



# Echunga Putter

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## From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! What a busy Month we have had!

With the Foursomes over, we then moved on to the Handicap Match Play. Congratulation to all who qualified and especially our winner Lloyd Jackson and Runner Up Col Stevens. Well done!

The Women have once again held their Open Day with great success and congratulations to all of the winners and to those who helped organize the day. Well done!

The Autumn Classic was held last week and although the numbers were down on previous years, there were a high number of players from other clubs, which was great to see. Congratulations to all the winners and full details will be in the April edition of the Putter.

The new sprinklers have been installed on the Back nine and although the Green Keepers have to operate them manually, the fairways are starting to respond. (Although many members are happy with the way they are at the moment as the ball is running a lot further!)

Again the Volunteer group have been hard at work and completed a number of tasks as mentioned in Barry's report. But more help is needed, so if you can assist them they meet every Tuesday at 9.00am.

Till next Month Good Golfing.

If you have any news items, stories, achievements etc. please e-mail me at [randryeates@gmail.com](mailto:randryeates@gmail.com).

### ***Southern Golf Group Men's Pennants***

Matches will be held on the following dates.

19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> March

2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April

Finals will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> May

We have 4 teams entered, A1, B1 and Handicap Teams in C2 and C3 Divisions.

If you wish to play, or require more information contact the Pennant Co-Ordinator

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Or John McDonald 0401 299 920

## Up and coming events . . .

### March

Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford – <b>Rnd 1 Autumn Cup</b>
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stableford 3 card aggregate (Outstanding 2022 Laurel Wreath Play)
Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford – <b>Rnd 2 Autumn Cup</b>
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Women Multiplication Stableford Rnd 2
Thursday	23 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stroke
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford – <b>Rnd 3 Autumn Cup</b>
Wednesday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Pinehurst Foursomes – Shotgun Start 9 holes, Presentation Day
Thursday	30 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford

### April

Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ambrose – Opening Day 8.30am Start
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Women – 1 <sup>st</sup> Rnd International Bowl, 1 <sup>st</sup> Rnd Putting
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford- Public Holiday Trophy
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford – Easter
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup>	Public Holiday Trophy
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Women – - 1 <sup>st</sup> Rnd Club Championship Qualifying, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rnd International Bowl
Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford
Saturday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Stroke - Monthly Medal, Club Championships Qualifying
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup>	Public Holiday Trophy
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Stableford - 1st Round Leonore Steer Trophy
Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford
Saturday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Stroke - Club Championships Qualifying
Tuesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac Day Public Holiday Trophy
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Women - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rnd Club Championship Qualifying 1 <sup>st</sup> Rnd Monthly Medal
Thursday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford
Saturday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford - Quarter Finals Club Championships

### May

Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Stableford - Public Holiday Trophy
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Women - Stableford – Minnie Semmelmann Trophy Rnd
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford
Saturday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Stroke - Monthly Medal, Semi Finals Club Championships
Wednesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	Women –3 <sup>rd</sup> Rnd Club Championship Qualifying, 3rd Round International Bowl
Thursday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Stableford - Final Club Championships
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	Women – Shylie Rymill Handicap Foursomes
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Comp – Stableford

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February**

## Division 1

## Division 2

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

**POG**

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## Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February

## A Grade

### B Grade

## C Grade

## D Grade

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

**NTP 17<sup>th</sup>**

1411-16 Jürgen Jürgens, Volker Jürgens, D. Klemm

### NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>) \$20 Old Mill Voucher

**A-B** H Taverna

**C-D** W Goldsmith

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**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

## Division 1

## Division 2

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

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup>** Hagen Arms Voucher      B Guy

**POG**

G Milne	22
H Griffin	22

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## Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February

## A Grade

### B Grade

## C Grade

## D Grade

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

**NTP 7<sup>th</sup>** S Koop

NTP 17<sup>th</sup> M Martin

**NTP 18<sup>th</sup> Hagen Arms Voucher** D Parrott

## NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>) \$20 Old Mill Voucher

A-B R Pearce

C-D E O'Young

**Women** P Leech 35

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**Count on it.**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

