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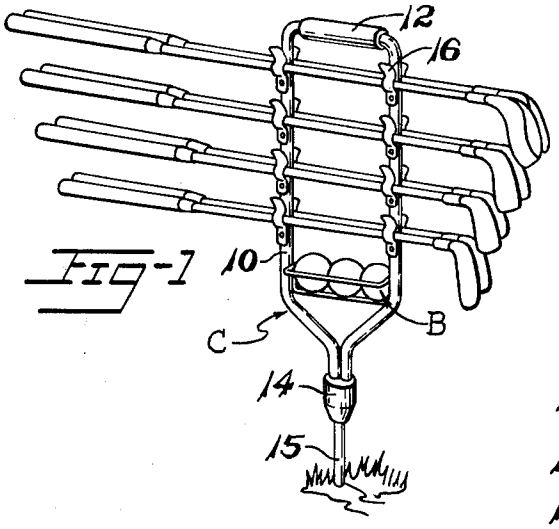


Fig-1

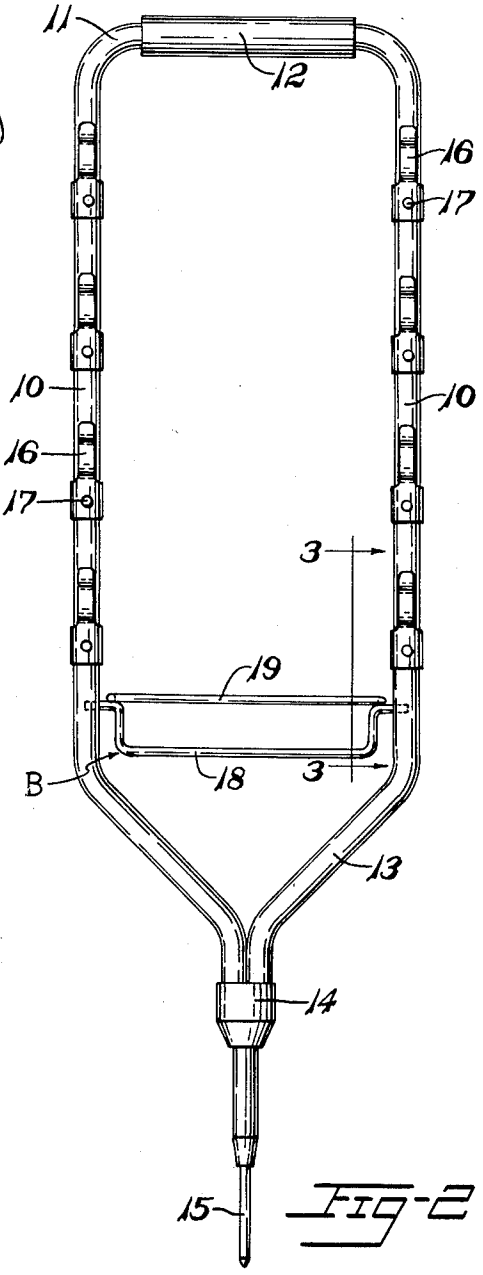


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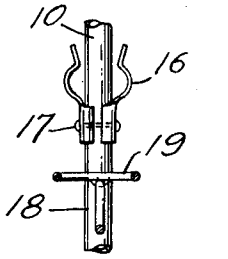


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This invention relates to golf club carriers and an object is to produce a simple and convenient carrier having the new and improved features of construction, arrangement and operation hereinafter described.

For purposes of illustration but not of limitation, embodiments of the invention are shown on the accompanying drawings in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the golf club carrier showing golf clubs mounted in carrying position;

Figure 2 is an enlarged front elevational view of the golf club carrier shown in Figure 1; and

Figure 3 is a fragmentary sectional view substantially on the line 3—3 of Figure 2.

The illustrated embodiment of the invention comprises a carrier C having a pair of laterally spaced vertically disposed side arms **10**, the upper ends of which are integrally joined by a cross arm **11**. On the cross arm **11** is a sleeve **12** of suitable material such as fabric or the like to provide a comfortable hand hold. The lower ends of the side arms **10** have integral inwardly and downwardly inclined terminal portions **13** which come together and have parallel downwardly extending portions extending into and suitably fixed within a socket member **14**. Also fixed to the socket member **14** and depending therefrom is a spike element **15** which is adapted to be forced into the ground for supporting the carrier. Preferably the side and cross arms are made from a single length of tubing such for example as aluminum tubing which lends itself admirably for the purpose due to its lightness in weight.

On each of the side arms **10** are two series of spring clamps **16**. This enables a club to be supported on opposite sides of the carrier substantially as shown, the carriers in opposite arms being aligned with each other in order to suitably receive the golf club shaft. As best shown in Figure 3 the clamps **16** have bowed intermediate portions and a free outwardly inclined upper portion to enable the club shaft to be slipped therein conveniently. The opposite ends of the clamps are flattened and abut against the respective side arm to which a pair is secured by a common rivet **17**.

At the lower end portion of the carrier in the region of the downwardly and inwardly inclined terminal portion **13** is a golf ball carrier B which in this instance is formed from an elongate U-shaped wire **18** the ends of which extend into sockets formed in the arms **10** thereby enabling the carrier to rock freely. Suitably attached to the upper end of the U-shaped wire **18** is a wire loop substantially rectangular in shape. The loop **19** may be soldered or otherwise suitably secured to the U-shaped wire **18** and is of such dimension conveniently to receive golf balls, substantially shown on Figure 1.

From the above description it will be manifest that I have produced an exceedingly simple and inexpensive carrier for golf clubs as well as golf balls. The aluminum tube construction reduces the weight to a minimum and enables the player to carry his clubs in an extremely simple and convenient fashion. At the time of play, the player may force the spike end **15** into the ground thereby displaying the clubs to the player and enable him to select the desired one quickly and without difficulty. After the play by grasping the handhold **12** the carrier can be conveniently lifted and carried to the next location of play. The device is quite compact and occupies a minimum of space so that it can be conveniently carried in a golf bag, for example, if desired when the player is traveling from one place to another.

It will be understood that numerous changes in details of construction, operation and choice of materials may be effected without departing from the spirit of the invention especially as defined in the appended claim.

What I claim is:

A golf club carrier comprising a frame consisting of a metallic tube bent to provide a pair of laterally spaced vertical arms and a horizontal arm connecting the upper ends of the vertical arms to provide a hand-hold for carrying purposes, rows of golf club shaft receiving elements on said vertical arms arranged in horizontally aligned fashion thereby to engage each club shaft at spaced regions, inwardly and downwardly inclined portions on the lower ends of said vertical arms, and a ground piercing spike connected to said last portions.

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