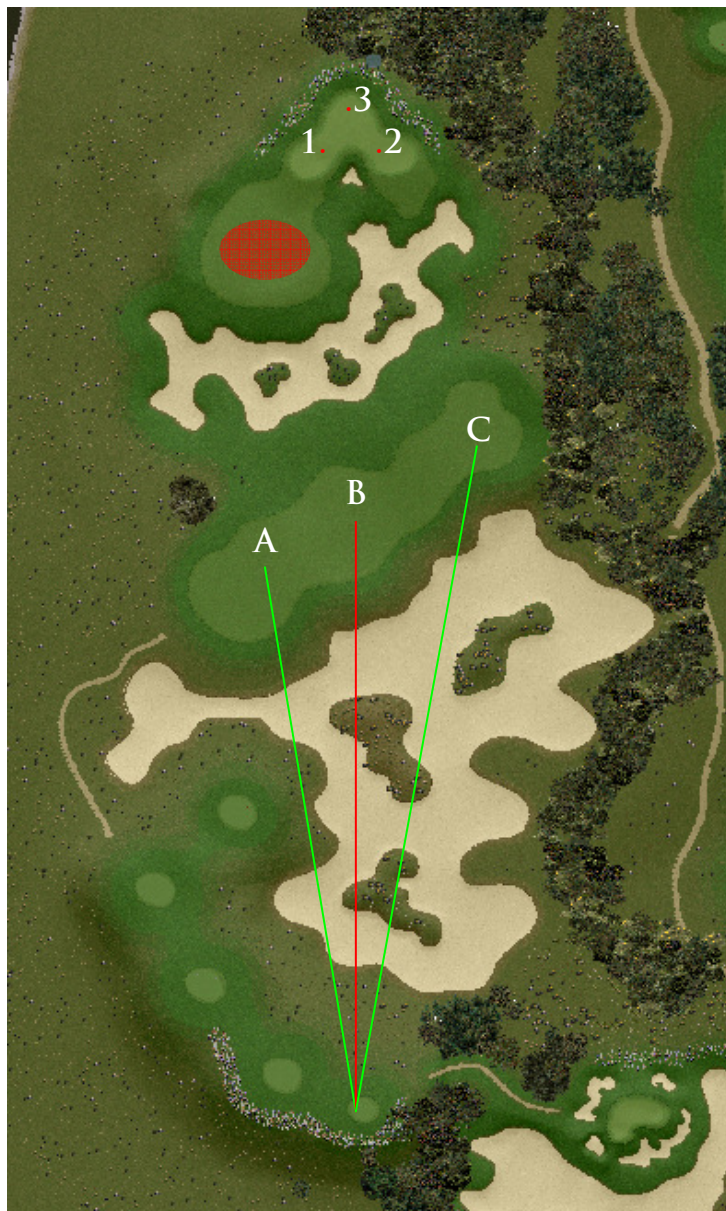


MAMACS RETREAT

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12TH HOLE – “BRANCASTER”



THE 12TH AT MAMACS RETREAT IS INSPIRED BY THE 8TH AT ROYAL WEST NORFOLK, OR ‘BRANCASTER’ AS IT IS KNOWN. THE ORIGINAL IS A PAR 5 AND THE REWARD FOR TAKING ON THE LONGER CARRY IS A CHANCE AT GETTING ON IN TWO.

MY HOLE ACTUALLY PLAYS AS A 406 YARD PAR 4 AND THE REWARD FOR A WELL PLACED DRIVE IS A BETTER LINE IN TO THE FLAG.

• “A” IS THE SHORTER CARRY BUT NEEDS THOUGHT, DISTANCE CONTROL AND IS THE OBVIOUS CHOICE TO A FRONT-LEFT PIN (1).

• “B” IS A RELATIVELY EASY CARRY BUT LEAVES A TRICKY APPROACH TO ALL PINS – ESPECIALLY BACK CENTRE.

• “C” IS THE MOST DANGEROUS CARRY BUT REWARDS A STRONG DRIVE WITH A SHORT, EASIER PITCH TO THE FRONT RIGHT PIN (2) AND BACK PIN (3).

THE GREEN SLOPES FROM BACK TO FRONT AND ALLOWS A PLAYER TO PUTT FROM FRONT LEFT TO FRONT RIGHT WITH THE CONTOURS SHOULD THEY FIND THE WRONG SIDE OF THE GREEN.

THE RED HOT SPOT INDICATES A LAY UP OPTION FOR THE PLAYER THAT HITS EITHER A POOR DRIVE OR ENDS UP WITH A VERY DIFFICULT BUNKER SHOT OR CHIP OUT OF TROUBLE.

THE BRAVE AND TRUE WILL, AS ALWAYS, BE REWARDED WITH A BIRDIE CHANCE.

APPROACH FROM FAIRWAY (RIGHT)



GREEN FROM ABOVE (SHORT RIGHT)



PUTT FROM GREEN (SHORT RIGHT)

