

Chapter 1 : The Best Way to Swing a Golf Club - wikiHow

Your golf swing may disappear for a little while as it is impossible to be % consistent for 4 hours on the golf course. % consistency really has never happened in the history of the game. So if a Professional Golfer that has been practicing for 6 hours a day, 7 days a week for 20 years has a Disappearing Golf Swing you should expect.

John Force, who turned 69 on May 4, is doing everything he can to right a ship that has seen three motor explosions already this season, a crash and also failed to qualify for one race at Houston in April , snapping a string of qualifying for consecutive races dating back to Sept. Time is running out, though. There are only 12 more races to qualify for the driver field for the six-race Countdown to the Championship playoffs. If the Countdown began today, John Force would not make it for the first time in his career. Force is closing in on Funny Car wins in his four-plus decade career. His last final round appearance there was a runner-up finish to Matt Hagan in Is the worst behind you? First though, understand something. I have been down this road. In the early days I had problems. I had explosions but I never had anything that took place from testing in Phoenix in January all the way through Gainesville in March. It had me talking to God. I know the drill. I know what happens. I know the people, the tune-ups and the parts. My people worked really hard on it. We found our way out of it. I have a job to do for PEAK and all my sponsors. I want to deliver. Even at my age I want to win races and win championships. I have everybody looking at this car. My crew chiefs have made changes in the engine program. Auto Club crew chief Jimmy Prock is my lead and we are running his combination and it can be tricky. We found an issue. I have never been snake-bit that long. When I was talking with God I was asking him if I had done something wrong and maybe this is how it is going to work out. It started to come around. We have been through a lot but I am going to leave it behind me and I am going to Chicago with a whole new attitude. I went down to Barona California with my grandkids for a Junior Dragster race, even though it was long days. It was like going back to my roots in a crew cab and Chaparral trailer. It was like watching myself out there. Learning and seeing them race for the first time really was a mind changer for me. You get so caught up in your problems of financial. I am financially good right now. I just mentally get into too much and I just had to get back to my roots. It was a wake-up call. I came home satisfied. I was like ready to go to Chicago. I am going to be OK. So many of the race track people and the fans were coming up to me telling me I was going to be OK. Do I not look good? That is what motivates me more than anything. They know what we do and they love it. I have a big following out there and I am not going to let them down. My mind is right. It took a junior dragster race in Barona to get my mind right. Did you have doubts about your career when all these things were going on? I know how to do the media. I know how to run teams even though Robert Hight has become my lead. Sometimes you get caught up after you have done this for 40 something years. You get caught up in it. You just think your health is going. Then all of a sudden you take a quick nap in the middle of the day like I have done before and you wake up with a whole new attitude. I did it in Indy. I told my staff I was going to get a quick nap and I would be right back. You have to remember that. You think you can go days and days. We work every day like so many people on this team. My mind is always going. This is good timing for this call because I am in a great mood. Before Barona we had been racing and I would come back for meetings about TV shows and sponsors and I just had no energy. That weekend with the grandkids really brought back the old John Force. I get sleep at night at least seven or eight hours. Are you concerned about being outside the top 10? Hell, I might not make it. I know my race car. I know what my other cars can do and they are winning races. They are setting records. That is my job and that it what I owe to do for my sponsors. How do you feel? I will find my groove. I have run these race teams for 40 years and I have more championships than anybody. I am going there and I want to show my stuff. I only blame myself for anything that we have done wrong. Sometimes you make decisions and they are wrong. And then you make more decisions and those might not be the right calls but you keep going until you figure out the puzzle. You have to keep turning and twisting the pieces until you find your way. We are working together to go down this road. I can put together a team that can win. Courtney has won three races so far this year so they are proving they have a good team. I thought my team would be a no-brainer but we are the ones that got

snake-bit. Four in a row is exciting. To go from one town to the next is like the old days. You want to get into that mood with the team. I might even drive one of my wheelers to a race. I drove the trailer to Barona and it was a great two-hour trip. It was something I needed. I am very positive. The biggest thing is I feel rested and ready to go to work. You look at Monster last year. They were struggling a little bit but we fought through it and won the championship. We have shuffled teams in the past and won races and won championships, but we have a really good combination now with my people. I know what I am doing. I had the problems at the start of the year and maybe I should have taken a race off, but I kept working and racing. The doctors said I was OK so I kept working and running full-speed. I knew it would take a while to get back to percent. I feel like now I am putting a lot of that stuff behind me. I have been hard to live with. Nothing major but my body is still healing and it has been getting better ever since Gainesville.

