

# **Echunga Putter**

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#### Official Newsletter of the Echunga Golf Club Inc.

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#### From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! So far we have been lucky with the rain, just enough to freshen up the course which it needed badly. Let's hope we can get though winter without too many wet weeks.

Pennants are underway, with most teams having mixed results. The A1 team had a win and a half, the B1 team a loss and a bye, the B3 team a bye and a win, the C1 team a half and a loss and then the C2 team leading the way with two wins. Three more weeks to go, so let's hope we have some more wins and bring home the trophies.

Following up on some of the comments left on the recent member's survey, the Management Committee would like to form a Social Committee to look at organizing the social side of the Golf Club. We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in contributing toward the operation of this committee. There have been many suggestions on functions we could hold at the club, as well as overseeing events like the Autumn Classic and the Presentation Dinner.

If you believe you can offer the club your expertise in this area, please contact one of the Committee Members to register your interest.

Several members have asked why we have blue and white checkered flags on our green pins.

It is due to the fact that they stand out against the natural colours of the surrounding landscape.

You will notice that there are now some Orange markers on the course. Don't confuse them with our 100 metre markers. GolfSA has been out and created a short course, that is mainly for juniors and as you will read in this addition it is a properly rated course, with a handicap and slope rating etc. Thanks to those who are sending information about what is happening to members out on the course, we all need to know what they are up to.

If you have any news items, stories, achievements etc. please drop them in the putter box on the bar or e-mail me at <a href="mailto:randryeates@gmail.com">randryeates@gmail.com</a>.

#### Up and coming events . . .

June		
Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Par
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup>	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 3
Wednesday	$20^{th}$	Women - Stroke –
		5 <sup>th</sup> Round Medal – Putting
		3 <sup>rd</sup> Round Veterans' Trophy
Thursday	$21^{st}$	Mid Week Comp – Par
Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Stableford
Sunday	$24^{th}$	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 4
Wednesday	$27^{th}$	Women – Ambrose
		3 Person Ambrose
Thursday	$28^{th}$	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	$30^{th}$	Stableford
July		
Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Men's SGG Pennants – Week 5
Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stableford
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting
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Sunday	$8^{th}$	Men's SGG Pennants – Finals
Wednesday	$11^{th}$	Women – Pinehurst Foursomes
Thursday	$12^{th}$	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	$14^{th}$	Stableford
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Par
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stroke
Saturday	21st	Par
Wednesday	$25^{th}$	Women – Stableford
		2 Card aggregate
Thursday	$26^{th}$	Mid Week Comp – Par
Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford
August		
Wednesday	$1^{st}$	Women – Stableford
Thursday	$2^{nd}$	Mid Week – Stableford
Saturday	$4^{th}$	Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting,
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Wednesday	8	Women – Stroke –
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Thursday	9 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp - Stableford
Saturday	11	Par – Doug McKonzio Momorial Trophy
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Doug McKenzie Memorial Trophy</b> Women –Multiplication Stableford
Wednesday	13	(Foursomes)
Thursday	$16^{th}$	Mid-Week Comp - Stroke
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford - Prostate Cancer Day
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Women - Stroke
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mid-Week Comp – Par
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Par Bisque
Wednesday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stableford
Thursday	30 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp - Stableford
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# **Competition Results**

Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup> May		
Stableford	Men	26 Players	<b>DSR 69</b>
	Women	2 Players	<b>DSR 73</b>
M Voigt		39	
D Parrott		37	
G Vivian		36	
R Eibisch		35	
J Warren		34	
C Fromm		33	
B Wallace		33	
R Jones		33	
NTP 2 <sup>nd</sup>		M Voigt	
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Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup> May			
Stableford	Men	129 Players	<b>DSR 70</b>	
	Women	6 Players	<b>DSR 74</b>	
A Grade		B Grade		
V Smith	40	G Dodd	35	
C Nailer	37	A Pietsch	35	
R Short	37		35	
	36		35	
T Spry			35	
E Willgoose H Griffin	35	B Rogers R Eibisch	34	
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C Grade		D Grade		
A Head	39	M Dembski	38	
J Hodgson	37	M Walkom	35	
R Yeates	36	J Goff	34	
M Clark	36	Ant Pouw-Bray	34	
E March	35	R Barnes	33	
J Janson	35	D Willgoose	33	
NTP 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Z Bilandzic		
NTP 7 <sup>th</sup>		A Farrugia		
NTP 17 <sup>th</sup>		R Jones		
NTP 18 <sup>th</sup>		J McGleish		
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A-B		C Nailer		
C-D		R Langbein		
Women		H Guy	34	
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A Bailey	36	B Hick	ks	35	D Parrott	36	Νŀ	Holton	37
C Nailer	36	G Dav	is	33	S Nailer	36	M'	Voigt	35
R Eibisch	35	B War	by	33	A Horsfall	35	BV	Vallace	35
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**A-B** M Haslett **C-D** M Quigley

