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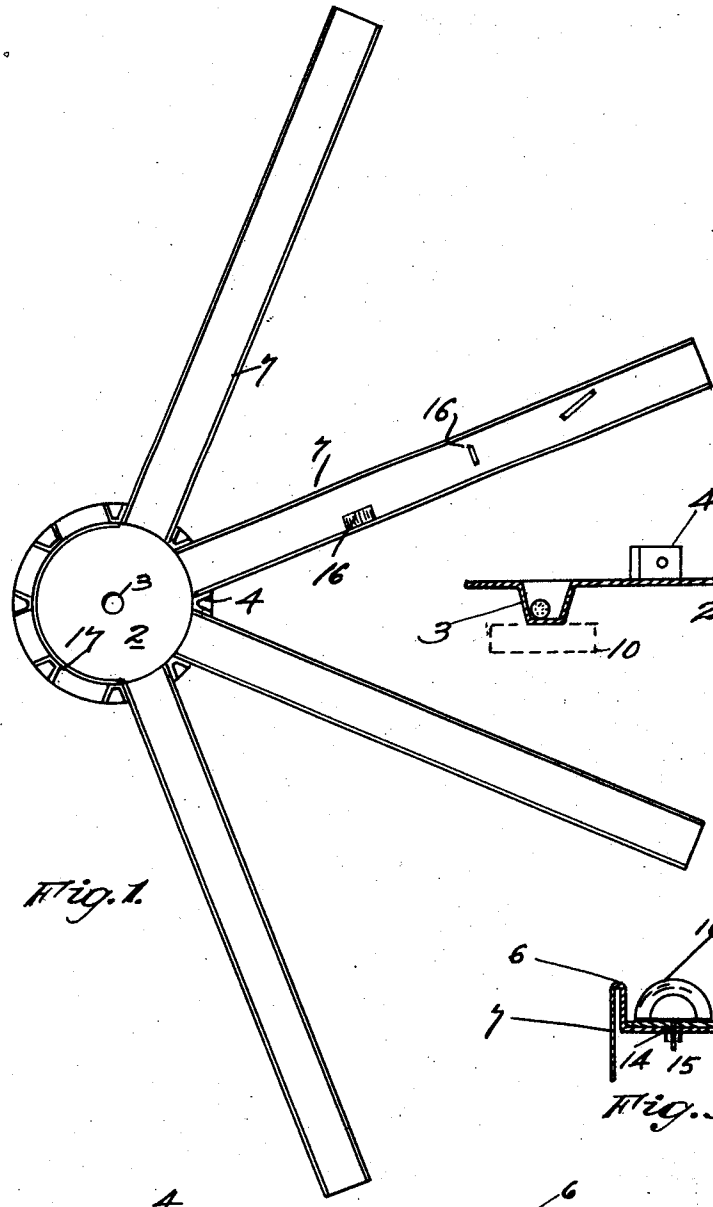


Fig. 1.

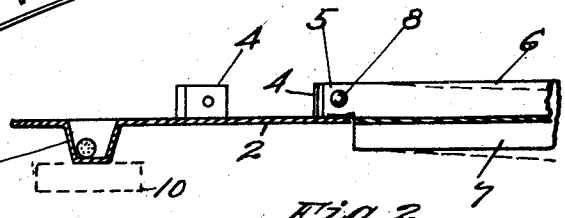


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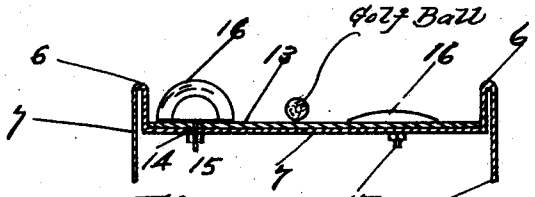


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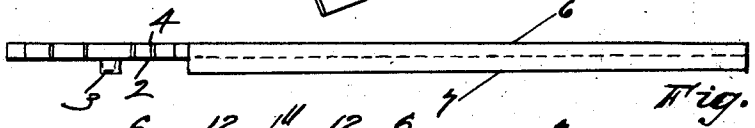


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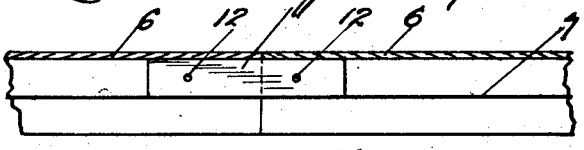


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This invention relates to games and more especially to apparatus for playing putting strokes with a golf club and golf ball.

