



Echunga Putter

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Official Newsletter of the Echunga Golf Club Inc.

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From the Editor . . .

Fees rise to \$1000

Not Really, but now I've got your attention I can give you a report on the AGM.

Obviously the fees could have risen to \$1000 if the 22 (5% of members) who attended the meeting had been inclined to vote that way.

Would you have been upset?

Would you have complained?

Would you have resigned?

Obviously an AGM gives the members the opportunity to hear reports, express their opinions and vote on issues which will affect all members.

If only 5% attend do the other 95% trust them to make decisions on their behalf?

Come on members, **SUPPORT YOUR CLUB!**

The only nominations for the Vice President, Treasurer and the two Committee Persons were those who had previously held these positions, so Ray D'Alessandro, Jarred David-Smith, Chris Button and Russell Yeates were elected unopposed.

The two nominations for the position of Vice Captain were Randy Jones who had previously held this position and Jonathon McGleish.

A vote was held for this position and Randy Jones was successful.

Congratulations to all who qualified for the Club Championship Playoffs and we wish you, all the best.

The Mixed Foursomes competition was again a great day, (except for the wind) and was enjoyed by all. Congratulations to Lisa Gray and Chris Nailer on their victory and thanks to Heather Guy for her excellent catering efforts before heading out to then win the Best Net trophy with Mick Morton.

Up and coming events . . .

November

Saturday	11 th	Par- Semi Finals Club Championship
Wednesday	15 th	Women - Stableford - Semi Final Club Championship – Match Play Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes
Thursday	16 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stroke
Saturday	18 th	Stableford - Finals Club Championship
Wednesday	22 nd	Women - 9 holes Stableford Club Championship Match Play Final Championship Match tee off at 8.00am (27 holes) Salver Match tee off 8.30am (18 holes) Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes
Thursday	23 rd	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	25 th	Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting Comp. & Eclectic 1st Round Vice Captains Trophy
Wednesday	29 th	Women – Stableford - 1st Round Leonore Steer Trophy Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes
Thursday	30 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford

December

Saturday	2 nd	Stableford – Pink Shirt Day 1st Round Christmas Trophy
Wednesday	6 th	Women – 3BBB – Christmas Lunch Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes
Thursday	7 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	9 th	Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting Comp. & Eclectic 2nd Round Christmas Trophy
Wednesday	13 th	Women – Stroke - Stroke Award – 1 st Rnd Putting Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes
Thursday	14 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stroke
Saturday	16 th	Ham & Turkey Day – Ambrose - Random Groups Shotgun start 8:30am
Wednesday	20 th	Women – Stableford Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes
Thursday	21 st	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	23 rd	Par - 3rd Rnd Christmas Trophy
Tuesday	26 th	Proclamation Day – Stableford – Rnd 5 Public Holiday Trophy
Wednesday	27 th	Women – Stroke Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes
Thursday	28 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	30 th	Stroke – 3rd Rnd Blue Block Challenge

Competition Results

Thursday 12th October

Stroke	Men	52	Players	DSR 69
	Women	3	Players	DSR 72

Division 1

G Vivian	67
K Hampton	67
R Hill	69
C Button	70
T Guy	71
P Edwards	71

Division 2

S Whittam	65
G Dodd	68
B Sparrow	69
K Fairchild	69
B Nielson	69
L Goldfinch	72

NTP 2nd

K Hampton

NTP 18th

R Eibisch

POG

D Beams	31
A Morton	31

Women

A Morton	74
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Saturday 14th October

Stableford Men	117 Players	DSR 68
Women	9 Players	DSR 73

Trophy Winner

Spring Cup

Peter Anderson

A Grade

G Foster	39
R Hill	38
C Nailer	37
A Beltchev	36
Z Bilandzic	36
S Nailer	35

B Grade

D Stobbe	41
C McLatchie	38
L Bowey	37
S Handke	36
B Wallace	36
C Golding	35

C Grade

P Anderson	40
P Downs	37
J Janson	35
S Wilson	34
J Manning	34
T Carter	34

D Grade

R Gerlach	43
S Taylor-Hull	42
R Davidson	42
M Morton	41
C Fort	40
J Thomas	39

NTP 2nd

G Foster

NTP 7th

A Reid

NTP 18th

S Nailer

17th Green Opening NTP's

Victory Hotel (Strathalbyn) Voucher

A Grade

J Harders

B Grade

n/a

C Grade

Dav. Wilson

D Grade

n/a

NTP in 2 (10th)