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#### **Nearest the Pin:**

#### (Extra sponsors' vouchers)

2<sup>nd</sup> Hills Hire \$50.00 Voucher

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

#### Captain v Vice Captain Trophy

This event was again held as a pennant warm up event on Sunday,  $20^{th}$  May.

The two teams were made up of fourteen players each and whilst it was a closely fought event, it was again won by the Vice Captain's Team  $7 \frac{1}{2}$  to  $6 \frac{1}{2}$ .

#### **Pennant Results Week 1**

Results of Echunga Pennant Teams' matches from Week 1 Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

**A1** - Had a good win 5/2 over Victor Harbor at Mt Barker

Player of the week – Naren Taverna with a 6/4 win

**B1** – Badly beaten 1/6 in a tough match against Willunga at Willunga

Player of the week - The only winner Steve Nailer

**B3** – Had a Bye.

C1 - Had a tough match squaring 3 ½ each against Victor Harbor at Oakbank.

Player of the week -. Ki McLennan with a 6/5 win

C2 - Had a very good win over Willunga at Echunga, winning 6/1.

Player of the week – Bill Kidd with a 7/6 win

Congratulation to Don Beams on playing his 150<sup>th</sup> Pennant match for the C2 team on Sunday. Unfortunately, playing at No.1 he had stiff opposition and had a loss.

Well done Don, I am sure you will have many more wins.

#### **Pennant Results Week 2**

Results of Echunga Pennant Teams' matches from Week 2 Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

A1 - Had a tough match squaring 3 ½ each, but with a 2 hole advantage playing Mt Barker-Hahndorf at Murray Bridge.

Player of the week - Hugh Griffin with his 3/1 win over Phil Chapman.

B1 - Had a Bye.

**B3** - Had a very good win over McCracken at Echunga, winning 5 ½ to 1 ½

Player of the week – Andrew Reid with an 8/6 win.

C1 – Were soundly beaten 1/6 by Willunga at Victor Harbor.

Player of the week – The only winner Martin Henderson

C2 - Had a big win 7/0 over Yankalilla at Willunga.

Player of the week – Warren Ryan with a 5/4 win.

# JUNIOR Coaching Clinics

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September

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.

# From The Shed

We've had some decent rain in the last week or so which has given the course a decent drink, but with a few dry days in between we should be able to continue to play the course as usual.

When the course is a bit damp, we ask people using carts to stay off the fairways and surrounds, to reduce damage to the course.

Over the past few weeks players will have noticed orange blocks have been placed around the course. This marks the Junior Course that has been approved by Golf SA.

Another hint for keeping the course in good nick.... When (finally) getting your ball out of the hole try to keep your feet at least 6 inches (150mm) from the hole. This prevents damage to the cup and reduces spike marks, etc for the following players. It also really helps if you can step backward away from the hole rather than stepping over the cup.

Good Golfing John K Course Superintendant

# Membership

	30/04/2017	30/04/2018
Male	420	417
Female	42	53
Total	462	470

## **New Members**

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

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Peter Baltussen	6 day
Matt Barnes	7 Day
Conon Doherty	6 Day
Airlie Goldsmith	Junior
Hudson Goldsmith	Junior
Judy Greenway	6 Day
Barbara Hayball	6 Day
Jake Lang	Youth 19
Lachlan Norman	Junior
Brad Riemelmoser	Youth 18
Izabella Sobolewski	6 Day
Wayne Walkom	7 Day
Karin Wiese	6 Day

Welcome to Echunga Golf Club.

