



Echunga Putter

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Official Newsletter of the Echunga Golf Club Inc.

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From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! Dry July has certainly made a difference to the course. The course is slowly drying out and numbers on the course are improving. (Unfortunately that won't include me, as I had a foot operation last week and hopefully I will be back out in mid to late September.)

A close finish to the Echunga – Murray Bridge Bragging Rights Competition with Murray Bridge the narrow winner with an average score of 30.34 to Echunga 29.89.

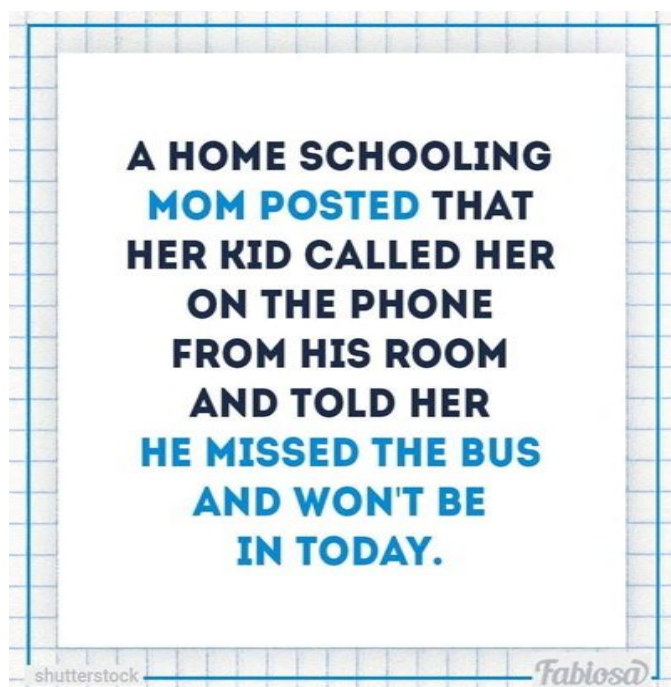
Well done to all who played and to our Captain Ben Slack and his counterpart at Murray Bridge, for organising this comp.

A busy time ahead with many of the Trophy Rounds rescheduled in both the Men's and Women's program.

Bill Kidd is looking for photos of the course and clubrooms to update the web site, so if you can help, contact Bill.

Till next month, Stay Safe and good golfing.

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 . . .

August

Saturday	8th	Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting Comp, Eclectic
		1st Rnd Vice Presidents Trophy
Wednesday	12 th	Women – Stableford - Orange Tees if wet
Thursday	13 th	Mid-Week Comp – Par
Saturday	15th	Stableford -
Wednesday	19 th	Women – Stroke 1 st Rnd Medal – 1 st Rnd Veterans' Trophy, 1 st Putting
Thursday	20 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	22nd	Par Bisque
Wednesday	26 th	Women – Multiplication Stableford 3 Persons Best 2 Multiply
Thursday	27 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	29th	Stableford - Prostate Cancer Day

September

Wednesday	2 nd	Women – Stroke – 1 st International Bowl, 2 nd Monthly Medal, 2 nd Rnd Vets Trophy, 2 nd Putting
Thursday	3 rd	Mid-Week Comp – Stroke
Saturday	5th	Stroke - Monthly Medal, Putting Comp. & Eclectic
		2nd Rnd Vice President's Trophy
Wednesday	9 th	Women –Stroke – 2 nd International Bowl
Thursday	10 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	12th	Stableford – 1st Rnd Spring Cup
Wednesday	16 th	Women - She Oak Trophy @ Echunga v Tailem Bend & Strathalbyn
Thursday	17 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stableford
Saturday	19th	Stableford – 2nd Rnd Spring Cup
Monday	23rd	Greens Cored (Subject to change)
Wednesday	23 rd	Women - Shirley Rymill Foursomes
Thursday	24 th	Midweek Comp – Stableford
Saturday	26th	Stableford
Wednesday	30 th	Women –1 st Rnd Club Championship Qualifying

October

Thursday	1 st	Midweek Comp – Stableford
Closing date for Committee Nominations 3.00pm		
Saturday	3rd	Stableford – 3rd Rnd Spring Cup
Monday	5 th	Labor Day- Stableford - Rnd 4 Public Holiday Trophy
Wednesday	7 th	Women - 2 nd Rnd Club Championship Qualifying
Thursday	8 th	Midweek Comp – Stableford
Saturday	10th	Par –Blue Block Challenge
Wednesday	14 th	Women – - Stableford - Semi Final Club Championship – Match Play
Thursday	15 th	Mid-Week Comp – Stroke

