



# Echunga Putter

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## From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! Isn't the course looking great at the moment? Well done, John, Joel and Anthony along with help from Chris and the Ground Committee, it is great to play on the course so well prepared.

We are also starting to see the shape of the new 17<sup>th</sup> green and it looks great.

Don't forget the Working Bees to be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month from 9.00am with lunch provided. Please give some of your time if you can, to help improve our golf course.

The Autumn Classic is fast approaching so mark the 5<sup>th</sup> March in your diaries.

For those wishing to contact me, I now have a new email address, so please change your address book accordingly.

If you have any news items, stories, achievements etc. please drop them in the putter box on the bar or e-mail me at [randryeates@gmail.com](mailto:randryeates@gmail.com).

Until next month, good golfing.

# ECHUNGA

## AUTUMN CLASSIC

A date to put in your diary  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017

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## Up and coming events . . .

### January

- |           |                  |   |
|-----------|------------------|---|
| Wednesday | 18 <sup>th</sup> | Women – Stableford –<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Rnd Leonore Steer Trophy<br>Twilight – Stableford – 9 Holes                 |
| Thursday  | 19 <sup>th</sup> | Mid – Week Comp - Stroke  |
| Saturday  | 21 <sup>st</sup> | <b>Stableford –2 Man Ambrose</b>  |
| Wednesday | 25 <sup>th</sup> | Women –Match Play –<br>Stableford in conjunction<br>Captain/ Vice Captain Trophy<br>Twilight – Stableford – 9 Holes |
| Thursday  | 26 <sup>th</sup> | Australia Day<br>Mid – Week Comp – Stableford<br>Rnd 6 Public Holiday Medal   |
| Saturday  | 28 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Stableford –<br/>2<sup>nd</sup> Round Summer Trophy</b>  |

### February

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|---------------|------------------------|--|
| Wednesday     | 1 <sup>st</sup>        | Women- Stroke –Stroke Award<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Rnd - Putting<br>Twilight – Stableford- 9 holes   |
| Thursday      | 2 <sup>nd</sup>        | Mid-Week Comp – Stableford   |
| Saturday      | 4 <sup>th</sup>        | <b>Stroke – Monthly Medal,<br/>Putting Comp. &amp; Eclectic<br/>1<sup>st</sup> Round Vice Presidents Trophy</b>  |
| Wednesday     | 8 <sup>th</sup>        | Women- Stableford<br>May Sheehan Memorial Trophy<br>Twilight – Stableford- 9 holes   |
| Thursday      | 9 <sup>th</sup>        | Mid-Week Comp – Stableford   |
| Saturday      | 11 <sup>th</sup>       | <b>Stableford –<br/>3<sup>rd</sup> Round Summer Trophy</b>   |
| Wednesday     | 15 <sup>th</sup>       | Women – Stableford<br>Multiplication Stableford - Foursomes<br>Twilight Golf – Stableford - 9 holes  |
| Thursday      | 16 <sup>th</sup>       | Mid Week Comp – Stroke   |
| Saturday      | 18 <sup>th</sup>       | <b>Foursomes Championships<br/>Gross score – Top 4 teams qualify for finals<br/>Net score – David Smart Trophy<br/>Top 2 teams qualify for 27 hole final</b> |
| Wednesday     | 22 <sup>nd</sup>       | Women – Stroke –Stroke Award<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Rnd – Putting<br>Twilight – Stableford- 9 holes  |
| Thursday      | 23 <sup>rd</sup>       | Mid Week Comp – Stableford   |
| Saturday      | 25 <sup>th</sup>       | <b>Par- Foursomes Championship Final<br/>Morning –Matchplay Finals</b>   |
| <u>Monday</u> | <u>27<sup>th</sup></u> | <b><i>Women's Open Day</i></b>   |

### March

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|-----------|-----------------|--|
| Wednesday | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Women's Comp – Handicap Matchplay<br>( <i>Entries close for 2017 Laurel Wreath</i> )<br>Twilight – Stableford- 9 holes |
| Thursday  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Mid-Week Comp – Stableford   |