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.

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# Women's Report Wednesday 9th May

Stroke

P Umlauf	76
J Coleman	76
S Fine	78

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Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 3BBB

V Nain, A Morton, K Clarke 40

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Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Stroke/Medal

E Burt	73
S Telfer	74
K Clarke	74
S Maddern	74

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Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June **Club Foursomes** 

Gross

L Gray & E Burt	193
S Maddern & J Coleman	207

Net

K Clarke & P Gray	160 1/2
V Nain & L Steer	161
M Holton & B Leonard	161

# Out and about

Four Echunga women headed to Strathalbyn for their annual Dress Up Open Day. This year the theme was a P.J.Party. Heavy rain was forecast for the Friday, but that didn't deter the women who were all decked out in their finest PJ Wear..... Well, perhaps not. On arrival we were greeted by two Strathalbyn women wearing Bananas in Pyjamas costumes and most of the arriving women in their attire purchased from various cheap clothing venues. Leonore dressed in her 101 Dalmatians dressing gown and myself in an old pink dressing gown were greeted by Janeen in her old faded PJ"s and Carol in her very Scottish looking PJ pants. The clubhouse was decked out in the party theme with balloons and streamers. Fresh pancakes and homemade jam made for a good start for our day. Sadly, about a third of the field pulled out as they didn't like the idea of playing in the rain.

Not a drop of rain was to be had, although the district was desperate for some. The course was in excellent condition and the hospitality exceptional at the 6<sup>th</sup> hole where we were given as much Port as we could drink, chocolates, have a warm up by the fire and make a wager, if we could get on the green in one. This year being a PJ Party there was the added bonus of a Kissing tent complete with mattress and condoms. We could pay to be kissed, or as many did, pay not to be kissed. Laughter could be heard all over the course.



Leonore was willing



Janeen's not sure.





Pat's turn next

Hot soup ½ way round warned our chilled bodies. Lunch was a party theme again with pizza, egg and bacon pies and cocktail frankfurts. Later ice-cream with smarties and a whole array of toppings was served for desert.

Echunga Women got lucky with the raffle. Leonore, Janeen and myself were winners. Janeen and Carol lost on a count back to 2<sup>nd</sup> with a 75 nett., Carol won A grade long drive, I won Nearest the Pin and Accuracy drive and Leonore at the memorable 6<sup>th</sup> hole was closest to the lamb which was located in the gully.



The winners - Leonore, Carol, Pat and Janeen

We certainly flew the flag for Echunga and had a great day as well.

Pat Umlauf Vice Captain.



#### What is an old golf ball worth?

Well a lot so it appears to Women's President Suzanne Skibinski, who has just recently had her knee operated on to fix a walking problem.

A couple of weeks after the operation Suzanne decided it was time to get some of her golf skills back in action, so returned to the Echunga Golf Club with several of her sticks to have a few hits on her own. All went well on the first fairway, then came the 2<sup>nd</sup> with the sneaky water hazard behind the green. Apparently one of her wayward shots headed for the water. Suzanne bounded up to the edge to be pleasantly surprised to see her not so new ball within reach, if she used one of her clubs. Forgetting about the slush, mud and slippery conditions, she lent over on her stick to retrieve the ball, only to have that sliding, sinking feeling as she topped into the water. She was dressed in winter clothing so sank rather quickly to her knees, then as she attempted to right herself fell in again, thus getting covered in the delight's of that dam. Eventually she got back her ball and we saw her as she waddled down the fairway to the clubhouse dripping with mud and slim. She them preceded, in the car, to strip off her pants and jumper and drove home with a towel around her, hoping no one would see her. Three clothes washes later the clothes were still not clean, but she did get her ball and her knee was not affected. We are taking up a collection of old balls to donate to Suzanne.



## **Junior Clinics**

Coaching clinic 10/6/18.