Chapter 2 : NHRA: What's wrong with John Force this season? " MotorSportsTalk

"Everything you know about the swing is wrong" Ever wonder why golf is so hard? Maybe you were taught to swing wrong. By CONNELL BARRETT (Golf Magazine Cover Story). Paul Nusbaum hated, hated, hated golf.

The driving range is a showcase of golf swing mistakes. But many golfers would improve dramatically just by eliminating big mistakes – foundational problems that instantly create a number of follow-on errors. Here are some of the big mistakes you may be making with your golf swing.

Not Warming Up Nothing will ruin your swing faster than trying to hit it yards off the first tee without warming up. This affliction is commonly observed on any local course on Saturday morning. Before the round, work through your bag by taking smooth swings with each club, starting with the wedges and progressing to fairway metals and driver. Limber, loose, warm muscles are the key to a relaxed, powerful swing.

Wrong Clubs For some reason, many golfers have the impression that all clubs are the same. Perhaps they pick up a set on sale at a local department store, and then wonder why they are having problems with their swing. As experienced golfers know, getting fitted correctly with the right clubs will go a long way toward eliminating many swing flaws without any additional effort by the golfer. Equipment manufacturers are partly to blame because much of their marketing talks about power and distance gains. On the other hand, they are simply responding to what golfers say they want. Survey after survey shows that the number one thing golfers want is more distance and power. In an attempt to achieve these goals, golfers tend to swing way too hard and too fast. While it is true that a faster swing will technically produce a longer shot, the ball must also be struck in the middle of the clubface. Average golfers do not have the skill to swing at tremendous speeds and hit the ball cleanly. By slowing down, you will give the swing time to happen in proper sequence.

Gripping Too Tightly Maybe it is a symptom of trying to swing too hard, but gripping too tightly on the club is a common error. In some cases, you can see the veins popping out of the hands and wrists as they hold on with all their might. The swing is an athletic motion and requires a loose, flowing action for optimal results. Gripping too tightly actually slows down the swing because the muscles are stiff and ineffective. Yet that is what golfers do every day. Poor alignment is a major contributor to bad shots. Often they line up their feet aiming directly at the target. In reality, the toes should be lined up parallel to the target line. Think of the target line and the stance line as the two rails on a railroad track. They are going in the same direction, but the left rail will always be aimed slightly to the left of the right rail, not at the exact same point. The thing to keep in mind about alignment is that it must be continually maintained. Even professional golfers work hard at checking their alignment regularly. This is easily done by placing alignment rods or golf clubs on the ground during practice sessions. It helps to have a professional or friend check your alignment to make sure what you see is an accurate picture.

Poor Timing Golfers make things too hard for themselves. Sometimes they take the club back with a short backswing, and then rush it forward at top speed. Other times, they take the club too far back and then with it forward, cutting off the follow through. Timing is a critical element in a productive golf swing. Timing is the art of allowing the sequence of positions to unfold naturally. A well-timed swing looks of fluid and unhurried. It moves slowly but steadily to the top of the backswing and then seems to pause while the lower body begins to turn toward the target, building up power ready to be released. Good timing is created by lots of repetition. Golfers get into trouble when they do not practice their timing, and to fall back on bad habits once they get to the course. Daily drills that bolster a well-timed swing will pay off in spades on the next match.

