



Echunga Putter

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Official Newsletter of the Echunga Golf Club Inc.

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From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! After having to bunker down for several weeks, it's great to be able to get back out on the course again.

Since February we have had 41 new members sign up, a positive sign for the club and it obviously shows we are a club that offers value for money and a great course to go with it.

Starting on Sunday 10th May, the weekly competition will recommence.

Full details of how to enter are on the web site.

The Management Committee, after closing the course as a precaution for several weeks, first opened the course to members, but only on a social basis with only pairs allowed, before increasing this to threes, resuming competitions and opening up to the public.

Without traffic on the course, our green keepers have taken the opportunity to carry out some major upgrades. Some of their improvements include rebuilding the greenside bunker on the third, upgrading and constructing drains and improving the bridges over these drains. Well done and you certainly have the course in great shape.

Following discussion with SAPOL, the committee has determined that we may sell soft drinks, water and other non alcoholic beverages to members and guests.

These will be available before, during and after the round.

BUT the beverages must be consumed AWAY from the clubhouse.

Only by doing this are we complying with the requirement to only provide take-away drinks. So any breach of this may result in a rescission of this decision.

Members and guests must also be aware of good hygiene practices for themselves and for our staff. This means washing your hands often and reducing your physical contact.

The other C19 restrictions about 1 person in the clubhouse and social distancing remain as before.

Hopefully restrictions will again be eased in the coming weeks and we will be able to enjoy a beer after a game, but not quite as we did before.

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.

Up and coming events . . .

May

Thursday	14 th	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	16th	Stableford
Wednesday	20 th	Women – Stableford
Thursday	21 st	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	23rd	Stableford
Wednesday	27 th	Women - Stableford
Thursday	28 th	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	30th	Stableford

June

Wednesday	3 rd	Women – Stableford
Thursday	4 th	Mid Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	6th	Stableford
Monday	8 th	Queens Birthday – TBA
Wednesday	10 th	Women – TBA
Thursday	11 th	Mid Week Comp – TBA
Saturday	13th	TBA
Wednesday	17 th	Women –TBA
Thursday	18 th	Mid Week Comp – TBA
Saturday	20th	TBA
Wednesday	24 th	Women – TBA
Thursday	25 th	Mid Week Comp – TBA
Saturday	27th	TBA

**This Program is
subject to change as
restrictions are
eased**

Competition Results

Thursday 23rd April

Par Men 47 Players
Women 1 Player

P Murphy	+4
B Burnett	+2
D Pix	+2
P Coldrey	+2
J Hodgson	+1
R Jones	+1
D McGlashan	+1

Saturday 25th April

Stableford

A Grade		B Grade	
B Rogers	40	D Jones	41
R Jones	37	T Guy	40
C Smith	37	F Williams	37
R Hill	34	R Hasson	37
P Coldrey	33	C Stevens	37
B Lenger	33	S Handke	36

C Grade		D Grade	
P Downs	40	J Ferguson	37
D Doorne	39	D Cheney	34
C Young	36	J Fowler	33
S Grivell	35	Ant Pouw-Bray	32

N Smith
D Willgoose

Women L Gray

Thursday 23rd April

Stableford Men 14 Players
Women 0 Player

C Stevens	35
G Milne	35
R Jones	34
A Horsfall	33
D McGlashan	33

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Saturday 2nd May

Stableford Men 101 Players
Women 2 Players

A Grade		B Grade	
G Vivian	36	James Lee	41
J McGleish	34	D Jones	36
R Jones	34	G Dodd	34
T Guy	34	A Amberg	34
J Hyland	31	R Dyer	33
D McGlashan	31	M Voigt	33

C Grade		D Grade	
C Young	33	J Fowler	34
C Fort	32	R Davidson	33
S Hill	31	T Scott	32
R Hughes	31	I Oswald	30
N Smith	31		
R Easling	30		

Thursday 7th May

Stableford Men 36 Players
Women 0 Player

R Jones	36
R Fine	34
M Haslett	34
J Ferguson	34
R Eibisch	34
D Parrott	34

Saturday 9th May

Stableford Men 83 Players
Women 5 Players

A Grade		B Grade	
Z Bozic	40	D Beames	37
D McGlashan	37	A Amberg	36
James Lee	37	R Hasson	35
M Haslett	34	M Quigley	35
C McLatchie	33	C Stevens	33
R Hill	33	G Dodd	33

C Grade		D Grade	
C Fort	37	J Fowler	36
P Downs	37	T Scott	32
P Allen	34	M Morton	24
T Dodd	33	J Ferguson	23
N Harrison	31		
B Sparrow	31		

Women		Ji Lee	35
		C Hasson	37

Around the course

Southern Ports Golf Week

Ben Slack tastes victory again!

