



# Echunga Putter

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## From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! Congratulation to our C1 Pennant team on their Pennant victory.

Well done to all who played in the C1 team during the year. Unfortunately our other teams didn't fair quite so well this year, but represented Echunga with really well.

Thanks to Jamie Burt for his efforts as Pennant Co-ordinator and to all the players that represented Echunga in all the grades, thank you for your efforts.

Unfortunately, we have had several wet days where the course became unplayable on the day, but due to the drainage work carried out over the past couple of years, the water seemed to drain away very quickly, which meant the course was quite good within 24 hours.

Thanks to the Ground Staff, both past and present for their efforts in overcoming these problems.

There is a 9 hole mixed Competition being held each Wednesday, hit off at 10.00am.

Contact Esther Burt if you require more information.

For the information of some of our newer members, we have a reciprocal rights arrangement with Murray Bridge, if Echunga gets too wet. Just ask in the club about the arrangements.

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).



## Up and coming events . . .

### July

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Stableford</b>
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Par
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stroke
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Par</b>
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stableford
		2 Card aggregate
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Stableford</b>
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	Women – Stableford

### August

Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mid Week – Stableford
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting, Eclectic</b>
Wednesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stroke – 6 <sup>th</sup> Rnd Medal - Putting
Thursday	8 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp - Stableford
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Par –Doug McKenzie Memorial Trophy</b>
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Women –Multiplication Stableford (Foursomes)
Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp - Stroke
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Stableford - Prostate Cancer Day</b>
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Women - Stroke
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Par Bisque</b>
Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stableford
Thursday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp - Stableford
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Stableford – 1st Round Spring Cup</b>

### September

Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Women - Stableford
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Stroke - Monthly Medal, Putting Comp. &amp; Eclectic</b>
		<b>1<sup>st</sup> Rnd President's Trophy</b>
Wednesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Women - Stroke - Medal Final
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp – Stroke
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Stableford – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Spring Cup</b>
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Women - She Oak Trophy - v Tailem Bend & Strathalbyn
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Stableford – 3<sup>rd</sup> Rnd Spring Cup</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Greens Cored (Subject to change)</b>
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Women – 4BBB Stableford
Thursday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Midweek Comp – Par
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pinehurst – AFL Grand Final Day</b>

# Competition Results

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June

**Stableford Men**                      **103 Players**    **DSR 70**  
**Women**                                **3 Players**       **DSR 72**

## A Grade

B Agnew	39	C Stevens	40
B Guy	37	D Bailey	39
M Trafford-Walker	37	G Watts	37
L Thomas	36	M Walkom	36
T Guy	36	A Amberg	35
I Bonython	35	S Littlewood	35

## B Grade

C Stevens	40
D Bailey	39
G Watts	37
M Walkom	36
A Amberg	35
S Littlewood	35

## C Grade

J Day	38	J Mason	37
D Murphy	34	D Slater	36
Al Pouw-Bray	34	R Davidson	35
R Langbein	33	L Mitchell	33
Dav Wilson	33	J Ferguson	33
P Downs	33		

## D Grade

J Mason	37
D Slater	36
R Davidson	35
L Mitchell	33
J Ferguson	33

## NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>

## NTP 7<sup>th</sup>

## NTP 10<sup>th</sup>

## NTP 17<sup>th</sup>

B Agnew

D Parrott

N Sylvia

M Haslett

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

## A-B

S Wilson

## C-D

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Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

**Par**                      **Men**                      **34 Players**                      **DSR 69**  
**Women**                      **0 Players**                      **DSR 00**

P Murphy	+5
B Guy	+3
S Ellis	+2
M Roberts	+2
R Eibisch	+1
J Goff	Sq

## POG

S Ellis	+2
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Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

**Stableford Men**                      **79 Players**    **DSR 71**  
**Women**                                **2 Players**       **DSR 72**

## A Grade

M Haslett	37	R Dyer	37
D Parrott	36	J Warren	36
R Jones	35	A Bailey	35
S Nailer	33	W Walkom	35
C McLatchie	31	N McNicol	35
B Guy	31	M Walkom	34

## B Grade

R Dyer	37
J Warren	36
A Bailey	35
W Walkom	35
N McNicol	35
M Walkom	34

## C Grade

D Murphy	38	J Mason	31
N Harrison	35	J Hogarth	31
C Young	32	M Morton	30
Al Pouw-Bray	32	R Bodin	30
T Carter	31		
J Michalik	31		

## D Grade

J Mason	31
J Hogarth	31
M Morton	30
R Bodin	30

## NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>

B Fox

## NTP 7<sup>th</sup>

J Michalik

## NTP 10<sup>th</sup>

L Gray

## NTP 17<sup>th</sup>

B Agnew

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

## A-B

Dar Wilson

## C-D

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Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June

