

Echunga Putter

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Official Newsletter of the Echunga Golf Club Inc.

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From the Editor ...

Hi Fellow Golfers! Congratulations, we've done it again! The Women's Open Day on the 26th February and the Autumn Classic on the 4th March were both filled to capacity.

Congratulations to all those in the winners list for both events.

Well done to all who helped with the organisation of both events.

To the Ground Staff, Chris, John and Joel, as well the volunteer group who presented a magnificent course to play on, Congratulations on a job well done.

To Heather, Di and all your helpers, thanks for again presenting an excellent lunch.

Don't forget to check page 10 to see if you have won a trophy in the past 12 months, and if you have it would be great to see you at the Club on Friday 23rd March, to collect your award.

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.

Presentation Night

Friday 23rd March 6:30 for 7 pm



Please make bookings with Heather



Membership Renewals

If you haven't received your statement by e-mail they are available from the Clubrooms.

Fees are due by the 31st March. Failure to pay by 31st March may prevent

unfinancial members from playing.

Members should contact the committee if they wish to discuss their membership.

Un and coming events

Up and	com	ing events
March		
Saturday	17^{th}	Stableford – 2 nd Rnd Autumn Trophy
Wednesday	21 st	Women – Par
		Janet Humphrey Memorial Trophy
	Last d	lay of qualification for Summer Comps
		Twilight – Stableford- 9 holes
Thursday	22^{nd}	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Friday	23 rd	Annual Trophy Presentation
·		Night – 6:30 for 7:00 pm
Saturday	24 th	Stableford – 3 rd Rnd Autumn Trophy
Wednesday	28 th	Pinehurst Foursomes - Summer Season
		Trophy Presentation
		(bring a plate of food)
		Twilight – Stableford- 9 holes
		Final week (subject to change)
Thursday	29^{th}	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	31 st	Stableford – 4 th Rnd Blue Block
		Challenge
April		
Monday	1^{st}	Easter Monday – Stableford
		Rnd 1 Public Holiday Trophy
Wednesday	4^{th}	Women - Stroke
		1 st Round International Bowl
	41-	1 st Round Medal – Putting
Thursday	5 th	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	7 th	Opening Day – Irish Stableford -
*** 1 1	a a th	8.30am Shot Gun Start
Wednesday	11 th	Women - Stableford
Thursday	12 th 14 th	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday		Stroke – 1 st Rnd Captains Trophy
Wednesday	18 th	hly Medal, Putting Comp, Eclectic Women - Stroke
Wednesday	10	2 nd Round International Bowl
		1 st Round Veterans Trophy
		2 nd Round Medal – Putting
Thursday	19 th	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	21 st	Stableford – Autumn Cup
Wednesday	25 th	Anzac Day – Women Club Stableford
	-	Stableford Rnd 2 Public Holiday Trophy
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At the time of going to print the full 2018/2019 program was not available

Mid Week Comp – Stroke

Stableford – Autumn Cup

 26^{th}

 28^{th}

Thursday

Saturday

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Com	petition	Results
Thursday 1	5 th February	

Thursday 15 th February						
Stroke	Men	56 Players	DSR 69			
	Women	2 Players	DSR 72			
Division 1		Division 2				
C Fromm	68	G Milne	68			
B Kidd	68	S Whittam	69			
J Reuter	69	L Mitchell	69			
G Watts	69	K Fairchild	70			
B Walter	70	K Smart	71			
B Guy	70	M Wright	71			
NTP 2 nd		B Guy				
NTP 18 th		C Fromm				
POG		C Fromm	38			
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Saturday 17th February Foursomes Championships

Gross Foursome Qualifiers						
1^{st}	J Hyland	&	J Burt	75		
		V				
$2^{\rm nd}$	I Bonython	&	R Iones	75		

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	Foursome Qua			
1^{st}	J Manning	&	K McLennan	63
		V		

