



# Echunga Putter

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## From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! Well done to the Women on their Pennant win, a great effort by all involved. The Handicap Matchplay is down to the final four and we wish them all the best.

The ground staff have been busy finishing off more drains on the front nine. This will help to clear some of the badly affected areas that become waterlogged each year. Hopefully this will create better playing conditions through winter.

A date for those interested in playing Pennants this year is the Pre Pennant Practice day on Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> May.

Don't forget to watch the notice board for the next working bee.

**Check out the news from GolfSA on page 5**

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.

## Pennants

This year we have 6 teams competing in the Southern Golf Group Pennant Season.

We have teams in A1, A2, B1, B3 and also a team in each of the two Handicap grades.

This means we need at least 42 players each week to fill all the teams.

If you are interested in playing, there is a list next to the Book- in computer or you can register on the club web site.

You can also contact Randy Jones, our Pennant Co-ordinator on

[egpenants@gmail.com](mailto:egpenants@gmail.com)

There is a pre pennant practice match in the form of a Captain's team against the Vice Captain's team on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Up and coming events . . .

### April

#### May

Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Par – <b>Semi Finals Handicap Match Play</b>
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	Women - Three BBB Stableford in conjunction
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stroke
Saturday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford <b>Final Handicap Match Play</b>
Sunday	21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Pre-pennant practice day – 8.30 am Tee off - BBQ afterwards</b>
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Women - Stroke – 4 <sup>th</sup> Round Medal – Putting 2 <sup>nd</sup> Round Veterans' Trophy
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Stableford – Legacy Day</b>
Sunday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 1
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	Women - Foursomes 1 <sup>st</sup> Round Foursomes Championships

### June

Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Stroke – 1<sup>st</sup> Rnd Presidents Trophy</b>
Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Monthly Medal, Putting Comp, Eclectic</b>
Wednesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 2 Women - Foursomes 2 <sup>nd</sup> Round Foursomes Championships
Thursday	8 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Par – Les Couch Memorial Trophy</b>
Monday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Queens Birthday – Stableford Rnd 3 Public Holiday Medal
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Par
Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stroke
Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Stableford</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rnd Blue Block Challenge
Sunday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 3
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Women - Stroke – 5 <sup>th</sup> Round Medal – Putting 3 <sup>rd</sup> Round Veterans' Trophy
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Par</b>
Sunday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 4
Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Ambrose 3 Person Ambrose
Thursday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
July		
Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting Comp, Eclectic</b>
Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 5
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stableford
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford

# Competition Results

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

**Stableford Men 68 Players DSR 69**

**Women 2 Players DSR 71**

## Division 1

P Coldrey	39
J Lawson	39
C Nailer	38
G Foster	38
A Horsfall	37
M Stevens	36

## Division 2

T Hodgson	40
K Smart	38
G Dodd	36
J Goff	36
W Ryan	35
A Roberts	34

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

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

**POG**

**Women**

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**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April**

**Par Men 113 Players DSR 68**

**Women 6 Players DSR 71**

## A Grade

D Bailey	+4
H Griffin	+2
J Harders	+2
B Guy	+1
J McGleish	Sq
Z Bilandzic	Sq

## B Grade

J Reuter	+4
A Pietsch	+3
R McLauchlan	+3
P Head	+3
A Amberg	+2
K Wenham	+1

## C Grade

N Jordan	+6
M Voigt	+4
W Ryan	+3
K Gerke	+3
J Janson	+2
Dar Wilson	+1

## D Grade

M Clark	+5
B Burnett	+4
B Fox	+3
An Pouw-Bray	+2
S Taylor-Hull	+1
G Beltchev	Sq

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

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

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

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

**NTP in 2 (11<sup>th</sup>)**

**A-B**

**C-D**

**Women**

**Easter Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

**Stableford Men 27 Players DSR 68**

**Women 3 Players DSR 71**

A Bailey	42
H Griffin	40
R Jones	40
D Beams	39
D Murphy	38
G Dodd	38

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

**Women**

E Burt	36
A Morton	34

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**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

**Stroke Men 44 Players DSR 72**

**Women 1 Players DSR 72**

G Vivian	70
W Satterthwaite	73
B Wallace	73
C Bedson	75
P Coldrey	75
E March	77

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

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

**POG**

**Women**

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**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