After winning this event in 2016, Ben was again victorious this year. Congratulations and Well Done!

Southern Ports Golf Week (SPGW) is an event run by the Kingston SE, Robe and Beachport Golf Clubs.

Since 1975, SPGW has been held annually beginning on the last Saturday of February. This week-long event is made up of a 54 Hole Championship, Foursomes Events & Mixed Events, for all handicap ranges, with A, B and C grades (Men & Ladies).

The 54 hole Championship Event is played at all three clubs on Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Each grade plays on a specific course each day.

Who was the A Grader who had six putts on the 12th hole recently?

Juniors

**Coaching clinics:
Suspended until
further notice**

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16 Albyn Tce, Strathalbyn (opposite park)

New Members

Welcome to the following new members who have joined or rejoined our Club over the past 3 months.

Robyn Eibisch	6 Day Standard
Jake Haynes	7 Day Standard
Geoff Shearer	7 Day Standard
Richard Shearer	6 Day Standard
James Hayden	Youth - 18
Rob Hayden	7 Day Standard
Doug Hayden	7 Day Standard
Sam Hewitt	7 Day Standard
Mick Slaven	7 Day Standard
Max Lenger	7 Day Junior
Zack Bozic	7 Day Standard
Tim Jenkin	7 Day Standard
Julie Jantke	7 Day Standard
Lee Rowe	7 Day Standard
Ian Thomas	6 Day Standard
Richard Stapleton	6 Day Standard
Mitchell Jenkin	7 Day Standard
David Hurley	6 Day Standard
Ji Lee	7 Day Standard
Chris Schneider	7 Day Standard
Neville Bowen	7 Day Standard
Jed Cox	6 Day Standard
Jonathon Ketley	6 Day Standard
Sharon Geake	7 Day Standard
Edison Ewing	7 Day Junior
Tom Hughes	6 Day Standard
Henry Ewing	7 Day Junior
Lindsay Richards	6 Day Standard
Simon Ewing	7 Day Standard
Tom Messenger	Youth - 22
Evan Daws	7 Day Standard
Lachlan Barrett	6 Day Standard
Brian Morgan	7 Day Standard
Sam Foster	7 Day Standard
Thomas Knipp	7 Day Standard
Peter Ellis	6 Day Standard
Guofa Liu	7 Day Standard
Peter Bowen	7 Day Junior
Monty Bowen	7 Day Junior
Donna Turner	7 Day Standard
Reece Homfray	7 Day Standard

Welcome to Echunga Golf Club.

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.

Women's Report

Women's Competition Golf

On April 29th, 16 very enthusiastic women golfers were all booked in to play their first competition in weeks.

Nature and its fickle nature had other ideas and with lightning and thunder forecast, we made the decision to cancel golf for that day.

Nature, being fickle again, decided that Wednesday was not the day to be unpleasant and so the day would have been ok for a round.

Many women thinking that golf could be cancelled got their weekly fix of golf and played on the Tuesday.

May the 6th was predicted to be a much better weather wise day. Women are booking in a tee time at 10-minute intervals and as a result, 28 women turned out for play.

It was like seeing prisoners let out of jail. All were happy to be in another environment and seeing others.

With all sticking to our social distancing rules.

We also welcomed Sharon Geake to Echunga Club, and great to see Robyn Eibisch playing on a Wednesday

May the 13th, is also looking fine, so hopefully we get an almost full field.

Pat Umlauf
Captain

Wednesday 6th May

Stableford 9 holes

C Carter	16
I Sobolewski	14
J Greenway	14
V Day	14

Stableford 18 holes

S Telfer	33
K Clarke	31
M Pride	29
P Gray	29
J Petherick	29
S Maddern	28
R Eibisch	28

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Who am I...

One Monday morning the postman was delivering the mail through the neighborhood on his usual route.

Craig, a homeowner, came out with a load of empty beer, wine and spirit bottles for the recycling bin.

'Wow Craig, looks like you guys had one hell of a party last night,' the postman commented.

Craig, in obvious pain, replied, 'Actually we had it Saturday night.

This is the first time I have felt like moving since 4 am Sunday morning.

We had about 15 couples over for some weekend fun and it got a bit wild.

We all got so drunk around midnight that we started playing WHO AM I?

The postman thought for a moment and said, 'How do you play WHO AM I?'

'Well, all the guys go in the bedroom and come out one at a time covered with a sheet with only the 'family jewels' showing through a hole in the sheet. Then the women try to guess who it is.'

The postman laughed and said, 'Sounds like fun, I'm sorry I missed it.'

'Probably a good thing you did,' Craig responded.

'Your name came up seven times.'