Poor Grip The grip is where the rubber meets the road. It is the only contact your body has with the club. When you have an incorrect grip, you set off an unfortunate sequence of events that can only result in disaster. It should be firm, but not tight. Avoid holding the club too much in the palms. This reduces the ability of your wrists to operate freely. The club should be more in your fingers, which are the most sensitive areas of your hands. While many golfers are able to place their rear hand – the right hand for right-handed golfers – on the club, they often have trouble with the leading hand. The most common error is a grip that is too weak, or turned too far to the left on top of the club. Another common error is a grip that is too strong, or turned too far to the right on top of the club. Often a grip that is too strong is the sign of a golfer trying to hit the ball too hard. Relax and let your hands grip the club

naturally so that the palms face each other, and are not turned too far to the left or right. The Vs between your finger and thumb should point at, or just outside, your right shoulder. No acceleration Have you ever been in a car with someone learning how to drive a manual stick shift? The driver does not press on the gas pedal enough while letting out the clutch, so the car jerks to a stop and stalls. A manual transmission requires that you accelerate smoothly for the clutch to engage with precision. Your swing is similar. Many amateurs tend to decelerate on the forward swing, rather than creating swing that smoothly builds up speed. The telltale sign of deceleration is when they look like they are scooping at the ball. This evidences a lack of trust in the swing. Proper acceleration goes back to our previous discussion about timing. The club will build up tremendous power as it comes down and threw the ball, but only if you do not interrupt the free-flowing action. Shooting at the Flag Sure, if you are Bubba Watson, go ahead and take dead aim at that flag. The rest of should be content with hitting the center of the green and putting from there. Jack Nicklaus credited his long, successful career to playing to the middle of the green and relying on his top-notch putting skills. Putting will always have a higher success rate than chipping or sand play, so put it on the green, and get a solid par. Save the heroics for the company softball team. Lack of a Full Shoulder Turn The real power in a golf swing comes from leverage. Golfers lose this leverage when they fail to make a full shoulder turn. Commonly, they make a fake shoulder turn where they bend the left arm in an attempt to extend the backswing. This cuts off any chance to use the power and torque stored in the wind-up of the shoulders. Remember that the swing is moving both up and down as well as back and forth. At the top of the swing, amateur golfers begin to turn their shoulders on the forward swing before they give their arms a chance to fall down on an inside path. The club swings wide over the proper swing path like an airliner banking before final approach, and then cuts across the target line. For right-handed golfers, the result is the dreaded slice, or banana ball. Check out some of our golf swing tutorials on YouTube:

Chapter 3 : How to Check Your Golf Cart for a Bad Solenoid | AxleAddict

Mike Ehrmann. Golf is almost always better when you walk. Unless, of course, your bag is so heavy that it might not make the weight restrictions at the airport.

Otherwise, toe contact is no good, decreasing both distance and accuracy. Many golfers who suffer from toe hits have an outside-to-inside clubhead path. While there are numerous potential reasons for this, setting up with the shoulders open to the target line aimed left for a right-hander is a common cause of toe contact. Check your shoulder alignment by addressing the ball and looking at the position of your arms. If your right arm is above the left, or closer to the target line, your shoulders are open. Turn the left shoulder inward until the arms are even. This is easy to check before every swing, and to correct if necessary. A second cause of toe hits is the body raising up before impact; in other words, failing to maintain your spine angle. When the upper body moves upward, the club is pulled away from the ball, delivering the toe rather than the sweet spot at impact. On the range, have a friend stand directly in front of or behind you and place a hand or the butt end of a club on top of your head as you swing. If your head comes up before impact, it will be obvious. Stand upright and place a club across your shoulders, behind your neck, and hold it in place with the wrists or hands. Turn your shoulders to the right as you would when making a backswing; rotate back to the left in the same manner, all while remaining in an upright position. The club should stay parallel to the ground as you turn in each direction. Now, move into your golf stance, bending at the hips not the waist, with the club across the shoulders in the manner described above. Rotate the shoulders slowly right, then left, as though hitting a golf ball. Keep your shoulder level consistent and level from setup to follow-through. Watch yourself perform this drill with a mirror to your right. Reverse directions to put the mirror on your left to check your posture coming through the ball. This is a great drill to repeat on a regular basis to ingrain and repeat a consistent spine angle. The center of your club face is going to be the best possible place to strike the ball because it provides the greatest transfer of energy from the club into the ball – meaning maximum distance on your shots. If you were able to make contact with the ball on the sweet spot for every shot that you hit, you would be amazed at the improvement in performance that you would experience. With the club moving at a speed of up to miles per hour or more, getting the club centered on the back of the ball is a task that takes precision and excellent mechanics. If you want to find the sweet spot time after time, proper technique and consistent practice are going to be your best friends. The content below is going to deal with off the toe golf shots. There are two general places you can miss with your impact – off the toe, and in off the heel. Since toe golf shots are more common than are heeled shots, it is useful to take a closer look at what causes toe hits in golf, and what can be done to correct the problem. Even just by making a couple simple tweaks and doing a couple basic drills, you can get your impact position ironed out in no time. When you are struggling hitting golf ball on toe of the club, that is a sure sign there is a mechanic issue somewhere hiding within your swing. However, by reading through the content below, you should gain a good understanding of what causes toe hits in golf and what steps you need to take to eliminate this problem from your game. Please note that all of the instruction you will find below is based on a right handed golfer. For those of you who play the game left handed, simply reverse the directions so that they apply correctly to your swing. Two Potential Causes at Impact Before you can seek out the mechanical issue in your swing to get it fixed, you first need to figure out what your body is doing at impact to generate the toe golf shots in the first place. It is important to note that what you are doing at impact might not be the root cause of the problem – it may be an effect of something that is happening earlier in the motion. However, you need to start by looking at impact and then work your way back from there until the cause is uncovered. When you take a look at your impact position, and the final moments leading up to it, you are likely to see one of two problems leading to your golf swing toe hits. If you have a relatively new smartphone, you likely already have a camera that is more than capable of taking the video. Even just capturing a couple of your swings on the driving range on video should be plenty to review and determine the problem. The first possible issue that you can find at impact which can lead to toe hits is an early release of the club by your hands and forearms. Ideally, your hands will be the last thing to release

