

Echunga Putter

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From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! Unfortunately Spring didn't arrive last month, in fact the weather got worse and we had more rain. As I write this we have 28 degrees with the next 3 days in the mid 20's so hopefully the course should start to dry out.

Don't forget our AGM on the 27th October.

After such an extended wet winter, this has significantly reduced our income from both green fees and clubhouse sales.

This has created a challenging time for the Committee as we continue our course improvement plan, machinery replacement and of course wages and general operating costs.

As most of you have probably heard in the media, there are now water allocations from all bores. We are not exempt from this and we now have meters on all of our pumps and Chris Button and the Ground Staff have to monitor our water usage. If you have any news items, stories, achievements etc. please drop them in the putter box on the bar or e-mail me at ryeates@senet.com.au.

Until next month, good golfing.

Editor: Russell Yeates

Annual General Meeting 7:30pm Thursday 27th October 2016

Un and	com	ning events		
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October				
Wednesday	12^{th}	Women Stableford - Last day of		
		qualification for Winter Competitions		
		Twilight Comp – Stableford - 9 holes		
Thursday	13^{th}	Midweek Comp – Stroke		
Saturday	15 th	Stableford – 3 rd Rnd Spring Cup		
Wednesday	19 th	Women Ambrose Trophy Presentation		
First o	day of o	qualification for Summer Competitions.		
		Twilight Comp – Stableford - 9 holes		
Thursday	20^{th}	Mid-Week Comp - Stableford		
Saturday	22 nd	Stroke - Monthly Medal, Putting		
		Comp & Eclectic		
1 st Rnd Qualification Club Championship				
1 st Rnd Senior Cup,				
	1st Rn	nd Junior Championship		
Wednesday	26^{th}	Women – 3BBB – Stableford in		
		conjunction		
		Women's AGM 1.30pm		
		Twilight Comp – Stableford - 9 holes		
Thursday	27^{th}	Midweek Comp – Stableford		
Thursday	27^{th}	Echunga Golf Club AGM 7:30pm		
Saturday	29^{th}	Stroke – Medal of Medals, Putting		
		Comp. & Eclectic		
	2 nd R	nd Club Championship Qualifying		
	2 nd R	nd Senior Cup		
	2 nd R	nd Junior Championship		
Novemb	er			
Wednesday	2^{nd}	Women – Stroke 1 st Rnd Club		
,		Championship Qualifying		
		Twilight Comp – Stableford - 9 holes		
Thursday	3^{rd}	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford		
Saturday	5 th	Stableford –		
•		Quarter Finals Club Championship		
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Mixed Foursomes Championship

Women - Stableford -2^{nd} Rnd Club

Par-Semi Finals Club Championship

Women - Stableford - Semi Final Club

Championship QualifyingTwilight - Stableford - 9 holes

Mid-Week Comp - Stableford

Championship – Match Play Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes

Mid-Week Comp - Stroke

Finals Club Championship

Championship Match tee off at 8.00am (27 holes)

Women - 9 holes Stableford Club

Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes

Stableford -

Salver Match tee off 8.30am (18 holes)

Championship Match Play Final

8.30am

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 10^{th}

 12^{th}

 16^{th}

17th

19th

Sunday

Wednesday

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Wednesday 23rd

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Competition Results

1Thursday	78 th Septembe	r	
Stableford	Men	9 Pl	ayersDSR 71
	Women -	Players	DSR
H Hodgkis	on		35
B Wallace			35
S Nailer			33
A Horsfall			31
POG	H Hodgkison		17
	B Wallace		17
	K Hampton		17
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1Saturday	10 th	September
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Stableford Men		47	Players	DSR 71
Won	nen	-	Players	DSR
A Grade		B G	rade	
B Slack	35	ΑH	lorsfall	37
J Wenham	35	KF	airchild	36
J Hyland	34	BW	/allace	35
D Parrott	34	J W	arren	35
J Burt	34	I Flo	etcher	34
P Buying	33	R Hughes		33
R D'Alessandro	33			
A Fort	33			
C Grade		D G	rade	
N Sylvia	41	A K	aesler	36
J David-Smith	38			
NTP 2 nd		M E	Bills	
NTP 7 th		ΚM	l oore	
NTP 17 th		D F	romm	
NTP 18 th		R M	Iills	

NTP in 2 (10th)

A-B K Fairchild



2Saturd	ay 24 th Septe	ember	•	
Par	Men	32	Players	DSR 72
	Women	-	Players	DSR
B Hunt			+2	
M Hende	erson		+1	
R Mills			+1	
A Pietscl	n		-1	
B Guy			-3	
L Mather	WS		-3	
M Hasle	tt		-4	
C Green	wood		-5	
R Hughe	S		-5	
R D'Ales	ssandro		-5	
T Guy			-5	
I Langus	ch		-5	
NTP 2 nd		I La	ngusch	
NTP 18 ^t	h		Iaslett	
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Nearest the Pin:

(Extra sponsors' vouchers)

2nd Hills Hire \$50.00 Voucher

New Members

Welcome to the following new member who has joined our Club over the past month.