Club Sponsors

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These Companies sponsor our Golf Club. Please repay their generosity by supporting them where possible. If you have a business, or know of a business interested in having their name on a Tee Block Sign please contact the Sponsorship Committee. Any sponsorship would be greatly appreciated and will ultimately help to keep your membership fees down.

Some people aren't shaking hands because of the Coronavirus. I'm not shaking hands because everyone is out of toilet paper.

MoreCrazyStuff

This Month's Teaser

At a children's party, 10 kids had juice, 8 kids had cake, and 6 kids had juice and cake.

How many kids were there at the party?

Answer next month

Last Month's Teaser

Ok, here's a trickier one!

What 8 letter word can have a letter taken away and it still makes a word?

Take another letter away and it still makes a word. Keep on doing that until you have one letter left.

What is the word?

Answer:

The word is starting! Starting, staring, string, sting, sing, sin, in, I. Cool, huh?

British 'phlegm' was never better illustrated than during 1940; as witnessed by this calm notice.

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB

TEMPORARY RULES. 1940

1. Players are asked to collect Bomb and Shrapnel splinters to save these causing damage to the Mowing Machines.
2. In Competitions, during gunfire or while bombs are falling, players may take cover without penalty for ceasing play.
3. The positions of known delayed action bombs are marked by red flags at a reasonably, but not guaranteed, safe distance therefrom.
4. Shrapnel and/or bomb splinters on the Fairways, or in Bunkers within a club's length of a ball, may be moved without penalty, and no penalty shall be incurred if a ball is thereby caused to move accidentally.
5. A ball moved by enemy action may be replaced, or if lost or destroyed, a ball may be dropped not nearer the hole without penalty.
6. A ball lying in a crater may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole, preserving the line to the hole, without penalty.
7. A player whose stroke is affected by the simultaneous explosion of a bomb may play another ball from the same place. Penalty one stroke.

Flashback!

On the Course...and around the Clubhouse.

25 Years ago

NEW CLUBROOMS

The suggested plans have been displayed in the Clubrooms and I thank the 4 members who made the effort to submit their thoughts in writing. These have been discussed by the Management Committee. Apparently the plans showed the kitchen & storeroom in the wrong positions. The storeroom should have been & will be alongside the bar and the kitchen will be alongside the BBQ room. Plans are still on display and any further comments will be appreciated.

From the May 1995 Putter

10 Years ago

Foursomes Championship

Best Gross - Matt Hickman & Randy Jones 72

David Smart Trophy (Best Net)

Hugh Griffin & Oliver Temme 62 ½

Senior Foursomes (60 & Over Best Net)

Russell Yeates & Lloyd Mitchell 67

Congratulations to our Junior Pennant Team.

This year we have a group of Juniors who have represented the club in Southern Golf Group Junior Pennants. On Sunday April 11th they won the B1 grade final at Ashbourne.

Congratulations to Christine Beasley, Elliot Willgoose, Jaden McGlashan, Billy Cawthorne and Tom Wellstead for their gutsy efforts on some very challenging courses.

From the May 2010 Putter

5 Years ago

Trophy Winners

David Smart Trophy

Bob Nunn & Lloyd Mitchell

Senior's Foursomes

George Beltchev & Derek Parrott

Hole in One

Thursday 23rd April.

Grant Foster

had a Hole in One on the Temp 10th



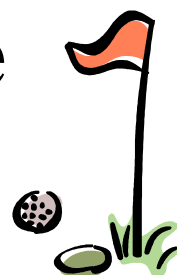
Congratulations and Well Done Grant!

Hole in One

Saturday 25th April

Rob Langbein

Hole in One on the 2nd



Congratulations and Well Done Rob!

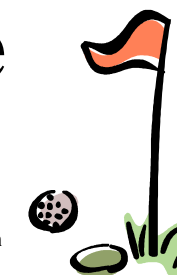
Saturday 25th April

Hole in One

Thursday 23rd April.

Naren Taverna

had a Hole in One on the Temp 10th



Congratulations and Well Done Naren!

Foursomes Champions

Congratulations to our 2015 Foursomes Champions, Andrew Keogh and Naren Taverna, who were victorious in the final over Ian Bonython and Pat Buying

From the May 2015 Putter

Coopers

The Irish Painter

An Irish painter by the name of Murphy, while not a brilliant scholar, was a gifted portrait artist. Over a short number of years, his fame grew and soon people from all over Ireland were coming to the town of Miltown Malbay, in County Clare, to get him to paint their likenesses.

One day, a beautiful young English woman arrived at his house in a stretch limo and asked if he would paint her in the nude.