**Stableford Men**                      **46 Players**    **DSR 72**  
**Women**                                **4 Players**       **DSR 72**

## Division 1

B Agnew	37	C Young	36
K Hampton	37	B Hicks	35
M Doughty	37	J Mason	35
B Nielson	34	J Thomas	35
D Midwinter	34	B Warby	32
R Jones	33	I Langusch	31

## Division 2

C Young	36
B Hicks	35
J Mason	35
J Thomas	35
B Warby	32
I Langusch	31

## NTP 2<sup>nd</sup>

L Gray

## NTP 18<sup>th</sup>

D Parrott

## POG

R Jones                      21

M Doughty                      21

## Women

L Gray



Year round  
fertilising for  
year round  
health



**Count on it.**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

<b>Stableford Men</b>	<b>44 Players</b>	<b>DSR 72</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>2 Players</b>	<b>DSR 72</b>

**Division 1**

G Dodd	39
G Watts	38
D Parrott	35
G Vivian	33
B Agnew	32
C Stevens	32

**Division 2**

G Milne	32
R Davidson	31
J Thomas	30
R Yeates	29

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

<b>NTP 18<sup>th</sup></b>	B Agnew
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<b>POG</b>	G Dodd	21
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**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

<b>Stroke</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>90 Players</b>	<b>DSR 72</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>1 Players</b>	<b>DSR 72</b>

**A Grade**

M Haslett	70
B Guy	72
M Trafford-Walker	73
D Parrott	73
S Nailer	74
T Spry	74

**B Grade**

M Henderson	67
B Rogers	68
A Amberg	73
P Murphy	74
C Dawe	74
J Reuter	75

**C Grade**

Dav Wilson	69
J Janson	72
G Milne	76
C Young	76
P Downs	76
A Bailey	76

**D Grade**

J Thomas	74
B Bollard	77
R Barnes	78
T steel	78

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

<b>NTP 7<sup>th</sup></b>	T Klar
<b>NTP 10<sup>th</sup></b>	D Parrott
<b>NTP 17<sup>th</sup></b>	M Haslett
	N Jordan

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

<b>A-B</b>	M Haslett
<b>C-D</b>	-----

**Monthly Medals**

<b>A Grade</b>	B Guy	72
<b>B Grade</b>	B Rogers	83
<b>C Grade</b>	Dav Wilson	92
<b>D Grade</b>	J Thomas	99

**Putting Comp**

<b>A Grade</b>	B Guy	25
<b>B Grade</b>	C Dawe	24
<b>C Grade</b>	B Hughes	29
<b>D Grade</b>	B Smith	27

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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**

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**MONTHLY MEDALS**
**July**

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# New 9-hole Mixed Competition

A new 9-hole Mixed Competition has commenced on Wednesdays - tee off at 10am. This is in response to feedback from the Vision 2020 survey posted on our website.

*For further info please contact Esther Burt,  
Women's President*

# Membership

As at 31<sup>st</sup> May 404 financial members

# New Members

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

Zoe Rosser	(7 day junior)
Izzy Roberts	(7 day junior)
Lizzie Hughes	(7 day standard)
Daniel Pix	(7 day standard)

Welcome to Echunga Golf Club.

*May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.*

# Pennant Results

## Week 3 Pennants

Week 3 was a big improvement for the A1's and B2's with business as usual for the C1's, and with the only hiccup being the B1's went down narrowly to the host team down at Lady bay.

Firstly, the B2's chalked up their first win of the season, winning 4/3 over Aston Hills, playing at Echunga. Good wins to Ki McLennan, Ray D'Alessandro and Tony Guy, but the Player of the Week is again Derek Jones, second week running, with a big 5/4 win. If this team wins it's remaining 2 matches, they may yet be a chance to play in the final.

The A1's also won for the first time this year, with a solid, 5.5 / 1.5 win over Willunga, played at Aston Hills. This team also has a half decent chance of falling into the final, provided they win their last 2 matches. Wins came from Viv Smith, Elliot Willgoose, Suthee Ogg, Jamie Burt, and Bill Guy. Nathan Separovich, playing in the number 2 position against a very good player, came close to a win, but in the end settled for a half. Player of the Week is the Captain, William Guy for not only the biggest win (5n3), but also, playing at number 1 against a very good, well known and accomplished opponent.

The C1's just went on winning. They have won all 3 matches now, and just need 1 more win to be sure of a finals berth. Rob Eibisch finally won a match after being dropped for the second week in a row. Darren Wilson, Warren Ryan, Alan Bailey and Brian Wallace also chipped in with wins of their own, making it a 5/2 victory. Warren Ryan had the biggest win, but it's all about caring and sharing in the C1's, so the Player of the Week is going to Brian Wallace. That should put a smile on his dial...