2^{nd}	M Stevens	&	M Clark	67 ½
Seni	ior Foursomes			
MS	tevens & M Clarl	ζ.		$67 \frac{1}{2}$

Overall Results

NTP 2nd

NTP 7th

NTP 17th

NTP 18th

J Manning	&	K McLennan	63
S Fensom	&	C Fensom	$66 \frac{1}{2}$
M Stevens	&	M Clark	$67 \frac{1}{2}$
I Bonython	&	R Jones	$68 \frac{1}{2}$
Z Bilandzic	&	T Spry	$68 \frac{1}{2}$
D Bailey	&	D Slater	69
C Dawe	&	M Doughty	69
P Allen	&	S Byrth	$69 \frac{1}{2}$
B Wallace	&	N McNicol	70
C Wenham	&	W Buthis	70
G Cooper	&	T Krawczynski	70
J Hyland	&	J Burt	$70 \frac{1}{2}$
M Davidson	&	D Beams	$70 \frac{1}{2}$
K Hampton	&	B Sparrow	$70 \frac{1}{2}$
H Griffin	&	N Taverna	$70 \frac{1}{2}$

M Henderson

H Griffin

G Watts

C Golding

Thursday 22 nd February					
Stableford	Men	59 Players	DSR 68		
	Women	3 Players	DSR 72		
Division 1		Division 2			
N Taverna	46	B Sparrow	40		
A Bailey	43	R Yeates	38		
R Eibisch	42	B Hicks	38		
G Vivian	39	B Smith	37		
G Watts	39	B Warby	37		
R Short	38				
NTP 2 nd		I Wasley			
NTP 18 th		R Short			
POG		R Eibisch	22		
		R Yeates	22		
		A Bailey	22		
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Saturday	24 th February		
Par	Men	108 Players	DSR 68
	Women	3 Players	DSR 72

A Grade		B Grade	
C Smith	+4	R D'Alessandro	+7
B Guy	+3	S Koop	+6
V Smith	+2	N Jordan	+5
T Guy	+2	N McNicol	+2
E Willgoose	+1	P Head	+2
N Taverna		T Hodgson	
C Grade		D Grade	
J Gitsham	+5	B Jackson	+2
B Sparrow	+4	B Burnett	+1
P Allen	+4	T Steel	Sq
E March	+3	S Rowell	- 1
D Stobbe	+2	S Crump	- 1
M Davidson			
NTP 2 nd		L Bowey	
NTP 7 th		J McGleish	
NTP 17 th		E Willgoose	
NTP 18 th		M Haslett	
NTP in 2 (11 th)			
A-B		R Eibisch	