A-B

B Wallace

C-D

T Hodgson

Women

L Gray	34
C Warne	36
J Coleman	36
A Morton	36



*Eric March & Richard Mills.
The first to play the new 17th hole*



*Eric March & Richard Mills
The first to play the new 17th Green*



Woody with a new Hat

Thursday 19th October

Stableford Men	54 Players	DSR 68
Women	4 Players	DSR 72

Division 1

G Sando	41
B Wallace	38
M Wright	38
K Hampton	37
Z Bilandzic	37
L Bowey	36

Division 2

P Anderson	42
B Smith	39
S Crump	39
T Nielsen	38
B Sparrow	37
R Davidson	36

NTP 2nd
NTP 18th

I Oswald	
B Smith	

POG

P Anderson	22
B Wallace	22

Women

H Guy	37
L Gray	34

Saturday 21st October

Stroke	Men	134 Players	DSR 69
	Women	0 Players	DSR ---

A Grade

M Hickman	65
B Guy	67
J Lawson	69
J Chapman	70
A Beltchev	71
M Haslett	71

B Grade

K Wenham	84
G Watts	68
M Voigt	69
R Mills	70
P Edwards	72
L Bowey	72

C Grade

R Grinter	63
P Anderson	65
A Horsfall	66
J Manning	67
A Bailey	68
P Allen	70

D Grade

S Grivell	65
G Beltchev	66
J Michalik	67
S Crump	67
J Hogarth	68
S Taylor-Hull	69

NTP 2nd

A Curtis

NTP 7th

A Beltchev

NTP 17th

G Day

NTP 18th

M Hickman

NTP in 2 (10th)

A-B

B Slack

C-D

A Head

Monthly Medal

A Grade

B Guy	67
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B Grade

K Wenham	84
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C Grade

R Grinter	84
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D Grade

S Grivell	90
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Putting Comp

A Grade

B Guy	22
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B Grade

M Voigt	28
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C Grade

J Manning	24
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D Grade

R Yeates	25
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Thursday 26th October

Stableford Men	54 Players	DSR 68
Women	5 Players	DSR 72

Division 1

P Anderson	41
H Hodgkison	41
T Guy	41
A Bailey	40
G Vivian	39
G Sando	38

Division 2

P LeMessurier	39
J Goff	37
A Roberts	37
D Caust	36
R Yeates	36
B Burnett	36

NTP 2nd

A Roberts

NTP 18th

E March

POG

R Eibisch	22
T Guy	22

Women

H Guy	33
L Gray	32

Saturday 28th October

Stroke	Men	128 Players	DSR 69
	Women	1 Player	DSR 72

A Grade

J Haslett	67
T Guy	67
D Parrott	68
B Guy	69
R Jones	70
J McGleish	70

B Grade

C White	68
S Jensen	68
B Hughes	69
B Rogers	70
R Mills	71
A Bailey	73

C Grade

Dar. Wilson	64
Dav. Wilson	66
T Hodgson	67
N Jordan	70
A Horsfall	71
G Dodd	71

D Grade

C Fort	67
K Gerke	68
M Dembski	69
M Morton	72
R Gerlach	72
M Clark	72

NTP 2nd

B Guy

NTP 7th

R McLauchlan

NTP 17th

V Smith

NTP 18th

W Koop

NTP in 2 (10th)

A-B

B Slack

C-D

B Jordan

Medal of Medals

A Grade	B Guy	69
B Grade	B Rogers	86
C Grade	A Bailey	92
D Grade	K Gerke	93

Putting Comp

A Grade	D Parrott	25
B Grade	B Hughes	27
C Grade	Dav. Wilson	27
D Grade	M Clark	26

Thursday 2nd November

Stableford Men	61	Players	DSR 68
Women	3	Players	DSR 72

Division 1

R Eibisch	41	Division 2	
R Jones	40	D Caust	42
C Dawe	38	A Roberts	39
T Guy	38	C Stevens	38
B Guy	37	N Franzway	37
S Nailer	37	N Holton	36
		W Satterthwaite	36

NTP 2nd

NTP 18th	L Goldfinch
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POG

D Caust	24
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Women

P Leech	33
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Saturday 4th November

