

‘WHERE PASSION MEETS PERFORMANCE’

NOT AS FUN TO PRACTISE!

Students always need to study! Perhaps a first ingredient is to think right? That is why we all need teachers along the way towards success! Saves time and punishment!

A student of ‘The Game’ was improperly **‘SET-UP’** (‘Double Crossed’) and hitting well-struck ball after well-struck ball, 6 in total, to an errant target left side of the driving range when he was really aligned quite right of the centre post. I asked him where he was aiming or ‘Aligned’. He told me at the turn-around to the cart path cul-de-sac ... 300 yards straight away! No where near where the ‘Ball’ was actually going!

I pointed out to him that he was actually NOT aiming there at all. **“Oh?”** he replied.

I placed a long iron on the ground behind his ‘Heels’ to show him where he was actually ‘Aligned’... very low-energy side of the ‘Target Line’ (‘Closed’). He was surprised at this correct evaluation! Then I placed a second club on the proper ‘Foot Line’ so he could see the differential. Now the student could also realize an accurate ‘Target Line’ so I placed a long-shafted club on that line as well. Now he understood visually what ‘Properly Aligned and Aimed’ to the defined target was and actually hit a ball right at the ‘Quarter’! **“Straight! Nice ball!”** I said.

“Why were you ‘Aimed and Aligned’ so improperly before?” I asked.

“Well, I am trying to work on my favourite shot, the nice power draw! **This is my ‘Money Shot’!** I hit it about 8 out of ten times. I love it!”

“Apparently not!” I responded. “You just missed it 6 out of 6!” **‘Honesty To Yourself Is A Key Ingredient To Golf Success!’** Hard headed fudging of results and stupidity is not!

Effective **‘SET-UP’** and a repeatable **‘Pre Shot Routine’** (‘PSR’) are always key!

Now that this powerful athletic young man was understandably ‘Properly Aligned and Aimed’, so he could ‘Load & Release’ (little push), he hit three dead straight, natural shots to the real target!

“That is great consistency my friend! You would do well with that straight ‘Driver’ shot any time. You would hit 70% of your fairways. You just keep that errant ‘Power Draw’ in your bag for a month!” There was no response. He just reloaded and hit another ball at the real and pre-selected target ... a little smile spoke volumes!

His last comment before I departed was, **“Well they are not as fun to practice as my ‘Power Draw’!”** Go figure! His name has been omitted to protect the guilty!

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