through the ball after your body is done rotating out of the way toward the target. Some golfers, however, have a tendency to release the club early which can lead to hitting the ball off the toe. You should be able to see this on video by watching the position of the club face in the final few frames as it approaches the ball. If it looks like the club face is turning down too much as it gets near impact, you can be sure that your hands are releasing too early. This error is often accompanied by shots that are pulled to the left of the target line. So, if you are hitting shots that frequently come up short and left of the target, an early release is a very likely culprit. Are you lifting up from the level you started your swing at? Specifically, check the position of your head compare to when you started the swing. If it is higher at impact than it was at address, there is a good chance that this is what is leading to the shots off the toe. As your body lifts up, it moves the club slightly away from the ball, causing impact to occur off the toe instead of right on the sweet spot. Those swing issues are going to be the result of something that you have done wrong earlier in the swing, so we need to get to the root cause before you are going to be able to fix it. It might take a little work to solve the problem of hitting golf ball on toe of the club, but your efforts will be rewarded. Solving the Early Release of the Club Head For golfers who have determined that the early release is the cause of their toe impact, the following tips should help lead to a successful resolution. Check your sequencing at the top. The top of your backswing is the most crucial part of the swing as a whole, because so many things can go right or wrong at this point. One thing you want to pay careful attention to is the sequencing of your swing as you transition from back to forward. What you should see is that your legs are going first, followed by your torso, and then finally your arms. If that sequence is not correct, you are going to have trouble release the club at the right moment during the downswing. Many amateur golfers struggle with getting their legs to initiate the downswing like they should. Watch your swing video and notice which part of your body is transitioning from backswing to downswing first – if it is anything other than your legs, you know what you need to work on. As you look down at your grip from the address position, you should see between two and three of the knuckles on the back of your left hand. Using this kind of grip puts a lot of power into your hands, and may be leading to an early release. Try turning both hands slightly to the left on the grip as you are looking down at address, then hit a few shots. This weaker grip position will probably feel uncomfortable at first, but it might do the trick in terms of timing out your release properly. Tighten up your backswing. Sometimes you can create problems in your swing simply by taking too long of a backswing. If you are letting the club drift past the parallel position at the top of your backswing, this could be the cause of your early release. Try stabilizing your lower body early in the swing by not allowing so much movement in your right knee. That should, in turn, shorten your backswing and give you a better chance to find the sweet spot of the club face at impact. It is best to work on each of these tips one at a time so you can be sure which one was causing the problem in the first place. That information is important because if you happen to deal with the problem again later on, you need to know how you solved it so you can make the correction faster next time around. At first, you should just be focused on getting your impact position back near the center of the club face. Simply set a goal to make better contact and hit a higher percentage of your shots on the sweet spot. After you put in more practice time on the driving range, you will get more comfortable making good contact and you can turn your attention to making sure those shots are flying in the right direction. Fortunately, this too can be fixed relatively quickly as long as you take the right steps and put in a little time on the practice range. Use the tips below to make the changes necessary to work through this swing fault. Crouch at the top. Standing up too tall at impact can actually be caused by crouching down into your stance at the top of the swing. Ideally, you will be able to maintain the same level throughout the swing and simply rotate to your right on the backswing and back left on the follow through. There should be as little up and down motion in your body as possible throughout the swing. Reaching for more power. In this case, your problem could be more physical than mental. Some golfers, feeling like they need to swing as hard as possible through the shot, start to get up on their toes in an effort to generate more swing speed. Not only will this have very little effect on the power of your swing, it will make it difficult to find the sweet spot at impact. Resist this temptation and keep your front foot as flat on the ground as possible during the swing. No knee flex at address. A common amateur golfer problem is to stand too straight up and down at address, without any flex in the knees. You might be able to get away with this during