Stableford Men	79	Players	DSR 70
Women	6	Players	DSR 74

A Grade

S Nailer	39	B Grade	
J Speed	37	B Hughes	37
J Haslett	36	S Dearman	37
T Spry	35	K Moore	36
M Doughty	34	N Jordan	34
K Hampton	34	M Davidson	34
		S Handke	32

C Grade

G Milne	39	D Grade	
R Easling	39	M Brown	39
J Janson	38	M Morton	38
C Stevens	36	C Bedson	36
P Allen	36	R Davidson	34
C Wenham	36	J Hogarth	32

NTP 2nd

NTP 7th	C Nailer
NTP 17th	S Fensom
NTP 18th	N Jordan
	Z Bilandzic

NTP in 2 (10th)

A-B	J Hyland
C-D	R Easling

Women

P Leech	32
M Wray	32

Nearest the Pin:

(Extra sponsors' vouchers)

2nd Hills Hire \$50.00 Voucher

11th \$20.00 Meal Voucher Hahndorf Old Mill

Trophy Winner

Spring Cup

Peter Anderson

112 points

Stableford rounds of 39, 33 & 40



MONTHLY MEDALS

October

A Grade	B Guy	67
B Grade	K Wenham	84
C Grade	R Grinter	84
D Grade	S Grivell	90



MEDAL of MEDALS

A Grade	B Guy	69
B Grade	B Rogers	86
C Grade	A Bailey	92
D Grade	K Gerke	93



Recent Achievements

Eagle

On the par 4, 10th hole on

Saturday 14th October.

Congratulations and Well Done!

Brian Wallace



Eagle

On the par 5, 14th hole on
Saturday, 21st October.
Congratulations and Well Done!



Jamie Burt

Eagle

On the par 5, 6th hole on
Saturday, 21st October.
Congratulations and Well Done!



Bill Guy

Eagle

On the par 5, 14th hole on
Thursday, 26th October.
Congratulations and Well Done!



Naren

Taverna

NEW Local Rule HOOPS

Hoops are to be treated as Movable Obstructions and relief MAY be taken in accordance with Rule 24-1. If a ball hits a hoop it MUST be played as it lies (the shot can no longer be replayed). If the hoops are in the line of play they may be removed. (Please replace them after you have taken your shot).

Twilight Golf

Now on each Wednesday

Hit off times 4:00pm to 6:00 pm

9 hole Stableford Comp

Member \$5.00 Non members \$12.00

BBQ and Bar open after round

Use of motorised carts in club competitions

Whilst not previously publicised, the Match Committee has made the decision that a medical certificate is **NOT** required in order to use a motorised cart in **ALL** golf club competitions. This includes all Championship and Monthly Medal competitions.

The prevalence of motorised vehicles and the cost and burden of obtaining a medical certificate are the main reasons for the Match Committee making this decision.

Latest Golf SA Rankings

Congratulation to Billy and Caitlin, two former Echunga junior members on their latest golf rankings. Well done to you both!

Men

S. A. No.1 Billy CAWTHORNE (Nationally 35)

Women

S. A. No.5 Caitlin PEIRCE (Nationally 93)

Mixed Foursomes

This competition was held on Sunday, 29th October with thirteen pairs taking part on a warm sunny day, but with a force 10 northerly to contend with. A great day was enjoyed by all and thanks to Heather and Diane for arranging the lunch.

Best Gross

Chris Nailer & Lisa Gray 86

Best Nett

Mick Morton & Heather Guy 73

Ball Winners

Colin Stevens & Sue Telfer 73

Tony Guy & Ann Morton 75

Hugh Griffin & Wendy Jackson 75

Nic McNicol & Judith Quick 78 ½

Russell Yeates & Leonore Steer 78 ½



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Championships

Championship Qualifiers

A Grade

Bill Guy
Jonathon McGleish
Randy Jones
Hugh Griffin
Jase Hyland
Richard Hill
Josh Lawson
Mike Haslett

B Grade

Cohen White
Richard Mills
Garth Watts
Kym Wenham
Andy Amberg
Ronald Hasson
Mick Voigt
Chris Greenwood

C Grade

Alan Horsfall
Peter Anderson
Robert Grinter
Tom Hodgson
Alan Bailey
Warren Ryan
Darren Wilson
David Wilson