The B1 team had a tough assignment this week, playing at Lady Bay against Lady Bay. They just fell short losing 4/3. There were solid wins to Bruce Agnew, John Norman, but the skipper Patrick Buying (fresh off of the Asian tour) showed that he is in top form with an impressive 6n5 victory. Player of the Week goes to Pat.

*Cheers      Jamie Burt      Pennant Coordinator*

## Week 4 Pennants

Not a great week this week with 3 teams going down and just the C1's getting a win.

The C1 team has now qualified for the final.

The A1 team can't make the final, and will need to win this week to avoid relegation.

The B1 team has now won 2 and lost 2. They will need to win this week and rely on other results going their way.

The B2 team managed a half, but unfortunately can't make the final.

Players of the week this week are

A1 - Mike Haslett

B1 - Ian Bonython

B2 - Andy Amberg

C1 - Darren Wilson

*Cheers      Jamie Burt      Pennant Coordinator*

## Week 5 Pennants

Week 5 is done and dusted as is the minor round for the 2019 pennant season.

We congratulate the C1 team for making the pennant final. They went down to Yankalilla, and were heard at the Yank Bakery on Sunday morning, boasting that they could lose 7 zip and they will still get into the final.... and then they went and did almost exactly that.

The only winner was Craig Fromm! Who was a last minute replacement for Wal, who pulled out sick. (reports are that Wal is on the mend and will be good to go in the final on Sunday).

So well done to Craig and have a bottle of wine for being Player of the Week! All you other blokes who went down at Yank, need to take a good hard look at yourselves! And make sure you bounce back and bring your A games to the final this week.

The final is against McLaren Vale and is being played at Mt Barker. (9.00).

We would like to see some extras down there supporting and caddying?? If anyone is available and keen to caddy for one of our C1 pennant warriors, then please get in contact with Rob Eibisch and get your pick of the players before they are all taken!

There were three other C1 players playing in the B2 team, put there so that all players would get a chance to prove themselves leading into the C1 final. One of those players chalked up a great win. Andy Amberg got it done in the B2's not just this



week, but last week as well. In fact, Andy was the only winner in the B2 team so he grabs himself yet another bottle of wine for Player of the Week. Since he is the only player from the C1 squad to win in round 5, he now has to play the C1 final by himself!... Well him and Warren "Wazza" Ryan who both managed to win 4 matches for the season.

Making Andy and Wazza the joint winners of the Player of the Year Award. Congrats to both.

The B1 Team came agonizingly close to making the final. They had a good win on Sunday, beating Willunga 4.5 / 2.5. The 2 points had them finishing on 6 points and tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> spot. The countback goes to games won, and we lost it by half a game. It was unfortunate that they didn't make the finals.

The team had the talent, but were put under pressure because of player unavailability.

A couple of different selections may have made things easier, but in the end it became a balancing act between both of the B teams, trying to keep the B1's strong enough, without leaving the B2 team overly weakened.... Tony Spry is Player of the Week.

The B2's had a tough year that they will gladly put behind them, but did avoid finishing bottom. Thanks to Zelko and his regulars for their perseverance.

The A 1 team went down to Lady Bay to play what was effectively a relegation final against Murray Bridge. We had to win to avoid relegation.

Simple. It was nearly simple... Enter Peter Erickson from Murray Bridge who holed a 40 foot putt on the last hole, to steal the glory from the warm mitts of our man Suthee Singtho, resulting in a half.... and then making things more complicated.... The half point each meant that Murray Bridge was safe with 4 premiership points, and we were left lacking with only 3 premiership points.

Luckily, it was South Lakes to the rescue. They also finished with only 3 points and the countback was on... I'm happy to say that this time the countback went our way by 1 game and so relegation and horrible shame has been diverted and the boys are keen to return next year better and wiser and looking to improve next year..

Player of the Round - Mike Haslett.

Thanks to all players for their efforts and their commitment for the whole season, and an extra thanks to the players who filled in when they could. Tony Guy, Andrew Messenger, and Craig Fromm to name a few... and also Mark Trafford Walker and Mike Haslett, who both filled in for the first game and finished up playing every game. Thanks and welcome to Nathan Separovich and Mark Trafford-Walker who played their first seasons for Echunga, both valuable contributors who we are very keen to have continue. Also to Suthee Singtho-Ogg, who re-joined and played his first season since 2012 when he was member of the A1 pennant winning team that year. Thanks to the captains, Rob Eibisch, Zelko Bilandzic, Pat Buying, and Wendy Guy. Also to Creagh Bedson who helped out as match referee.

Special thanks to Wendy Guy for actually being A1 Captain (all except for naming the line up. Bill sits on his throne and dictates...but she still does the texting).

Thanks to Heather and Di, Mary and any other helpers that helped with lunches.

Thanks to the Greenkeepers, Joel and Jamie, for doing extra work in order to present the course as best as possible. (All reports from opposition players were very positive).