**Stableford Men 104 Players DSR 69**

**Women 4 Players DSR 72**

## A Grade

B Slack	41
B Colman	37
R D'Alessandro	37
I Bonython	36
C Nailer	35
P Coldrey	35

## B Grade

J Warren	38
A Curtis	37
A Bailey	36
P Craven	36
A Horsfall	35
S Fensom	35

## C Grade

C Wenham	38
D Curtis	37
M Voigt	37
E March	37
P Downs	36
R Easling	36

## D Grade

R Bodin	42
A Dutton	35
J Mason	35
S Grivell	35
D Carver	35
T Steel	35

NTP 2 <sup>nd</sup>	K McLennan	
NTP 7 <sup>th</sup>	R Jones	
NTP 10 <sup>th</sup>	M Jordan	
NTP 18 <sup>th</sup>	M Voigt	

NTP in 2 (11 <sup>th</sup> )		
A-B	B Guy	
C-D	L Mitchell	
Women	L Gray	33
	E Burt	31

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<b>Anzac Day Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April</b>			
<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 68</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 72</b>

D Murphy	40
J Speed	40
C Nailer	39
D Fromm	39
A Horsfall	38
J Haslett	37

NTP 10 <sup>th</sup>	B Wallace	
NTP 18 <sup>th</sup>	K Moore	
Women	L Gray	34

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<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>			
<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 69</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 72</b>

<b>Division 1</b>		<b>Division 2</b>	
R Short	37	G Davis	37
B Hughes	36	M Davis	37
S Nailer	35	L Goldfinch	35
K Hampton	35	T Hodgson	35
B Wallace	34	C Fromm	34
M Haslett	34	D Mengersen	34

NTP 10 <sup>th</sup>	H Griffin	
NTP 18 <sup>th</sup>	R Jones	
POG	C Nailer	20
Women	L Gray	31
	M Holton	39

<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>			
<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 69</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 71</b>

<b>A Grade</b>		<b>B Grade</b>	
J Chapman	40	M Henderson	39
A Messenger	37	G Watts	39
R Jones	37	S Jensen	38
S Nailer	37	S Fensom	36
J Hyland	37	R Eibisch	35
M Haslett	35	B Hodgkison	35

<b>C Grade</b>		<b>D Grade</b>	
K Fairchild	41	B Burnett	36
G Beltchev	39	J Hogarth	34
S Wilson	39	K Healey	34
R Dyer	37	S Grivell	34
R Grinter	36	S Rowell	34
E March	36	A Pouw-Bray	34

NTP 2 <sup>nd</sup>	B Wallace
NTP 7 <sup>th</sup>	K Fairchild
NTP 10 <sup>th</sup>	J Hogarth
NTP 18 <sup>th</sup>	G Beltchev

NTP in 2 (11 <sup>th</sup> )	
A-B	B Guy
C-D	E March

<b>Women</b>	C Fensom	37
	C Hasson	33

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<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>			
<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 69</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Players</b>	<b>DSR 71</b>

<b>Division 1</b>		<b>Division 2</b>	
M Haslett	40	T Hodgson	39
R Eibisch	39	D Curtis	37
D Beams	38	J Mason	36
C Nailer	37	P Anderson	35
B Guy	36	N Franzway	34
G Vivian	36	I Oswald	34

<b>NTP 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	G Foster	
<b>NTP 18<sup>th</sup></b>	T Steel	
<b>POG</b>	L Bowey	22
<b>Women</b>	L Gray	35
	A Morton	33

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**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

<b>Stroke</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>115 Players</b>	<b>DSR n/a</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>6 Players</b>	<b>DSR n/a</b>

**Captains Trophy** Rob Eibisch

<b>A Grade</b>		<b>B Grade</b>	
B Colman	73	R Eibisch	68
P Coldrey	68	D Bedson	69
J Hyland	69	D Beams	70
J McGleish	70	R Mills	70
S Nailer	70	B Kidd	72
G Day	71	S Fensom	73

<b>C Grade</b>		<b>D Grade</b>	
S Wilson	71	J Goff	64
J Thomas	72	R Davidson	66
P Allen	72	S Grivell	70
D Curtis	73	R Bodin	73
N Jordan	73	I Oswald	74
P Anderson	74	A Pouw-Bray	74

