



# Echunga Putter

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## From the Editor . . .

Hi Fellow Golfers! The Club Championships have been played for 2015 and congratulations to both our Men's and Women's Club Champions in each of the grades. Well done also to each of our Runners Up, as they certainly made the winners earn their titles.

The Annual Presentation Dinner while down on numbers attending this year, ran very smoothly. Thanks to Hugh and Chris for their efforts and to Heather for the catering. It is unfortunate that for the effort Hugh and his helpers go to, that not more of the trophy winners attend. If you have won a trophy it would be great to see you attend and receive it on the night.

Thank you to all who have assisted and contributed articles for the Putter this year.

With Christmas almost upon us, on behalf of the Management Committee and Staff, I would like to thank our Sponsors for their support during the year and wish both them and our members a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

If you have any news items, stories, achievements etc. please drop them in the putter box on the bar or e-mail me at [ryeates@senet.com.au](mailto:ryeates@senet.com.au).

Until next month, good golfing.

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**And a**

**Happy New Year**



## Up and coming events . . .

### December

|           |                  |   |
|-----------|------------------|---|
| Saturday  | 12 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Ham &amp; Turkey Day</b><br>Random Groups Shotgun start 8:30am   |
| Wednesday | 16 <sup>th</sup> | Women – Stroke - Willsmore Stroke<br>Award – 1 <sup>st</sup> Rnd Putting<br>Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes   |
| Thursday  | 17 <sup>th</sup> | Mid-Week Comp – Stableford  |
| Saturday  | 19 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting<br/>Comp. &amp; Eclectic</b><br><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Rnd Christmas Trophy</b> |
| Wednesday | 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Women – Stableford<br>Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes   |
| Saturday  | 26 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Stableford</b>   |
| Wednesday | 30 <sup>th</sup> | Women – Stroke<br>Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes   |
| Thursday  | 31 <sup>st</sup> | Mid-Week Comp – Stableford  |

### January

|           |                  |  |
|-----------|------------------|--|
| Saturday  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | <b>Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting<br/>Comp. &amp; Eclectic</b><br><b>1<sup>st</sup> Rnd Vice Captains Trophy</b>    |
| Wednesday | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Women – Match Play -<br>Stableford in conjunction<br>Twilight - Stableford - 9 holes                                 |
| Thursday  | 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Mid-Week Comp – Stroke   |
| Saturday  | 9 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>Par –</b><br><b>Doug McKenzie Memorial Trophy</b>   |
| Wednesday | 13 <sup>th</sup> | Women – Stroke – Ginge Gilbert<br>Memorial Trophy - Putting<br>Twilight – Stableford – 9 Holes                       |
| Thursday  | 14 <sup>th</sup> | Mid – Week Comp - Stableford   |
| Saturday  | 16 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Stableford – 1<sup>st</sup> Rnd Summer Trophy</b>   |
| Wednesday | 20 <sup>th</sup> | Women – Stableford –<br>2nd Rnd Leonore Steer Trophy<br>Twilight – Stableford – 9 Holes                              |
| Thursday  | 21 <sup>st</sup> | Mid – Week Comp - Stableford   |
| Saturday  | 23 <sup>rd</sup> | <b>Stableford – 2 Man Ambrose</b>  |
| Wednesday | 27 <sup>th</sup> | Women – Match Play –<br>Stableford in conjunction<br>Captain/ Vice Captain Trophy<br>Twilight – Stableford – 9 Holes |
| Thursday  | 28 <sup>th</sup> | Mid – Week Comp – Stableford   |
| Saturday  | 30 <sup>th</sup> | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Rnd Summer Trophy</b>  |

### February

|           |                 |   |
|-----------|-----------------|---|
| Wednesday | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Women- Stroke – Willsmore Stroke<br>Award 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rnd - Putting<br>Twilight – Stableford- 9 holes         |
| Thursday  | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Mid-Week Comp – Stroke  |
| Saturday  | 6 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Stroke – Monthly Medal, Putting<br/>Comp. &amp; Eclectic</b><br><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Rnd Vice Captains Trophy</b> |

# Competition Results

## Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November

**Stableford**      **Men**      **62 Players DSR 67**  
                          **Women**      **4 Players DSR 71**

### Division 1

|           |    |
|-----------|----|
| C Dawe    | 39 |
| D Beams   | 39 |
| D Parrott | 39 |
| B Jackson | 38 |
| L Bowey   | 38 |

### Division 2

|             |    |
|-------------|----|
| B Hicks     | 42 |
| C Bedson    | 39 |
| B Penny     | 37 |
| R Richards  | 37 |
| R Wilkinson | 37 |