J Janson

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Thursday 1 st M Stableford Men Wor	1	52 Players 3 Players	DSR 68 DSR 72	Putting Comp A Grade B Grade C Grade		M Haslett B Hughes R Easling	26 28 25
Division 1		Division 2		D Grade		S Rowell	28
C Button	41	G Milne	40	D Grauc		5 Rowell	20
R Eibisch	38	E March	38	Women		C Hasson	73
P Anderson	36	M Davis	37			T Button	75
B Wallace	36	B Smith	35			L Gray	75
A Horsfall	36	K Fairchild	34	******	****	******	*****
R Jones	36	L Mitchell	34	Thursday 8 th M	arch		
arms and				Stableford Men		49 Players	DSR 68
NTP 2 nd NTP 18 th		L Gray N Smith		Won		3 Players	DSR 72
1111 10		1 Commen		Division 1		Division 2	
POG		L Mitchell	20	R Short	41	M Morton	41
		I Oswald	20	S Nailer	39	J Mason	38
		R Eibisch	20	G Vivian	39	J Goff	38
					38	I Wasley	34
Women		P Leech	37	K Hampton	36 37	C Bedson	34
		M Holton	36	W Ryan J Reuter	36	C Bedson	34
		*******	*****		30		
v	March			NTP 2 nd		n/a	
Stroke Men		110 Players		NTP 18 th		S Nailer	
Wor	nen	6 Players	DSR 72				
A Grade		B Grade		POG		S Nailer	23
A Fort	64	P Head	66	Women		L Gray	35
J McGleish	70	A Amberg	67			P Leech	32
M Haslett	71	T Hodgson	68	*****	****	*****	*****
L Thomas	71	A Reid	70	Saturday 10 th	Marc	ch	
P Coldrey	71	R McLauchlan	70	Stableford Men		113 Player	s DSR 68
C Smith	72	C McLatchie	71	Won		•	s DSR 72
C Grade		D Grade		A Grade		B Grade	
N Smith	60	M Clark	64	S Nailer	40	P Anderson	40
E March	65	R Bodin	69	Z Bilandzic	39	W Ryan	39
R Dyer	66	J Mason	70	H Griffin	38	R Mills	39
J Gitsham	67	S Rowell	70	M Haslett	38	D Wilson	39
Dav Wilson	69	A Pouw-Bray	72	R D'Alessandro		D Bailey	38
R Easling	72	M Morton	72	B Slack	37	R Hasson	38
NTP 2 nd		D D		D SINCK	57	11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	30
		R Dyer		C Grade		D Grade	
NTP 7 th		P Johnson		M Shanahan	39	J Goff	41
NTP 17 th		R McLauchlan		R Easling	37	R Bodin	40
NTP 18 th		J McGleish		R Langbein	36	W Koop	40
NTP in 2 (11 th)				R Yeates	35	J Hogarth	37
A-B		D Bailey		J Gitsham	35	S Rowell	37
C-D		M Jordan				K Healey	36
Monthly Medal	I			NTP 2 nd		B Guy	
A Grade	-	B Guy	75	NTP 7 th		G Dodd	
B Grade		P Head	83	NTP 17 th		J Manning	
C Grade		N Smith	80	NTP 18 th		B Slack	
D Grade		M Clark	93	1111 10		Dolack	
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NTP in 2 (11th)

B Slack A-B C-D S Wilson

Women L Gray **************

Nearest the Pin:

(Extra sponsors' vouchers) Hills Hire \$50.00 Voucher

\$20.00 Meal Voucher Hahndorf Old Mill

MONTHLY MEDALS **February**

A Grade	B Guy	75
B Grade	P Head	83
C Grade	N Smith	80
D Grade	M Clark	93



Recent Achievements

Eagle

On the par 4, 5th hole on Thursday, 22nd February. **Congratulations and Well Done!**



Naren Taverna

Eagle

On the par 4, 15th hole on Saturday, 10th March. **Congratulations and Well Done!**



Jonathon **McGleish**

Foursomes Championships

Golf Clubs Echunga Championships are played in February each year with gross, net and senior competitions held.

The senior competition (over 60's) is based on the 18 hole Foursomes event played on week one, whilst the net and gross event holds qualifying in week one and a matchplay competition in week two between the top two qualifying pairs with an 36 hole final for the gross and 27 hole final for the net competition.

Foursomes Championships Qualifiers

Qualifiers for the 2018 Foursomes Championships have been decided from the results of the competition held on Saturday 17th February.

The following pairings played a match play final On Saturday 24th February.

Gross Qualifiers:

J Hyland & J Burt v I Bonython & R Jones 36 hole matchplay final.

Oualifiers:

J Manning & K McLennan v M Stevens & M

27 hole matchplay final

Foursomes Champions

J Hyland & J Burt defeated I Bonython & R Jones J Hyland & J Burt the Foursomes Making Champions (Gross) for 2018

M Stevens & M Clark defeated J Manning & K McLennan

Making M Stevens & M Clark the David Smart Trophy (Net Winners)

M Stevens & M Clark were also the Senior Champions for 2018.

Membership

18/2/2017	18/2/2018
409	395
44	43
453	438
	409 44



Count on it.