your backswing, but you will really start to pay for it as the club comes down into the ball. This kind of swing often leads to a slice, but it can create some shots hit off the toe as well. Try to feel as athletic as possible at address to avoid this mistake. Fixing your body position at impact often comes down to simply doing the fundamentals correctly in your swing. If you are able to get into a good address position, make a controlled turn, and maintain good posture throughout the swing, you should be fine. Many golfers like to look for complicated solutions to their swing problems, but more often than not the issue is something basic that can be corrected with minimal time and effort. Before you go making radical swing changes to try fixing the problem of hitting the ball off the toe of the club, work on your basic fundamentals. It is rare that a complete swing overhaul would be needed to correct such a basic problem. Remember, the more things you change in your swing, the longer it will take to make those changes work for you. Keep it as simple as possible, and focus on the goal of solid impact between the ball and the center of the club face. Some Basic Swing Drills Working on a few swing drills during your practice sessions is a great way to reinforce the mechanics that you should be using to hit the ball of the sweet spot of your club. The first drill for you to work on is a simple pitching drill â€” you can do this one either on the driving range, or even in the short game practice area if there is enough space. You will need just a few golf balls, and a pitching wedge or other short iron.

Chapter 4 : How To Fix The Problem Of Your Divots Being Too Deep – Golf Tip

With all the moving parts of a golf swing, there are a thousand things that can go wrong. The driving range is a showcase of golf swing mistakes. But many golfers would improve dramatically just by eliminating big mistakes – foundational problems that instantly create a number of follow-on errors.

Contact Author In this article I am going to explain how to check a solenoid for problems. On a typical solenoid there are four posts called terminals. There are usually two large terminals and two small ones. Battery voltage is applied to the two small terminals to activate the solenoid, which then connects the two large terminals together. From time to time the two large terminals malfunction and the solenoid needs to be replaced. To check the solenoid is fairly simple, though. You will need a couple of tools: Disconnect any cables from the two large terminals. Be sure to wrap the cable ends in tape, and keep the ends separate from each other. With the key off, and the cart direction switch in a neutral position, set your voltmeter to ohms, and place a probe on each large terminal see first image below. There should be no reading. You should hear a click coming from the solenoid. Set your voltmeter to measure ohms, and place a probe on each large terminal see image below. You should have a reading of 0 to 0. Anything higher, and it means that the solenoid has faulty contacts and should be replaced. If you did not hear a click coming from your solenoid, then grab your voltmeter and set it to DC volts on the scale, and place a probe on each of the small terminals. With the key on and the cart in forward, step on the accelerator. If the voltmeter shows full battery voltage, and there is no click, the coil inside the solenoid has failed and will need to be replaced. If your voltmeter remains at 0, then there is a problem somewhere else in the cart. Most golf carts are either 36 volts or 48 volts. The voltage will usually be written on the side of the solenoid.

Chapter 5 : Everything you know about the swing is wrong | AJ Golf Article in Golf Magazine

THE DUCHESS OF WINDSOR Paris and New York Not a thing. The Duke has never played a better game. He divides his leisure time between golf and gardening and is entirely relaxed when playing.