<b>Stroke</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>34 Players</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>0 Players</b>

J Thomas	67
M Haslett	69
E Willgoose	69
I Oswald	69
R Fine	70
H Griffin	70

<b>NTP 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	J Goff
<b>NTP 18<sup>th</sup> Hagen Arms Voucher</b>	M Roberts

<b>POG</b>	E March	31.5
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**3Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February**

<b>Par</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>117 Players</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>2 Players</b>

<b>A Grade</b>	<b>B Grade</b>
C Smith +2	M Henderson +5
Z Bozic +1	P Coldrey +4
S Hewitt Sq	J Roberts +3
J Hyland Sq	K Hampton +3
V Smith Sq	K Truran +3
T Spry Sq	M Doughty +3

<b>C Grade</b>	<b>D Grade</b>
M Taylor +3	J Janson +5
M Voigt +3	Al Pouw-Bray +3
D Stoddard +1	T Nichols +2
P Allen +1	C Eldridge Sq
S McGlashan +1	I Oswald Sq
R Hughes +1	J Thomas -1

<b>NTP 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	H Taverna
<b>NTP 7<sup>th</sup></b>	M Doughty
<b>NTP 17<sup>th</sup></b>	D McGlashan
<b>NTP 18<sup>th</sup> Hagen Arms Voucher</b>	G Vivian

**NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>) \$20 Old Mill Voucher**

<b>A-B</b>	H Griffin
<b>C-D</b>	R Mills

<b>Women</b>	P Leech	+1
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**4Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

<b>Stableford</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>51 Players</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>2 Players</b>

<b>Division 1</b>	<b>Division 2</b>
A Bailey 38	M Morton 44
L Jackson 37	B Wallace 39
F Williams 37	J Tuck 38
B Guy 36	T Jenkin 37
K Hampton 36	J Thomas 37
R Jones 34	C Young 36

<b>NTP 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	B Guy
<b>NTP 18<sup>th</sup> Hagen Arms Voucher</b>	T Lloyd

<b>POG</b>	A Bailey	23
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<b>Women</b>	M Holton	38
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**4Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

<b>Stroke</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>124 Players</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>6 Players</b>

<b>A Grade</b>	<b>B Grade</b>
H Taverna 65	D Beams 65
N Separovich 67	S Littlewood 67
H Hodgkison 67	J Warren 69
P Coldrey 68	N Fenwick 70
B Guy 68	M Henderson 70
W Lobban 68	R Homfray 71

<b>C Grade</b>	<b>D Grade</b>
N Smith 67	J Tuck 65
A Head 68	T Nichols 70
I Tremain 69	J Goff 70
W Hocking 69	J Kerr 71
P Craven 69	S Rowell 71
P Allen 70	D Slater 72

<b>NTP 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	S Foster
<b>NTP 7<sup>th</sup></b>	C Stevens
<b>NTP 17<sup>th</sup></b>	J McGleish
<b>NTP 18<sup>th</sup> Hagen Arms Voucher</b>	D Stoddard

**NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>) \$20 Old Mill Voucher**

<b>A-B</b>	H Taverna
<b>C-D</b>	A Amberg

**Monthly Medals**

<b>A Grade</b>	B Guy	67
<b>B Grade</b>	S Littlewood	83
<b>C Grade</b>	N Smith	89
<b>D Grade</b>	J Tuck	93



**Putting Comp**

A Grade	H Hodgkison	21
B Grade	K Truran	24
C Grade	N Harrison	25
D Grade	S Grivell	26

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## Nearest the Pin:

(Extra sponsor's vouchers)

Hole in ONE on any Par 3 - \$100

From Adelaide Masonry sponsors of 2<sup>nd</sup> Hole

10<sup>th</sup> Hole - Nearest the Pin in Two

\$20.00 Meal Voucher Hahndorf Old Mill

The HAGEN ARMS HOTEL

Sponsors of the 18<sup>th</sup> Hole.