Autumn Classic 2018

Sunday 4th March saw a full field of 124 golfers attend our annual Autumn Classic. Results were varied with a few players conquering the tricky conditions, with some fierce pin positions set by the ground staff, whilst others struggled mightily.

The best gross score of the day was a 70 shot by Billy Cawthorne, making him our 2018 Autumn Classic Champion. Congratulations to all other grade winners as well as the NTP's, long drive and accurate drive winners on the day. Also a huge thank you to our sponsors for their generosity.

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2018 Autumn Classic Results

A Grade Gross Winner

Billy Cawthorne

Runner up

A Grade Net

1 st	N Taverna	67
2 nd	C Smith	67
3 rd	S Nailer	68
4 th	S Callary	69
5 th	J McGleish	69
6 th	D McKechnie	70
7^{th}	E Willgoose	70

B Grade Net

D OI	auc Mici	
1 st	S Fensom	66
2 nd	B Wallace	69
3 rd	P Anderson	69
4 th	N McNicol	70
5 th	J McDonald	71
6 th	R D'Alessandro	71
7^{th}	A Amberg	72



70

74

C Grade Net Stableford

1 st	Dav Wilson	41
2 nd	R Gerlach	41
3 rd	F Pergoleto	36
4 th	R Yeates	35
5 th	E March	35
6 th	C Bedson	33
7^{th}	M Wright	33

Women Stableford

1 st	T Button	37
2 nd	E Burt	32
3 rd	P Leech	32

Accurate Drive

Men	K Somers
Women	W Jackson

Long Drive

A Grade	B Cawthorne
B Grade	C Fromm
C Grade	M Wright
Women	T Button

NTP

2 nd	P Hodges
7^{th}	S Grundy
10 th	C Kearns
18 th	K Gerke

NTP in 2

4 th	N Taverna
11^{th}	J Schilnk











From the Captain

I must apologise for not recognising this achievement earlier, but back in October during the first round of the Club Championships qualification, Bill Guy set a new course record of 67. Congratulations Bill, on another fine achievement.

The annual Presentation Dinner will be held on Friday 23rd March from 6:30 pm. A booking sheet is available at the club and numbers are limited. (A list of trophy winners is found on page 10).

2018 - 2019 program

The 2018-19 program is still being finalised however, there will likely be some major changes to the timing of our events for next season. The main one of these will be the switching of the Club Championship and Foursomes Championships. This aims to ensure that the Club Championship qualifying and matchplay finals can be held on the course when it is in its best shape (February – March) and is not affected by a prolonged or late winter, nor the coring of the greens. The Foursomes Championships, being shorter in length, will also be less likely to be impacted by these events in October – November.

Hugh Griffin Club Captain

New Members

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

Pauline Lauritsen	6 Day
Martin Lauritsen	6 Day
Colin Warn	6 Day
Lois Warn	6 Day
Darcy Cheney	7 Day
Vaughn Moore	6 Day
Alan White	6 Day
Trevor Lloyd	7 Day
Lachlan Perry-Scott	Junior
Samuel Russell	7 Day
Jonny Zehle	Youth
Matthew Chadwick	Youth

Seven of these new members have come to us from Belair Golf Club.

We also welcome the Ladies from the Belair Golf Club who are now holding their Tuesday competition at Echunga.

Welcome to Echunga Golf Club.

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.

Women's Report

Wednesday	21 st	February
Stroke		

K Clarke	70
A Morton	71
S Telfer	73

Wednesday 28th February

Wednesday 28th Feb Stableford

E Burt	35
L Gray	31
S Fine	31

Wednesday 7th March

Stableford

S Maddern	32
K Clarke	30
P Gray	30
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Echunga Women's Open Day 2018

Canadian Foursomes

The 26th February 2018 was again a fabulous success for the Echunga Women's Golf Club.

The flyer was distributed on 1st December and the field of 124 from 23 clubs was all registered and paid by the 2nd week of December.