<b>NTP 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	S Nailer
<b>NTP 7<sup>th</sup></b>	R Langbein
<b>NTP 10<sup>th</sup></b>	B Slack
<b>NTP 18<sup>th</sup></b>	J Chapman

<b>NTP in 2 (11<sup>th</sup>)</b>	
<b>A-B</b>	J Hyland
<b>C-D</b>	P Anderson

<b>Monthly Medal</b>		
<b>A Grade</b>	J Hyland	73
<b>B Grade</b>	R Eibisch	85
<b>C Grade</b>	S Wilson	91
<b>D Grade</b>	R Davidson	97

<b>Putting Comp</b>		
<b>A Grade</b>	J Hyland	23
<b>B Grade</b>	A Amberg	28
<b>C Grade</b>	R Grinter	31
<b>D Grade</b>	R Davidson	28

<b>Women</b>		
	L Gray	72
	C Fensom	73
	C Hasson	75
	M Wray	76

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# Trophy Winners

**Captains  
Trophy  
Rob Eibisch**



## MONTHLY MEDALS May

<b>A Grade</b>	J Hyland	73
<b>B Grade</b>	R Eibisch	85
<b>C Grade</b>	S Wilson	91
<b>D Grade</b>	R Davidson	97



## Handicap Matchplay

### 1<sup>st</sup> Round Results 22<sup>nd</sup> April

N Jordan (1)	def	G Beltchev (16)	4/3
A Amberg (9)	def	J Harders (8)	1up
S Handke (12)	def	K Gerke (5)	19 <sup>th</sup>
W Ryan (4)	def	J McGleish (13)	2/1
D Bailey (3)	def	Z Bilandzic (14)	2/1
P Head (6)	def	S Taylor-Hull (11)	3/1
H Griffin (7)	def	Dar Wilson (10)	4/3
M Clark (2)	def	N McNicol (15)	4/2

### Quarter Final Results 29<sup>th</sup> April

A Amberg (9)	def	N Jordan (1)	5/4
W Ryan (4)	def	S Handke (12)	Forfeit
P Head (6)	def	D Bailey (3)	3/2
H Griffin (7)	def	M Clark (2)	4/3

### Semi Finals to be played on 13<sup>th</sup> May

### Final to be played on 20<sup>th</sup> May

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# JUNIOR Coaching Clinics

No Clinic in May

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August

**2:00pm Advanced**

**3:00pm Beginners**

All juniors welcome

No restriction on membership

Bring your children,  
grandchildren, nieces & nephews,  
or neighbours.

## Membership as at 3/04/2017

	2016	2017	Change
Male	381	421	+40
Female	42	44	+2
Total	423	465	+42

## New Members

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

Tony Spry	7 Day
Ryan Colman	7 Day
Tim Steer	7 Day
Vivian Smith	7 Day
Chris Murphy	7 Day
Jared Stringer	7 Day
Jason Turner	7 Day
Michael Cuthbertson	6 Day
Ryan Gerlach	7 Day
Daniel Murphy	7 Day
Bradley Barclay	7 Day
Andrew Bastalec	7 Day
Rob Lyon	7 Day
Al Lyon	7 Day
Ian Rushton	7 Day

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.

## An interesting article from the GolfSA web site

### The South Australian State Teams

The South Australian Men's and Women's State Teams to contest the 2017 Australian Interstate Teams Matches in Western Australia have been selected.

The Australian Interstate Teams Matches are Australia's premier Amateur Team Golf Championships, with the Men's Series being played at The Melville Glades Golf Club 9-12 May and Women's Series played at Royal Fremantle Golf Club 9-11 May 2017.

Eight male and six female players have been selected, with 22-year-old Matthew Lisk from The Grange Golf Club announced men's team captain for a second year and 17-year-old Ella Adams women's state captain for the first time.

Joining Lisk as returning players to the men's team include, last year's Junior Captain, Lachlan Barker from Glenelg Golf Club and Will Somerfield from Kooyonga who will make his third appearance.

The five players to make their debuts are; Sam Burton (Tea Tree Gully), **Billy Cawthorne (Royal Adelaide)**, Andrew Nakone Junior (The Grange), Joe Hodgson (Kooyonga) and junior state captain Jackson Kalz (Glenelg).