It is an object of the present invention to provide a golf game structure whereby putting practice may be played indoors or outdoors with equal training effect.

A further object is to provide a golf putting game apparatus of simple, substantial and low cost construction, and whose parts are adapted to be packed compactly for storage and transportation and easily set up for play.

Another object is to provide a putting play structure including a central rosette with a central golf ball hole, and having a number of pivotally and detachably connected radial channels forming fairways provided with hazard obstacles; each fairway being isolated from the others to provide walking space for the players without transgressing on the surface of the fairway which, in the present invention, is provided with a suitable surfacing fabric or fibrous cover.

It is a purpose to provide for detachment or attachment of a suitable number or arrangement of the fairways to the central rosette as may be determined by the size and shape of a room or other surface area available for setting up the game.

A further object is to provide for variation of angles of the fairways leading to the rosette and also provide for employment of fairways of various lengths, according to available ground or floor area.

The invention consists in certain advancement in this art as set forth in the ensuing disclosure and having, with the above, additional object and advantages, and whose construction, combination and details of means, and manner of operation will be made manifest in the description of the herewith illustrated embodiment; it being understood that modifications, variations and adaptions may be resorted to within the scope, principle and spirit of the invention as it is more directly claimed hereinafter.

Fig. 1 is a plan. Fig. 2 shows the connection of the rosette and fairway. Fig. 3 is a cross section of the fairway. Fig. 4 is a side elevation of Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a sectional detail showing fish-plate connection.

To obtain simple, low cost and durable construction, the apparatus includes a central plate or disc 2 preferably of sheet metal and having a central ball receiving cup 3. About the rim of the plate 2 is a series of upstanding bearing lugs 4, which are arranged parallel in pairs to receive the inner overhanging end horns 5 of parallel side walls 6 of fairway channels 7.

These fairway channels are preferably formed of sheet metal whose upstanding side walls 6 are bent back and downward at 7 to form a reinforcing means and also form elevating means to lift the bottom of the channels 7 a desired height above the floor or ground surface. The overhanging end horns 5, Fig. 2, are detachably bolted at 8 to resepective lugs 4 which determine the radial position of the channels to the central rosette. The pivot devices 8 also allow a vertical adjustment and change of horizontal plane of the rosette 2, as by insertion of a block 10 to thereby vary the angle of ascent from the tee-ing end of the fairway.

The fairway channels 7 are made in lengths of an economic and practical size to facilitate handling by children, girls and women for the erection of the game and in order to join sections endwise a fish-plate 11 is secured under the fold of the wall 6 as in Fig. 5 to enter the crevice under the fold of the next contiguous, abutting channel 7; the fish-plate serving frictionally to hold the sections in assembled relation, though it is obvious that it may be bolted or pinned together, as by a transverse cotter pin passing through the parts lapping the introduced fish-plate 11, as indicated at 12.

The bottom of each channel 7 is provided with a suitable fibrous or woven covering 13 and numerous perforations 14 are provided in the channel to receive bolts 15 in the bottom of various types of obstacles or hazards 16; variations of which are indicated in place in Fig. 3. It is understood that the hazards can be selected and arranged according to the degree of skill of the players; the easier hazards being arranged in one

radial fairway and the progressively difficult hazards can be arranged in the next successive fairways around the rosette.

In the event that the game is set up in a room of a dwelling or club house, the rosette may be placed near the middle of and adjacent to a side wall and the radial fairways extended therefrom to the full extent permissible in the room. In such case, a blinding wall 17 will be lapped over the unused openings from stud to stud so as to confine the played balls to the surface of the rosette.

What is claimed is:

1. A golf game apparatus comprising a central rosette having a central ball cup, and a plurality of radiating channels connected to the rosette and leading to the top thereof; said channels having each a cloth bottom covering and various hazard obstacles adjusted along the bottom; said channels having horns overhanging and pivotally connected to the rosette to provide for elevation of the latter to change the angle of ascent of the channel thereto.

2. In a golf game apparatus, a central rosette having a ring of pairs of spaced bearing lugs, radiating channels attached to respective pairs of the lugs, and means to cover a gap between the lugs of a pair in the absence of a channel at the pair of lugs.

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