It was a beautiful afternoon for our monthly coaching clinic. There were 6 juniors attending the 2pm advanced session. Following a session of driving and long shots, the group played the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9th holes. Mike commented that there were some very impressive shots. 2 attendees participated in last month's Primary School's event at Echunga and were selected to play in the qualifying round at Willunga on Thursday. Good luck Airlie and Sam! During the on course play, I took a couple of Burt's into the nets to have some practice with their setup and long irons. I am always relieved that they only need a little prompting to remember what to do. The 4pm adults session was full again with 6 of us taking advantage of Mike's expertise. Shaun from Murray Bridge GC was so keen to attend he organised some early chipping practice with Jamie before the session, so he wouldn't miss out.

The coaching clinics will continue over the winter/spring seasons on the first Sunday of the month. However, if the forecast the night before is for rain in Mt Barker, the session will be cancelled. Please keep an eye on the Echunga golf website for updates.

### Orange course.

We are very pleased to see that an Orange short course has been set up.

GolfSA has rated the course as follows:

	Par	Scratch	Slope
Orange men	64	60	97
Orange women	67	62	102

Aligning with Golf Australia's policy of enhancing membership experience, GolfSA promotes "Short course doesn't mean easy - because an Orange course is short, and has a low Scratch and Slope rating, it may look to be an easy course to play. But as most Orange courses have a Par of approx. 62 – 65, but a Scratch rating lower than that, players must score several net birdies to play to their handicap, using less handicap than they are used to on the full length course"

http://cms.ga.mpower.golf/site/\_content/document/
00039167-source.pdf

In terms of coaching, this is a great asset to the club for our juniors and beginners. In addition, it has proven to be valuable in short game practice. I would encourage all players to try the course out and provide feedback to the club.

#### **Next clinic dates:**

July 8<sup>th</sup>

August 12<sup>th</sup>

September 9<sup>th</sup>

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

#### Fun Facts about Winter

- 1. At -40 degrees Celsius (which is also -40 degrees Fahrenheit), the condensation from your breath can actually freeze.
- 2. The lowest temperature ever recorded was at Vostok Station in Antarctica. On July 21, 1983, it was -98.2 degrees Celsius (-128.6 Fahrenheit) there!
- 3. Depending on the season, some animals actually change color! For example, the arctic fox's fur changes to white during the winter so that it can better blend in with the snow.
- 4. Deciduous trees lose their leaves in winter to conserve much needed water, but evergreen trees have a different method. Evergreen trees often have needles or waxy leaves, which don't dry out as easily. Thus, they are able to stay green and survive the winter.
- 5. Many animals, such as the black bear, hibernate during the winter. In the winter, a black bear's heartbeat can slow to 8 beats a minute (from the usual 40 or so) and it can go as long as 100 days without food!



## **Around the Course**

Who was the exceptionally tall member who teed off on the 11<sup>th</sup> tee and whose ball ended up on the 17<sup>th</sup> tee block?

**Congratulations**Hugh Griffin defeated Phil Chapman (Aston Hills) in the Pennants Match played at Murray Bridge on Sun 3/6/18. What an effort! "Chappy" is right up there as one of the best players in the region.

Bill Guy (I believe) is the first member of this club to play off a positive handicap which he did in December 2017. That means he must be one under the card to play to his handicap. Great stuff Bill.

Happy Birthday Bob Hughes, the BIG 70. Many happy returns for the 18<sup>th</sup> Bob! Some said you wouldn't make it!

#### **Junior Course**

The junior (or orange course) has been approved by Golf SA. A map of the layout of the course is on the notice board...

The orange blocks were put in place today on the edge of the fairways on most holes, or marked on ladies' markers on the par 3s and the 5th & 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### The New Greens Roller



Joel Haslett and Robert Eibisch with the new greens roller

President Robert Eibisch said that we had reported the purchase of the new mower in the "Putter", but here is a bit more detail.

Echunga Golf Club bought the mower from a major metro golf club which had to dispose of the roller because of noise issues with neighbours. They traded the mower for an electric version from CarSolutions who supply our golf carts.

Robert said that a new roller is \$17,500 and we only paid \$5,100. The roller is 'as new' and obviously only seen light work.

The benefit to the club is that we can improve the pace of the greens making them more consistent. We monitor the pace of the greens with a stint meter trying to keep them between 9 & 10. ft. (Yes we measure the pace of greens in feet and inches).

Robert said "We could make the greens even faster, but I've got to play on them too!"