The Men's team will be coached by Jamie Clutterham, PGA Professional at the North Adelaide golf course and will be managed by David Brand.

**South Australia finished fifth in 2016 and last won the series in 1983 with the team of Neil Crafter (C), Kevin Bulbeck, David Cherry, Bill Guy, Dean Harris, Michael Haslett, Phil Roberts, Dean Wiles,**

### SA Men's Team

**Competing from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017, Melville Glades Golf Club, WA**

Matthew Lisk - **Captain** (The Grange) 22yrs

Lachlan Barker (Glenelg) 18yrs

Sam Burton (Tea Tree Gully) 20yrs

Billy Cawthorne (Royal Adelaide) 19yrs

Joe Hodgson (Kooyonga) 18yrs

Jackson Kalz (Glenelg) 17yrs

Andrew Nakone Jnr (The Grange) 21yrs

Will Somerfield (Kooyonga) 23yrs

Jamie Clutterham (**Coach**)

David Brand (**Team Manager**)

\*Age listed (as at 9<sup>th</sup> May)

**Good Luck Billy!**

# Women's Report

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April Stableford**

S Maddern	37
E Burt	33
T Button	30

**NTP**

**Div 1** V Nairn

**Div 2** T Button

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**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April Stroke**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Rnd International Bowl**

**1<sup>st</sup> Rnd Veterans Trophy**

T Button	106/71
K Clarke	106/74
P Loughhead	110/74

**NTP**

**Div 1** E Burt

**Div 2** M Semmelmann

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**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April Stroke**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Rnd Medal**

**Putting**

P Umlauf	80
T Button	81
J Coleman	81
W Jackson	81

**Putting**

W Jackson	27
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**NTP**

**Div 1** W Jackson

**Div 2** P Umlauf

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**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

**Shylie Rymill Handicap Foursomes**

P Umlauf/ B Cain	79
T Button/ E Burt	81

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# Thank You

The Women of the Echunga Golf Club would like to pass on a big thank you to John Rushton for putting a no slip sealer on the floor of the Ladies toilet.

Thanks John.

# Out and About

**Janet Humphrey Memorial Foursomes – McCracken – 21<sup>st</sup> April**

Sue T and I were fortunate to arrive on time for this event as there was a major diversion that morning on the Victor Harbor road, due to a three car collision at around 7am. Not only was the diversion long, but we happened to be following a slow moving horse float on a road with no overtaking opportunities. We did however, arrive in sufficient time and as walkers were fortunate to be playing off the first tee.

In fact, everyone was fortunate to be playing, as the previous day storms had caused play to be abandoned and there had also been torrential rain as we discovered from the soft fairways. The course was otherwise immaculate and we enjoyed our round (except for the first and last holes). The ducks were out in force and our playing partners benefited from this when a bladed, potentially disastrous chip, hit a duck adjacent to the hole and stopped (the duck was not happy, but did survive). Janeen paid tribute to Janet Humphrey's contribution to Women's Golf. There was a field of 60 players representing 12 clubs. The winners with an impressive 67½ net came from Willunga, Thaxted Park came 2<sup>nd</sup> on a countback from McCracken and we came fifth with 75 on a countback from Janeen and Sue M!

*Wendy Jackson*

# Congratulations & Well Done!

**Div 2 Southern Women's Golf Group Pennants (GA 0-32 Handicap Match Play)**

Our team has had a great season of Pennant Golf. We started the season at Mt Barker- Hahndorf playing the home team and had a 3/2 win. The second game was at Lake Albert against Murray Bridge, Echunga had a 4/1 win. Our third game was at Mannum and again we played the home team who were also champions for the last three years. In a generally hard fought round we triumphed 3½ to 1½. We had a 4/1 win at home against Tailem Bend. At this stage we knew that we would be in the finals, but three teams had the potential to join us. In our final game we had a reality check as at Tailem Bend we lost 4 ½ to ½ to Lake Albert (who joined us in the Finals).