**Cheers      Jamie Burt      Pennant Coordinator**

## **The Players of the Week**

### **Week 3**

**A1** Bill guy  
**B1** Pat Buying  
**B2** Derek Jones  
**C1** Brian Wallace

### **Week 4**

**A1** Mike Haslett  
**B1** Ian Bonython  
**B2** Andy Amberg  
**C1** Darren Wilson

### **Week 5**

**A1** Mike Haslett  
**B1** Tony Spry  
**B2** Andy Amberg  
**C1** Craig Fromm

Each player gets a bottle of wine for their efforts.

# Pennant season wrap

The 2019 Pennant Season started with the usual practice match the week prior to the start of the season. It was the Captains versus the Vice Captains team.

18 players showed up and each took the sacred vows of allegiance, and set out with either Ben Slack or Randy Jones in their hearts, and defending their honour in battle on their minds. Although Ben and Randy were nowhere to be seen, and we forgot to work out who was on who's team, remembering only after the first group (2 matches) had teed off. So the remaining seven matches were allocated teams and it was decreed that we would toss a coin after the game to decide the first 2 matches. We thought this would turn out to be quite exciting, but as it were, the captains won all seven of those matches, so we just decided to give the other 2 winners to the Captains' team as well, to make it a 9-0 shellacking.

## *Captains team*

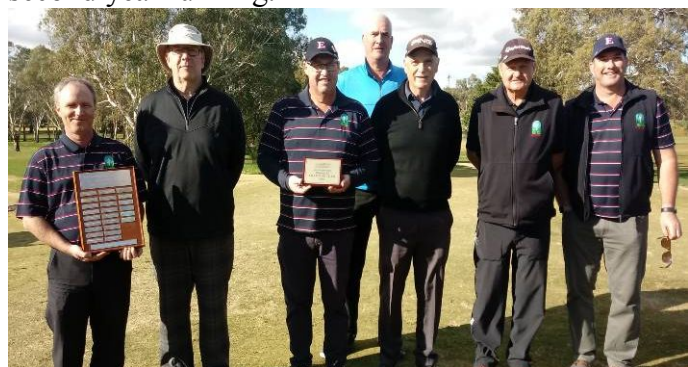
Derek Parrott  
Ray D'Alessandro  
Neville Jordan  
Derek Jones  
Bruce Agnew  
Bill Guy  
Viv Smith  
Brian Wallace  
Martin Henderson

## *Vice Captains team*

def Steve Nailer  
def Rob Eibisch  
def Peter Anderson  
def Cohen White  
def Tony Spry  
def Suthee Singtho-Ogg  
def Pat Buying  
def Andy Amberg  
def Warren Ryan

The season itself was a mixed bag of good wins, half chances and near misses.

The C1 team was our most successful team this year. They won their first 4 matches well, and secured a finals berth with 1 round to play, which was just as well because they were belted in the last round, but then got their act together nicely to win the final in style, and grab the Pennant for the second year running.



Well done to, The skip (Rob), The pres (Ray), The twins, (Wazza and Andy), Martin (Hendo) Henderson, Angry Anderson, and Darren Bloody Wilson.

Well done to all players including others who played in this team during the season. They are Bill Kid, Neville Jordan, Craig Fromm, Colin Stevens, Alan Bailey, and Brian Wallace who would have played in the final, but fell sick during the week before and pulled out. Wal did recover in time and came out and caddied, so huge effort. Well done, Wal!

The B1 team won 3 of 5 matches and were unlucky not to have won more to make it into the final. The 3 games was enough to go into a countback for the second final spot. Unfortunately, we lost the countback by only half a game and missed out on a finals berth.

The B2 team struggled from the outset losing the first 2 matches before winning the 3rd and halving the 4th. They couldn't make the final, but did avoid finishing bottom with 3 points and games up.

The A1 team started ok with a narrow loss to the eventual winners, Aston Hills, in Round 1. They then followed up with a disappointing loss against Lady Bay, losing 5 matches on the last or second last hole. A good win in Round 3 restored hopes somewhat, but another disappointing loss in Round 4 snuffed out any hopes of making the final. Much like Round 2, the matches were close and the result could just as easily have gone our way. So the last round became a relegation final for our team against Murray Bridge and a win was needed however, it was only a half that our boys could manage, which sent us into a countback situation with South Lakes who also finished with 3 premiership points. Thankfully we won the countback by 1 game and avoided relegation. Phew!

Players of the Year were the twin towers Andy Amberg and Warren Ryan, each with 4 out of 5 wins during the minor round, and they both went on and had big wins in the final too.

Thanks to all people who played, be it regularly or as a fill in, and to all caddies and anyone who came out to watch during the season.

Thanks to all of the Team Captains for organizing the teams and making my job much easier. Looking forward to next year when we can hopefully build on this year and have a bit more success.