On Saturday and Thursday's competition the NTP prize on the 18<sup>th</sup> will be a \$20 Voucher to The Hagen Arms Hotel.

## MONTHLY MEDALS

### March

A Grade	B Guy	75
B Grade	G Foster	86
C Grade	A Horsfall	85
D Grade	I Tremain	92



## Handicap Matchplay

### Qualifiers from 28<sup>th</sup> January

S McGlashan (1)	Handicap	23
J McGlashan (2)	Handicap	10
W Hocking (3)	Handicap	26
Tim Jenkin (4)	Handicap	10
L Jackson (5)	Handicap	17
C Stevens (6)	Handicap	18
A Bailey (7)	Handicap	17
S Nailer (8)	Handicap	15

### Quarter Final 11<sup>th</sup> February

S Nailer (8)	def	S McGlashan (1)	3/1
L Jackson (5)	def	Tim Jenkin (4)	3/2
C Stevens (6)	def	W Hocking (3)	2/1
A Bailey (7)	def	J McGlashan (2)	3/1

## Semi Final 18<sup>th</sup> February

L Jackson (5)	def	S Nailer (8)	19 <sup>th</sup>
C Stevens (6)	def	A Bailey (7)	3/2

## Final on 25<sup>th</sup> February

L Jackson (5)	def	C Stevens (6)	1 up
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## Foursomes

The Foursomes Champions for 2023 were  
Bill Guy & Hugh Griffin who defeated  
Jayden and Darren McGlashan



David Smart Trophy winners  
Richard Mills & Alan Daws



defeated Matt Doughty & Anthony Pouw-Bray



## *Recent Achievements*

### **Eagle**

On the par 5, 14<sup>th</sup> hole on  
Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> February.  
Congratulations and Well  
Done!

**Hugh Griffin**

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## **From The**



## *Irrigation issues*

### **Irrigation of Back 9 progress report.**

The following update is provided re the irrigation issues on the back nine of the course.

While we continue to seek a remedy, a short-term solution has been initiated. To enable the immediate solution and overcome issues with aged infrastructure, new sprinklers have now been installed.

The sprinklers have to be manually engaged while we investigate the long-term solution.

Further updates will be provided as the circumstances evolve.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

*Echunga Golf Club Management Committee*

### **VOLUNTEERS' REPORT**

The weather has been kind enabling us to do a variety of jobs and at last to get onto the course.

Pete has brush cut three boundary fences plus along the 12<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> fairways. He says it's like

painting the Sydney Harbour Bridge; you know the story. Wish I could share your view from the hill.

The front nine has had regrowth pruned and any tree limbs that impede the mowers have been removed.

Now we have the back nine to go.

Ball washers have been cleaned out, the garden given a deep watering, the surrounds of the practice nets cleaned up and downpipes repositioned to catch more water. Bruce was in charge of installing depth gauges on the main tanks that are visible from the outside, which will make it easier to see what's inside. They are vertical Graham! Obvious you say? Yes, but it stops the toilets running out of water!

Bunkers, my favourite place to land, have been cleaned and their edges trimmed.

Hazards have been marked by red lines, thanks to the grounds staff and new hazard markers are being put in place.

Ben is planning extravaganza lunches, with lavish entertainment, so why don't you join us to do a bit of leisurely work, then share what's on offer?

Starting at 9.00am, any Tuesday at the Clubhouse. How can you resist?

*Barry Hicks*

## **HOW MUCH MONEY?**

The money Jon Rahm has earnt on the PGA Tour so far this year is genuinely scary.

\$ 9.4 Million in 2023

\$ 1,880,000 per event

\$ 470,000 per round

\$ 26,111 per hole

\$ 6,999 per shot

Gentle reminder it's only February!

Wish I was getting \$ 7,000 per shot!

I'd make a lot more than him!