*The winners*

**(L to R) Esther, Wendy, Janeen, Sue M & Sue T.**

The Finals were played on 8<sup>th</sup> May at Mt Compass Golf Course, it being a neutral course in the Southern Group. Our team was Sue Maddern, Janeen Coleman, Esther Burt, Sue Telfer and Wendy Jackson with Pat Umlauf as caddy. What a terrific team performance on a course which demands great precision and accuracy with its water hazards, huge, undulating greens and innumerable bunkers. Starting on the 10<sup>th</sup>, we all had a disastrous start, but gradually settled and at the 18<sup>th</sup> learnt from our wonderful supporters, Val and Leonore that we had three players in front. By the end, we won 5.0. For the record, Sue M won 2/1, Janeen 5/4, Esther 3/1, Sue T 4/2 and Wendy 4/2. Thanks to Pat who was a perfect caddy.

As Pennant's Captain I would like to thank all those who have played this season and who have willingly travelled and given up their Mondays. We have appreciated the support of our fellow golfers, especially Leonore who acted as referee and starter for our home game, Val who was our reserve and Kathy and Sheryl who played as reserves

**Wendy Jackson**

**2017 Women's Pennants Captain**



## **An Italian Affair**

For several years, a man had been having an affair with an Italian woman.

One night, she confided to him that she was pregnant.

Not wanting to ruin his reputation or his marriage, he paid her a large sum of money if she would go back to Italy to have the child in secret.

Also, if she stayed in Italy to raise the child, he would provide child support until the child turned 18.

She agreed, but asked how he would know when the baby was born.

To keep it discrete, he told her to simply mail him a postcard, and write "Spaghetti" on the back when the child was born.

He would then arrange for the Child Support Payments to begin.

One day, about 8 months later, he came home to his confused wife.

"Honey," she said, "You received a very strange postcard today."

"Oh, just give it to me and I'll explain it later," he said.

The wife obeyed and watched as her husband read the card, turned white, and fainted.

On the card was written:

Spaghetti, Spaghetti, Spaghetti, Spaghetti, Spaghetti.

Three with meatballs, two without.

Send extra sauce.

## **Links Lady Bay Winter Membership**

Links lady Bay is offering a 3 month Winter Membership

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## *'Rhodes Rules School'*

### **No.4 Bridge in Water Hazard**



#### **Question 1:**

Danny's ball comes to rest on a bridge within the margins of a water hazard. Is he permitted to ground his club when;

- Walking up to the ball
- Addressing his ball prior to making his stroke

Answer: Yes, Danny is permitted to ground his club on the bridge **at any time**.

A bridge is an obstruction. In a hazard, the club may touch an obstruction at address or in the backward movement for the stroke. Touching the bridge prior to address is also permissible, since an obstruction in a water hazard is not ground in the hazard. This applies even if the bridge has been declared an integral part of the course. See Decision 13-4/30.



#### **Question 2:**

Danny's ball lies within the margins of a water hazard. He plays right-handed and there is a bridge interfering with his stance and area of intended

swing to the green. May he take relief without penalty from this immovable obstruction?

Answer: No, there is no relief for interference by an immovable obstruction when the player's ball lies in a water hazard or a lateral water hazard. Rule 24-2b.

Had Danny's ball been at rest **outside** the margin of the water hazard or lateral water hazard and the bridge was interfering with his stance or area of intended swing then free relief would have been available. In this situation, to take relief he must lift his ball and drop it, without penalty, within one club-length of and not nearer the hole than the **nearest** point of relief.

## **5 Fun Facts for your day!**

- 1 Your nose can remember 50,000 different scents.
- 2 Humans shed about 600,000 particles of skin every hour.
- 3 The human eye can distinguish about 10 million different colours.
- 4 We spend about 10% of our waking hours with our eyes closed.
- 5 If uncoiled, the DNA in all the cells in your body would stretch 10 billion miles, from here to Pluto and back.



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## Junior Clinics

Please see the junior section on our website for updates.

### Primary School's Golf Event

The next Junior event is the Primary School's Golf Event to be held at Echunga, on May 23rd. This is a try out day for kids in year 5-7 with a qualifying event at Willunga in June. Students interested in this event should contact their school sport's coordinator or myself for further information.

