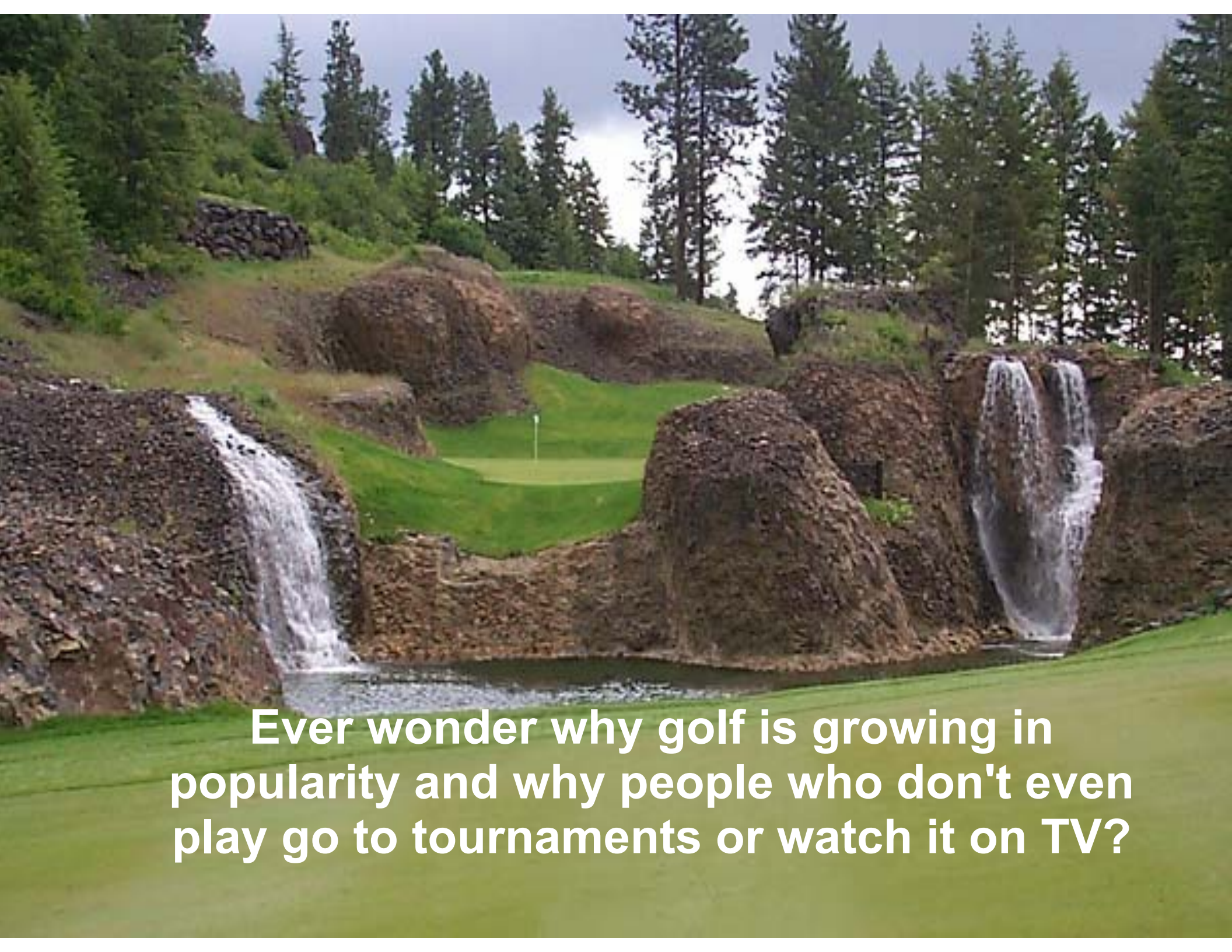