#### There are golf club stealing trees on the course!

It seems that Garth Watts doesn't known that throwing one bad club after another only means there are now two clubs in the tree!



**Tips on Match Play Rules** 



I regularly receive requests for rulings relating to match play situations after a player has lost a hole, or the match, due to a Rules incident that they were not sure about. Most golfers play far more rounds of stroke play golf than match play golf and do not realise that there are several important differences in the Rules of these formats. Below are my 12 tips that every player should understand and remember Before commencing a match.

- 1. You may practice on the course on the day of a match (Rule 7-1).
- 2. You must not touch your opponent's ball in play, unless you are helping to search for it (Rule 18-3).

Do not mark an opponent's ball on the putting Green, unless they ask you to.

3. A concession of a hole may be given at any time and cannot be declined or withdrawn (Rule 2-4). You may putt out after receiving the concession, providing the action is not of assistance to your partner in a four-ball or best-ball match.

4. Incorrect information. (Rule 9-2).

If you give your opponent wrong information about your score you must correct it before they make their next stroke, or you lose the hole. Similarly, if they give you wrong information. 5. Order of Play (Rule 10-1).

If your opponent plays out of turn you may let their stroke stand, or require that they cancel the stroke and play again in the correct order. In four-ball match play, balls belonging to the same side may be played in the order that the side considers best.

6. After a stroke your ball hits your opponent, or their equipment (Rule 19-3).

You may choose to replay the stroke, or accept it and play your next shot from where the ball had come to rest.

7. Putt from the putting green hits a ball at rest on

the putting green (Rule 19-5).

There is no penalty in match play, the other ball must be replaced and your ball played from where It comes to rest.

8. Four-ball match play – representation of side (Rule 30-3a).

One partner may play for any part, or all of a match, but if and when their partner arrives they must wait until the start of the next hole to join the match.

- 9. Four-ball match play wrong ball (Rule 30-3c). If a player makes a stroke at a wrong ball their partner may continue play of the hole without penalty. If it was the partner's ball that was played they must place a ball where it was wrongly played from.
- 10. Asking for and giving advice (Rule 8-1). If a third party gives unsolicited advice no penalty is incurred, but you must request that they do not do so again. You may not give advice to any team member other than your partner.
- 11. Ignoring an opponent's breach of Rule (Rule 1-3). In match play, you do not have to call a penalty on your opponent if you witness a breach of Rule by them.

But don't discuss the breach with the opponent before teeing off at the next hole, or you could both be disqualified for agreeing to waive a Rule. 12. If you are unsure of a Rule or procedure try and resolve it with your opponent immediately (Rule 2-5).

But if you cannot agree, a claim has to be made before teeing-off at the next hole. You must notify your opponent that you are making a claim, agree the facts and ask the Committee for a ruling. This last point is important. I receive several communications where a player was 'bullied' into accepting a ruling by their opponent, which was subsequently found to be incorrect - too late to affect the result. Opponents should not to get into an argument on the course, but should agree on the facts of the situation and seek an authoritative ruling from a Committee member, or someone else whose knowledge of the Rules can be trusted. If a timely official ruling is not received, the match should be continued and played to a conclusion whereby there is a definitive result, depending on whether the eventual ruling for the disputed hole was won by either side, or was halved.

Good golfing,

Barry Rhodes

# Fashback

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

# 25 Years ago

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Alan Norman -

Eagle on the 15<sup>th</sup> on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May

#### David Manning -

I would like to thank all members who rushed up to me to tell me (with a smile on their face) that I forgot to sign my card on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

It was my best game for some time and in future I will make sure my card is signed

#### Mick Healy -

In the Stroke Competition held in May, Mick had a score of 39 for the first nine.

Pity he can't putt as well as he can hit the ball because he had 20 putts in the 39 shots

## THE RECESSION HAS HIT US ALL Nic McNicol

Is he having a hard time or was Hamilton cooling off after a hard game?

Saw Hamilton wading in the dam the other Saturday and as the day was cold it is assumed that he was not cooling off but looking for golf balls because his father (being a true Mc) was not prepared to buy new balls for him.