Other Short-Game Big, deep divots are indicative of a very steep angle of attack into the ball and will not get you in the good books of your green keeper! A steep angle of attack is when the club head approaches the ball on to vertical a path. Rather than a smooth rounded arc which bottoms out just after the ball creating a nice crisp divot, the club comes in steep, makes contact with the ball and then digs into the ground heaving up mounds of earth. To stop taking divots, players need to create a better angle of approach into the ball which means creating a more shallow swing arc. When a swing gets too steep, there are a number of different causes. Without professional advice, it would be hard for an average club golfer to accurately diagnose the problem. However, players can try the following drill to help create a shallow swing arc and decrease the size of their divots. **Swing Arc Drill** On a grass driving range or range mat, place two small towels on the ground in parallel lines at right angles to the target, with a gap of 10 inches between the towels. Place a ball a couple of inches inside the back towel and eight inches from the front towel. Using a lofted iron, swing down and avoid hitting the back towel, strike the ball then turf, before taking a crisp divot as the club bottoms out. Players must then allow the swing arc to rise and the club head with it to avoid the front towel. This drill will teach the player using it to swing down with a descending arc so the ball is struck then the turf but not so steep so the club has time to rise upwards to avoid the second towel. If towels are scarce, another drill to use would involve hitting a number of shots off a very low tee peg. Players need to feel they are clipping the ball from the top of the tee peg and avoid taking any divots. This will teach them to come in on a shallower angle of attack and clip the ball away. A divot is physical proof that you have hit down through the ball “ which is exactly what you should be trying to do while hitting an iron shot. Hitting down on the ball allows you to impart backspin on the shot, which will help the ball climb high into the air. Many amateur golfers never master the skill of hitting down on their iron shots, and they struggle to gain consistency for that reason. If you wish to hit a high percentage of greens in regulation, you will take the time to learn how to hit down on the ball. Of course, there is the possibility of having too much of a good thing. The best way to determine if you are hitting down to steep is to check the shape and depth of your divots. An ideal divot is a shallow strip of turf, but you may find that you are taking large chunks out of the fairway when your swing gets steep. If you are pulling up a big chunk of dirt along with the grass that makes up your divot, there is a good chance that you need to work on shallowing out your swing. Even if you are currently struggling with a steep swing that is creating deep divots, there is good news “ it is easier to learn how to shallow out your swing a little bit than it is to learn how to hit down. You are already in a good position if you are hitting down on the ball, so you simply need to make some minor adjustments to avoid those nasty deep divots. With just a few quick changes, you should be able to adjust your angle of attack to the point where you are taking nice thin strips of turf out of the ground after every iron shot. Taking deep divots can have a negative impact on your ball flight, and it can also be dangerous for your hands and wrists. Sticking the club steeply into the ground on every iron shot can do damage to the small muscles and joints in your hands and wrists, which could lead to injury over time. Since the golf club can be speeding down toward the ball at miles per hour or more, the dangers of a harsh collision with the turf should be obvious. All of the instruction below is based on a right handed golfer. If you play left handed, please adjust the directions as necessary. **The Likely Causes** So why are you taking a deep divot in the first place? While there could be any of number of issues causing this mistake, most likely your problem is going to be found in one of three places. The three swing issues below are common among many amateur golfers, and each of them can lead to a swing plane which is too steep as it approaches impact. If you can identify your own problem from the list below, you will be a big step closer to making the necessary corrections. **Staying too far left.** This is the main cause of deep divots , and it can also help contribute to a slice. During your backswing, your weight should remain balanced between your feet. If you allow your weight to move to the left, however, you will be in danger of making a steep downswing. With the majority of