### Junior Clinic

### Second Sunday of the month

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>

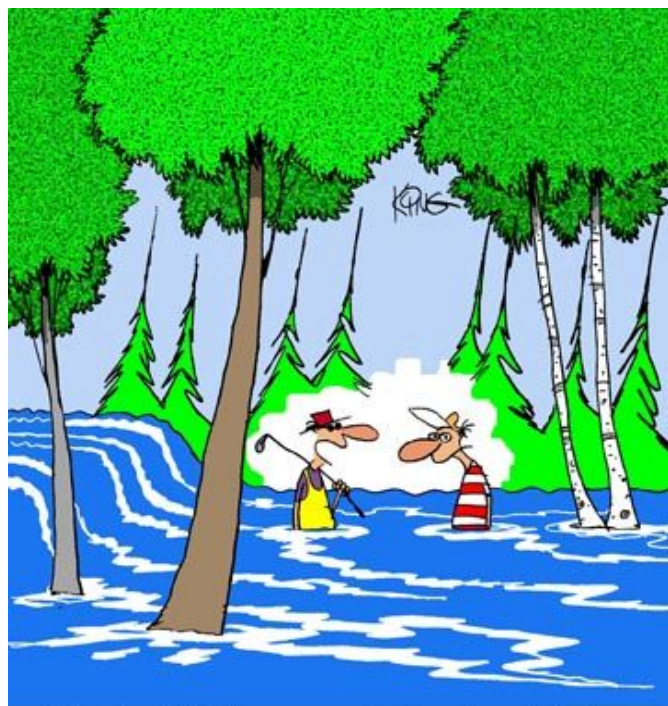
December 10<sup>th</sup> - Family Ambrose day

*Esther and Jamie Burt*

*Junior Co-Ordinators, Echunga Golf Club*

*0424 478 960 Esther*

*0418 855 831 Jamie*



*"You described this course as having a 'small drainage problem.' Don't you think you were understating the problem a bit?"*

## Flashback!

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

## 25 Years ago

### Golf's an easy game

After what happened on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May the Club may have to replace "Sam's" Glove on the notice board with a dummy as he spat his out after being made to tee off last on the next hole (the 17<sup>th</sup>) after he scored a Birdie on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

It appears that on the 16<sup>th</sup> all four ... Ken "Sam" Hampton, Nick "Anzac" McNicol, Peter Wass and John Venning all put their tee shots on the green and all scored Birdies.

*Taken from the May 1992 Putter*

## 15 Years ago

### COUNCILLORS VISIT

Prior to the start of the last committee meeting the Committee were briefed on the intention of the Council by councillors, Allan Rote and Roger Irvine.

The Council is aware of the strong financial position of the EGC and acknowledged the hardwork and foresight shown by past committees in getting the club to such a position.

The councillors could see no likelihood of the Council ever wanting to use the current course for anything than as a Golf course.

A Register is currently being compiled by the State government of how council lands are used and it would be a very difficult process to have current usage changed. (At the very least there would need to be a great deal of Public consultation which would take place.)

All of the buildings are owned by the golf club which is a saleable asset.

No need for any changes to be made in the arrangements we already have with the Council.

The golf club would have to want to change it. There are restrictions on what we can do with

the land, but there are options as long as we don't compromise the watershed problems. The Committee were heartened by what they heard and appreciated the attendance of the councillors.

*Taken from the May 2002 Putter*

## 5 Years ago

### Foursomes Champions

*Best gross scores stroke play with the top four teams playing off in match play finals.*

Matt Hickman & Randy Jones

### Runners up

D McGlashan & B Cawthorne

### David Smart Trophy

*Best nett scores stroke play.*

M Voigt & B Fox

### Senior Foursomes

*Best nett scores stroke play.*

E March & R Wilkinson

## History is made

On Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, Bill Guy scored 42 Stableford points. Some of you may think that that's no big deal as you have scored this many or even more points than this on numerous occasions, but Bill did this off a 1 handicap. His score off the stick that day was 64 which is 5 under the card. Unfortunately for Bill this round would have easily been a course record, but it was a Stableford round



and we are also using a temporary hole so therefore it cannot be considered for a course record. This is the second time that Bill would have had a course record, but both times this has occurred it has not been in a stroke round.

Bill's score on the day consisted of one bogey (the first,

not how you would like to start), eleven pars and six birdies. He shot a 32 on the front and then followed up with another 32 on the back.

You may have thought that with a round like this that Bill's handicap would have tumbled, well it did. His handicap went from 1.3 to 0.5 which still left him on a 1 handicap.