## Women's Report

**1 Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

**9 Hole Stableford**

M Eldridge 19

**18 Hole Foursomes**

P Umlauf & P Gray 72.5

E Handsaker & J Rayner 75

M Rigby & C Carter 77

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**2 Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

**Handicap Match Play**

J Sommerlad def P Gray 4/2

E Handsaker def J Petherick 4/3

P Umlauf def K Wiese 3/1

M Eldridge def M Rigby 6/2

S Telfer def J Rayner 2/1

M Holton def S Telfer 4/3

V Day def C Carter 1up

K Clarke def J Williams 6/4

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**3 Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

**Individual Stableford**

M Rigby 45

**Multiplication Stableford**

K Wiese & V Day 75

E Handsaker & M Holton 74

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### Echunga Golf Club Women's Open Day Monday February 27<sup>th</sup> 2023

The field of 100 filled very quickly once entries opened in January. The Women's Captain and Committee, aided by numerous volunteers, put in many hours of work. This made for a successful day, with all involved having a great game of golf, a lovely lunch and the opportunity for some fabulous raffle and competition prizes.



A beautiful morning tea with home-made biscuits and slices greeted the competitors as they arrived, registered and purchased raffle tickets.



In the end 96 Women, from 18 Clubs, teed off on a day of temperate weather. (Luckily the previous week's heat wave had finished).



#### *Ready to go!*

The Women played Canadian Foursomes. In this format, both players in the pair hit a tee shot, and then choose which ball they want to continue with, hitting alternately until holed out.

The ground staff presented a beautiful course, despite issues with sprinklers on the back 9, which had only been finally resolved a matter of a few days beforehand. There were numerous kangaroos to be spotted as players moved around the course, one of the charms of this area.

Jill Sommerlad, our Women's Social Convener, with her helpers, had gone to a lot of effort with table settings. The Women enjoyed a lunch of chicken with salad and a potato gratin, followed by tiramisu and strawberries.



Many thanks to our Bar Manager, Ben and his catering team.

The door prize was once more donated and drawn by Leonore Steer.

A substantial raffle with prizes donated by Women members, local businesses and with first prize being accommodation at the Swan Reach Hotel was then drawn.





*Selling the raffle tickets*



**Raffle winner Jill Williams from Echunga**

Following this, Women's Captain, Pam Gray, welcomed all the players, thanked helpers, sponsors and announced the prize winners.

**Top results were:**



**Best Gross:** Sun mi Bae (Thaxted Park) and Joy Shin (North Adelaide) (86)



**Runners Up Gross:** Collette Scott (Grange) and Paula Bottom (Royal Adelaide) (93)

**Best Nett:** Elizabeth Handsaker and Shirley Cain (Echunga) (66)



**Runners Up Nett:** Marg Rigby (Echunga) and Denise Ross (Links Lady Bay) (66.5)

Prizes were awarded through to 8<sup>th</sup> best nett with a further ball countdown for the next 12 places. Bottles of wine were awarded for A, B and C Grade Nearest the Pin and Accurate Drive.

It was pleasing to see a good representation of Echunga women in the prize list.



*Prize Table*



**Lunch**

We would like to thank the generosity of our Sponsors, Neutrog Fertilisers, On Course Golf Mount Osmond, The Hagan Arms, Jurlique, Beerenberg and the Swan Reach Hotel.



*Raffle Prizes*

Last, but most certainly not least, thanks go to the volunteers who spent countless hours organising the event, wrapping prizes and raffle prizes, preparing player's cards with handicaps, preparing the clubhouse and pins, serving the food and cleaning up afterwards.

A special mention to Janet Petherick, who, while not playing was at the Clubhouse on the day, doing whatever was needed and keeping us on the straight and narrow.

The day was an undoubted success.