It is very gratifying to know that so many ladies are so enthusiastic to play on our beautiful course each year. The weather could not have been better, a sunny 26 degrees with a light breeze made for very comfortable playing conditions.

We are grateful to our many sponsors, some of whom were: Christine Fensom of MTA (Mobile Travel Agency), Neutrog, Beerenberg, Hahndorf Fruit Barn, Leonore Steer who contributes the Lucky Door Prize each year and so many more.

All the Echunga lady members contributed raffle prizes the proceeds of which are predominantly going this year to the Kidney Foundation.

The prize table and the raffle table were absolutely groaning with beautifully presented prizes.

Gross and Net Winners, Long Drives for 3 grades and NTP's for 3 grades with a generous prize run down in the Net scores ensured a broad range of winners. I reckon anyone who left the day without a prize of some description was just downright careless.

Thanks to Heather and bar staff for the preparation of an excellent lunch and the greenkeepers for the preparation of the course, we had so many compliments on both.

Our new club shirt also received many approving comments.

The co-operation of all the committee members and lady members in supporting our annual event made it the most enjoyable yet. We look forward to doing it all again next year.

Great golfing to all

Janeen Coleman Sec/Treas, Echunga Ladies Committee

The major prize winners were:



Gross winners

Julie Oldfield & Penny Matthews 84



Gross Runners Up

Deidre Harris & Jane Le Raye

89



Net winners Echunga Ladies,
Pamm Leech and Ann Morton

71



Net runners up

Talitha Carroll & Mary Donnellson72



Nearest the pin



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

15 Years ago

The saga of the Echunga - Meningie Odyssey

Was a sunny Saturday Morning, that 4 intrepid Echunga golfers, named Mitchell, Childs, Burnett and Woods, departed from the Mitchell homestead, complete with golf clubs, sleeping bags and other essential items which included some grog (as it turned out, this was a most essential item).

We decided to travel through the wine country, Langhorne Creek etc, and cross the Murray on the Wellington Punt. So far, so good.

When the punt arrived the car refused to start, but we managed to push it onto the punt.

That was our first mistake.

Nine crossings of the river and six stubbies later the RAA came to the rescue and got the beast going. By this time we were getting close to our hit off time, but with a little more pedal power and not booking into our accommodation we made it.

I forgot to tell you, that prior to our departure and on the trip down our leader (no more) expounded the virtues of the golf course, flat as a tack, no hills, and the bar would be open etc etc.

Let it be known to all and sundry that he tells big fibs. There are at least 18 hills and dales, even the par threes were uphill, and the bar wasn't open.

Nevertheless, the whole course and the green were in excellent condition. Green fees \$18, Comp fees \$3.

The weather was fairly hot and leader Lloyd finished up with a very red face. We were not sure whether it was sunburn or embarrassment.

We finished the first nine in a half case of collapse, except Tom who was on his bike, and the bar was still closed (another fib), so we continued on our merry way. After 18 the bar was open, beautiful beer and hospitable locals.

The presentation was an eye opener. Only 20 odd players, including us four, for a Stableford comp. Bob Burnett won with 37 (37CCR), and for that magnificent score he got a golf ball. Bob was also nearest the pin. Yes another golf ball. He & I won the side bet.

Having had plenty of the amber fluid and not much to eat, we decided have dinner at the club. Good food, good bottle of red, a few more beers, real good company and we won \$20.20 from the ticket machine.

We proceeded to the caravan park, picked up the keys, unloaded bedding etc, then to the waterfront with red wine and a few more beers, which topped off a magnificent day.

One chap retired early and got into my bunk (accidentally I hope). Myself being in a rather heavy state of sedation (I did remember to take off my shoes), I clambered into bed using my suitcase as a pillow and bath towel as a sheet and slept soundly.

Our trip home was uneventful, no punt, passed through Tailem Bend and had a look at their course. Looked nice and flat to me. Our next venue with a new leader.