# Competition Results

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

**Stableford Men 58 Players DSR 69**  
**Women 0 Players DSR 0**

## Division 1

T Dolman	39
R Jones	38
B Wallace	36
R Hill	34
P Edwards	33
R McLauchlan	32

## Division 2

T Hodgson	38
B Warby	37
J Warren	36
N Franzway	36
J Goff	35
A Roberts	35

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>**

T Dolman  
R Jones

**POG**

C Bedson	19
B Wallace	19
T Dolman	19

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**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

**Stroke Men 132 Players DSR 70**  
**Women 5 Players DSR 72**

## A Grade

G Day	70
R D'Alessandro	70
D Parrott	70
R Jones	70
S Heemskerk	70
A Amberg	70

## B Grade

K Wenham	65
C Golding	71
G Watts	71
P Edwards	71
J Harders	71

## C Grade

M Dembski	68
J Warren	70
D Stobbe	70
P Allen	70
B Jackson	72

## D Grade

R Davidson	66
T Klar	66
L Mitchell	69
B Penny	71
M Jordan	71

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**NTP 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**NTP 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>**

S Kinnane  
J Harders  
M Davidson  
G Day

**NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>)**

**A-B** R Hill  
**C-D** N Smith

## Monthly Medal

<b>A Grade</b>	R Jones	75
<b>B Grade</b>	K Wenham	82
<b>C Grade</b>	J Warren	90
<b>D Grade</b>	T Klar	92

## Putting Comp

<b>A Grade</b>	A Reid	25
<b>B Grade</b>	C Golding	25
<b>C Grade</b>	A Bailey	28
<b>D Grade</b>	M Morton	24

**Women** C Hasson 78

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**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**Stroke Men 66 Players DSR 69**  
**Women 2 Players DSR 72**

## Division 1

R Short	68
R Jones	69
A Pietsch	69
H Hodgkison	69
B Guy	70
S Nailer	70

## Division 2

I Oswald	61
A Dutton	66
T Hodgson	66
M Morton	67
J Hogarth	67
J Thomas	69

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>** F Williams  
**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>** J Thomas

**POG**

S Nailer	35
M Morton	35
B Guy	35
G Watts	35
A Horsfall	35

**Women** L Gray 76

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**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

**20 Groups**

## Ham & Turkey Day

D Lockwood, R McLauchlan, J Warren, D Turner	51 ½
B Slack, G Watts, S Whittam, D Slater	53
A Fort, D Bailey, J Thomas, C Fort	53
P Buying, C Dawe, J Janson, T Button	53 ¾
C Nailer, J Reuter, P Anderson	54 1/6
R Hill, M Henderson, N Sylvia, R Yeates	54 ¾
S Nailer, L Gray, W Ryan, R Davidson	54 ½
D Parrott, K Wenham, C Wenham, C Bedson	55 ¼

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>** B Wallace  
**NTP 7<sup>th</sup>** J Burt  
**NTP 17<sup>th</sup>** K Hampton  
**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>** J Warren

**NTP in 2**  
**4<sup>th</sup>**  
**10<sup>th</sup>**

B Hughes  
T Button

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>73 Players</b>	<b>DSR 69</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>2 Players</b>	<b>DSR 72</b>

**Division 1**

J Warren	41
A Fort	39
S Nailer	38
N McNicol	38
R McLauchlan	37
D Parrott	36

**Division 2**

B Kidd	39
B Smith	39
A Dutton	38
B Warby	37
M Wright	36
E March	36

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>**

R Hill

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>**

N McNicol

**POG**

B Hughes

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**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

<b>Par</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 68</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 73</b>

**Christmas Trophy**
**J Janson**
**A Grade**

C Nailer	+5
C Greenwood	+4
P Buying	+3
J Wenham	+3
H Hodgkison	+2
R Hill	+2

**B Grade**

C Button	+5
R Eibisch	+4
A Zanker	+3
C Dawe	+2
G Rayner	+1
D Bailey	+1

**C Grade**

J Janson	+2
N Smith	+1
C Wenham	+1
S Wilson	+1
R Dyer	+1
A Pouw-Bray	+1

**D Grade**

S Taylor-Hull	+6
B Burnett	+3
T Steel	+2
C Fort	+1
S Rowell	+1
W Hocking	Sq

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>**

R Jones

**NTP 7<sup>th</sup>**

T Guy

**NTP 17<sup>th</sup>**

C Dawe

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>**

S Wilson

**NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>)**
**A-B**

H Griffin

**C-D**

S Dearman

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**A golfer standing on a tee**

overlooking a river sees a couple of fishermen and says to his partner, "Look at those two idiots fishing in the rain."