Thursday 30th July

Stableford	Men	38 Players
	Women	1 Player

D Wilson	38
M Haslett	35
T Jenkin	34
C Stevens	34
M Clark	33
I Oswald	33
Z Bilandzic	32
S Nailer	31
D Parrott	31
R Jones	31

Saturday 1st August

Stableford Men	96 Players
Women	5 Players

A Grade		B Grade	
J Lee	38	Dar Wilson	36
Z Bilandzic	37	S Bilandzic	36
D Parrott	37	M Henderson	34
T Guy	36	C Golding	33
J Hyland	36	G Vivian	33
S Handke	34	A Amberg	32

C Grade		D Grade	
J Michalik	41	J Goff	34
M Dembski	35	J Ferguson	33
M Stevens	34	M Clark	33
N Harrison	34	T Scott	32
P Allen	32	An Pouw-Bray	31
R Easling	32	D Cheney	31

NTP 2nd	Dar Wilson
NTP 7th	D Murphy
NTP 17th	R Jones
NTP 18th	Z Bozic

NTP in 2 (10th)

A-B	J McGleish
C-D	n/a

Women	Ji Lee	34
	A Morton	33

Nearest the Pin:

(Extra sponsors' vouchers)

11th \$20.00 Meal Voucher Hahndorf Old Mill

18th \$20.00 Hahndorf IGA Voucher

Recent Achievements

Eagle

On the par 5, 14th hole on
Saturday, 8th February.
Congratulations and Well Done!

Derek Parrott

Eagle

On the par 5, 14th hole on
Thursday, 20th February.
Congratulations and Well Done!

Bill Guy

Eagle

On the par 4, 10th hole on
Saturday, 7th March.
Congratulations and Well Done!

R Davidson

Eagle

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

Bill Guy

Eagle

On the par 5, 14th hole on
Saturday, 6th June.
Congratulations and Well Done!

Richard Hill



Around the course

Public Access Defibrillator

As a result of an AHA | Clubs SA | St John Ambulance SA initiative, Echunga Golf Club now have a new defibrillator and wall cabinet located adjacent to the Western clubroom door.

As this is a public access defibrillator, the cabinet is mounted on the outside of the building, and is unlocked at all times so that it is accessible 24/7.

The location information has been given to the 000 network so that when a call is made, the operator can easily direct the caller to the device.

Golf Course Photos

Do you have any GOOD photos of the golf course? If so, can you please send them to or contact Bill Kidd at info@echungagolf.com.au

We are planning an update of the website soon and would like to include some course photos.

Bill Kidd

Secretary, Echunga Golf Club

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New Sponsor

Welcome to our latest new sponsor.

Craig has been a member for six years and his Company is now the Tee Block Sponsor of the 2nd hole.



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This Month's Teaser

A barrel of water weighs 60 pounds. What must you put in it for it to weigh 40 pounds?

Answer next month

Last Month's Teaser

What causes no pain or sorrow, but makes anybody weep?

Answer:

Onion

VOLUNTEERS' REPORT

We have been busy cutting up and removing fallen tree limbs and planting native tea trees at the back of the 4th green.

Thanks to the ladies for the seedlings.

Clearing of weeds and new tree growth on the dam walls and removal of hazardous limbs on the Dolman Rd side of the 1st fairway beyond the crossover gate.

Starting to prune the clubhouse gardens and replacing open drains with pipes between the buggy room and the practice nets and covering them with dolomite.

Being spoilt, yet again, by Pete's curried eggs at the bush cookout lunch, not to mention the roast spuds and gourmet sausages. Thanks Al!

Col to bring the BBQ sauce next time.

Painting the outside of both pump sheds to blend in with the environment.

Spraying proscribed weeds, Watsonia and Broom to allow natives to take their place.

Question of the month. 'What is the difference between an adze and a mattock? Ask Al. Escape COVID cabin fever by joining us on any Tuesday at the clubhouse at 9 am.

Barry Hicks

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Juniors

Coaching clinics:

The much anticipated restart of monthly Sunday Coaching Clinics will begin in September.

Bookings have already started for the first clinic on Sept 13th. Register on Eventbrite. Non-members welcome. There are separate sessions for adults, advanced juniors and younger juniors.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/echunga-golf-club-7845690064>

Primary Schools Golf 2020

The country qualifying events are now open for registration. Further information and how to enter can be found on our website under Membership, Juniors.

The qualifying event for SAPSASA Barker/ Hills zone is Wed 7th October, at Echunga Golf Club

As in previous years, we will be conducting a few sessions with local Schools this term in the lead up. Please contact our Junior Coordinators or the school PE teacher for details.

Junior Championships

Due to COVID restrictions, the championships were delayed so we are now accepting any 18 or 9 holes cards for September to contribute to the best scores.