Bill Kidd 6 day Mathew MacDonald 6 day

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.

Membership as at 19/09/2016

	2015	2016	Change
Male	403	380	-23
Female	49	42	-7
Total	452	422	-30

Club Championships

REMINDER

1st Qualifying round

is Saturday

22nd October

(Bob) Robert David Jackson (Senior)

It is with great sadness that the Management wishes to advise all members that Bob Jackson passed away on the 16/9/2016.

Bob joined the club in 1970 and was at the time of his passing, our 3rd longest serving member.

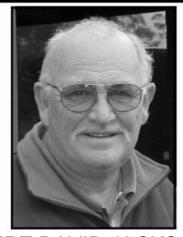
He served on the Management Committee for 5 years (2002 – 2007) including 4 years as Vice President.

He was Chairman of the Grounds Committee for 7 years from 2000 - 2007.

He was awarded Life Membership in 2012.

His smiling face will certainly be missed around the club

Club Personality



ROBERT DAVID JACKSON

There aren't many people who don't know Bob, he's been around the Club for so long having joined the club in the sixties. Always happy to have a chat with members, Bob is currently the Chairman of the Grounds committee and is working on some initiatives that will see more improvements around the course.

He is enjoying this role and finds it very rewarding.

Born in Tasmania (he had his second head surgically removed when he came

to SA) in 1936, he now lives at Reynella with his wife Meralyn and having retired has the chance to spend more time with his 2 children Brett (also a member) & Lisa and his 4 grandchildren, Renee, Corey, Khalia and Tiegan.

Bob's long career includes many years playing Pennants, 4 B grade Club Championships and 3 holes in one.

He claims his bad points are talking too much and being too abrupt on the course. I've run out of space and can't fit in the 50 good points he gave me. Sorry Bob...

Taken from the August 2001 Putter

This Month's Riddle

Feed me and I live, but give me a drink and I die. What am I?

Answer next month

Last Month's Riddle

Poor people have it. Rich people need it. If you eat it you die. What is it?

ANSWER: "Nothing"

Perks of reaching 60 or being over 70 and heading towards 80!

- 1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
- **2.** In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
- **3.** No one expects you to run--anywhere.
- **4.** People call at 8 PM and ask, "Did I wake vou?"
- 5. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
- **6.** There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
- 7. Things you buy now won't wear out.
- **8.** You can eat supper at 5 PM .
- **9.** You can live without sex, but not your glasses.
- **10.** Your supply of brain cells is finally down to manageable size.
- 11. You can't remember who sent you this list.
- **12.** And you notice these are all in Big Print for your convenience.



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Juniors

Sunday October 9th Sunday November 13th

Please register on eventbrite

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/junior-golf-clinic-registration-15109301327

Primary Schools Golf:

Well done to our Primary Schools Golf qualifiers, Mitchell Zander, Josh Liebelt, Jesse Gallagher and Esther Eckermann for reaching Round 1 of the championship event at Adelaide Shores on Thursday 1st September. This is only the second time these kids have played a full round of golf, let alone any sort of golf competition. They were amongst very good competition. There were 144 boys and 29 girls competing. The boy and girl winners achieved a score of 57 and 58 respectively on the par 50 (15 hole) course. Although they did not make it to the top 44 (top 10 girls) to continue to round 2, they all should be proud of their efforts. Mitchell finished 73rd and also participated in the Invitational event on 2nd September and finished 47th, a super effort. I am hopeful that they will be back to try out again for the event next year.

Junior Clinic:

The 14th of August was well attended with many of our first timers returning for another go. Sorry Heather for setting the shed alarm off -it works well. I am now also a bit better informed with what is available online for golf training aids...

On course play:

Jamie and I are very happy to organise games with the junior members on Saturdays and Wednesday afternoons when twilight games start again. Non-members can pay the \$15 green fees to participate, but with the very affordable membership of \$85 (7 day membership) you might as well join up! We plan on having an adult mentor that will lead the group through the course. Please let us know if you are interested and we will arrange the bookings - it will be a good way to get your cards in for a handicap too.