**Proclamation Day Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December**

<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>17 Players</b>	<b>DSR 68</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>- Players</b>	<b>DSR -</b>

B Cagney

43

S Dearman

42

S Jensen

40

A Zanker

38

G Rayner

37

H Griffin

36

**NTP 7<sup>th</sup>**

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**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>**

B Wallace

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**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December**

<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>54 Players</b>	<b>DSR 68</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>0 Players</b>	<b>DSR 0</b>

**Division 1**

C Nailer	39
F Williams	38
S Jensen	38
N Judd	38
M Haslett	37
R Eibisch	36

**Division 2**

E March	40
A Bailey	38
W Satterthwaite	37
J Thomas	37
G Dodd	37
A Roberts	36

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>**

A Amberg

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>**

M Henderson

**POG**

C Nailer 21

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**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December**

<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>112 Players</b>	<b>DSR 69</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>1 Players</b>	<b>DSR 73</b>

**A Grade**

C Greenwood	38
H Griffin	38
D Lockwood	38
J Hyland	38
Z Bilandzic	37
B Guy	37

**B Grade**

R Mills	39
G Rayner	38
S Dearman	37
M Doughty	37
S Jensen	37
A Zanker	36

**C Grade**

M Stevens	41
M Huggard	37
N Smith	36
P Anderson	35
D Wilson	35
C Wenham	34

**D Grade**

P Downs	39
J Hogarth	39
J Mason	39
D Carver	36
L Mitchell	35
S Grivell	35

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>**

W Ryan

**NTP 7<sup>th</sup>**

J Hyland

**NTP 17<sup>th</sup>**

R Jones

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>**

B Smith

**NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>)**
**A-B** B Guy

**C-D** n/a

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**New Years Day Holiday Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January**
**Stableford Men 21 Players DSR 68**
**Women 2 Players DSR 72**

A Zanker 40

C Nailer 39

A Bailey 38

P Buying 37

G Rayner 35

N Judd 35

**NTP 10<sup>th</sup>** N Judd

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**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January**
**Stableford Men 69 Players DSR 67**
**Women 2 Players**
**DSR 72**
**Division 1**

H Griffin 42

S Kinnane 42

J Warren 41

B Guy 39

R Eibisch 38

C Stevens 38

**Division 2**

A Roberts 38

A Dutton 38

B Burnett 37

R Materne 35

B Smith 35

N Franzway 34

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>** M Wright

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>** B Guy

**POG** H Griffin 22

**Women** L Gray 35

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**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January**
**Stroke Men 92 Players DSR 69**
**Women 1 Players DSR 72**
**Vice Captains Trophy**
**Kane Moore**
**A Grade**

J Harders 68

D Parrott 68

S Callary 69

P Buying 69

B Guy 70

J Wenham 70

**B Grade**

K Moore 61

C Golding 66

M Henderson 68

G Rayner 68

B Cagney 69

J Warren 70

**C Grade**

K McLennan 67

E March 68

M Stevens 70

A Head 71

Dav. Wilson 72

**D Grade**

I Oswald 70

M Clark 71

D Slater 71

S Kim 72

**NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>**

C Dawe

**NTP 7<sup>th</sup>** L Mathews

**NTP 17<sup>th</sup>** L Mathews

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>** J Warren

**NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>)**
**A-B** A Murray

**C-D** J David-Smith

**Monthly Medal**
**A Grade** B Guy 73

**B Grade** K Moore 79

**C Grade** K McLennan 88

**D Grade** M Clark 96

**Putting Comp**
**A Grade** D Spaven 26

**B Grade** C Golding 27

**C Grade** K McLennan 23

**D Grade** B Burnett 26

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# Nearest the Pin:

**(Extra sponsors' vouchers)**
**2<sup>nd</sup>** Hills Hire \$50.00 Voucher

**10<sup>th</sup>** \$20.00 Meal Voucher Hahndorf Old Mill

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# Trophy Winners

## Christmas Trophy Janis Janson

## Vice Captains Trophy Kane Moore

## MONTHLY MEDALS

## December

**A Grade** R Jones 75

**B Grade** K Wenham 82

**C Grade** J Warren 90

**D Grade** T Klar 92


# MONTHLY MEDALS

## January

A Grade	B Guy	73
B Grade	K Moore	79
C Grade	K McLennan	88
D Grade	M Clark	96



## Recent Achievements

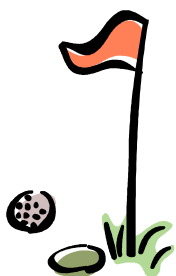
### Hole in One

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

#### Ben Slack

Had a Hole in One on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Congratulations Ben!

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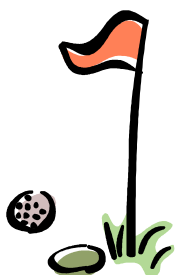
### Hole in One

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Andrew Pietsch

Had a Hole in One on the 17<sup>th</sup>  
Congratulations Andrew!

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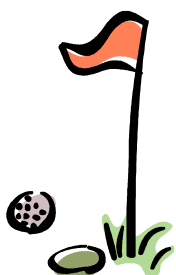
### Hole in One

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Greg Day

Had a Hole in One on the 18<sup>th</sup>  
Congratulations Greg!

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*Coopers*

## Eagle

On the par 4, 16<sup>th</sup> hole  
Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> December.  
Congratulations and Well Done!



## Richard Hill

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## Eagle

On the par 5, 15<sup>th</sup> hole  
Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> January.  
Congratulations and Well Done!



## Hugh Griffin

## Twilight Golf

### Now on each Wednesday

Hit off times 4:00pm to 6:00 pm  
9 hole Stableford Comp  
BBQ and Bar open after round  
\$5.00 per round  
Non members \$12.00

## Course Working Bee

Please mark in your diaries there will be a working bee at the golf course on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month from January till June.

Further details will be on the club notice board and on the web site.

From 9.00am till 12.30pm, and lunch will be provided after.

The more members we have for these working bees, the better we can make the course for ourselves.

## CHICK

## TRANSPORT

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE 'BIRD'

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## Junior clinics:

We are trying a new format for junior clinics this year with an early advanced session at 2 pm followed by on-course play.

We would really like to give more focused sessions so players will be more confident going into competition play, both at club level and beyond (e.g. Primary Schools Championships, Yr 8/9 Championships and Country Junior Championships).

Beginners and under 10s will have a lesson at 3pm.

2pm session - advanced juniors (optional on-course play following formal lesson)

3pm session - beginners and under 10's

### Second Sunday of the month

February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

March 12<sup>th</sup>

April 9<sup>th</sup>

May - **no clinic**

June 11<sup>th</sup>

July 9<sup>th</sup>

August 13<sup>th</sup>

September 10<sup>th</sup>

October 8<sup>th</sup>

November 12<sup>th</sup>

December 10<sup>th</sup> - **Family Ambrose day**

### **Southern Golf Group Junior Leagues (26<sup>th</sup> Feb - 26<sup>th</sup> March)**

Echunga will be hosting week 3 of the event on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - please contact Junior Coordinator to participate.

A minimum of 3 games must be played to be eligible to win a prize. Further preliminary details available on our website.

Last year 7 players represented Echunga ranging from 9 to 15 years - all were beginners or inexperienced players with no handicaps. We had winners in both the 6-hole and 9-hole competitions.

### **New juniors section on website**

Please let me know if there is anything you would like to see in this section.

*Esther and Jamie Burt*

*Junior Co-Ordinators, Echunga Golf Club*

*0424 478 960 Esther*

*0418 855 831 Jamie*



## New Members

Welcome to the following new members who have joined our Club over the past month.

Matthew O'Callaghan	6 day
Paul O'Callaghan	6 day
Stephen Williams	6 day
Sam Hunt	7 day
Neville Murphy	6 day
Haga Hiroshi	6 day
Darryl Curtis	7 day
David Woolmer	7 day
Kym Hughes	6 day

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.

