

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A BITTER GOLFER:

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By Stephen L. Bakke  August 22, 2014

Here's what provoked me:

I couldn't believe my eyes while reading a letter from an apparent hater of both golf and the Tea Party at the same time. He's seems so committed to that opinion that he insinuates the elitist Tea Party is somehow responsible for the decreased golf activity among young men and women. Get it out of your system, bitter golfer, and spend your time more productively. GOOD GRIEF, it must be a full moon!

Here's my response:

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In "Fun for Fools," 8-18-14, Mr. Ballard finds amusement with a news article about the decreasing attraction of golf for younger men and women. Of course, Ballard would acknowledge lack of affordability as one cause. But somehow he associates the sport of golf with "an abundance of arrogant, white, Tea Party businessmen and other assorted knuckleheads." This eloquent description was inspired by the renowned public policy expert, comedian George Carlin.

So, now the Tea Party is somehow at least partly responsible for golf becoming an elite, expensive sport.

I can't figure out what Ballard hates the most, the TEE Party (i.e. the sport of golf) or the TEA Party. Maybe it's both. Perhaps he was cold-cocked by a golf ball one day when he was walking on a golf course; maybe he stepped on a sand trap rake; or maybe he just had a bad round of golf while drinking a glass of extra strong ice tea. I guess we'll never know for sure!