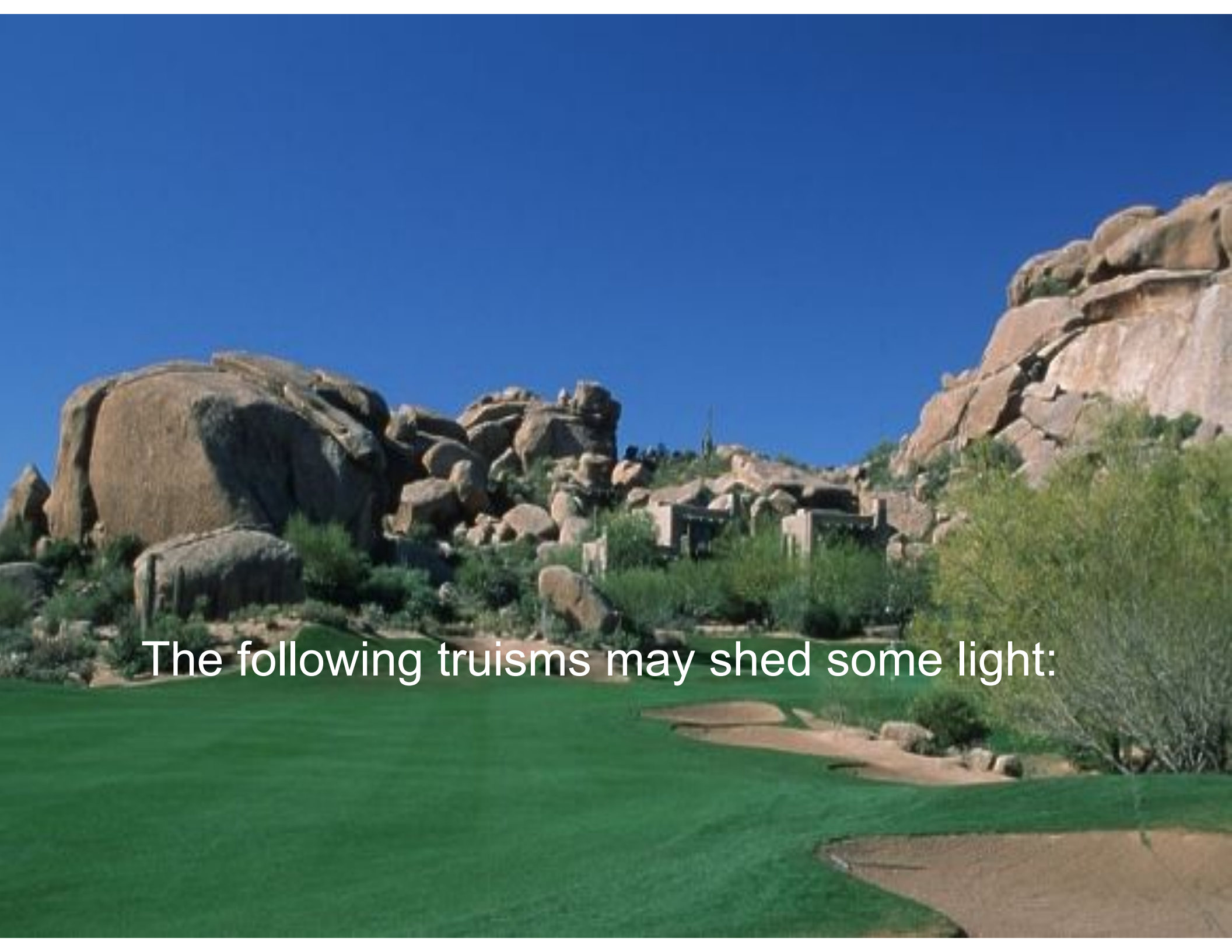