The following week's par round, which I am told are usually very difficult for low handicappers, saw Bill come in with a score of +1. I'm not sure what Bill had off the stick as he picked up on 2 holes during the front nine, but he did have another 32 on the back nine.

After handicaps were calculated at the completion of the day, Bill's handicap went from 0.5 to 0.3 therefore making Bill the first member of Echunga that I am aware of to officially play off a scratch handicap.

Congratulations Bill on this achievement and I presume your next goal will be to play off a positive handicap.

**Greg Klatt**

**Captain**

*Taken from the May 2012 Putter*

## Who am I?

I have a birthday on the 18<sup>th</sup> June

I ran my own business for many years fixing other people's problems.

I'm quite a "chatty" fellow

I buy ladies nail polish to mark my golf balls (now that's a giveaway.)

My nick names are Rowdy and Bobett.

I am B..... H.....

**Bob (Robert (Rowdy or Bobett))**

**Hughes of course!**

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## White Hair!

One day a little girl was sitting and watching her mother do the dishes at the kitchen sink. She suddenly noticed that her mother had several strands of white hair sticking out in contrast on her brunette head.

She looked at her mother and inquisitively asked, 'Why are some of your hairs white, Mum?'

Her mother replied, 'Well, every time that you do something wrong and make me cry or unhappy, one of my hairs turns white.'

The little girl thought about this revelation for a while and then said, 'Mummy, how come ALL of grandma's hairs are white?'

## THE EVOLUTION OF GOLF

### Part 5 ... T.Woods.

In a previous edition mention was made of the "gutta percha" ball, but no details were given as to its constituency. The term gutta percha is the name given to the juice of an evergreen tree found on the Malay Peninsular. It possesses naturally little elasticity but becomes pliant under high temperatures and has many commercial uses such as a covering for electric wires - being a non conductor, and is also largely used in the making of hoses, belting and other flexible goods and combined with the more elastic caoutchouc (india rubber) it is easily vulcanised.

Much has been written and discussed concerning the term "Colonel Bogey" now commonly referred to as Par and for the benefit of a local well known member of our club who just loves the game of Par, this section on the "evolution of golf" is dedicated to that gentleman.

In 1890 a Hugh Rotterham of the Coventry Golf Club devised a system of handicapping whereby every player was matched against an imaginary opponent who played perfect golf, this was based on a "ground score" for his own course, the ground score being the number of strokes the perfect golfer would take at each hole, the difference to be applied to a players gross score in future games, as a deduction if the average exceeded the ground score and an addition if it were less. The club's Secretary explained the system to a friend who made the observation that the hypothetical opponent was a regular "bogey man" and so the bogey became universally known throughout the UK. One particular Club which adopted the 'bogey' principle was the United Services Club at Gosport near Southampton, whose members as the name implies all held service rank and the then Secretary a Captain Seely-Vidal decreed that "Mr Bogey" should be given the rank of Colonel and so the term "Colonel Bogey" was born and remained as such for a number of years but as the standard of equipment, the ability of individuals and the condition of course improved players regularly proved more than a match for "Colonel Bogey" and the system was subsequently modified to what



is now known in modern times as PAR.

## **THE EVOLUTION of GOLF**

### **Part 6**

**By T.Woods.**

Another subject which is not commonly put is why a golf course generally consists of 18 holes.

For the first 50 years of organised golf, that is, the half century after the formation of the first Clubs. At that time the links course at Leith, Scotland was acknowledged as the premier course and its Committee (the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers) the games senior and most authoritative body. This Committee drafted the 1st Rules of Golf and in all problems except one these were accepted by most other Clubs, the one exception being the number of holes that constituted a round of golf. The number varied from Leith's 5 holes to 25 at Montrose. Leith's 5 holes were of 414, 426, 495, and 435 yards and these were played 3 times in a round of 15 holes in all, this course was later extended by 2 holes making a total of 21 holes for a recognised round, for a long time it appeared 21 holes was the norm. However St Andrews and historic Prestwick in Western Scotland each originally had 12 holes and as the two courses grew in golfing eminence the 12 hole layout became more and more widely accepted. Because of the difference between the two sites, Prestwick was roughly circular with the 12th tee close to the 1st, 3 times round the course the 36 hole round became standard for the Club and for the first few years of the British Open which were played at Prestwick. The St Andrews 12 holes in contrast stretched in a line on a seaside strip running out to the Eden. Players hit off from beside the 'home' hole and played out to the next 11 holes to the 12th making a total of 22 holes. This course was shortened by converting their first 4 holes into 2 with players hitting off from beside the 1st and the last of these holes, and so the now standard golfing phrases of 'out' and 'home' were originated. St Andrews persisted with its 18 hole concept and eventually because of its universally accepted authority this was agreed to by all golfing nations and authorities.