**Southern Golf Group 2019 Men's Pennant Finals**

A1 Aston Hills	4 ½ def	Links Lady Bay	2 ½
A2 Mount Compass	5 def	Aston Hills	2
B1 South Lakes	5 def	McCracken	2
B2 Mount Compass	4 def	Aston Hills	3
C1 Echunga	4 ½ def	McLaren Vale	2 ½
C2 Murray Bridge	4 ½ def	South Lakes	2 ½

# Juniors

## Next Coaching Clinics

**July 14<sup>th</sup>**

2pm - Advanced

(50min followed by on-course play)

3pm - Beginners (45min)

4pm - Adults (45min - \$10pp)

**August 9<sup>th</sup>**

Please register on Eventbrite or contact Esther to book.

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## The blonde passenger

A plane is on its way to Toronto, when a blonde in Economy Class gets up and moves to the First Class section and sits down.

The flight attendant watches her do this and asks to see her ticket.

She then tells the blonde that she paid for Economy Class and that she will have to sit in the back.

The blonde replies, "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful, I'm going to Toronto and I'm staying right here."

The flight attendant goes into the cockpit and tells the Pilot and the Co-Pilot that there is a blonde bimbo sitting in First Class that belongs in Economy and won't move back to her seat.

The Co-Pilot goes back to the blonde and tries to explain that because she only paid for Economy she will have to leave and return to her seat.

The blonde replies, "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful, I'm going to Toronto and I'm staying right here."

The Co-Pilot tells the Pilot that he probably should have the police waiting when they land to arrest this blonde woman who won't listen to reason.

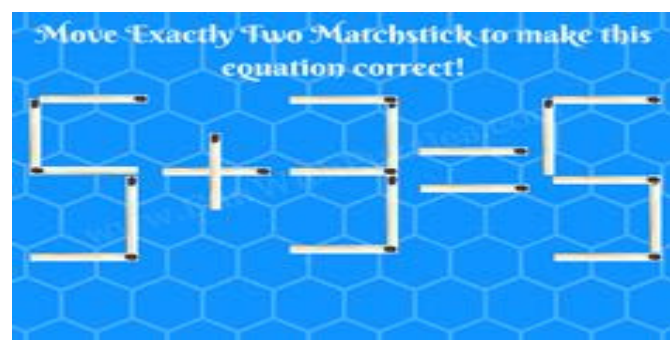
The Pilot says, "You say she is a blonde? I'll handle this, I'm married to a blond, I speak blonde."

He goes back to the blonde and whispers in her ear, and she says, "Oh, I'm sorry." And gets up and goes back to her seat in Economy.

The flight attendant and Co-Pilot are amazed and ask him what he said to make her move without any fuss.

"I told her, 'First Class isn't going to Toronto.'"

## This Month's Teaser



Answer next month

## Last Month's Teaser

Forward I am heavy, but backward I am not.  
What am I?

Answer

Ton

First, think of the colour of the clouds.  
Next, think of the colour of snow.  
Now, think of the colour of a bright full moon.  
Now answer quickly what do cows drink?

Answer

Milk

Didn't get any complaints re last month's answer!

It should have been 'Water'





# Women's Report

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

**Stroke 15 Players**

**Monthly Medal Round**

L Pride	79
J Greenway	80
L Gray	81
J Rayner	81

**Putting;**

M Holton	30 putts
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**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

**Stableford**

S Maddern	29
J Rayner	27
J Greenway	26

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# Out and about

## Tailem Bend Ladies Open Day

Pat, Leonore, Janeen, Carlsa and Sue T travelled to Tailem Bend for their Open Day. We were greeted with the customary coffee and goodies and although a little cool at first, the weather was absolutely perfect with sunshine.

There were 48 players from 14 clubs represented ranging from Barmera to Lameroo.

The course was in great condition and port, chocolates and toasted marshmallows helped us on the way round.

Scores should have been good, but ours weren't. Janeen was happy leading our bunch with 30pts.

Winners A grade 38pts, Lyn a local from Tailem Bend, B grade 37pts, Sandra from Mannum and C grade 33pts, Barbara from Murray Bridge.

We also failed to secure any NTPs or long drives. There was a raffle with lots of prizes, but alas no luck for us! We came home empty handed.

The day was kindly sponsored by the local Riverside Hotel and fantastically organised by Vicki and her ladies.