The following is not intended to offend fans of tennis, basketball, football or baseball. It is, rather, an attempt to put everything in it's proper perspective.



Ever wonder why golf is growing in popularity and why people who don't even play go to tournaments or watch it on TV?



The following truisms may shed some light:



Golf is an honourable game, with the overwhelming majority of players being honourable people who don't need referees.




**Golfers don't have some of their
players in jail every week.**



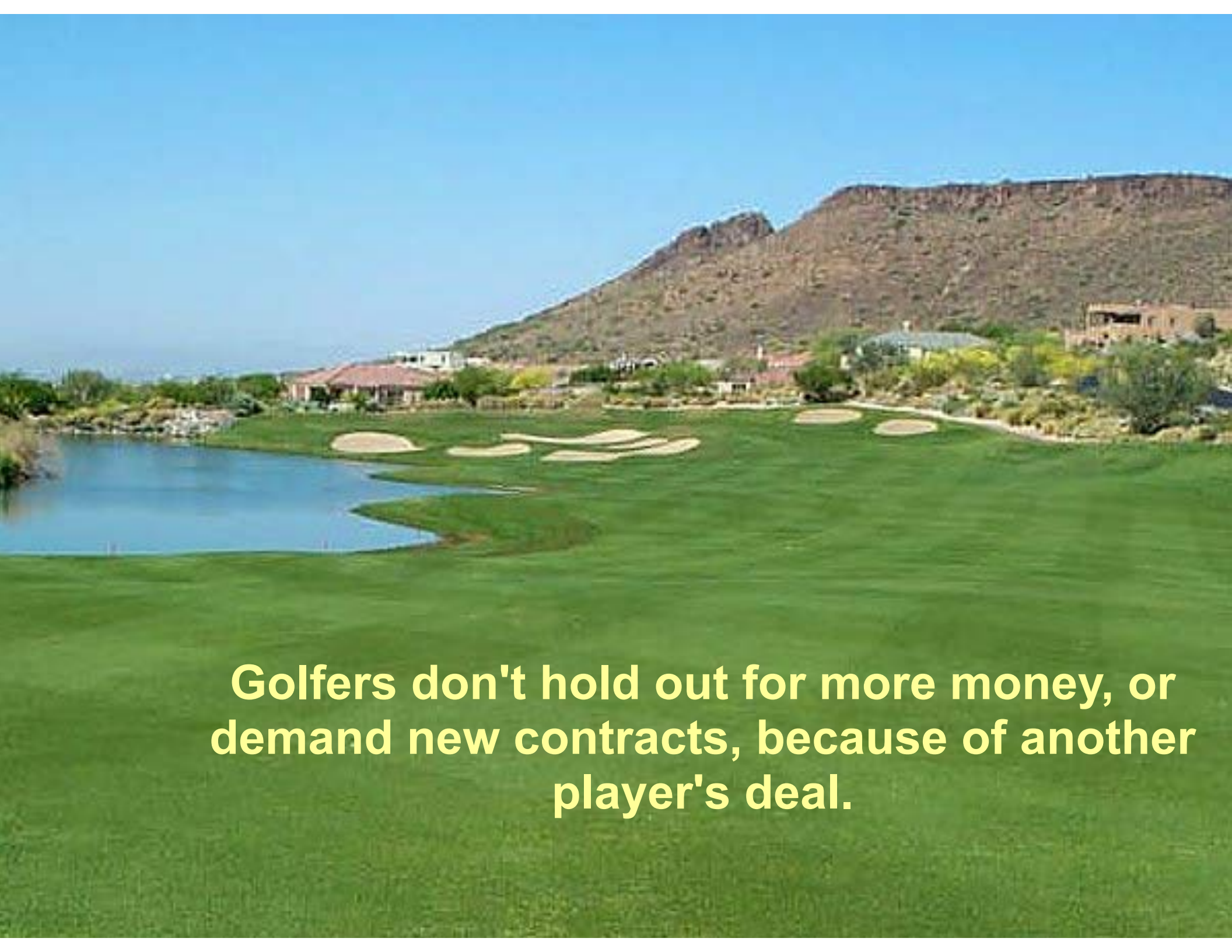
Golfers don't kick dirt on, or throw bottles at, other people.

Professional golfers are paid in direct proportion to how well they play.





Golfers don't get per diem and two seats on a charter flight when they travel between tournaments.



Golfers don't hold out for more money, or demand new contracts, because of another player's deal.

Professional golfers don't demand that the taxpayers pay for the courses on which they play.



A scenic view of a golf course with a large, prominent red rock formation in the background under a clear blue sky. The foreground is a lush green golf course with several sand traps. A line of trees, including pines and deciduous trees, runs across the middle ground. The red rock formation is the central focus, featuring a large, flat-topped section. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