D Grade

Stephen Grivell
Cooper Fort
George Beltchev
Joe Michalik
Klaus Gerke
Mark Dembski
Steven Taylor-Hull
Wayne Koop

Quarter Finals

A Grade

Bill Guy (1)	def	Mike Haslett (8)	4/2
Jase Hyland (5)	def	Hugh Griffin (4)	7/5
Richard Hill (6)	def	Randy Jones (3)	19 th
Josh Lawson (7)	def	Jonathon McGleish (2)	7/6

B Grade

Chris Greenwood (8)	def	Cohen White (1)	1up
Andy Amberg (5)	def	Kym Wenham (4)	2/1
Garth Watts (3)	def	Ronald Hasson (6)	5/4
Richard Mills (2)	def	Mick Voigt (7)	3/2

C Grade

Alan Horsfall (1)	def	David Wilson (8)	1up
Alan Bailey (5)	def	Tom Hodgson (4)	3/2
R Grinter (3)	def	Warren Ryan (6)	19 th
Darren Wilson (7)	def	Peter Anderson (2)	4/3

D Grade

Wayne Koop (8)	def	Stephen Grivell (1)	5/4
Joe Michalik (4)	def	Klaus Gerke (5)	3/2
George Beltchev (3)	def	Mark Dembski (6)	1up
Cooper Fort (2)	def	Steven Taylor-Hull (7)	21 st

New Members

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

Naren Taverna	7 Day
Michael Harvey	7 Day
Bailey Thomas	7 Day
Michael Shanahan	7 Day

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.

Business SA 2017

Export Award Winners

Congratulations to one of our valued sponsors on their business achievement.

Scott, Mick & Ann Morton from **PEAKfresh** Products were awarded the Small Business Award at the recent Business SA Export Award Ceremony. They now head to Sydney for the National Awards. Well done and Good Luck to you all.



This Month's Riddle

"Tear one off and scratch my head, what was red is black instead.

What am I?"

Answer next month

Last Month's Riddle

"There is a word and six letters it contains.
Take away one and twelve is what remains.
What word is it?"

ANSWER: Dozens (take away the 's' and a dozen remain)

Life Membership

Kym Wenham

At the AGM this year, the Management Committee proposed that Kym Wenham be awarded Life Membership.

Kym joined the Echunga Golf Club in January 1995, and soon after he commenced working hard for the club. Since joining the club Kym has served for 12 years on the Committee, eight of these years he served as Secretary.

As Secretary, Kym worked for two Presidents, Gus Cooper, and Robert Eibisch, both of whom are happy to recommend Kym for Life Membership.

In addition to his committee roles, Kym also spent three years as editor of the putter from 1999 to 2002 and a number of years as organiser of the Twilight Golf Competition. Kym was also highly regarded for his photographic skills around the club. This expertise also extended to taking some aerial shots using his drone. This facet of his career was short lived however, as the drone came to a crashing end.

Kym was the Handicap Match Play Champion in 2012 and played 32 Pennant Matches for Echunga. All who have worked with Kym agree that he has worked tirelessly behind the scenes without looking for acknowledgement or acclaim.

In short he is the type of member clubs like ours desperately need.

In summary, Kym has been a member of Echunga Golf Club for 22 years and served on the Committee for 12 years spending 8 years as secretary.

He has undertaken a number of other roles at the club including the putter, twilight golf and photography.



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Junior Clinics

Remember to keep an eye on the Echunga website homepage and please leave a contact number when registering, so we can contact you if we need to cancel/change the clinic due to wet weather.

Thanks to all who help out with junior events and clinics.

2pm - advanced group - followed by on-course play

3pm (45mins) – beginners

4pm adults (\$10pp)

Sausage sizzle and drink after session

Second Sunday of the month

November 12th

December 10th - Family Ambrose day

Esther and Jamie Burt

Junior Co-Ordinators, Echunga Golf Club

0424 478 960 Esther

0418 855 831 Jamie



"My wife wanted me to spend some time with her mother. I needed a caddy, and that's when I decided to kill two birds with one stone."