See you next edition.



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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)



## This Month's Riddle

What English word retains the same pronunciation, even after you take away four of its five letters

**Answer next month**

### Last Month's Riddle

"What goes up, but never comes down?"

**ANSWER:** *Your age*

## The True Rules of Golf Part 1 of 4

The game of golf is 90% mental and 10% mental.

If you want to get better at golf, go back and take it up at a much earlier age.

Since bad shots come in groups of three, a fourth bad shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three.

When you look up and cause an awful shot, you will always look down again at exactly the moment when you ought to start watching the ball if you ever want to see it again.

Any change works for a maximum of three holes and a minimum of not at all.

No matter how bad you are playing, it is always possible to play worse

Never keep more than 300 separate thoughts in your mind during your swing.

When your shot has to carry over a water hazard, you can either hit one more club or two more balls.

## Drink Driving!

It was no par-tee for this drink "driver" when he was stopped by police down south one Saturday afternoon.

An eagle-eyed officer spotted a golf cart driving along the road. Police stopped the golf cart and spoke to the driver before submitting him to a breath test.

The 55-year-old man from the area returned a positive result of 0.106 and was reported for drink driving.

He was issued a six month instant loss of licence and his golf cart was impounded for 28 days.

The man will appear in court at a later date.

## Logic from an uncluttered Mind

The children had all been photographed, and the teacher was trying to persuade them each to buy a copy of the group picture.

'Just think how nice it will be to look at it when you are all grown up and say, 'There's Jennifer, she's a lawyer,' or 'That's Michael, He's a doctor.' A small voice at the back of the room rang out, 'And there's the teacher, she's dead.'

A teacher was giving a lesson on the circulation of the blood. Trying to make the matter clearer, she said, "Now, class, if I stood on my head, the blood, as you know, would run into it, and I would turn red in the face."

"Yes," the class said.

'Then why is it that while I am standing upright in the ordinary position the blood doesn't run into my feet?'

A little fellow shouted, 'Cause your feet ain't empty.'

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies.

A child had written a note, 'Take all you want. God is watching the apples....'

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to 'honour' thy Father and thy Mother, she asked, 'Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?'

From the back, one little boy (the oldest of a family) answered, 'Thou shall not kill.'



## May Birthdays

1 <sup>st</sup>	Peter	Munn	60
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pat	Buying	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	John	Manning	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Neil	Gray	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Rod	Brunker	
	Andrew	Fort	
9 <sup>th</sup>	Alan	Norman	
	Steve	Keough	
	Sean	Rowell	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Martin	Henderson	50
12 <sup>th</sup>	Tony	Barber	
	Dennis	Round	
	Chris	Greenwood	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Neil	Sylvia	
	Carol	Hasson	
	Scott	Morton	
	Gavin	Mooney	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Ian	Perrin	75
	Albert	Lee	
	John	Paynter	
	Malcolm	Jordan	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Peter	Dossor	
18 <sup>th</sup>	Tony	Carter	55
19 <sup>th</sup>	Creagh	Bedson	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mike	Haslett	
21 <sup>st</sup>	Chris	Button	60
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Igor	Bajev	
	Rob	Jones	55
	Russell	Kruger	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Pamm	Leech	
	Brenda	McLennan	
24 <sup>th</sup>	Michael	Huggard	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Bob	Warby	
27 <sup>th</sup>	Alex	Pouw – Bray	
	Craig	Fromm	
	Anthony	Pouw – Bray	
29 <sup>th</sup>	Ben	Trezona	
30 <sup>th</sup>	Ron	Bury	
	David	Wundersitz	
31 <sup>st</sup>	Richard	Hill	



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

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