**When golfers make a mistake,
nobody is there to cover for them or
back them.**

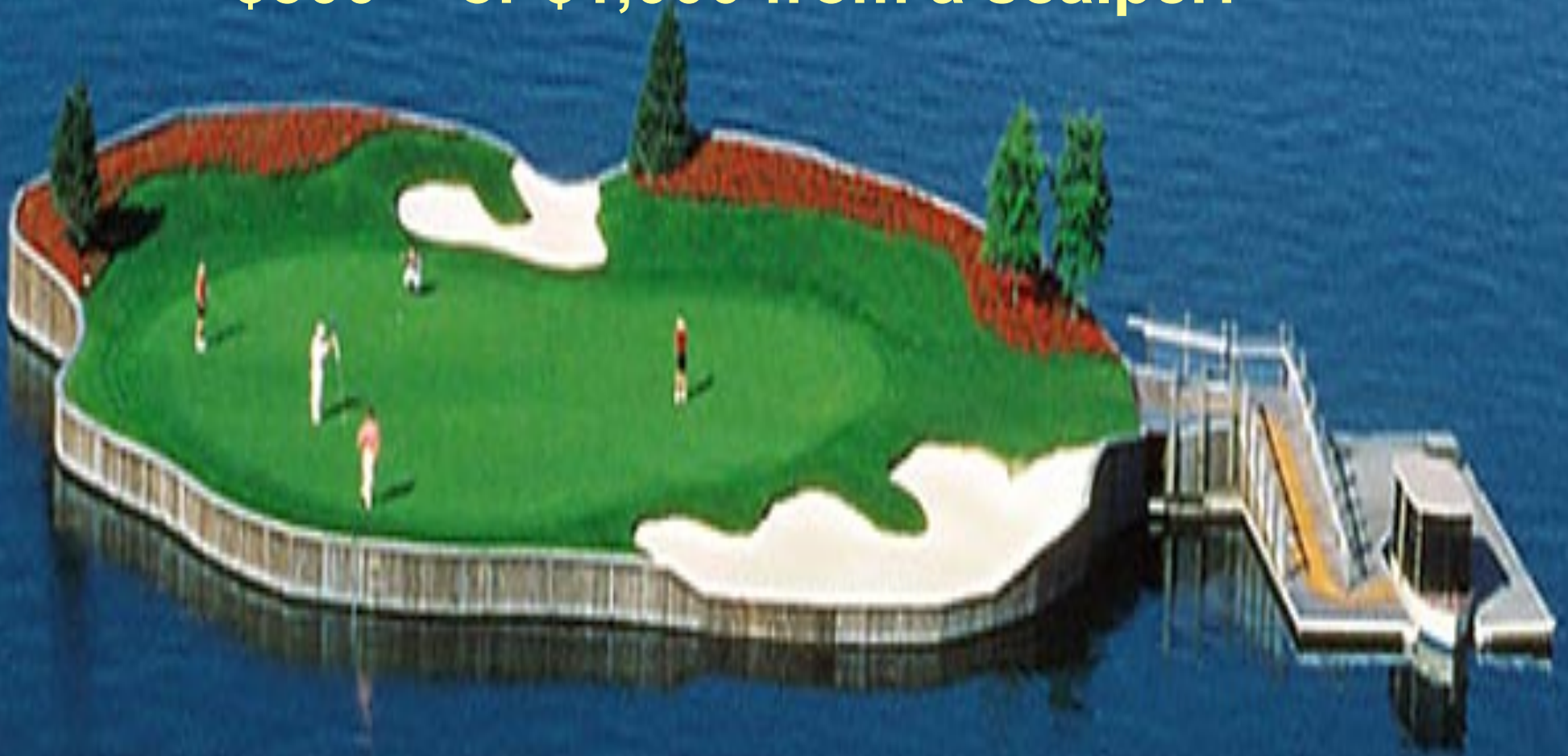
A wide-angle photograph of a golf course. The foreground is dominated by a lush green fairway with distinct mowed stripes. In the middle ground, there are several sand traps and a line of trees. In the background, a large, rugged mountain range with prominent peaks stretches across the horizon under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The overall scene is bright and sunny.