your weight already set into your left side, the club will have no other choice but to come down steeply into the ball. The fix for this problem is simple – focus on your balance throughout the golf swing. Balance is one of the key components to any good swing, and it is especially important when trying to correct your steep angle of attack. If you can make it to the top of your backswing while keeping your weight in the middle of your stance, you will be in great position to swing down aggressively without taking a deep divot. Making a big shoulder turn is another important ingredient in getting the swing plane just right. Without a good shoulder turn, your backswing will consist mostly of your arms lifting the club up into the air. When that happens, a steep downswing is inevitable. By turning your shoulders properly, the club can wrap around the back of your neck instead of swinging up over your head. With your hands and arms lower, the downswing will follow a shallower path, and you will take a better divot. No lower body rotation. Even if you make a great backswing, you can still carve a deep divot out of the turf if you forget to rotate your lower body through the shot. As the downswing begins, it is the job of the lower body to turn toward the target and carry your weight slightly onto your left foot. This motion is what will drop the club down into position, and it will also pull your body out of the way in order to give your hands and arms to swing the club through the ball. If the lower body simply stays put during the downswing, your arms will be forced up and away from your body in order to find a path to the ball. That movement up and away will put you on a steep plane, and a deep divot will be the sure result. Most golfers who are struggling with deep divots will find their problem within one or more of the points above. Fortunately, none of those points are particularly difficult to fix, so you should be able to get your swing going in the right direction after just one or two quick trips to the driving range.

Evaluating Your Current Mechanics

If you are taking consistently deep divots out of the turf, there is a good chance you are swinging down too steeply into the ball. But how can you be sure? The only way to really know what it going on in your golf swing is to watch it for yourself. By recoding your swing on video, you can break down the important sections to determine if you need to work on changing your swing plane. To record your swing on video, you will need to take a trip to the driving range along with a recording device and a friend. Most likely, you will be able to use the video camera on your cell phone to record your swing, but a handheld video camera can work just fine as well. When you are ready to take the video, keep the following points in mind – You need to see the whole swing. Your friend should be standing back far enough so that your entire swing is captured in the frame of the video including the club. Also, of course, they should be standing far enough away to be safely clear of the club as you are swinging. Down the line is the angle that is looking directly down your target line with the ball between the camera and the target. Face on, as you would guess, is when the camera is positioned out in front of you. Each of these angles offers important information about your swing, so get a recording or two from both perspectives. You want to be able to analyze your actual swing, so pick a target and make a smooth swing just as you would on the course. Once the video has been recorded, you can either watch it back right there at the range, or wait until you get home. When you do watch the recording, you are going to want to keep an eye out for the mistakes that were highlighted in the previous section. Following are a few tips for spotting those three swing issues. This perspective will allow you to get a good idea of your weight distribution during the golf swing. If you notice that your weight is going onto your left foot early in the backswing, you will be able to confirm that poor balance is leading to your deep divot. The face on angle is also helpful when watching your shoulder turn. Ideally, your left shoulder will pass completely under your chin in the backswing. If that is happening, you should be happy with the rotation that you are getting from your shoulders. However, if the left shoulder is coming up short, you will then need to watch the down the line angle to see how your arms are behaving. If the short shoulder turn is combined with a lifting of your arms, the root cause of your steep swing will have been discovered. Using the down the line angle will also be helpful when you want to see how your lower body is working in the downswing. While watching the down the line video, pause the video at the impact position. Where is your lower body? Have you rotated toward the target? If your belt buckle is pointing out beyond the ball, there is a good chance that your lower body is doing its job. If not, work on getting a better rotation from the top of the swing to improve your angle of attack. Once you see what your swing looks like on video, you should have a pretty clear picture of what it is you need to work on. Take your time while reviewing the recordings to make sure you are coming

to the right conclusions before getting down to work on fixing your mechanics. For some players, the deep divot is a result of a mistake made at address or even a mental mistake. If you take your address position with the ball too far back in your stance, you will run the risk of creating a deep divot. When hitting an iron shot from the fairway, you want to be playing the ball from at least the middle of your stance, if not slightly forward of middle. The ideal ball position for each player will vary, so you need to experiment until you find the right position for your swing but the ball should never move behind the center of your stance unless you are trying to hit a specialty shot, like a punch. To fine tune your ball position, pay carefully attention to this point on the driving range. If you are detailed about getting the ball in just the right position during your range sessions, that same task will become much easier out on the course. Making an extra-hard swing is almost never a good idea, as it can cause your fundamentals to go wrong in a number of ways. In this case, making a hard swing can lead to a deep divot if your longer backswing pushes you too far onto your left side prior to the downswing. Never swing harder than you are capable of doing comfortably while maintaining your balance. If the swing you need to make to reach the target is going to force you off balance, you are using the wrong club. Specifically, clubs that are too upright for your swing and your body type may lead to steep downswings and deep divots. The best course of action is to take your set of clubs to a professional club fitter before you make any changes at all to your swing.