Women's Report

Wednesday 25th October

3BBB

P Umlauf/ V Bowman/ B Cain 48

Wednesday 1st November

Stroke 1st Rnd Club Championships Qualifying

A Grade

B Grade

J Coleman 64 B Cain 62

S Telfer 68 P Umlauf 70

NTP

A Grade E Burt

B Grade P Leech

2017 Ladies Winter Trophy Presentation

As Leonore (understandably nicknamed Leo) roars towards her 91st birthday this month, she has outdone herself on the 2017 winter circuit. Not only did she excel at the Golf SA Country Week by being Championship Runner Up with 41 and 40 Stableford points at South Lakes, runner up in the Foursomes with Minnie Semmelmann (a youthful 82) at Oakbank, and on it goes. She then proceeded to clean up as follows at Echunga.

SUPER SENIOR (ie Vets +++) Leonore Steer

MOST IMPROVED OVERALL Leonore Steer
(with 4.6 strokes)

MEDAL of MEDALS Leonore Steer

BEST NETT Leonore Steer

And then there were the whipper snippers

BEST GROSS Ester Burt

ECLECTIC Ester Burt

LAUREL WREATH Ester Burt

GOBBLERS Wendy Jackson

(Knocking off Leonore)

PUTTING Wendy Jackson

CLUB FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIP

GROSS WINNERS

Sue Maddern/Janeen Coleman

NETT WINNERS

Wendy Jackson /Sue Telfer

MOST IMPROVED

A grade Sue Maddern

INTERNATIONAL BOWL

Silver: Sue Maddern

Bronze: Pricilla Loughhead

SHYLIE RYMILL FOURSOMES

Pat Umlauf /Barb Cain

Well done to all our girls! We have a lot of fun and some good golf thrown in. Surely that is what living a long and healthy life is all about.

A blonde and a lawyer

A blonde and a lawyer are seated next to each other on a flight from LA to NY. The lawyer asks if she would like to play a fun game.

The blonde, tired, just wants to take a nap, politely declines and rolls over to the window to catch a few winks. The lawyer persists and explains that the game is easy and a lot of fun.

He explains, I ask you a question, and if you don't know the answer, you pay me \$5.00, and vice versa.

Again, she declines and tries to get some sleep. The lawyer, now agitated, says, "Okay, if you don't know the answer you pay me \$5.00, and, if I don't know the answer, I will pay you \$500.00."

This catches the blonde's attention and, figuring there will be no end to this torment unless she plays, agrees to the game.

The lawyer asks the first question.

"What's the distance from the earth to the moon?"

The blonde doesn't say a word, reaches into her purse, pulls out a \$5.00 bill and hands it to the lawyer.

Okay says the lawyer, your turn. She asks the lawyer,

"What goes up a hill with three legs and comes down with four legs?" The lawyer, puzzled, takes out his laptop computer and searches all his references, no answer. He taps into the air phone with his modem and searches the net and the library of congress, no answer. Frustrated, he sends e-mails to all his friends and coworkers, to no avail.

After an hour, he wakes the blonde, and hands her \$500.00.

The blonde says, "Thank you," and turns back to get some more sleep.

The lawyer, who is more than a little miffed, wakes the blonde and asks, "Well, what's the answer?"

"Without a word, the blonde reaches into her purse, hands the lawyer \$5.00, and goes back to sleep.



Count on it.



Flashback!

25 Years ago

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

A Grade	Eric Mason	One up on the 36 th
	Runner up	Mick Healy
B Grade	Bev Nicol	2/1
	Runner up	Greg Klatt
C Grade	Peter Johnston	One up on the 38 th
	Runner up	Rob Rault
D Grade	Trevor Phillips	6/4
	Runner up	Jim Brodie

CHAMPIONSHIP OF CHAMPIONS

On Sunday 8th November at Grange Golf Club the above competition was held and our 1991 Club Champion Ian Bonython represented the Echunga Golf Club. Playing against low single figure handicap champions Ian did well with scores of 91 & 86

Taken from the November 1992 Putter

20 Years ago

A GRADE CLUB CHAMPION

Matthew Hickman	1 up
Runner Up	Matthew Raven

B GRADE CHAMPION

Bob Jackson	5 / 4
Runner Up	Zelko Bilandzic

C GRADE CHAMPION

Kingsley Dawes	4 / 3
Runner Up	Steve Norman

D GRADE CHAMPION

Phil Stubbs	2 / 1
Runner Up	Kevin Kowlessar

Taken from the November 1997 Putter

15 Years ago

Doesn't happen often but President "Gus" called all players off the course on Nov 2nd due to the lightning which was cracking around the course. Interesting to see how popular the "tall" players

were in these conditions.

