

Echunga Putter

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Official Newsletter of the Echunga Golf Club Inc.

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From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers!

Unfortunately the weather has not been kind to us on some of the recent Thursdays and Saturdays. This has meant rescheduling the program so watch for these changes.

Congratulations to John, Joel and Anthony on their work around the course. The extra drains they have constructed and the paths they have laid to avoid some of the problem areas has meant that the course has been playable most weeks, even though we have had rainfall which in previous years would have closed the course. Therefore competitions have been played at Echunga on most weeks

In the Clubrooms a new self serve coffee machine has been installed and the new cool room has also been installed and this will eliminate several small fridges and give Heather more fridge capacity when catering for special events.

Any items of interest, achievements, stories and news etc. please drop them in the putter box on the bar or send me an e-mail at ryeates@senet.com.au Until next month, good golfing.

Members contact details **EMAIL CONTACT.**

If you have not been getting news via email from the club and would like to get it add your name and email to the sheet on the sign in desk.

WEBSITE ALERTS

Now that we all have to book online via the Club's website it is a good idea to keep a check of any new info or alerts about the closure of the course. Course closures will be placed on the website by 5pm on the Friday.

Kym Wenham (Sec)



Up and coming events . . . August 17th Saturday (catch up week in case of washouts) 21^{st} Wednesday Women - Stableford 22^{nd} Thursday Mid-Week Comp - Stableford 24th Saturday Stableford Vice Presidents Trophy 28^{th} Wednesday Women - Stroke 29^{th} Mid-Week Comp - Stableford Thursday September Wednesday Women - Stableford 5th Thursday Mid-Week Comp - Stroke 7th Saturday Stroke - Monthly Medal, Putting Comp. & Eclectic President's Trophy, Medal of Medals 11^{th} Wednesday Women - Stroke 12^{th} Thursday Mid-Week Comp - Stableford 14^{th} Saturday Stableford 1st Round Spring Cup 18^{th} Wednesday Women - Stroke - Medal Final Last day for qualification for Aussie Party Hire Most Reduced Handicap during winter season trophy. End Winter Eclectic and Gobblers Thursday 19th Mid-Week Comp - Stableford 21st Saturday Stableford 2nd Round Spring Cup 25^{th} Wednesday Women - She Oak Trophy - v Tailem Bend & Strathalbyn @ Echunga 26^{th} Thursday Mid-Week Comp - Stableford 28th Saturday Pinehurst 8:30am Shot gun start Pick your own four, then watch the AFL Grand Final on the Big Screen October Wednesday 2nd Women – Guest Day – Shotgun Start – Ambrose To encourage new players, bring a plate to share 3rd Thursday Midweek Comp - Stroke Nominations for Committee Positions close Friday 4th October 5.00pm

Stableford – 3rd Rnd Spring Cup

Women - Stroke - Foursomes -

- Father & Son Day

Trophy Presentation

& Eclectic

Women – 3BBB

BBO (names needed for Christmas Lunch 11/12/13)

Midweek Comp - Stableford

1st Rnd Qualification Club Championship 1st Rnd Senior Cup, 1st Rnd Junior Championship

Midweek Comp - Stableford

Echunga Golf Club AGM – 7:30pm

Stroke - Monthly Medal, Putting

Saturday

Thursday

Saturday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Comp

Wednesday 9th

10th

12th

16th

 17^{th}

18th

Competition Results

1Thursday 18th July Stableford CCR69

J Reuter	36
P Coldrey	33
D Beams	32
P McDonald	30
R Eibisch	30
J Thomas	29
B Sparrow	29
G Foster	29

NTP 2 nd	A Horsfall
NTP 18 th	C Freeman

POG	n/a
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1Saturday 27th July Stableford CCR 69

Trophy Winner Peak Fresh Trophy

Peter Craven

A Grade		B Grade	
C Nailer	34	P Craven	40
D Spaven	34	A Horsfall	40
R D'Alessandro	34	E Brown	38
J Hyland	33	A Pietsch	37
R Jones	33	D Williams	36
C Grade		D Grade	
M Henderson	36	S Muzyka	34
S Grivell	35	R Bodin	34
M Hill	35	C Freeman	33

NTP 2 nd	W Hocking
NTP 7 th	A Tischer
NTP 17 th	n/a
NTP 18 th	D Spaven

35

33

NTP in 2 (10th)