## Membership as at 5/1/2017

Male	407
Female	42
Total	449

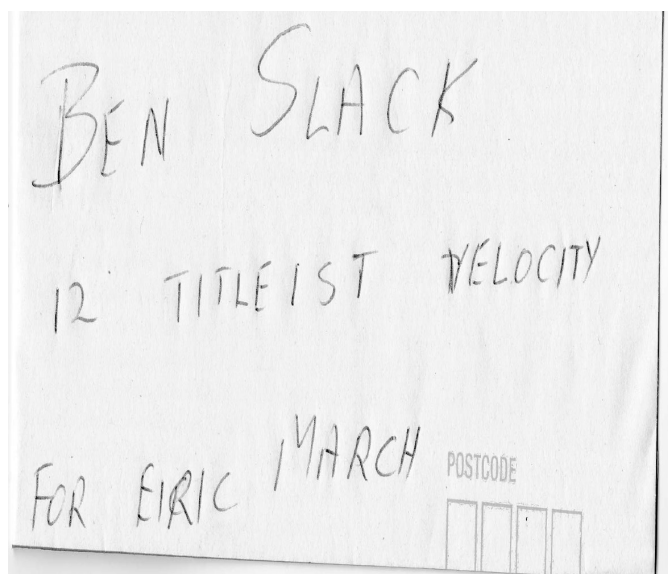
## Last Month's Riddle

"What has 13 hearts by no other organs?"

**ANSWER:** *A deck of cards*

## Eric March or is it

## Eiric now?



## Can you help?

Before the old clubhouse was demolished a group of optimistic "rose rescuers", (in mid-summer!) dug up two roses, the last of a garden next to the clubhouse, which I was told, was a memorial one. Can any member tell me when the garden was planted and for what reason?

Can you name the rose?

The other one, which has survived, is a pale pink one.

After much loving care by Alan Horsfall in his garden, they were planted in the bed along the buggy room wall where you can see them in all their glory. As they are all that survives from the old clubhouse surrounds, it would be fitting to recognise them.

You can contact me on email [abh28@bigpond.com](mailto:abh28@bigpond.com) or telephone 8379 0654 or talk to me at the club.

**Barry Hicks**

It has been suggested that it may be a memorial to Ken Hampton's Mother or Mother in Law.

I am told that Ken is unable to confirm this information.

**Editor**



## Celebrating the opening of the Club Rooms

In July it will be 20 years since we moved into our current club rooms. The Management Committee would like to hear from members with their thoughts on how we could celebrate this occasion.

**Management Committee**

# Women's Report

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

## Stroke Award / 1<sup>st</sup> Round Putting

J Coleman	93 /70
S Maddern	89 /71
E Burt	101 /73
V Bowman	110 /73

## Putting

J Coleman	28
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## NTP

**Div 2** V Bowman

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Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December

## Stableford

W Jackson	33
K Clarke	32
V Bowman	32

## NTP

**Div 1** S Maddern

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Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

## Stableford

S Fine	37
S Maddern	36
E Burt	34

## NTP

**Div 1** E Burt

**Div 2** K Clarke

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# Leonore Steer

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, the women golfers held their Christmas celebration. As usual, there was a team golf game followed by lunch, but this year it was a lunch celebration with a twist.

Amazingly the whole playing contingent kept the secret that this lunch was to (belatedly) celebrate Leonore Steer's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

(It had been celebrated with a large cake adorned with sparklers on the actual day which coincided with our Championship final festivities.) December saw the real celebration with a lovingly crafted presentation, orchestrated by Pat Umlauf who fitted together photos and music, acted as compere and introduced the four speakers.

Leonore had a long and successful playing career at Riverside (now West Lakes) before joining

Echunga. In one very successful year she won seven trophies!

Another club where she shines is South Lakes where she has attended May week and the Melbourne Cup week for the last twenty eight years, coming home with many prizes and loving the opportunity to dress up (likewise she enjoys the themed Open Days at Strathalbyn).

She is still a regular and consistent golfer.