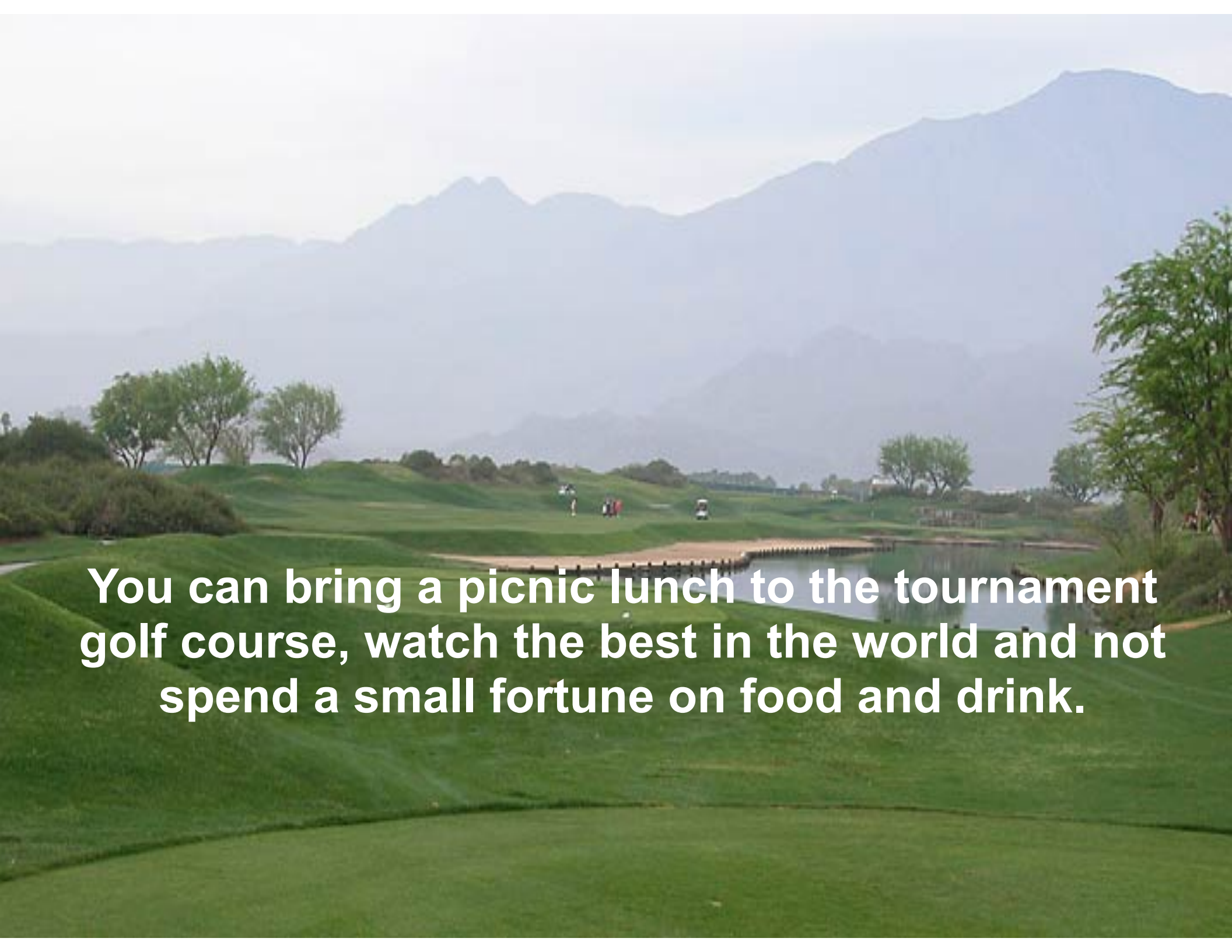
**The PGA raises more money for charity
in 1 year than the NFL does in 2**

You can watch the best golfers in the world up close, at any tournament, including the majors, all day every day for \$25 or \$30.




Even in the nose bleed section a ticket to the Super Bowl will cost you over \$300 - or \$1,000 from a scalper!



A wide-angle photograph of a golf course. In the foreground, there is a large, well-maintained green fairway. To the right, a small pond or lake is visible, with a wooden pier extending into it. A sand trap is located between the pond and the fairway. In the middle ground, several people and a golf cart are visible on the course. The background features a range of misty, blue mountains under a hazy sky. The overall scene is peaceful and scenic.

You can bring a picnic lunch to the tournament golf course, watch the best in the world and not spend a small fortune on food and drink.

A scenic coastal landscape featuring rolling green hills in the foreground, a sandy beach, and waves crashing against the shore. The sky is filled with dramatic, dark clouds, and a faint rainbow is visible in the distance. The overall atmosphere is serene and natural.

Try that at one of the taxpayer funded baseball or football stadiums. If you bring a soft drink into a ballpark, they'll give you two options - get rid of it or leave.

A photograph of a golf course green with a white flag on a green. The green is in the foreground, and the ocean is visible in the background under a clear blue sky. There are some trees on the left side of the green.

In golf you cannot fail 70% of the time and make \$9 million a season, like the best baseball hitters (.300 batting average) do.

A golfer in silhouette is captured mid-swing on a lush green golf course. The golfer is wearing a dark shirt, shorts, and a hat. The background features a scenic view of a coastline with a sandy beach, turquoise water, and distant mountains under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds. The text is overlaid in the lower-left quadrant of the image.