Esther and Jamie Burt Junior Co-Ordinators, Echunga Golf Club 0424 478 960 Esther 0418 855 831 Jamie

JUNIOR Coaching Clinics

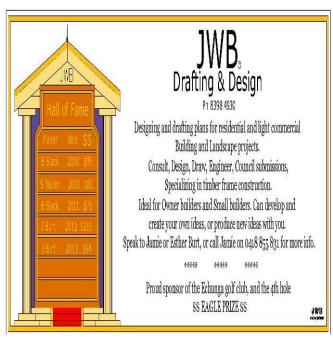
Sunday 9th October Sunday 13th November

2:00pm and 3:00pm

Free Clinic for all Juniors
All juniors welcome
No restriction on membership
Bring your children,
grandchildren, nieces & nephews,
or neighbours.

Adult Clinic

Sunday 9th October Sunday 13th November **4:00pm**



Women's Report Out and About

Murray Bridge

Echunga was well represented at Murray Bridge Ladies Open Day with seven representatives in the field of 42 players. The course was in great condition as they had not received as much rain as the hills courses and the weather was fine but with an unpredictable breeze.

The winner from Links Lady Bay had 40pts, with Echunga's Janeen Coleman in third place with 33 pts. In the "novelty" events, Echunga ladies almost scooped the lot, with Janeen, Sue Maddern, Sue Telfer and Esther Burt all winning NTP prizes. Obviously it was the practice we had on the Wednesday prior!

Following the tasty lunch, we also featured amongst the raffle winners with Sue Telfer and Janeen winning prizes.

Southern Zone Championship

Janeen Coleman and Sue Telfer in B grade, Janet Petherick in C grade represented Echunga at the Zone Championships held this year at Mt Barker, only two days after the devastating torrential rain. There were still some very boggy areas on some fairways but the greens were firm and fast.

We acquitted ourselves well, with Sue Telfer gross runner up in B grade, Janeen nett winner B grade and Janet 3rd c/b in C grade.

McLaren Vale Open Day

A full field of ladies from 13 clubs played on the day. As the course is only 9 holes this made play a little slow at times, especially on the par 3s.

Apart from one heavy shower of rain the rest of the round was fine, but cloudy. On one par 3 port and lollies were a welcome break and you could also bet on yourself to land on the green. This caused much hilarity, upsetting those trying to putt on the nearby green! There were NTP, accurate drive and a team event, which unfortunately none of the five Echunga representatives were able to win.

Libby Pride was our star for the day coming 3rd in B grade.

Thaxted Open Day

This was a foursomes event with Sue Maddern + Sue Telfer, Sheryl Fine + Kathy Clarke and Suzanne + Marg Wray taking part.

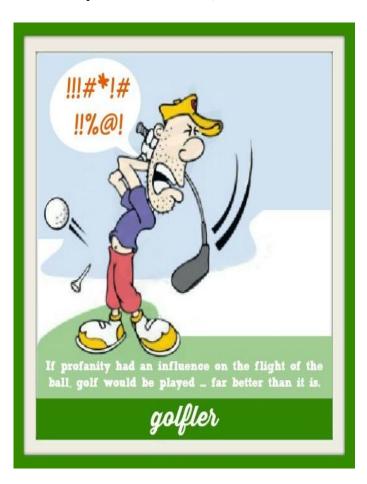
Rain was forecast for the day and it started just as we commenced play and continued relentlessly until the greens began to become flooded and play was halted after only 8 holes had been completed! We all returned to the clubrooms wet and cold for coffee and an early lunch. There was a raffle, but none of us won any prizes.

As so few holes had been played they decided to hold a lucky card draw for the golf prizes. All of us from Echunga won a prize so the day was not a total loss.

Susan Telfer Vice President

5 Fun Facts for your day!

- 1. Billy goats urinate on their own heads to smell more attractive to females
- 2. Pirates wore earnings because they believed it improved their eyesight.
- 3. Mel Blanc, the voice of Bugs Bunny, was allergic to carrots.
- 4. When you blush, the lining of your stomach also turns red.
- 5. Caterpillars have about 4,000 muscles.



