Hole Captain with details of what is needed so he/she can relay that info to the proper personnel
 - Reason for the request
 - Where assistance is needed –i.e. 4S fairway, Player's left, first sand trap area, etc.
 - Be specific and give as much detail as needed
- First Aid/Medical is located on the South Course at 14S Green







ALLOWED INSIDE THE ROPES

<u>Wednesday – Saturday</u>

- PGA TOUR Tournament Officials, Rules Officials,
 Security
- Media with Credentials
- CBS Personnel
- Credentialed Honorary Observers
- Gallery Management Volunteers
- Competition Support, Scorers & Standard Bearers
- Other credentialed personnel with "IR" designation







PLAYOFF / EVENT OF A TIE

- In the event a playoff appears imminent, GMA volunteers from other holes are asked to report to the 18 South tee area (forward cart path that crosses fairway) to assist in crowd control along 18 South
- GMA volunteers on Holes 16, 17 and 18 shall remain in place until a winner has been determined – your Hole Captain will inform you when you can be released
- Playoff will be sudden death, beginning on Hole 18
 - If still tied, re-play Hole 18 a second time
 - If still tied, remaining Players will play Holes 16, 17 and 18 until a winner is determined







GENERAL INFORMATION

- Anticipate heavy weekday traffic
- Parking:
 - Tuesday: Glider port (for working volunteers)
 - Wednesday Saturday: Westfield UTC Shopping Center Parking Lot (map and info in your volunteer packet)
- Entering the course see "Tournament Information" on volunteer website
- All volunteers must pass through metal detectors upon entry
- Go To Volunteer Dining Tent drinks, eats
- Catch Gallery Management Transportation shuttle outside of Volunteer Dining Tent to your assigned hole
- Meet your Hole Captain at the tee/green, as they instruct







GENERAL INFORMATION (continued)

- Pro-Am: All Players tee off on 1st tee North and South at 7:00am (No Public access to courses)
- Tentative Tee Times:
 - 8:50am Wednesday and Thursday
 - 9:15am Friday and Saturday
- Your Hole Captain or Lead will provide instructions as to your daily reporting time and location







GENERAL INFORMATION (continued)

- Bring umbrella chairs (no bags), binoculars, snacks, rain gear, etc.
- Your Volunteer Packet includes:
 - Uniform items (shirt, jacket, headgear)
 - Credential
 - Tournament pin
 - Guest Ticket electronic only (1 per day for Wednesday Saturday will be emailed)
 - Parking and Shuttle Information
 - Meals and Snacks
- Tools provided –irrigation flags (mark ball location), colored straws (mark rope stake removal locations), Quiet signs, colored paddles
- Wear your credential at all times











See You at Torrey! JANUARY 21-25, 2025