A Tischer

S Hickman

A-B B Guy C-D



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2Thursday 1st August Stroke CCR70

Division 1		Division 2	
S Griffiths	68	R Davidson	72
T Sandery	68	S Hickman	75
T Hanckel	68	S Whittam	76
K Fairchild	72	M Davis	76
S Nailer	74	A Roberts	77
NTP 2 nd NTP 18 th		W Satterthwaite P Coldrey	
POG		T Hanckel 26	

2Saturday 3 rd A	Lugus	st Stroke CCR 70)
A Grade		B Grade	
M Haslett	72	A Fort	72
P Buying	74	T Guy	74
B Guy	75	E Brown	75
S Griffiths	75	A Amberg	75
D Spaven	76	R Eibisch	76
C Grade		D Grade	
M Bills	77	L Mitchell	77
T Steel	77		
B Jackson Jnr	77		
NTP 2 nd		M Haslett	
NTP 7 th		B Sims	
NTP 17 th		B Slack	
NTP 18 th		B Guy	
NTP in 2 (10 th)			
A-B		A Evans	
C-D		n/a	
Monthly Medal	[
A Grade		Haslett	76
B Grade	A F	ort	85
C Grade	B Ja	ickson Jnr	98
D Grade	LM	litchell	103



S Griffiths

C Wenham

S Nailer

J Goff

25

24

27

32

Putting Comp

A Grade

B Grade

C Grade

D Grade

3Thursday 8th August Stableford CCR69

P Coldrey	38
S Nailer	38
A Horsfall	38
M Davis	37
B Wallace	35
R McLauchlan	34
J Burt	34
G Foster	34
F Williams	33
J Mason	33

NTP 2nd I Wasley NTP 18th J Burt

3Saturday 10th August Stableford 3 Clubs and a Putter CCR 69

Division 1		Division 2	
B Wallace	38	C Freeman	38
K Fairchild	36	W Ryan	35
C Nailer	36	A Tischer	34
I Bonython	35	M Hill	34
K Hampton	34	M Dembski	34
D Scholz	34		
M Davidson	33		
P Coldrey	32		
A Thomas	32		
NTP 2 nd		A Thomas	
NTP 7 th		Z Bilandzic	
NTP 17 th		I Bonython	
NTP 18 th		D Scholz	

NTP in 2 (10th)

Options when Echunga course is closed

Another option for those still wanting to play a round on a Saturday when our course is closed is Fleurieu Golf Club at Mt Compass whose course drains very well being built on sand.

Matt, the pro down there will give our members a special rate of \$24 if you mention you are from Echunga and our course is closed.

Kym Wenham (sec)







Trophy Winners

MONTHLY MEDALS JULY Not Held

MONTHLY MEDALS AUGUST

A Grade	M Haslett	76
B Grade	A Fort	85
C Grade	B Jackson Jnr	98
D Grade	L Mitchell	103





Trophy Jeff Reuter

Captain's Report

Wet Weather Policy

The cancellation of competitions is never the preferred outcome of the Match Committee and it has been decided that a competition will be held regardless of the weather forecast. The only reason a competition will be cancelled before the day will be if the actual course has been closed, with this based on our green staff's recommendations.

A course closed message will be placed on the website as soon as a decision is made.

Therefore members will not need to ring the club or ask our bar staff if a competition will be held. If the weather proves to be poor during the day the Match Committee will make a decision on the competition, taking into account the number of players, cards returned, cards not returned etc. If a competition is subsequently cancelled during the day, players who have paid their competition fees

will be entitled to a credit for the next competition they enter.

It is hoped that this procedure will alleviate the need for people to ask if a competition will be run, as if the course is deemed fit to play a competition will always be held.

Online bookings

The online booking system is now live. For those who are yet to make a booking all the required information should be within the Frequently Asked Ouestions document which can be found below the Member Login button on the website. Whilst the first official week was unfortunately a cancelled competition it was good to see the number of people who removed their names from the booking sheet.

Players are reminded that whilst in the interim some leeway will be provided to players not removing names, we will be looking to police this more and more as the weather improves and bookings become full. Whilst a warning system will be in place, repeat offenders will have their booking privileges removed.