This being the first time anyone had made such a request he was a bit perturbed, particularly when the woman told him that money was no object, in fact, and she was willing to pay up to £10,000. Not wanting to get into any marital strife, he asked her to wait while he went into the house to confer with Mary, his wife. They talked much about the Rightness and Wrongness of it. It was hard to make the decision but finally his wife agreed, on one condition.

In a few minutes he returned.

" 'T'would be me pleasure to paint yer portrait, missus," he said "The wife says it's okay." "I'll paint you in the nude all right; but I have to at least leave me socks on, so I have a place to wipe me brushes."



"It's a taser. It's for your snoring."



Fun Facts

1. One of the most expensive Easter eggs was sold for 9 million pounds. That's almost 18 million AUD! The egg was so special as it was covered in diamonds.
2. The tallest Easter bunny was made in Italy in 2011. Standing at 10.39 meters, the bunny weighed a massive 7,200 Kg.
3. Easter clothes are considered good luck. Old superstition held that if you wore new clothes on Easter, you would have good luck for the rest of the year.
4. The idea of the Easter Bunny giving candies and eggs is said to have originated in Germany during the Middle ages.
5. 59% of people eat the ears first on their chocolate bunny. Only a handful start with the feet/tail. The rest apparently don't have a plan of action.



Count on it.

CLUBS with which we have RECIPROCAL AGREEMENTS

South Australia

Barmera Country Club
Blue Lake Golf Club
Kingscote Golf Club
Lameroo Golf Club
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Lucindale Golf Club
Millicent Golf Club
Mount Gambier Golf Club
Murray Bridge Golf Club
Naracoorte Golf Club
Penola Golf Club
Peterborough Golf Club
Port Lincoln Golf Club
Tailem Bend Golf Club
Whyalla Golf Club

Victoria

Bannockburn Golf Club
Hamilton Golf Club
Mildura Golf Club
Murray Downs Golf Club
Mt Beauty Golf Club
Riverside Golf Club Mildura
Sale Golf Club
West Golf Club - Bacchus Marsh

New South Wales

Wentworth Falls Country Club

Northern Territory

Darwin Golf Club

Tasmania

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

How the stimulus package works

It is a slow day in the small town suffering Covid-19 lockdown and streets are deserted. Times are tough, everybody is in debt, and everybody is living on credit.

A tourist visiting the area drives through town, stops at the motel, and lays a \$100 bill on the desk saying he wants to inspect the rooms upstairs to pick one for the night.

As soon as he walks upstairs, the motel owner grabs the bill and runs next door to pay his debt to the butcher.

The butcher takes the \$100 and runs down the street to retire his debt to the pig farmer.

The pig farmer takes the \$100 and heads off to pay his bill to his supplier, the Co-op.

The guy at the Co-op takes the \$100 and runs to pay his debt to the local prostitute, who has also been facing hard times and has had to offer her "services" on credit.

The hooker rushes to the hotel and pays off her room bill with the hotel owner.

The hotel proprietor then places the \$100 back on the counter so the traveller will not suspect anything.

At that moment the traveller comes down the stairs, states that the rooms are not satisfactory, picks up the \$100 bill and leaves.

No one produced anything.

No one earned anything...

However, the whole town is now out of debt and now looks to the future with a lot more optimism.

And that, ladies and gentlemen, is how a Stimulus package works.



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May Birthdays

1 st	Shirley	Cain	
2 nd	Pat	Buying	60
3 rd	Steve	Norman	
4 th	Carlsa	Carter	
5 th	Jonathon	Ketley	
6 th	Trev	Healy	55
8 th	Andrew	Fort	
9 th	Alan	Norman	
	Steve	Keough	
	Sean	Rowell	
	Derek	Jones	
	Martin	Henderson	
12 th	Geoff	Shearer	
	Dennis	Round	
	Chris	Greenwood	
13 th	Mark	Johnson	50
14 th	Peter	Vivian	
	Neil	Sylvia	
	Carol	Hasson	
15 th	Ian	Perrin	
	Pauline	Lauritsen	
	John	Paynter	60
18 th	Tony	Carter	
19 th	Jeanette	Rayner	
	Creagh	Bedson	
20 th	Mike	Haslett	60
21 st	Chris	Button	
22 nd	Rob	Jones	
	Russell	Kruger	
23 rd	Pamm	Leech	
26 th	Bob	Warby	
27 th	Alex	Pouw – Bray	75
	Craig	Fromm	40
	Anthony	Pouw – Bray	
29 th	Zack	Bozic	
	Tim	Curnow	
30 th	David	Wundersitz	
31 st	Richard	Hill	65



Happy Birthday to all - especially those celebrating a milestone!



Hahndorf
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Next issue deadline:

June 7th 2020

We welcome your comments

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

If you have any snippets of information which you think might be of interest to other members send them straight to the Editor. randryeates@gmail.com