In closing, I would strongly recommend the Lake Albert Golf Course and the Caravan Park for accommodation etc.

By Terry Woods

(Unfortunately Tom Childs and Terry (Tiger) Woods are no longer with us, but as for the other two well, are they still with it??? who knows!!! Editor)

Movers and Shakers

Royal Adelaide Open Day on 26th January 2003, David Norman got 42 Stableford points and was second, Tad Krawczynski got 40 point and was third in B grade. John Norman also got 36 points and Gus won't let me say what he got.

Taken from the March 2003 Putter

I got called 'pretty'
today!
Well actually the full
statement was
'you're pretty
annoying'
But I only focus on
positive things

Trophy Winners 2017 – 2018

Vice Captain's Trophy7/01/2017 Kane Moore **Summer Cup** 11/02/2017 Cooper Fort

Foursomes Senior Cup 18/02/2017

Bill Kidd & Mike Stevens

Foursomes Best Net 25/02/2017

(David Smart Trophy) Bill Guy & Ian Langusch

Foursomes Best Gross 25/02/2017

Jase Hyland & Jamie Burt

Autumn Classic5/03/2017Brad SpavenAutumn Cup25/03/2017Stan WhittamBlue Block Challenge25/03/2017Randy JonesCaptain's Trophy6/05/2017Rob EibischHandicap Matchplay20/05/2017Hugh Griffin

R/u Handicap Matchplay

20/05/2017Andy Amberg

Captain v Vice Captain Cup

21/05/2017 Vice Captain's Team

Legacy Day 27/05/2017 Alex Pouw-Bray

Les Couch Memorial Trophy

10/06/2017 Andrew Head

Most Pennant Wins 2/07/2017

Hugh Griffin, Jase Hyland, Bill Guy

Doug McKenzie Memorial Trophy

26/08/2017 Brad Hodgkison

Presidents Trophy2/09/2017Brett RogersPeak Fresh Trophy23/09/2017Jim FergusonSpring Cup14/10/2017Peter Anderson

Medal of Medals

A Grade 28/10/2017 Bill Guy
B Grade 28/10/2017 Brett Rogers
C Grade 28/10/2017 Alan Bailey
D Grade 28/10/2017 Klaus Gerke
Senior Cup Best Gross 28/10/2017 Richard Hill
Senior Cup Best Net 28/10/2017 Alan Horsfall

Mixed Foursomes

Best Gross 5/11/2017

Chris Nailer & Lisa Gray

Best Net 5/11/2017

Mick Morton & Heather Guy

A Grade Champion 18/11/2017 Richard Hill

A Grade Champion

Runner-up 18/11/2017 Jase Hyland **B Grade Champion** 18/11/2017 Andy Amberg

B Grade Champion

Runner-up 18/11/2017 Garth Watts **C Grade Champion** 18/11/2017 Alan Horsfall

C Grade Champion

Runner-up 18/11/2017 Rob Grinter **D Grade Champion** 18/11/2017 Cooper Fort

D Grade Champion

Runner-up 18/11/2017 Joe Michalik **Christmas Trophy** 23/12/2017 Steven Nailer

Ruling Please - Ball Overhanging Hole



After posting a blog on the incident shown in this photo, the R&A issued their official ruling, which contradicted mine!

Apologies to those of you that had already received my blog by email.

This is what The R&A have now posted on their Facebook account.

"It's got golfers talking around the globe.

Here's our Ruling":

It's a very rare situation, but the R&A received a similar question 30 years ago. The answer given, which we would still apply, was as follows On the putting green, if the player's removal of a loose impediment causes the ball to move, the ball is replaced without penalty. As replacement of the ball would be impossible in this case, in equity (Rule 1-4), the ball is considered to be holed with the previous stroke".