**Sue Telfer**

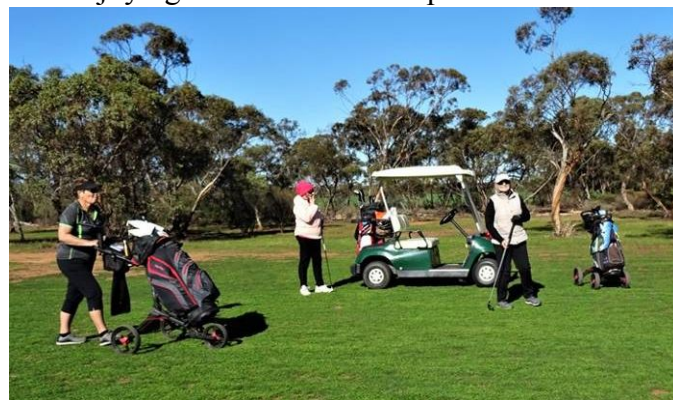
## **THE POWER OF CONCENTRATION**

I recently returned again to Bute for the Bute Women Golfers Annual Open Day. Not wanting to have jet lag another ex-Bute, who resides at Gumeracha, and myself travelled up to Bute a day before.

After the rain of the previous week we were blessed with perfect weather, a course which had responded to the rain and hard soil allowing plenty of run on the balls.

The field of 44 was a little down on last year, but this didn't dampen the high spirits of all as we all caught up on the last 12 months' golfing stories and some ...others.

The typical country cooking was produced for morning tea before our 9.30 hit off. My partner had commented on how her golf GA had gone out this year as had mine, but that wasn't going to stop us from enjoying the Pinehurst Competition.



The 9-hole course, like a lot of small country clubs, had no water hazards, very small sand bunkers and sand scrapes. The cups appeared as big as a small bucket after they were raked and a 2 cm layer of sand with sloping sides were added to the cups. I loved them as I didn't have to read them too much, with the ball going very straight to the cup without hills and bumps to contend with.



The roll on the fairways suited both of us, plus my partner was very dedicated to the cause so I had to concentrate, something I only do in Pennants and Match Play. Consequently, we had 17 great holes and 1 where we fluffed up. 87 off the stick was third best for the day and, Best Div. 1 Handicap. Our prize of great wine glasses was opened that night just to test how long it took to drink the 500 ml including ice of course.



Great raffles, a first class 3 course meal and excellent prizes from sponsorships made our day.



My only negative comment was that the total cost of golf plus meal for \$15-00 was too cheap.

*Pat Umlauf*

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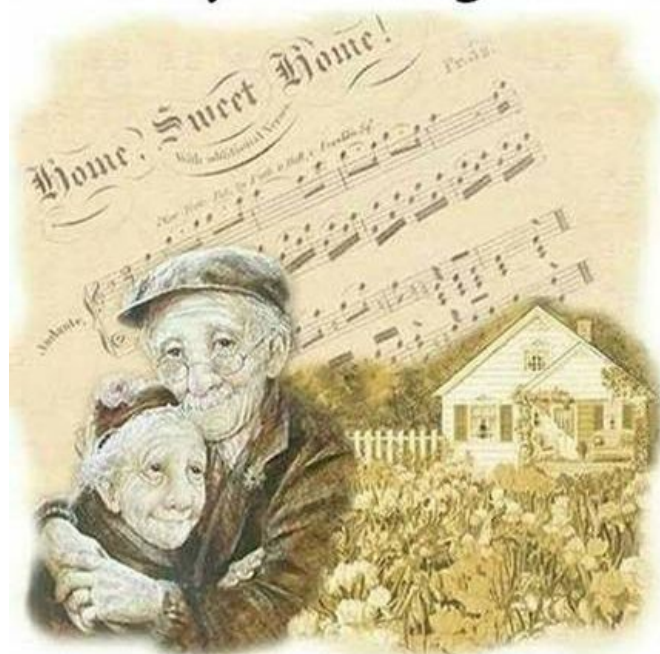
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## Sunday Morning Sex



*I will never hear church bells ringing again without smiling.*

*Upon hearing that her elderly grandfather had just passed away, Katie went straight to her grandparent's house to visit her 95-year-old grandmother and comfort her. When she asked how her grandfather had died, her grandmother replies, "he had a heart attack while we were making love on Sunday morning."*

*Horried, Katie told her grandmother that 2 people nearly 100 years old having sex would surely be asking for trouble.*

*Oh no, my dear," replies granny. "Many years ago, realizing our advanced age, we figured out the best time to do it was when the church bells would start to ring. It was just the right rhythm. Nice and slow and even. Nothing too strenuous, simply in on the ding and out on the dong."*

*She paused to wipe away a tear, and continued, "He'd still be alive if that ice cream truck hadn't come along."*

# The House of Golf.

## Fun Facts

1. Most toilets flush in E flat
2. "Almost" is the longest word in English with all the letters in alphabetical order.
3. The "hashtag" key on your keyboard (#) is called an octotroph.
4. At any one time about 0.7% of the world's population is drunk.
5. Because metal was scarce, the Oscars given out during World War II were made of wood.

## JUNIOR Coaching Clinics

Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday August 9<sup>th</sup>

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## Flashback!