Did you know that 2020 Sports vouchers can be used for Junior Membership at Echunga? Junior Membership is 7-days, no restrictions and covers all Wednesday MyGolf sessions.

*Regards,
Esther*

Fun Facts

1. Sloths take two weeks to digest their food.
2. Guinea pigs and rabbits can't sweat.
3. There are more than fifty different kinds of kangaroos.
4. Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear any pants
5. A tiny amount of liquor on a scorpion will make it instantly go mad and sting itself to death

The Duck Hunter

The duck hunter from Lake Grace walked over to a tree and propped up his shotgun. Just then a gust of wind blew and the shotgun fell over, and discharged shooting himself in the genitals.

Several hours later, lying in a Perth hospital bed, he was approached by his doctor.

"Well sir, I have some good news and some bad news. The good news is that you are going to be OK. The damage was local to your groin, there was very little internal damage, and we were able to remove all of the buckshot."

"What's the bad news?" asked the hunter.

"The bad news is that there was some pretty extensive buckshot damage done to your penis. I'm going to have to refer you to my sister."

"Well, I guess that isn't too bad," the hunter said.
"Is your sister a plastic surgeon?"

"Not exactly," said the doctor. "She's a flute player in the West Australian Symphony Orchestra.

She's going to teach you where to put your fingers so you don't piss in your eye."



Women's Report

Wednesday 8th July

Stroke

Murray Bridge

L Gray	71
P Leech	71
S Cain	74
S Telfer	77
M Holton	78
J Petherick	78

Echunga

E Burt	91
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Wednesday 15th July

Pinehurst Foursomes at Murray Bridge

S Cain & L Pride	64
R Eibisch & P Gray	65 ½
S Telfer & L Hughes	69

Wednesday 22nd July

Par

S Maddern	+1
L Hughes	+1
J Petherick	Sq
L Pride	Sq
P Leech	-1
S Telfer	-1
L Gray	-2

Wednesday 29th July

Aggregate Stableford

Echunga

S Telfer & R Waterman	27 ½
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Murray Bridge

P Leech, E Handsaker & K Clarke	32.7
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Individual Best

L Steer	36
K Clarke	34

Golfers ... beware of this little old lady!

A little old lady was walking down the street on the way to her bank dragging two plastic garbage bags behind her.

One of the bags was ripped and every once in a while a \$20 note fell out onto the footpath

Noticing this, a police officer stopped her, and said, "Ma'am, there are \$20 notes falling out of your plastic bag."

"Oh, really? Darn it!" said the little old lady. "I'd better go back and see if I can find them. Thanks for telling me, Officer."

"Well now, not so fast," said the officer.

"Where did you get all that money?"

You didn't steal it, did you?"

"Oh, no. Definitely no.", said the old lady.

"You see, my backyard is right next to a golf course. A lot of golfers when they're behind my place come and pee through a knot hole in my fence, right into my flower garden."

"It really annoys me ... kills the flowers, you know."

Then I got to thinking,

"Why not make the best of a bad situation?"

"So now, I stand behind the fence by the knot hole, real quiet, with the hedge clippers in my hand.

Every time some guy sticks his thing through my fence, I surprise him, grab hold of it and say, 'Okay buddy! Give me \$20 or off it comes.

"Well, that seems only fair," said the cop laughing.

"OK. Good luck! But, by the way, what's in the other bag?"

"Well, not everybody pays!"

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Flashback!

On the Course...and around the club...

20 Years ago

Handicap Match Play.

Winner

DON BISHOP

Due to the inclement weather & the condition of the course the Match Committee on the morning of the Competition used its powers to reduce the competition from 36 holes to 18 holes.

I'm sure there wouldn't be many clubs that have 3 generations of family playing in the one group. It happened here on Aug 5th in the Club Ambrose when the NORMAN'S all played together. There was Grandfather Allan, son Steve and grandsons John and David. Obviously a good combination as they finished in the winners.

Congratulations to the Committee on their decision to close the back 9 due to the boggy conditions.

This is the first time since the 18 holes were opened that 9 have been closed but, seeing the improvement in the course due to the closure it's something we may need to contend with more often.

Jeff Cathie has some concern for our Education system when son Steven had him 6 up after 4 holes in a recent Par Comp. (It could be Jeff used to help him with his Homework ??)

Taken from the August 2000 Putter

10 Years ago

Pennants

As I stated in the last Putter, the club has had a great year in pennants again which culminated in us winning three pennants.

A1 - After finishing the home and away season undefeated this team went into the final against South Lakes at Victor Harbor a warm favorite. In what turned out to be a very close match this team came away with a 4 to 3 win. Congratulations to Ben Slack (Captain), Matt Hickman, Ben Winton, Trevor Huckel, Bill Guy, Mike Haslett and Brad Spaven. This is the fifth time in seven years that we have been able to win this grade which is a fantastic effort.