**Golf doesn't change its rules to attract fans.
Golfers have to adapt to an entirely new
playing area each week.**



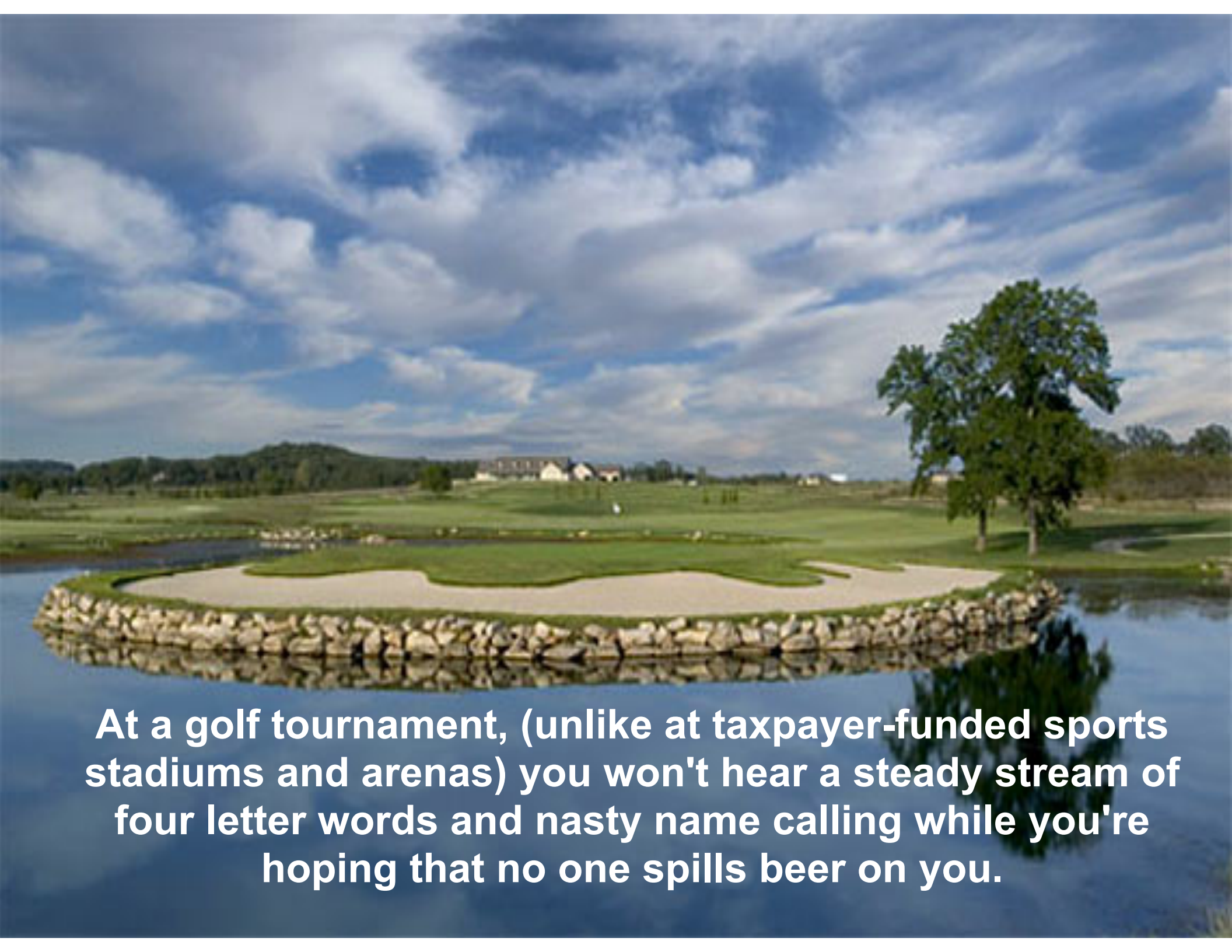
Golfers keep their clothes on while they are being interviewed.

Golf doesn't have free agency. In their prime, Palmer, Norman, and other stars, would shake your hand and say they were happy to meet you. In his prime Jose Canseco wore T-shirts that read "Leave Me Alone."





You can hear birds chirping on the golf course during a tournament.



At a golf tournament, (unlike at taxpayer-funded sports stadiums and arenas) you won't hear a steady stream of four letter words and nasty name calling while you're hoping that no one spills beer on you.