From the June 1993 Putter

# 15 Years ago

Captain Keith Bywaters recently decided to not park in his designated parking bay. He borrowed the sponsor's bay, further away from the clubhouse.

A 4WD was backed out of its nearby bay and "sat on" the bonnet of Keith's car, as the 4WD's wheels dropped into the gutter in front. More details see Keith.

From the June 2003 Putter

(Janis and Paul you may now not wish to compete for this parking spot. Editor)

# 10 Years ago

#### Congratulations

Matt Hickman recently played his 100<sup>th</sup> Pennant game for Echunga Golf Club. At 31 he is the youngest player to achieve this. Well done Matt and we wish you all the best for many more.

From the June 2008 Putter

# 5 Years ago Filling Divots? Now is this taking it a bit too farWal!!!!



From the June 2013 Putter

# Repairing your damage to the course

This is a subject that shouldn't have to be raised as often as it is.

It is your course and it doesn't take much time to repair your damage.

Reports are continuing to highlight the fact that there are players not repairing the damage they have caused when playing shots.

With the onset of the cooler weather the growth of the grass slows down. Please take care to repair your divots on fairways and tee blocks as these areas now take much longer to recover.

Also a reminder to please repair pitch marks on the greens.

#### The Cruel Sea ...

The day after his wife disappeared in a kayaking accident, a Claddaghduff, Ireland man answered his door to find two grim-faced Constables.

"We're sorry, Mr. O' Flynn, but we have some information about your dear wife, Maureen" said one of the officers.

"Tell me! Did you find her?" Michael Patrick O'Flynn asked.

The constables looked at each other and one said, "We have some bad news, some good news, and some really great news. Which would you like to hear first?"

Fearing the worst, Mr. O' Flynn said, "Give me the bad news first."

The constable said, "I'm sorry to tell you, sir, but early this morning we found your poor wife's body in the bay."

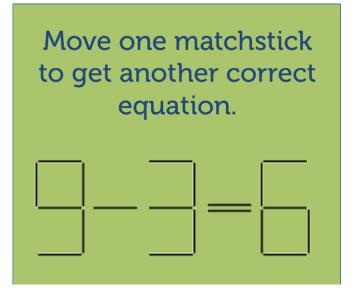
"Lord sufferin' Jesus and Holy Mother of God!" exclaimed O' Flynn. Swallowing hard, he asked, "What could possibly be the good news?"

The constable continued, "When we pulled the late, departed poor Maureen up, she had 12 of the best-looking Atlantic lobsters that you have ever seen clinging to her. Haven't seen lobsters like that since the 1960's, and we feel you are entitled to a share in the catch."

Stunned, Mr. O' Flynn demanded, "Glory be to God, if that's the good news, then what's the really great news?"

The constable replied, "We're gonna pull her up again tomorrow."

#### Get your thinking caps on.



#### Last Month's Puzzle

There are two opportunities for the correct answer: 3 + 3 = 6 and 8 - 3 = 5

#### This Month's Riddle

People buy me to eat, but never eat me. What am I?

Answer next month

# At the root of every gray hair, there is a dead brain cell.

Someone had to remind me, So I'm reminding you, too. Don't laugh.... It is all true!

Perks of reaching 50 or being over 60 And heading towards 70 or beyond!

- 1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
- 2. In a hostage situation, you are likely to be released first.
- 3. No one expects you to run -- anywhere.
- 4. People call at 9 PM (or 9 AM) and ask, 'Did I wake you?'
- 5. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
- 6. There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
- 7. Things you buy now will never wear out.
- 8. You can eat supper at 4 PM.
- 9. You can live without sex but not your glasses.
- 10. You get into heated arguments about pension plans.
- 11. You no longer think of speed limits as a challenge.
- 12. You quit trying to hold your stomach in no matter who walks into the room.
- 13. You sing along with elevator music.
- 14. Your eyes won't get much worse.
- 15. Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off.
- 16. Your joints are more accurate meteorologists than the national weather service.
- 17. Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.
- 18. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to a manageable size.
- 19. You can't remember who sent you this list.

AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING: Never, NEVER, NEVER, Under any circumstances, Take a sleeping pill, and a laxative on the same night!

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North West Bay Golf Club

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

#### June Birthdays

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



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