B1 - This team also finished the home and away season undefeated and went into the final against South Lakes at Victor a very strong favorite. True to their early season form they had a strong 5 ½ to 1 ½ win. Well done to Randy Jones (Captain), Anthony Evans, Andrew Keough, Suthee Ogg, Michael Wilson, Jase Hyland and John Norman.

B4 - After finishing top of their group at the end of the home and away season, this team went into the final against Mt Barker - Hahndorf at South Lakes a slight favorite. After trailing 3 to 1 after the completion of the first four matches it all came down to the last three matches out on the course. Fortunately for us they all ended up wins for Echunga which saw this team have a 4 to 3 win. Another great effort by Hugh Griffin (Captain),

Hara Taverna, Nareen Taverna, John Westerholm, Joel Haslett, Stephen Kinnane and Greg Nicholls.

Unfortunately for our B2 and B5 teams, they were unable to win their finals but both teams had a great year and put up a great fight in the final.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our captains this year, Ben Slack, Randy Jones, Nick Deckert, Hugh Griffin, Tony Guy, Creagh Bedson and Eric March.

I would also like to thank our pennant co-ordinator Matt Hickman for his tireless work through the pennant season. It is not an easy job to do, juggling players, finding reserves or fill ins but Matt seems to relish the job and does it with great success.

With the men's, women's and junior success this year we have won a total of six pennants for our club. Well done to all involved.

Greg Klatt

Captain

Taken from the August 2010 Putter

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS **& SIDE EFFECTS**

A woman asks her husband at breakfast time "Would you like some bacon and eggs, a slice of toast, and maybe some grapefruit juice and coffee?"

He declines.

"Thanks for asking, but I'm not hungry right now. "It's this Viagra," he says. It's really taken the edge off my appetite."

At lunchtime, she asks him if he'd like something.

"How about a bowl of soup, homemade muffins, or a cheese sandwich?"

He declines.

"The Viagra," he says, "really trashes my desire for food."

Come dinner time, she asks if he wants anything to eat.

"Would you like a juicy rib eye steak and some scrumptious apple pie?"

Or maybe a rotisserie chicken or tasty stir fry?"

He declines again.

"No," he says, "it's got to be the Viagra. I'm still not hungry."

"Well," she says, "Would you mind letting me up? I'm starving."

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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

JUNIOR
Coaching Clinics
Starting Again
Sunday September 13th
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.

GOLF OR SEX?

A man watching a golf tournament on TV kept switching channels to a dirty movie featuring a couple having sex.

"I don't know whether to watch them or the golf tournament," he said to his wife.

"For heaven's sake, watch them," his wife said. "You already know how to play golf!"

Love it !

John Thomas

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Trivia

"How can you tell the difference between a crocodile and an alligator?
 You'll see one later and the other in a while"

What is the history behind the Tim Tam biscuit?



They were named after a horse that ran in the Kentucky Derby in 1958.

A member of the Arnott family, Ross Arnott, attended the race day and decided Tim Tam was the perfect name for the biscuit he was about to launch.

Since the launch of the Original Tim Tam biscuit, Arnott's have now made many different flavored Tim Tams.

The Meaning of COVID

Citizens of Victoria Ignoring Directions

I swear we are fighting two pandemics.

Coronavirus and stupidity.

August Birthdays

2 nd	Andrew	Evans	
3 rd	Colin	Wam	
	Michael	Martin	30
5 th	Wally	Bell	70
6 th	Rob	Strelan	
	Warren	Ryan	50
8 th	Graham	Sando	70
9 th	Andrew	Kirwan	70
	Izzy	Roberts	
10 th	Liz	Phipps	
	Pat	Umlauf	
	Kym	Wenham	
11 th	Ian	Thomas	60
	Esther	Burt	
12 th	Neil	Holton	
14 th	Tristan	Lakin-Hall	
15 th	Brian	Witty	70
16 th	Chris	Wenham	
17 th	Randy	Jones	
18 th	Max	Lenger	
19 th	Peter	Wass	
	Simon	Ewing	50
	Daniel	McArthur	
	Monty	Bowen	
22 nd	Bill	Guy	
23 rd	Ben	Monaghan	
	Jed	Cox	
	Brock	Bezzina	
25 th	Jim	Warren	
	Greg	Day	
26 th	Sheryl	Fine	
27 th	David	Manning	
	Jake	Haynes	
28 th	Roger	Fine	
29 th	Ted	Schwerdt	
30 th	Robert	Grinter	
	Rob	Hayden	
	Cohen	White	



Happy Birthday to all - especially those celebrating a milestone!

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Next issue deadline:

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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