*Pam Gray*

*Echunga Golf Club*

*Women's Captain*

## **This Month's Teaser**

**What runs around a whole yard without moving?**

*What am I?*

Answer next month

## **Last Month's Teaser**

**Where is the only place where today comes before yesterday?**

*What am I?*

**ANSWER      *The Dictionary***



*"Joe claims he shot his age today!  
He also claims he's eighty seven!"*

# **Flashback!**

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

## **25 Years ago.**

**"ERIC's golf is improving.  
Last week he hit a ball in one"**  
*From the March 1998 Putter*



## **20 Years ago**

**The saga of the Echunga – Meningie Odyssey**

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

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

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

That was our first mistake.

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

Our next venue with a new leader.

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

**By Terry Woods**

*(Unfortunately Tom Childs and Terry (Tiger) Woods are no longer with us. Lloyd Mitchell is unable to play golf due to back problems and Bob Burnett is still playing, but unfortunately is soon to undergo major surgery. We wish him all the best. Editor)*

#### **Movers and Shakers**

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

*Taken from the March 2003 Putter*

## **10 Years ago**

### **Winners List Autumn Classic 2013 (Morning)**

#### **Men's A Grade Winner**

Best Net Score	Doug Johns	69
R/ Up Best Net	Billy Cawthorne	71 (73)
Third Best Net Score	Pat Buying	72

#### **Men's B Grade**

Best Net Score	Russell Amos	69 (85)
R/Up Best Net	Jerome Paternott	73
Third Best Net Score	Russell Kruger	74

#### **Men's C Grade**

Best Score	George Beltchev	37
Runner Up Best Score	Jesse Wenham	35
Third Best Score	Lloyd Mitchell	34
Fourth Best Score	John Thomas	33

### **Winners List Autumn Classic 2013 (Afternoon)**

#### **Men's A Grade Winner**

Best Net Score	Mike Haslett	69
R/ Up Best Net	Randy Jones	71
Third Best Net Score	Anthony Evans	73

#### **Men's B Grade**

Best Net Score	Jim Warren	74
R/Up Best Net	Jeff Reuter	75
Third Best Net Score	Alan Horsfall	75

#### **Men's C Grade**

Best Score	Iain Langusch	39
R/Up Best Score	John Painter	32
Third Best Score	Neville Jordan	32
Fourth Best Score	Alex Pouw-Bray	31

### **Winners Autumn Classic 2013 (Overall)**

#### **Men's A Grade – Gross Stroke**



**Winner**  
**Mike Haslett 72**



*R/ Up  
Billy Cawthorne 73*



*Taken from the March 2013 Putter*

## 5 Years ago

### Ruling Please - Ball Overhanging Hole

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

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

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

"It's got golfers talking around the globe.

Here's our Ruling":

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

*Good Golfing Barry Rhodes*

## Autumn Classic Results



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

The best gross score of the day was a 70 shot by Billy Cawthorne, making him our 2018 Autumn Classic Champion. Congratulations to all other grade winners as well as the NTP's, Long

Drive and Accurate Drive winners on the day.

*Taken from the March 2018 Putter*

## Fun Facts

- Tasmania has the cleanest air in the world
- Your eye is your fastest muscle
- Only 2% of humans have green eyes
- Golf is the only sport that has been played on the moon
- Ski ballet, in which competitors perform balletic and acrobatic movements on the snow, was an official freestyle skiing discipline from the 1960's until 2000. It even featured as a demonstration sport in the winter Olympic Games in 1988 and 1992.
- Wikipedia lists nearly 200 types of Indian desserts!

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THE HAGEN ARMS  
- ECHUNGA -

**Open Wednesday - Sunday**  
**Lunch and Dinner**

Golf Club members receive 15% Discount

*Bookings Essential*

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## Val Nairn – Brief Portrait of a Great Sportswoman

Those who have played golf with Val Nairn know that she is a steady player, with a strong competitive streak.

This week we discovered, thanks to Mary Holton, that Val, in days past, was a State Cricketer, with her last State representation being in 1962.

She was recently presented with her red cap to recognise this achievement as Women did not receive them in the day.