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15 Years ago

Handicap Match Play
Runner up
E. March
D. McKenzie Trophy
H. Taverna
G. Barnes
L. Hall Trophy
L. Edwards
Winter Cup
D. Norman

Summer TrophyD. SpavenSeniors CupA. NormanRed Cross TrophyJ. JonasLegacy TrophyK. Hampton

Foursomes Championship

J. Norman & D. Norman

Foursomes Best Net L. Taylor & A. Evans Seniors Foursome I. Woods & I. Tidridge

Most Pennant Wins

J. Norman, J. Jonas, M. Haslett & A. Schultz

J. Norman **Junior Champion Junior Best Net** S. Cathie **President's Trophy** N. Taverna Vice President's Trophy H. Taverna Captain's Trophy A. Evans Vice Captain's Trophy B. McIntyre **Committee Trophy** B. Fox **Courier Trophy** N. Deckert

Hole-in-one

J. Hill 9th 6-1-2001 Bob Jackson Snr 9th 5-5-2001

Grade C-2 Pennant Winners

M. Raven, T. Huckel, M. Haslett, M. Hickman, J. Norman, L. McNicol, I. Bonython, L. Edwards.

A GRADE Club Champion
B GRADE Club Champion
C GRADE Club Champion
D GRADE Club Champion
R. Yeates

APPROVAL TO TAP NEW WATER.

Transport SA has given approval for a pipe to be laid under the main road to tap into the dam on the club's new land. Due to the need to use heavy machinery the work can only be carried out when the land has dried out sufficiently for the equipment to get on to it.

Taken from the October 2001 Putter



No Green Fees

Brian and Jan were 85 years old and had been married for sixty years. Though they were far from rich, they managed to get by because they carefully watched their pennies.

Though not young, they were both in very good health, largely due to Jan's insistence on healthy foods and exercise for the last decade.

One day, their good health didn't help when they went on a vacation and their plane crashed, sending them off to Heaven.

They reached the pearly gates, and St. Peter escorted them inside. He took them to a beautiful mansion, furnished in gold and fine silks, with a fully stocked kitchen and a waterfall in the master bath. A maid could be seen hanging their favourite clothes in the closet. They gasped in astonishment when he said, 'Welcome to Heaven. This will be your home now.'

Brian asked Peter how much all this was going to cost. 'Why, nothing,' Peter replied, 'remember, this Is your reward in Heaven.'

Brian looked out the window and right there he saw a champion-ship golf course, finer and more beautiful than any ever built on Earth.. 'What are the green fees?,' grumbled Brian.. This is heaven,' St. Peter replied. 'You can play for free, every day.'

Next they went to the clubhouse and saw the lavish buffet lunch. 'Don't even ask,' said St. Peter to Brian. This is Heaven, it is all free for you to enjoy.'

Brian looked around and nervously asked Jan 'Well, where are the low fat and low cholesterol foods and the decaffeinated tea?'

'That's the best part,' St. Peter replied. 'You can eat and drink as much as you like and you will never get fat or sick. This is Heaven!'

'No gym to work out at?' said Brian

'Not unless you want to,' was the answer.

'No testing my sugar or blood pressure or...

'Never again'

Brian glared at Jan and said, 'You and your F**kin Bran Flakes. We could have been here ten years ago!'



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All Green Fees will be at ½ the standard Green Fees at each course.

There will also be a maximum of Six Rounds per year at another course.

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.

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Oct	tober Bi	rthdays		
3^{rd}	Dean	Buder		
4^{th}	Geoff	Strelan		
	Ann	Morton	65	
	Sandy	Williams	60	
5^{th}	Janet	Petherick		(()
	Jeff	Cathie		A
	Sharon	Pascoe		
	Hannah	Ewart		
6^{th}	Maurice	Materne		
	John	Schmidt	75	
	Robyn	Raymond		
7^{th}	Kevin	Wilks		
·	Kathy	Clarke		
10^{th}	Don	Beames		
10	Peter	Anderson		
$11^{\rm th}$	Hamilton	Walker	45	
11	Alex	Field	35	
	Jesse	Wenham	33	6 9 4
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13 th	Alf	Curtis	85	
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	Pete	Davies		
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1.	Zelko	Bilandzic	75	
	Stephen	Dearman		
	Arlen	Kaesler		
15^{th}	Michael	Mills		
17 th	Paul	McCulloch		
1 /	Mark	Luke		
18 th	Reece	Homfray		
19 th	Lynda	Garlick		
1)	Brian	Rowe	65	
	Ross	Dyer	03	\sim /
20^{th}	Keith	Bradley		4
20	Simon	Harris		
21^{st}	Matt	Doughty	40	
21	Bradley	Cagney	10	
22^{nd}	Adam	Beltchev		
23 rd	Sid	Hickman		
24 th	Minnie	Semmelman	nn	
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	Lincoln	Blewit		
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30^{th}	Sam	Grave		
31 st	Denise	Garvie		
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	Sailisuli	Darratt		

Happy Birthday to all - especially those celebrating a milestone!

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