## Let's Set the Stage

* Total number of golf courses in the U.S. was 16,052 in 2005 with the number dropping to the current 15,275 number
* Approx. 11,775 open to the public \& 3,500 private
* Of these courses $10-15 \%$ (conservatively) are in serious financial trouble
* Number of Americans playing golf has dropped from a high of 30 million in 2005 to approx. 24 million today
* Many of these troubled facilities are turning to $3^{\text {rd }}$ party management, with many of the private clubs opening to the public
* Denim is still not allowed at 60\% of the private clubs in the country
* Cargo shorts are not allowed at $45 \%$ of the private clubs \& $16 \%$ do not allow cell phones
* $30 \%$ of private clubs are still restrictive to women
* $60 \%$ of private clubs limit tee times for kids
* $69 \%$ of private clubs ban the rally cap (Hat backwards)


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* $65 \%$ of private clubs raised dues by $2 \%$ or more this year
* $47 \%$ of private clubs fund cap $x$ through a capital dues assessment
* Median Capital Investment at a private club in 2014 was 7\% of gross revenue
* 70\% of private clubs had a net F\&B loss in 2014
* Median Healthcare Expense is 6\% of total club payroll
* $60 \%$ of private clubs experienced growth in Junior memberships last year
* $74 \%$ of ALL GOLFERS felt pace of play was very important to enjoyment more important than price
* If you don't know all of the information about the demographic that lives within 15 minutes of your facility you have no chance