One golfing highlight comes from yet another club – hitting a hole in one on the third at Mt Lofty (now The Stirling). She has been a regular pennant player for decades and is still prepared to substitute if needed!

She has been on the Management Committee at Echunga and has never been afraid to state exactly what she thinks! From 2002-2004 she was Secretary of the Southern Women's Golf Group and to be effective taught herself how to use a computer and the internet!! She organised meetings, compiled and distributed all the related paperwork, handled the financials and prepared accounting reports for presentation at the SWGG meetings.

At Echunga she has been secretary for the women's committee for many years - just look at the Honour Board (where you will also see that she has received the accolade of becoming a Life Member.)

There are many other sides to this dedicated member of our club noticeably her devotion to her dogs and to the Crows!!

In the words of one of her oldest friends: "Leonore is fiercely independent, this becomes her and has made her the self- reliant Lady she is today. Although you CAN help her out of the bunker now IF she has exhausted all the alternatives.

*Wendy Jackson*





# ***Flashback!***

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

## **20 Years ago**

### **CLUBHOUSE.**

After all the talking over the last few years at last we are able to see some action.

Work has commenced on the site levels in readiness for the erection of our new Clubhouse. In some 16 weeks time (about mid May) we should have our new home.

When finished and refurbished the total cost is expected to be around \$350,000..

Please be careful when you are in the area of the building and watch out for any unwelcome visitors.

*Taken from the January 1997 Putter*

## **15 Years ago**

My partners are always laughing at the little flag tied to my tee with my name and phone number on it but the other day someone posted it back to me.

THANKS to whoever it was.

And what did you get for Christmas???

Golfers must be the easiest of people to find Christmas gifts for as there must be more gadgets and gimmicks available than there is for any other sport.

Some of the gifts I received or heard of others getting were...

### **Golf ball monogrammer**

Probably one of the most useless pieces of equipment you can get. I didn't read the instructions properly and when I saw "ball monogrammer" I wondered why you would want to put your initials on them anyway and wouldn't it be painful?

### **Chocolate golf balls**

Very hard to hit and even more difficult to putt with particularly on hot days.

### **Talking Golf bag**

starts singing and wobbling every time you walk past it. Sends your wife crazy if you araldite the on/off switch on.

### **Ball wipes**

Good for cleaning your balls. Can be used on golf balls as well.

### **Ball bag**

As you'd expect holds 2 balls and 2 tees.

### **Dictionary of golf terms**

Useful for putter editors to fill up little spaces in the putter.

### **Quote from the Advertiser on the origins of Golf.**

"..it's believed that golf came to Australia with the first convicts, it was considered to be part of their punishment.."

*Taken from the January 2002 Putter*

## **NEW LOCAL RULE**

The R & A announced that from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2017 competition committees will be permitted to introduce a local rule that waives a penalty, when a ball is accidentally moved on the putting green and Golf Australia has encouraged all Australian clubs to make a decision to adopt this local rule.

As a result Echunga will be adopting this local rule. Whilst at this stage we won't be able to add this local rule to our score cards it will be considered to be in play for all competitions held at Echunga. The local rule is as follows:

### ***"Accidental Movement of a Ball on a Putting Green***

***Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1 are modified as follows:***

***When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment. The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1. This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.***

***Note: If it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced."***

***EGC Match Committee***

# LOCAL RULE: ACCIDENTAL MOVEMENT OF A BALL ON THE PUTTING GREEN

**WHAT IT MEANS:** The committee in charge of a competition or course now has the option to adopt a Local Rule that eliminates the penalty for **all** circumstances when a player, an opponent or either of their partners, caddies or equipment **accidentally** moves a ball or ball-marker on the putting green.