World **Handicapping** New System Unlike the Rules of Golf, which are unified across the world, there are currently a range of different handicapping systems used by national golfing bodies and I do not have any expertise in this area. I therefore welcome the news that the way golfers around the world will calculate their handicaps is set to be transformed by a new system developed by the USGA and The R&A, with key features designed to provide all golfers with a consistent measure of playing ability. The new World Handicap System will be implemented in 2020, one year after the modernised Rules of Golf are scheduled to come into operation, following an extensive review of systems administered by six of handicapping existing authorities. the

You can find out more about the main features of the new system at this USGA link.

Good golfing, Barry Rhodes

Junior Clinics

Next clinic dates:

Apr 8th.

May 6th. (This is week 1)

Please register on Eventbrite or contact Esther to book.

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

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Farmers Birth Control

There were these three girls who were getting married and they all met at the marriage counselor's office to discuss the options of having or not having a baby right away.

There were two city girls and one farm girl. The counselor asked them if they planned on having a baby right away or were going to wait awhile.

They all said that they had discussed this with their potential husbands and had all agreed to wait awhile. Well, the counselor asked the first girl what type of birth control she planned to use.

Her answer was, "The rhythm method". "That will work," said the counselor, "but only if you keep a good record."

He asked the second girl what system she planned on using.

"I plan on using birth control pills" she said.

Again he said, "Yes that will work as long as you don't forget to take them".

He then asked the farm girl what system she was planning on using.

Her answer was, "The bucket and saucer method." After a short delay, he told her that should also work. He asked them all to come back in one year on a specific date for a follow up on how things were going.

They all met again one year later and the two city girls were pregnant.

Only the farm girl was still slim and trim.

Well, the counselor asked the first girl what method she used and what went wrong.

She replied, "I used the rhythm method but somehow got my notes mixed up and, well here I am, going to have a baby."

He asked the second city girl what method she used and she replied,

"The birth control pill. But we were camping one weekend and I didn't have my pills with me and as you can see, I too am going to have a baby."

He turns to the farm girl. "I vaguely remember you were going to use the bucket and saucer method. Now I must admit that I don't have a clue what the bucket and saucer method is. Will you explain it to me as I see it has worked well for you?"

She replied, "Well, we always make love standing up, and since I am quite a bit taller than my husband, he stands on a bucket turned upside down. Now as we are making love, I watch his eyes, and when his eyes get as big as saucers

JUNIOR Coaching Clinics

Sunday 8th April Sunday 6th May

2:00pm Advanced 3:00pm Beginners

4:00pm Adults

(\$10.00 per Adult)
All juniors welcome

No restriction on membership Bring your children, grandchildren, nieces & nephews, or neighbours.

Better than Agatha Christie

Anyone want to take a shot at the odds of this ever happening again?

For those who have served on a jury, this one is something to think about. Just when you think you have heard everything!

Do you like to read a good murder mystery? Not even Law and Order would attempt to capture this mess. This is an unbelievable twist of fate! At the 1994 annual awards dinner given for Forensic Science (AAFS), President, Dr. Don Harper Mills astounded his audience with the legal complications of a bizarre death.

Here is the story:

On March 23rd, 1994, the medical examiner viewed the body of Ronald Opus, and concluded that he died from a shotgun wound to the head. Mr. Opus had jumped from the top of a ten-story building intending to commit suicide. He left a note to the effect indicating his despondency. As he fell past the ninth floor, his life was interrupted by a shotgun blast passing through a window, which killed him instantly. Neither the shooter nor the deceased was aware that a safety net had been installed just below the eighth floor level to protect some building workers, and that Ronald Opus would not have been able to complete his suicide the way he had planned.

The room on the ninth floor, where the shotgun blast emanated, was occupied by an elderly man and his wife. They were arguing vigorously and he was threatening her with a shotgun! The man was so upset that when he pulled the trigger, he completely missed his wife, and the pellets went through the window, striking Mr. Opus. When one intends to kill subject 'A' but kills subject 'B' in the attempt, one is guilty of the murder of subject 'B.'