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

### 25 Years ago

#### PENNANTS

**We have a side in a Grand Final**

Congratulations to the C1 Team

Captain	Greg Klatt
Tony Guy	Doug Guy
Neville Cooper	Mathew Hickman
Richard Manning	Trevor Phillips

This team, with the assistance of reserves  
Gus Cooper & Colin Golding, went through  
the season UNDEFEATED

*From the July 1994 Putter*

### 15 Years ago

#### Government Grant

Kym Wenham, Secretary of the Echunga Golf  
Club received a cheque for \$11,000 from the  
Member for Heysen, Ms Isobel Redmond.

Echunga won the grant from the State Government  
Active Clubs Program and will be used to help  
with funding the installation of a computerised  
watering system on the back 9 of the club.

The Club is currently taking steps to ensure the  
watering of the course is as efficient as possible.

The installation of the computerised system will  
allow for watering to take place only when needed  
and at night when conditions ensure a minimum  
amount of evaporation takes place.

The recent purchase of the property adjacent to the  
course in order to increase its water storage ensures  
the course will be kept green even through the  
hottest summers.

#### Echunga is number 1 in Pennants

Echunga is the number one Pennant Team in the  
Southern Group for only the second time after  
winning the historic Von Doussa Shield beating the  
recent powerhouse of the Southern Group  
Willunga 4 ½ to 2 ½, in an exciting final at Victor  
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Our only other win was way back in 1978 but since those days our top team has competed in the second division.

Our congratulations go to the team well captained by Trevor Huckel and comprising for the final John Norman, Mike Haslett, Matt Raven, Matt Hickman, Hara Taverna and Michael Wilson. Congratulations as well to Ian Bonython and Bill Guy who played in the team during the minor round. The focus of this group on achieving success is demonstrated by the fact that several of the players travelled to play at the away club in the week prior to away games just to give them the extra edge in these important matches.

Our away results were strong this year which was important in us grabbing a finals berth.

The genesis for the great win this year was winning the A2 Pennant in 2002 to finally gain promotion back up to A1.

Last year we finished a strong third to avoid relegation and this year our play was at another level throughout the minor round and again in the final to beat a strong Willunga team.

This win has certainly raised the profile of Echunga amongst the Southern Group so let's hope we can continue to be an A1 division contender in the future.

Gus Cooper was there at the last and brought the shield back to the clubhouse. I am told the members have never seen him walk so tall.

Gus said, "I was just so, so proud of the players. They played like those you see on TV. Wonderful stuff!"

#### **Pennant Team Div 5**

This team was previously captained by Greg Klatt, who handed over to Peter Raven this year, because of his new commitments as captain of the Club.

The team consisted of David Bedson, Ben Slack, Mark McLennan, Rob Eibisch and Greg Klatt reserve.

The finals match was played at Victor Harbor versus Mt Barker and was all tied up at 3 each seeing enormous pressure on one of our inform golfers disappearing down to the 21<sup>st</sup> hole, only missing the final putt by the smallest of margins.

*From the July 2004 Putter*

## **10 Years ago**

### **Pennants**

Well what a fantastic year the club has had in SGG pennants this year with all six teams making the finals on Sunday 26/7/09.

With one home and away match left our B1, B2, B4 & C3 teams had already qualified for finals which left just our A1 & C1 teams requiring a win in the last home and away matches to also make the finals.

Our A1 team secured their position in the final with a 6 to 1 win over Victor Harbor at home.

Our C1 team managed a half away which meant that they had to go into a play off with Willunga last Sunday to see who would make it through to the final. After a very closely contested match it came down to the last two matches on the course to decide the winner. These two matches went to the 18<sup>th</sup> with Echunga winning both matches and therefore advancing to this week's final.

*From the July 2009 Putter*

## **5 Years ago**

### **Handicap Matchplay Final**

**T Guy def D Parrott 2/1**



*Finalists - Derek Parrott and Tony Guy*

Falling rain and dark skies greeted the finalists of our Handicap Match Play competition between Tony Guy and Derek Parrott on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June. However both players were keen to go and hit off just before 8.30.

Tony playing off 13 had to give Derek off 16, three shots and got off to a scratchy start, going two down early as Derek played consistently. However,



the lead was short lived as Tony made long putts to win both the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> holes to square the match.

From here the score remained tight as both played some fine golf, none better than the fantastic birdies both players made on the tenth for a half. After making a great par on the 12<sup>th</sup> for a win Derek had squared the match, but had no more shots to be given and it was from here that Tony grabbed wins on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> which gave him the overall win with a 2/1 result.

Despite the weather both Tony and Derek hit some great golf shots and played consistently throughout the round, whilst they are also to be commended for the wonderful spirit in which the match was played. Congratulations to both.