Tiger hits a golf ball over twice as far as Barry Bonds hits a baseball.

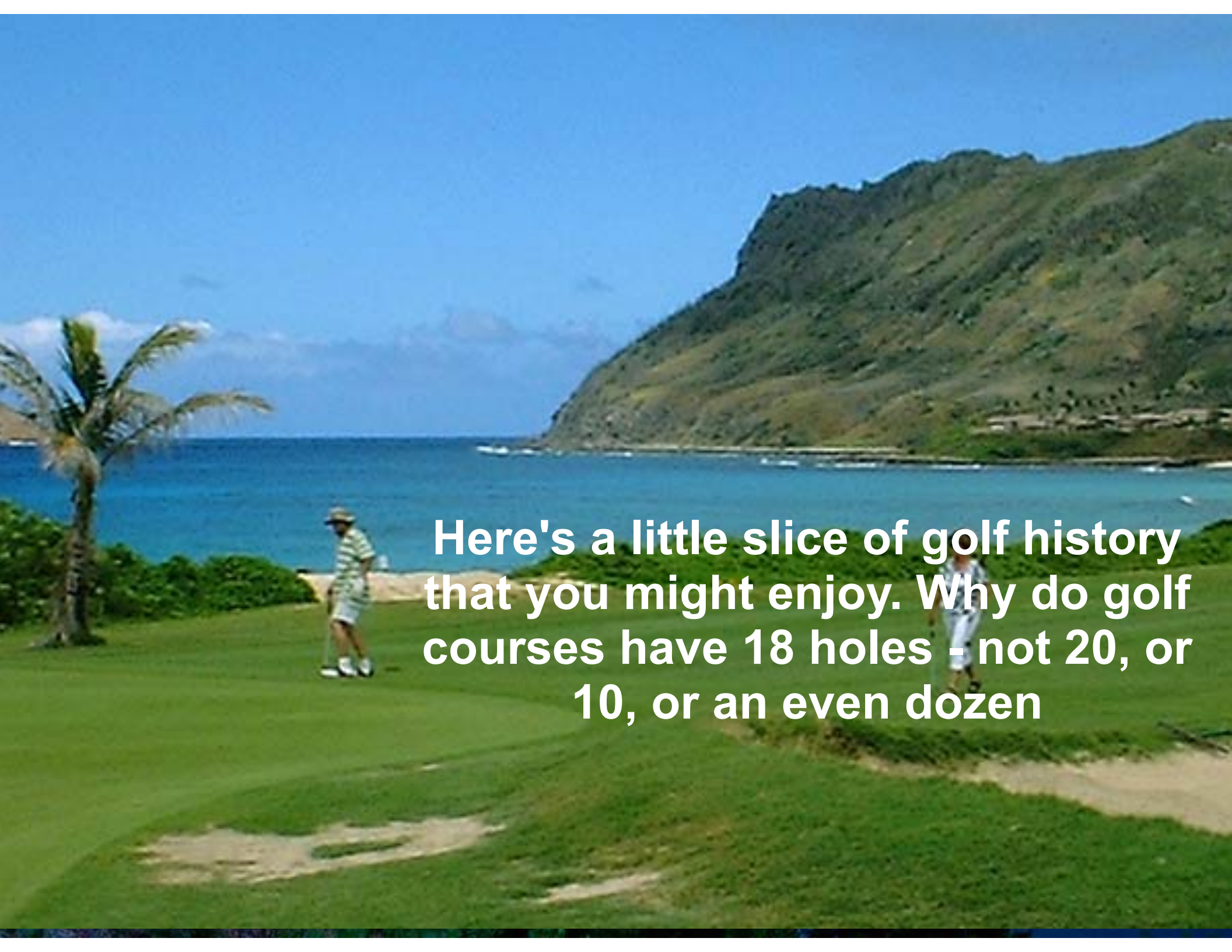


A scenic view of a golf course. In the foreground, a calm pond reflects the sky and the surrounding greenery. The middle ground features a well-maintained golf course with vibrant green grass, several sand traps, and a clubhouse with a dark roof and white walls. The background is filled with lush trees and distant mountains under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds.