Val was the oldest recipient present to receive this belated honour, receiving cap number 82.

Like many early amateur sportspeople Val would have had the experience of:



*"You didn't actually get presented with your cap on debut, and you weren't told you were player number 165 or whatever it might be.*

*"You just got a letter to say you'd been selected, when and where the tournament would be held and how much money you had to pay for the pleasure.*

*"You pretty much paid for everything – your tracksuit, the lovely white culottes we played in, a shirt and a pair of long socks.*

In addition to being a State cricketer, Val was also a member of the Australian Women's cricket team

and went on tour to New Zealand. This photo shows the team, beautifully turned out, doing a fairly polite Haka take-off.

Val's sporting achievements do not finish there.



Val was also a talented hockey player, with many years as a member of Adelaide Hockey Club, later known as Aroha. She (and her husband, Alan) are life members of this club and additionally, Val was made a Life Member of Hockey SA in 2017.

Now we get to Val's golfing career. I'm currently preparing to have trophies engraved for the Women's Presentation Day at the end of this month and took the opportunity to check Val's record. She was:

Putting champ in 2002, 2007 and 2016

Club Champion in 2013

Best nett Stroke player in 2013

Best gross Stroke player in 2010 and 2015.

Congratulations Val on a stunning sporting career, which is far from over yet. A quiet Champion!!

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**TEACHER: Clyde, your composition on 'My Dog' is exactly the same as your brother's. Did you copy his?**

**CLYDE : No, sir. It's the same dog. (I want to adopt this kid!!!)**



## **CLUBS with which we have RECIPROCAL AGREEMENTS**

### **South Australia**

Barmera Country Club  
Blue Lake Golf Club  
Kingscote Golf Club  
Lameroo Golf Club  
Loxton Golf Club  
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.**

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.

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## **I'VE BEEN "SOCIAL DISTANCING" ALL MY LIFE...**



## **IT'S CALLED GOLF**



"I didn't want to waste the good stuff, so I used the oldest bottle in your wine collection for the spaghetti sauce."



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A Russian soldier ran up to a nun. Out of breath he asked, "Please, may I hide under your skirt, I'll explain later."

The nun agreed. A moment later two military police ran up and asked,

"Sister, have you seen a soldier?"

The nun replied, "He went that way."

After the military police left, the soldier crawled out from under her skirt and said,

"I can't thank you enough Sister. You see, I don't want to go to Ukraine."

The nun said, "I understand completely."

The soldier added, "I hope I'm not rude, but you have a great pair of legs!"

"If you had looked a little higher, you would've seen a great pair of testicles, too. I don't want to go to Ukraine either."



Paddy wanted to sell his car so his mate told him to wind the mileage back a bit and he would get a better price for it.

He saw him a few days later and asked how he'd got on. Paddy said when he finished winding it back it only had 7000 on the clock so he decided to keep it !

# **March Birthdays**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Morgan Wright	40
	Daniel Murphy	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ross Handsaker	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bernard Smart	90
4 <sup>th</sup>	Jase Hyland	
	Adam Westley	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Alan Bailey	75
8 <sup>th</sup>	Roger Pearce	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Sam Foster	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Bryan Harris	
	James Roberts	
12 <sup>th</sup>	Wal Melhuish	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Darren McGlashan	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Wolf Schoettgen	75
	Barry Hicks	
	Gavin Collings	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Michael Backhouse	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Jett Tonkin	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Steve Crump	
	Joe Hodgson	
18 <sup>th</sup>	Chris Nichols	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Tim Jenkin	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Dianne Hill	60
	David Doorne	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Susan Telfer	
	John Gitsham	
	Richard Mills	
24 <sup>th</sup>	Vicki Nielson	
	Morgan Lindh	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Elliot Willgoose	
27 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Beasley	
	Paul Head	
29 <sup>th</sup>	Franco Stubbs	
30 <sup>th</sup>	Les Cooper	
31 <sup>st</sup>	Bernie Fox	70



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



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**2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023**

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