**Hugh Griffin**

**Captain**

## **Pennant Report**

SGG Pennant finished up on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup> July with 2 of our teams making it through to a final.

**Our A1 team did it again for 3 pennants in a row!**

Playing a final against Mount Barker at Lady Bay was a treat for both teams, and it was the first time the course has hosted a final--won't be the last.

Our boys dug deep to keep out a determined MBH team, and it took our #4 Jamie Burt until the 20<sup>th</sup> hole to give us victory.

Wins to Mike Haslett 4/3, Brad Spaven 2/1 and Matt Hickman 2up turned the game around for Echunga after 2 earlier matches went to MBH.

The 2 Captains Bill Guy and Justin Percy were fittingly fighting out a tight match at #2, but in the end it went to Justin on the 17<sup>th</sup>, and it was back to even at 3 games all.

Jamie, who was already heading to the 19<sup>th</sup> at this stage, probably didn't know it was all up to him, but soon found out, with all the MBH guys following on. He played tremendously over the extra holes and was conceded to on the 20th to give Echunga the Von Doussa Shield.

Without doubt the best player award goes to Jamie Burt with his nerve tingling 20<sup>th</sup> hole win, although from watching on, I can say it was more nerveing than playing.

Well done Jamie! You've done the whole club proud.

**Our C2 team also had a fantastic victory!**

Playing down at South Lakes, Capt Creagh Bedson and Liam Carroll got the team off on the front foot

with a 6/5 and a 6/4 win respectively to set up the 5/2 win against Willunga.

With other wins to Mike Mattler 2up, Warren Ryan 1up and halves to Steve Nailer and Stuart Callary, this gave these boys a day to remember and what can only be described as a dominate performance for the season.

Best player award goes to Capt Creagh Bedson for his 6/5 win.

With Mike, Liam and Stuart all having great seasons in their 1st year at the club, it would be great to see them improve and move up a level or two next season.

Also having the experience of Steve, Warren and Creagh helped these guys settle into match play golf in the perfect way.

I personally take great satisfaction from seeing this side go through undefeated and virtually unchanged from the original line up in Round 1.

Special mention to Russell Yeates who also had a solid pennant season, but missed selection in the final line up.

**Andrew Keogh EGC Pennant Co-ordinator.**

**From the July 2014 Putter**

### **COMPLETE or FINISHED**

No English dictionary has been able to adequately explain the difference between these two words. In a recent linguistic competition held in London, Samdar Balgobin, a Guyanese man, was the clear winner with a standing ovation which lasted over 5 minutes.

The final question was: 'How do you explain the difference between **COMPLETE** and **FINISHED** in a way that is easy to understand?

Some people say there is no difference between **COMPLETE** and **FINISHED**.

Here is his astute answer:

**"When you marry the right woman, you are COMPLETE.**

**When you marry the wrong woman, you are FINISHED.**

**And when the right one catches you with the wrong one, you are COMPLETELY FINISHED!"**

**He won a trip around the world and a case of 25 year old Scotch!**

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## **THE DIAGNOSIS....**

Two medical students were walking along the street when they saw an old man walking with his legs spread apart. He was stiff-legged and walking slowly.

One student said to his friend: "I'm sure that poor old man has Peltry Syndrome. Those people walk just like that."

The other student says: "No, I don't think so. The old man surely has Zovitzki Syndrome. He walks slowly and his legs are apart just as we learned in class."

Since they couldn't agree they decided to ask the old man. They approached him and one of the students said to him:

"We're medical students and couldn't help but notice the way you walk, but we couldn't agree on the syndrome you might have. Could you tell us what it is?"

The old man said. "I'll tell you, but first you tell me what you two fine medical students think."

The first student said. "I think its Peltry Syndrome."

The old man said. "You thought..... But you are wrong."

The other student said. "I think you have Zovitzki Syndrome."

The old man said. "You thought..... But you are wrong."

So they asked him, "Well, old timer, what do you have?"

The old man said. "I thought it was a fart..... but I too was wrong !"

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8 <sup>th</sup>	Val Nairn	
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13 <sup>th</sup>	Vaughn Moore	
	Pam Gray	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Bob McLennan	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce Hall	
	Glenn Hanson	50
	James Ewart	15
17 <sup>th</sup>	Ewan Brown	50
19 <sup>th</sup>	Janis Janson	
	Danny Slater	
	Bruce Agnew	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Darren Wilson	
	Ian Rushton	
21 <sup>st</sup>	John Chamberlain	70
	Andrew Cowgill	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mark Davidson	
	Danny Michele	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Warren Jones	
	Graham Schliebs	65
25 <sup>th</sup>	Graeme Vivian	
	Madeleine Cook	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Kieran Kelly	
	Terry Greaney	
	Tony Guy	60
27 <sup>th</sup>	Beatrice Leonard	
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