It has been pleasing to hear all the positive feedback around the system and the ease of use that players have had with making bookings. As with all change this is a learning curve for all members and the committee, so patience is needed, but by and large things seem to be working okay. To strengthen this and the new leader board and score entry system a new computer system will be placed within the office, minimising any down time and ensuring the full system is robust and secure, with all of these changes being positive moves for our members.

Hugh Griffin Captain



"You always tell me it's only a game.

THE "51103" CLUB

The 51103 is a social golf club for Echunga Members.

We will be visiting different courses one Sunday a month, running our own competition and handicapping cards.

Upcoming Events:

- * 6th October * 6th October Barossa Valley * 24thNovember Fleurieu
- * 29th December Ashbourne

Booking sheet is on the notice board and numbers will be limited to 20, so book early to avoid disappointment.

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Women's Report Competition Results 1Wednesday 17th July

Pinehurst Foursomes CCR 73

Sue Maddern/Minnie Semmelmann	75
Lisa Gray/Priscilla Loughhead	76 ½

2Wednesday 31st July Stableford CCR 73

Val Nairn	31
Janet Petherick	27
Sue Maddern	26

NTP Div 2

Janet Petherick

Out and About

August 2nd Mannum Open Day

Six players from Echunga were part of the 40 strong field on this Open Day. It was cold and windy, but the course was in excellent condition with lots of roll.

Heroine of the day was Janet who won both C grade and nearest the pin.

She also snared her usual raffle prize!!

August 9th McLaren Vale

Nine clubs were represented by 52 players (6 from Echunga) in this Stableford game. The weather was quite kind with only a few light showers and a fickle wind to contend with. The course was beautiful with plenty of roll and its now normal (it seems) winter additions of a shortened second hole, water before the green on the 3rd and this year a replacement green on the fourth.

The 3/12 was a favourite with the men plying us with port, cheese and biscuits and taking our bets for getting onto the green (sadly for our group it was the staying on the green that was difficult!). They raised \$148 despite doubling the odds on the second time round!

There was a generous raffle where Leonore and Beatrice were lucky. Only B grade achieved the high scores we expect at this club with the winner scoring 44 points. A and C grade winners came in with 34. Congratulations to Veronica and Janet who played well to receive prizes in B grade.



Veronica and Janet at McLaren Vale

Wendy Jackson Vice Captain



Members Market

Have something for sale?

Advertise it in the Putter.

Email me your details and place a gold coin donation in the 3 putt tin.

Brain Teaser

Keep that brain working; see if you can figure out what these seven words all have in common?

- 1. Banana
- 2. Dresser
- 3. Grammar
- 4. Potato
- 5. Revive
- 6. Uneven
- 7. Assess

Give it another try . . .

Look at each word carefully. You'll kick yourself when you discover the answer.

No, it is not that they all have at least 2 double letters....

Answer is on page 8

Fashhack

On the Course...and around the Clubhouse...

20 Years ago

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Rhonda Martin

HOLE-IN-ONE 7th Hole at Echunga on Wed. 28th July. This is the second one in two months.

Well done Rhonda. Now for the hat trick!!!!!!

Congratulations to our "B" Grade Team of

Min Semmelmann (Capt)

Rhonda Martin

Fay Sanderson

Rosemary Inglis

Coralie Sheldon

on winning the 1993 "B" GRADE Pennant of the Southern District's Ladies' Golf by defeating Lake Albert Golf Club at Victor Harbor on 5th July 1993.

THIS IS THE FIRST PENNANT PLAQUE WON BY THE LADIES AND IS NOW HOLDING PRIDE OF PLACE OVER THE BAR.

Taken from the August 1993 Putter

10 Years ago

Pennant Winners

Team Grade 3 Defeated Mount Barker 5/2 at South Lakes on Sunday 20th July.

Members of the winning team were

T Spry A Perez
Z Bilandzic A Evans
D Spaven I Bonython

M Lelliot

Other players who contributed during the year were

M McLennan R Jones K Hampton D Bishop

D Bedson

Taken from the August 2003 Putter

5 Years ago

Pennants

Congratulations to all our Pennant Teams, with 4 of our 5 teams making the finals and 3 of these teams successfully bringing home the trophies.

Club Grade 1 finished a creditable 3rd, they had several away matches that could have gone either way and after all they were the team to beat.

