

International Feathery Challenge

Dress Code, Equipment Guide, Rules

Dress Code:

Gentlemen – Trousers (no denim, no knickers), long sleeve shirt, appropriate tie (cravat, ribbon tie, bow tie – preferably single color). A vest will be apropos or an older cut sport coat (a 4-button jacket will look best). Cap types are very limited. The ‘cheese cutter’ was the favorite of Young Tommy (looks like a train conductor’s cap). The ‘Greek Fisherman’ style is also a good look. The military style Glengarry Bonnet or traditional Scots Tam-o-Shanter are period . Photos provided. Consult historical golf books and use your discretion.

As in gutty golf any style golf shoe is allowed (soft spikes only). Golf gloves are not allowed in the feathery event. You will be swinging easily!!

Women – Since we have no images of women playing feather ball golf the regular NHC dress code for women will be observed.

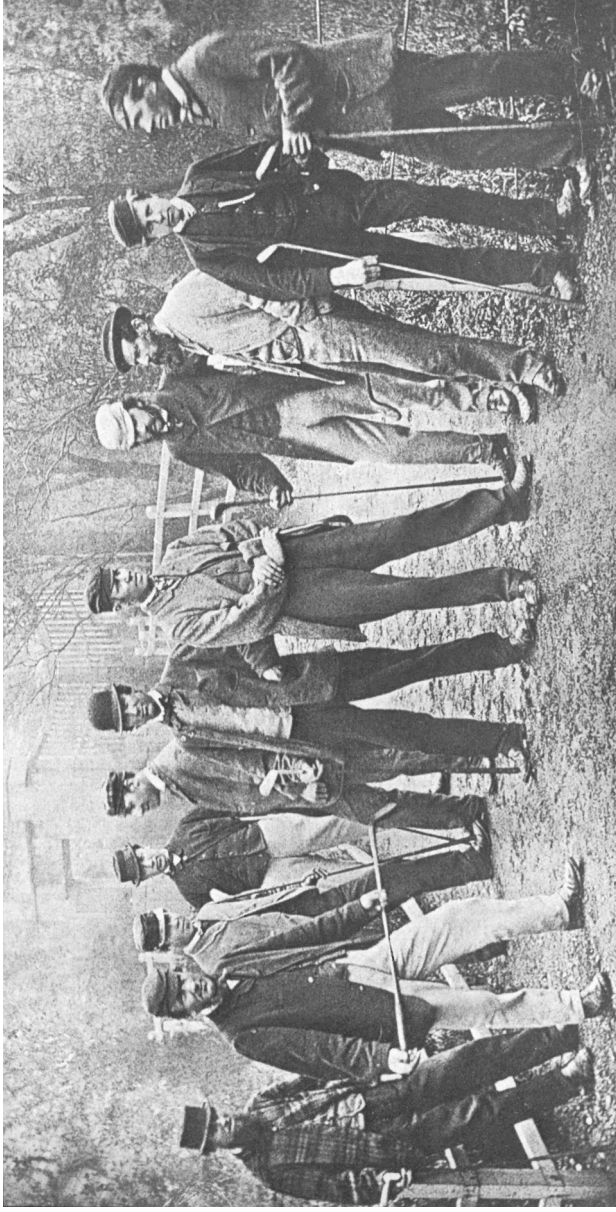
Equipment:

Three club limit and period reproductions are allowed; no golf bags. Caddies permitted. The wooden driving club should be as close to long head (long nose) as possible. The iron must be smooth face and decidedly 19th century, the older the better. A long blade general iron, mashie or lofter is appropriate. A wood head putter of long or semi-long head is best. An old heavy iron or gunmetal blade putter is acceptable this year only if a wood putter is not available.

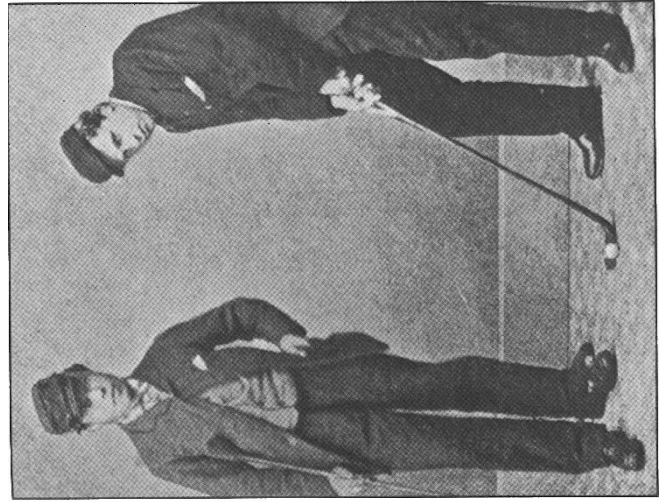
Rules:

NHC rules will apply with the exception of marking a ball on the green. The ball should not be touched while in play anywhere on the course. In future years the rules committee will assemble a set of period rules from historical data.

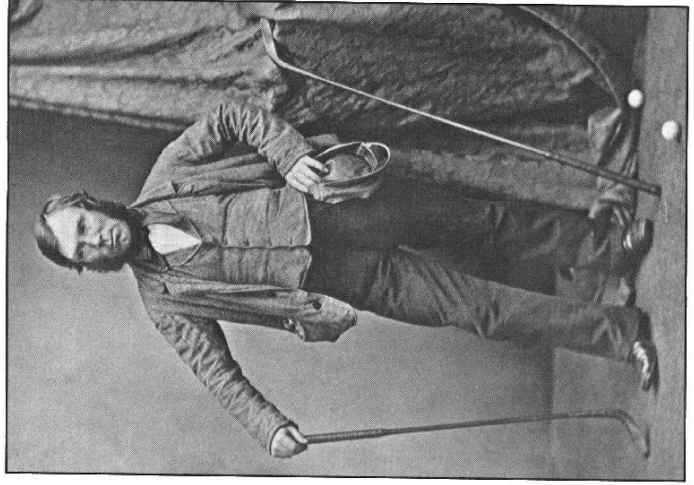
Use sand tees. Please mark your ball for identification discretely.



These photos aren't feather ball era but from early gutty era. The 'older' style of dress had not changed much when the gutty ball arrived.



COURTESY OF PEANWORLD GOLF HALL OF FAME.



JAMES WILSON
(Clubsman).

BOB ANDREW
(“The Book”).

WILLIE DUNN.

WILLIE PARK.

ALLAN ROBERTSON.
D. ANDERSON (“Dove”).

TOM MORRIS.

BOB KIRK.



COURTESY OF PRESTWICK GOLF CLUB

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