When confronted with the murder charge, the old man and his wife were both adamant, and both said that they thought the shotgun was not loaded. The old man said it was a long-standing habit to threaten his wife with the unloaded shotgun. He had no intention to murder her. Therefore the killing of Mr. Opus appeared to be an accident; that is, assuming the gun had been accidentally loaded.

The continuing investigation turned up a witness who saw the old couple's son loading the shotgun about six weeks prior to the fatal accident. It transpired that the old lady had cut off her son's financial support and the son, knowing the propensity of his father to use the shotgun threateningly, loaded the gun with the expectation would shoot his mother. that his father Since the loader of the gun was aware of this, he was guilty of the murder even though he didn't actually pull the trigger. The case now becomes one of murder on the part of the son for the death of Ronald Opus.

Now comes the exquisite twist...

Further investigation revealed that the son was, in fact, Ronald Opus. He had become increasingly despondent over the failure of his attempt to engineer his mother's murder. This led him to jump off the ten-story building on March 23rd, only to be killed by a shotgun blast passing through the ninth story window. The son, Ronald Opus, had actually murdered himself. So the medical examiner closed the case as a suicide.

A true story from Associated Press.



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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 randryeates@gmail.com

Fun Facts for you day about food

- 1. Ripe cranberries will bounce like rubber balls.
- 2. Apples belong to the rose family, as do pears and plums.
- 3. The most expensive pizza in the world costs \$12,000 and takes 72 hours to make.
- 4. Chocolate was once used as a currency.
- 5. The tea bag was created by accident, as tea bags were originally sent as samples.

The Old Married Couple

A couple had been married for 50 years.

They were sitting at the breakfast table one morning when the wife says,

'Just think, fifty years ago we were sitting here at this breakfast table together.'

'I know,' the old man said. 'We were probably sitting here naked as a jaybird fifty years ago..'

'Well,' Granny snickered. 'Let's relive some old times..'

Where upon, the two stripped to the buff and sat down at the table.

'You know, honey,' the little old lady breathlessly replied, 'My nipples are as hot for you today as they were fifty years ago.'

'I wouldn't be surprised,' replied Gramps.

'One's in your coffee and the other is in your oatmeal

This Month's Riddle

Get your thinking caps on

You are in a dark room with a candle, a wood stove, and a gas lamp. You only have one match, so what do you light first?

Answer next month

Last Month's Riddle What English word has three consecutive double letters?

ANSWER: Bookkeeper



March Birthdays				
1^{st}	Daniel	Murphy		
3^{rd}	Bernard	Smart	85	
4^{th}	Jase	Hyland		A ".
5 th	Allan	Bailey	70	
9 th	Kyle	Booth		
10^{th}	Eric	Offler		
$11^{\rm th}$	Bryan	Harris	,	
	James	Roberts		
12^{th}	Wal	Melhuish		
14^{th}	Wolf	Schoettgen		
	Barry	Hicks	70	
15^{th}	John	Rushton		
	Michael	Backhouse		N / A
$17^{\rm th}$	Steve	Crump		
	Joe	Hodgson		ATTA
18 th	Lisa	Gray	60	
20 th	Michael	Cuthbertson		
22^{nd}	Thomas	Cole		
	Dianne	Hill		
23^{rd}	Roger	Harrison		
	Susan	Telfer		
	Richard	Mills		
	John	Gitsham		
24 th	Ryan	Coleman		(7)
25^{th}	Michael	Brown	60	4
	Neil	Clarke	55	
41	Elliot	Willgoose	20	
27 th	Paul	Head		A A
28 th	Kevin	Smart		(29)
30^{th}	Neville	Pauley		ο_ /
	Les	Cooper		
st	Owen	McKenzie	45	000
31 st	John	Mason	70	
	Bernie	Fox	65	
	Sam	Russell		
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Happy Birthday to all - especially those celebrating a milestone!



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We welcome your comments

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

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