Chapter 6 : Basic EZGO Golf Cart Problems And How To Fix -

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You hate everything and everybody. If you get it going sideways, bad, the only one to bail you out is yourself. Good behavior, for me right now, is sulking and bottling up my hatred for life inside. The driver has always been the best club in my bag, the only club I could depend on. I hit it long and straight, with a slight draw. I mean to say: I used to hit it long and straight, with a slight draw. Now, I hit it short and stupid with a hook the size of the Florida Panhandle. Playing bad is bad enough, but when it comes on the direct heels of an extended period of playing good - or is it "playing well"? I have to fix this thing. Sometimes, I ask for help, when my ego has shrunk to the size of a field pea and my desperation is written all over me like a garish tattoo. Other tips come unbidden. My colleague Brandon Tucker told me I was playing the ball too far back in my stance. This was right after I had moved the ball further back in my stance in the forlorn belief it might help. I moved it up. I hate Brandon Tucker. Especially since he played so good. I gave him the silent treatment and he made a lame apology, which prevented me from killing both he and his wife on the spot. Other guys, other tips. More murderous fantasies involving decapitation and illegal confinement. I know, I know, hooks usually come from coming at the ball too far from the inside. My golf life is lonely right now. I know this is something I must solve on my own. This is a quest. October 25, Veteran golf writer Tim McDonald keeps one eye on the PGA Tour and another watching golf vacation hotspots and letting travelers in on the best place to vacation.

Chapter 7 : Causes and Cures: Golf Shots Off the Club's Toe

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Maybe you were taught to swing wrong. I went to golf schools " McLean, Leadbetter, Flick. I bought all the tapes and gadgets and had teachers on speed dial. So I gave up. Come to my school. Reveals the Truth About Golf. Golf School, in Carlsbad, Calif. Solid credentials, but hardly Harmonesque. Yet Bonar, 62, boldly claims that your teacher is screwing up your game, and that he holds the sacred secret to the golf swing. But gimmick or not, I was desperate. Golf had been sticking its steel-tipped spike in my rear for years. I had taken countless lessons from pros who preached the same gospel: Nothing dented my handicap. At times the planets and my shoulders aligned, but my swing flaws always returned, barged in and threw their muddy feet up on my couch. I was tired of skulling irons, of cussing like a gangsta rapper with a stubbed toe. It was time to think outside the tee box. Golf School begins with a snappy magic trick. The king of clubs get it? You play tennis, you improve. But in golf, you can work and slave, and get no better. Millions of golfers have been taught wrong. I formed a carefully worded query: At Zevo, we found out some neat shit! That creates a draw bias, a face hook, worth about 30 extra yards on drives. Were the pillars of golf instruction built on quicksand? Maybe we were taught wrong. To show that his method works from even the worst of lies, Bonar stepped on a ball in the bunker, burying all but the "T" in "Titleist. A nice shot, but no big deal, right? He then revealed his club of choice: I grabbed the club, equaled his feat and asked, "You sure this swing is legal? A lot can happen in seven minutes. Or walk your dog. Or you can find your swing. My first swings yielded Baker-Finchian hooks, but my timing improved. Then on the downswing, I tried feeling as if my right hand was hitting topspin forehands in pingpong, and I started ripping 7-irons yards. I flipped my wrist, and the ball got smaller and smaller. My mind, normally a mosh pit of swing thoughts, was blank. I swung with my hands, my body riding merrily along. My wounded spirit rose from its deathbed. I loved the game again. No, I was in love. Is golf seeing anyone? Or thinking about me? Day 2 was a playing lesson. The feeling was still there. The game seemed simple. Flip a driver yards, toss a wedge, two-putt, par. Only a few rounds since have been so blissful. But I threaten 80 often, break it now and then, and hit tons of greens. Well the game is easier than you think. Not easy, but easier.

Chapter 8 : The Biggest Golf Swing Mistakes

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Chapter 9 : What do you do when the wheels fall off your golf game?

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