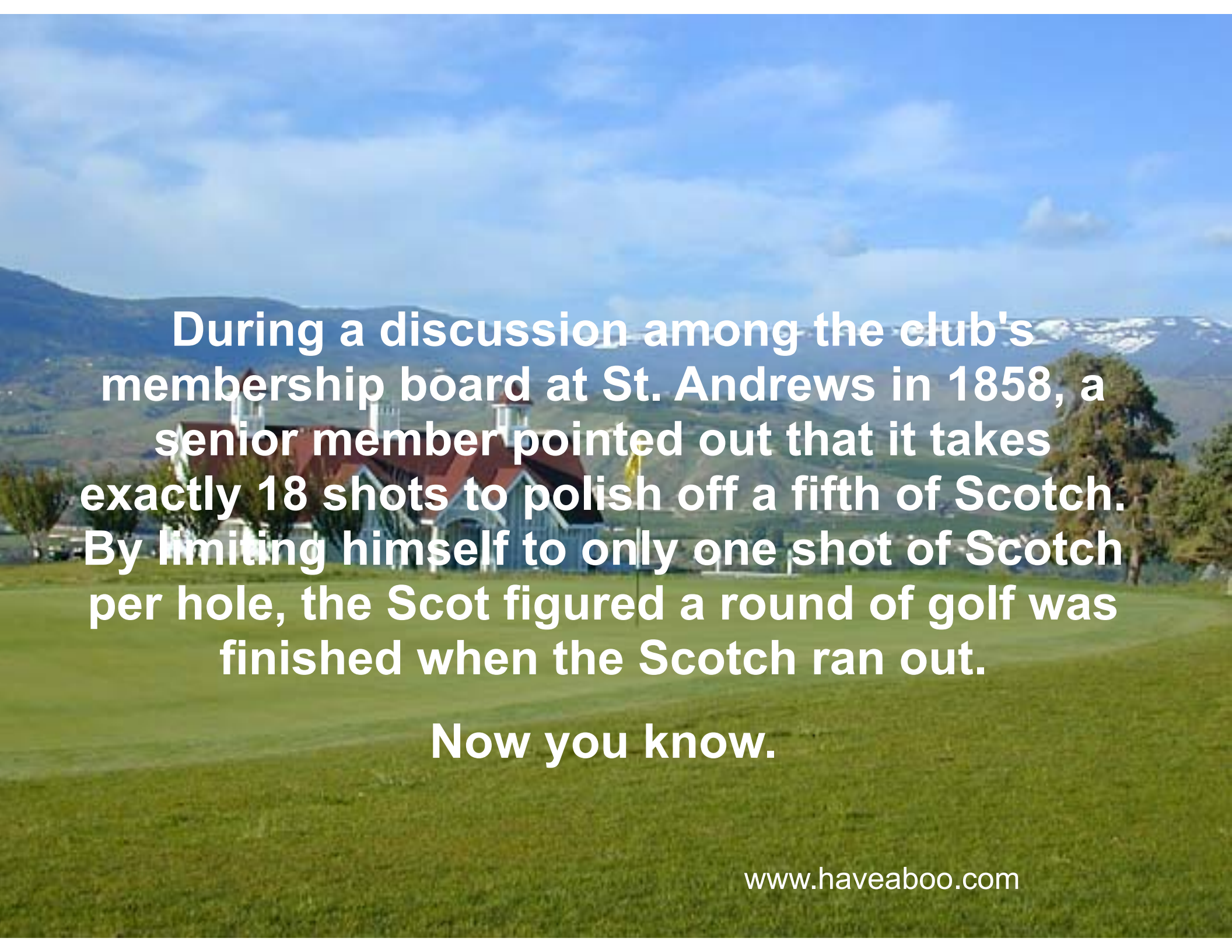
Golf courses don't ruin the neighbourhood.

And Finally:



A scenic view of a golf course. In the foreground, a lush green fairway leads to a sand trap. Two golfers are visible: one on the left wearing a striped shirt and shorts, and another on the right in a white shirt and pants. The background features a vibrant blue ocean, a sandy beach, and a large, rugged mountain with sparse vegetation under a clear blue sky. A single palm tree stands on the left side of the frame.

Here's a little slice of golf history that you might enjoy. Why do golf courses have 18 holes - not 20, or 10, or an even dozen



During a discussion among the club's membership board at St. Andrews in 1858, a senior member pointed out that it takes exactly 18 shots to polish off a fifth of Scotch. By limiting himself to only one shot of Scotch per hole, the Scot figured a round of golf was finished when the Scotch ran out.

Now you know.