The Lightning must have scared Gus, going by his score.

If lightning doesn't get you, watch out because Wayne Koop might. Saw him hit a shot on the 5th recently which spread-eagled son Steven & partner Terry. I've never seen 2 people hit the ground so quickly.

Taken from the November 2002 Putter

5 Years ago

Club Championships

Played on Saturday 10th November

A Grade

Jase Hyland	def	Jamie Burt	37 th
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B Grade

Tony Guy	def	Ken Hampton	2/1
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C Grade

Barry Sparrow	def	Bob Jackson Jnr	7/5
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D Grade

John Mason	def	Keith Healey	3/2
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What a Recovery!!!!

About 3 months ago, Johnny Mason had a heart attack and collapsed in the car park after golf one Saturday afternoon. He was rushed to the RAH by ambulance and spent most of the following week in hospital. Congratulations Johnny on winning the D Grade Championship. A great effort!

Foursomes

On Sunday the 11th November our Mixed Foursomes Championships were held. There was greater participation than last year with 24 players (12 pairs) fronting up to do battle.

Many times there were complaints about the shot their partner had left them with.

There were also complaints when the men stopped talking whilst the Ladies were on the Tee only to be told "keep talking". It was a great game of golf enjoyed by all. Thanks to the Ladies who provided a great choice of salads and to Tony Guy who with Heather cooked the bar-b-que.

The Club Foursomes Champions with a Gross score of 90 Sharon Pascoe & Ben Slack

Winners of the Net Comp with a score of 72 ½ Leonore Steer & Russell Yeates

Taken from the November 2012 Putter



Murray Bridge Ham & Turkey



Sunday 3th December 2017

Men's & Ladies Stableford Competition

2 Shot Gun Starts - 8:00am / 12:30pm

Entry Fee - \$30.00

See our notice board for more details.

JUNIOR Coaching Clinics

Sunday 12th November

Sunday 10th December

Family Ambrose Day

2:00pm Advanced

3:00pm Beginners

4:00pm Adults

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Nun on the scales



A nun was going to Chicago. She went to the airport and sat down, waiting for her flight. She looked over in the corner and saw one of those weight machines that tells your fortune. So, she thought to herself, "I'll give it a try just to see what it tells me."

She went over to the machine and put her nickel in and out came a card that said, "You're a nun. You weigh 128 lbs., and you are going to Chicago, Illinois."

She sat back down and thought about it. She told herself it probably tells everyone the same thing, but decided to try it again. She put her nickel in, and out came a card that read, "You're a nun. You weigh 128 lbs. You're going to Chicago, Illinois, and you are going to play a fiddle."

The nun said to herself, "I know that's wrong. I have never played a musical instrument a day in my life." She sat back down. From out of nowhere, a cowboy came over and set his fiddle case down next to her. The nun picked up the fiddle and started playing beautiful music.

Startled, she look back at the machine and said, "This is incredible! I've got to try it again!"

Back to the machine she went, put her nickel in, and another card came out. It said, "You're a nun, you weigh 128 lbs., you're going to Chicago, Illinois, and you're going to break wind."

Now, the nun knew the machine was wrong. "I've never broken wind in public in my whole life!" Just then, she tripped, fell off the scales and broke wind.

Stunned, she sat back down and looked at the machine. She said to herself, "This is truly unbelievable! I've got to try it one more time."

She went back to the machine, put her nickel in and collected the card. It said, "You're a nun, you weigh 128 lbs., you have fiddled and farted around and missed your flight to Chicago!!!"

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5 Fun Facts for your day!

1. The largest employer in the world is the Indian railway system in India, employing over 1.6 million people.
2. The first product to have a bar code was Wrigley's gum.
3. The symbols + (addition) and - (subtraction) came into general use in 1489.
4. A chameleon can move its eyes in two directions at the same time.
5. Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.

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**All Green Fees will be at ½ the standard
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If you have details of any other clubs offering discounted rounds please send me their details.

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History of Stableford Scoring



Millions of golfers around the world are familiar with the Stableford scoring system that often saves them from embarrassment on a tricky day. But hardly any know anything about the inventor or its invention.

His name was Dr Frank Barney Gorton Stableford and he created the system while playing his golf at Glamorganshire Golf Club and Royal Porthcawl Golf Club in south Wales in 1898.

Ironically, though, it took 30 years to be an overnight success, as a new book about his invention -- Stableford: A life in golf, medicine and war -- records.