Team Grade 1 finished 2nd and played Willunga in their final but was unfortunate to lose on the day.

Team Grade 3 finished Top and WON their final against Yankalilla

Team Grade 5 finished Top and WON their final against Victor Harbor

Handicap Group 3 finished Top and WON their final against Nairne.

Taken from the August 2008 Putter

The Koala and the Lizard

A koala was sitting in a gum tree smoking a joint (as they do!) when a little lizard walked past, looked up and said, 'Hey Koala! What are you doing?'

The koala said, 'Smoking a joint, come up and have some.'

So the little lizard climbed up and sat next to the koala where they enjoyed a few joints. After a while the little lizard said that his mouth was 'dry' and that he was going to get a drink from the river. The little lizard was so stoned that he leaned over too far and fell into the river.

A crocodile saw this and swam over to the little lizard and helped him to the side. Then he asked the little lizard, 'What's the matter with you?' The little lizard explained to the crocodile that he had been sitting with the koala in the tree, smoking a joint, but got too stoned and fell into the river while taking a drink..

The crocodile said that he had to check this out and walked into the rain forest, found the tree where the koala was sitting finishing a joint.

The crocodile looked up and said,

'Hev Koala!'

So the koala looked down at him and said, 'Bloody Hell,

How much water did you drink!?'



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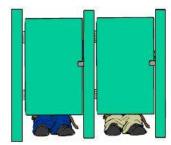
The above Clubs have agreed to continue a reciprocal rights arrangement with us. Any competition fees would be in addition to the green fees as listed.

If you have details of any other clubs offering

Discounted rounds please send me their details. Contact Russell Yeates 08 83374191 or ryeates@senet.com.au for more information

The other cubicle...

Travelling down the coast road I needed to use the toilet. I stopped at a rest area headed for the toilet, went into the cubicle and this is what happened...



"Hi, how are you?"

Now...I'm not the type to start a conversation in a toilet and I don't know what got into me, but... I answered...

"Doin' just fine!"

then the other person said:

"So what are you up to?"

What kind of question is that? I'm thinking.... this is too bizarre... so I said:

"Uhhh, I'm like you, just traveling!"

At this point I was just trying to get out as fast as I could when I heard another question.

"Can I come over?"

OK, this question was just too weird for me but I figured I would just be polite and end the conversation...

so I said:

"No.. I'm just a little too busy right now !!!"
Then I hear the person say nervously...

"Listen, I'll have to call you back. There's an idiot in the other cubicle who keeps answering all my questions.

Mobile phones, don't you just love 'em!



August Birthdays

August Diff mays					
1^{st}	Tad	Krawczynski			
2^{nd}	Andrew	Evans		A A	
3^{rd}	Dorothy	Brown			
4^{th}	Tim	Hanckel		ATTA	
5 th	Wally	Bell			
6^{th}	Rob	Strelan			
	Warren	Ryan			
8^{th}	Dennis	Mattschoss			
	Graham	Sando			
9 th	Adrian	Davies	40		
10^{th}	Liz	Phipps	70		
	Pat	Umlauf			
	Kym	Wenham		/> - N	
11^{th}	Trev	Woolcock	45	200,	
	Esther	Burt		J	
12^{th}	Robert	Bartle			
	Neil	Holton		1 222 - 1	
16 th	Chris	Wenham		I EXF	
$17^{\rm th}$	Randy	Jones			
19 th	Peter	Wass			
	David	Leach			
22^{nd}	John	Revitt			
	Bill	Guy			
23 rd	John	Thomas		\(\begin{align*} ''' \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\	
25^{th}	Yvonne	King		5/11	
	Jim	Warren		PIG WÀ	
	Greg	Day			
	David	Arthur			
26 th	Neil	Gettins			
27 th	David	Manning	70		
29 th	Veronica	Bowman			
	Bill	Halliday			
30^{th}	Robert	Grinter	65		

Happy Birthday to all, - especially those celebrating a milestone!

Answer from page 5

In all of the words listed, if you take the first letter, place it at the end of the word, and then spell the word backwards, it will be the same word. Did you figure it out? No?



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We welcome your comments

The success of our newsletter is largely dependant on the contributions of the members.

If you have any snippets of information which you think might be of interest to other members send them straight to the Editor. ryeates@senet.com.au