## HOW IT WORKS | The following are examples where the Local Rule would apply:

**IF:** When preparing to make a stroke, a player accidentally causes the ball to move...



**THEN:** No penalty, and the ball must be replaced.

**IF:** A player accidentally drops his/her ball, which hits and moves the ball-marker...



**THEN:** No penalty, and the ball-marker must be replaced.

**IF:** A player accidentally drops his/her ball-marker, which hits and moves the ball...



**THEN:** No penalty, and the ball must be replaced.

**IF:** A player accidentally kicks and moves his/her ball...



**THEN:** No penalty, and the ball must be replaced.

## HOW IT DOESN'T WORK | The following are examples where the Local Rule would not apply:

**IF:** A player intentionally moves or lifts his/her ball on the putting green without first marking its location...

**THEN:** One-stroke penalty, and the ball must be replaced.

**IF:** A player accidentally moves his/her ball that is lying on the fairway, in the rough or in a bunker...

**THEN:** One-stroke penalty, and the ball must be replaced.



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## From Lloyd Mitchell

Hi and Thank **Y**ou to my fellow members.

On Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> January, I collapsed in the clubrooms after playing golf.

Whilst waiting for the ambulance to arrive I was assisted by many members who were concerned for my health. I am overwhelmed by the support I received and would like to thank you all for your help and concern.

When I arrived at the RAH I had a heartbeat of 200bpm and this was the reason that caused me to pass out on several occasions. After about 4 ½ hours they were able to reduce my heart rate to around 113bpm and after having an x-ray of my heart, I was discharged about 8.00pm.

After consulting my doctor on the Monday, my wife and I left on our planned trip to Queensland where we will spend about 3 weeks with friends. I am now on medication for my heart condition and will be seeing a cardiologist when I return.

Once again I would like to thank all those who assisted me at the club and for the many phone calls I received from members with concerns re my health.

I am now feeling good and will see you all in a couple of weeks.

**Lloyd Mitchell**

**After slicing his tee shot** into the woods, a golfer heads off in search of his ball, which he finds behind a large tree. After considering his position -- and not wanting to take a drop and lose a stroke -- he decides to hook the ball around the tree. He swings, the ball hits the tree, ricochets back at him, and instantly kills him.

When he opens his eyes, he sees the Pearly Gates and St. Peter standing before him.

"Am I dead?" he asks.

"Yes, my son," replies St. Peter, who looks the man over and notices his clubs.

"I see you're a golfer," St. Peter says.

"Are you any good?"

"Hey, I got here in two, didn't I?"

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### Golfer's Serenity Prayer!



Grant me the serenity  
to accept the shots I miss,  
the courage to try again  
and the wisdom not to  
throw my clubs in the  
damn lake.

Author Unknown



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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.

Russell Yeates [ryeates@senet.com.au](mailto:ryeates@senet.com.au)

Jesus and Moses are playing golf in Heaven when they come to the par-three 17th hole, a long carry over water to an island green. Moses tees off with a 3-wood and hits the green. Jesus takes out his 5-iron and says, "I'm going to hit a 5-iron because Arnold Palmer would hit a 5-iron from here."

Jesus tees it up and hits a lofted iron shot that finishes 25 yards short of the green and in the water.

Jesus turns to Moses and says, "How about parting the water so I can play my ball where it lies?"

Moses says, "No way. You foolishly chose the wrong club because of your Arnold Palmer fantasy and I'm not going to be a party to it!" Jesus shrugs and starts walking on the water to where his ball went in.

Just then, a foursome approaching the tee box sees Jesus walking on the water. One of them asks Moses, "Who does that guy Think he is, Jesus Christ?"

Moses turns and says, "No, he thinks he's Arnold Palmer!"

## **Golf in Ireland**

A U.S. citizen is vacationing on his own in Ireland. He decides to play a round of golf and is paired with three local gents.

He takes a few practice swings, steps up to the first tee and proceeds to hook the ball out of bounds. He shakes his head, reaches in his pocket and re-tees another ball.

He tells his playing partners that he is taking a Mulligan.

He pounds one down the center of the fairway about 280 yards out.

With a big smile, he asks the others "In the U.S., we call that a Mulligan, was wondering what you called it here in Ireland."

After a moment of silence, one of the locals replies, "Hitting three."

## **Listen to the voices!**

Guy gets to a long par 3 over water. A voice from above says, "Hit the new Titleist Pro V.

"The guy tees up the Titleist and takes a practice swing.

The voice comes back, "Never mind, hit a range ball."

## January Birthdays

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ted	Jansen
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Suzanne	Skibinski
4 <sup>th</sup>	Rob	Saunders
	Robyn	Davis
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