It was not until Stableford had moved to Wallasey Golf Club, near Royal Liverpool, that the system became a golfing byword in 1932 and beyond. As such, he is known as "the patron Saint of club golfers".

For the uninitiated, Stableford scoring -- one point for a net bogey, two points for par, three points for birdie and four points for net eagle -- changed golf immeasurably since it allowed the average golfer, prone to his or her one-hole meltdown, to compete with a reasonable score and in acceptable time.

The player who can no longer score on a particular hole merely picks up the ball and marks a 'wipe' on the card. If those millions of club golfers have not offered up a prayer and thanks to Dr Stableford, then they ought to have.

Stableford was an eminent war doctor and surgeon in his own right, and a plus-one handicap golfer. Several years ago Melbourne publisher Graeme Ryan, who is also the chairman of the Australian Golf Society, was in Portmarnock, Ireland, when he saw a framed photograph of Dr Frank Stableford in the foyer of the Portmarnock Links Hotel, complete with written description.

"There's a book in that," thought Ryan, who has published many golf publications over the years.

Ryan cast his net, using contacts at the British Golf Collectors' Society, and quickly came up with a prospective author in Bob Edwards, a retired lawyer from Cardiff in Wales who happens to be a member at Glamorganshire and Royal Porthcawl where Stableford played his early golf.

"The job was too big for me," said Ryan. "But Bob Edwards, I discovered, had been researching and celebrating the life of Frank Stableford for some decades. I went to see him in 2016, and he is a very accomplished writer and speaker. It's a brilliant book. We're very happy with it."

The system that Frank Stableford invented took its time to catch on. When it was first tried, at Glamorganshire in 1898, the club added a Stableford score to the traditional stroke score, then added one-third of a player's handicap to reach a conclusion. "He (Stableford) mucked it up, in a way," said Ryan. "Frankly, one-third was not enough. It heavily favored the lower handicapper." Stableford went off to the Boer War in South Africa to tend the wounded as a doctor, then to a conflict in Somaliland and again served the British Army in World War 1 in Malta and southern Italy, treating soldiers who had returned from the conflict in Gallipoli.

But when he shifted to Wallasey after the war he moved to have his system adopted again, in 1932, this time with the club adding three-quarters of a player's handicap to his score, which worked much better. But the introduction of the stroke index system around the same time was the catalyst for Stableford scoring to take off, for those two systems worked superbly together. Stableford play is commonplace in Australia and throughout the United Kingdom as well as many other golfing nations, though surprisingly not so in America.

There is an annual match between the Wallasey and Glamorganshire clubs to commemorate Stableford's work, and a plaque on the second tee at Wallasey as well. "The story goes that the second (hole) at Wallasey heads straight at the Irish sea and the prevailing wind blows right back down the fairway," said Ryan. "The mythology was that they'd play the first all right, make a mess of the second, then tear up their cards and go home! So the plaque suggests that this is the place where he drew his inspiration!"

The 236-page, illustrated book may be available through the website:

www.ryanpub.com

November Birthdays

1 st	Luke	Thomas	
2 nd	Craig	Chandler	
3 rd	Grant	Foster	75
	Jamie	Burt	
5 th	Brian	Wallace	
	David	Stobbe	35
6 th	Kevin	O'Donnell	75
7 th	Ben	Slack	
8 th	Chuck	Rollins	
10 th	Jeremy	Roberts	
12 th	John	Goff	
13 th	George	Urosevic	
	Tony	Spry	
15 th	Dean	Caust	75
	John	Chapman	
16 th	Lloyd	Mitchell	75
	Iain	Langusch	
	Rob	Lyon	
17 th	Mark	Trafford-Walker	
19 th	Andrew	Reid	
20 th	Derek	Parrott	
	Ray	Furness	
21 st	Bryan	Smith	
22 nd	Leonore	Steer	
23 rd	Craig	Paech	
	Hodgy	Hodgkison	
	Jim	Ferguson	
	Kane	Moore	
24 th	Andrew	Head	55
	Billy	Cawthorne	20
	Harry	Trezona	
26 th	Peter	Downs	
27 th	John	McDonald	70
28 th	Kym	Hughes	
	Rod	Short	60
29 th	Tom	Williamson	



Happy Birthday to all - especially those celebrating a milestone!



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