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

D Parrott

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

G Watts

### POG

B Hicks 23

### Women

A Morton 34  
T Button 33

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## Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November

**Stableford**      **Men**      **121 Players DSR 69**  
                          **Women**      **6 Players DSR 73**

### A Grade

|             |    |
|-------------|----|
| A Fort      | 36 |
| Z Bilandzic | 36 |
| B Guy       | 34 |
| B Slee      | 34 |

### B Grade

|           |    |
|-----------|----|
| D Bailey  | 38 |
| B Amos    | 38 |
| P Craven  | 38 |
| D Beams   | 38 |
| A Pietsch | 38 |
| J Reuter  | 37 |

### C Grade

|           |    |
|-----------|----|
| A Head    | 37 |
| B Barrett | 37 |
| J Gitsham | 35 |
| C Stevens | 35 |
| M Stevens | 34 |
| E March   | 34 |

### D Grade

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| G Beltchev | 41 |
| T Klar     | 38 |
| C White    | 37 |
| D Slater   | 37 |
| R Davidson | 36 |
| J Mason    | 35 |

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

S Jenson

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

S Kinnane

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

G Watts

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

J Burt

### NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>)

#### A-B

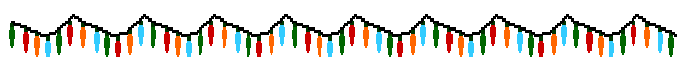
D Beams

#### C-D

M Huggard

### Women

C Hasson 30  
M Park 29



## Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November

**Stableford**      **Men**      **58 Players DSR 68**  
                          **Women**      **6 Players DSR 72**

### Division 1

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| A Horsfall | 42 |
| G Foster   | 40 |
| B Sparrow  | 40 |
| A Bailey   | 39 |
| C Stevens  | 38 |

### Division 2

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| J Mason    | 38 |
| G Davis    | 37 |
| R Davidson | 36 |
| S Hickman  | 36 |
| A Dutton   | 35 |

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

A Morton

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

P Anderson

### POG

G Davis 21

### Women

T Button 38

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## Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November

**Stableford**      **Men**      **115 Players DSR 69**  
                          **Women**      **4 Players DSR 73**

### A Grade

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| A Davies   | 40 |
| I Bonython | 38 |
| S Kinnane  | 36 |
| C Nailer   | 36 |
| H Griffin  | 36 |

### B Grade

|              |    |
|--------------|----|
| N McNicol    | 45 |
| B Amos       | 42 |
| S Keough     | 38 |
| L Bowey      | 37 |
| A Hutchesson | 37 |
| G Watts      | 37 |

### C Grade

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| C White    | 40 |
| B Fox      | 39 |
| E March    | 35 |
| C Wenham   | 36 |
| Dar Wilson | 36 |
| P Head     | 35 |

### D Grade

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| M Bills    | 39 |
| D Slater   | 39 |
| K McLennan | 37 |
| K Healey   | 36 |
| J Mason    | 36 |
| M Jordan   | 36 |

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

I Bonython

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

K Fairchild

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

M Voigt

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

J Oliver

### NTP in 2 (10<sup>th</sup>)

#### A-B

H Griffin

#### C-D

J Gitsham

### Women

M Wray 30

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# Trophy Winners

## MONTHLY MEDALS

### November

|         |               |    |
|---------|---------------|----|
| A Grade | B Guy         | 73 |
| B Grade | K Hampton     | 80 |
| C Grade | S Dearman     | 86 |
| D Grade | K Hendrickson | 97 |



## Eagle

On the par 4, 10<sup>th</sup> hole  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November.  
Congratulations and Well Done!



## Ken Hampton

(If you're short on golf balls, see Ken. The nest had 49 balls in it. Is that a record?)

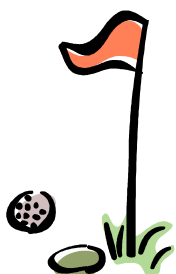
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## Hole in One

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

## Ken Fairchild

had a Hole in One on the 7<sup>th</sup>.  
Congratulations Ken!



## Eclectic

|         |                 |      |
|---------|-----------------|------|
| A Grade | Adam Beltchev   | 57 ½ |
| B Grade | K Hampton       | 57 ½ |
| C Grade | Chris Wenham    | 59   |
| D Grade | Rodger Davidson | 63 ½ |



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# Club Championships

## Semi Finals

### A Grade

|           |     |        |                  |
|-----------|-----|--------|------------------|
| R Jones   | def | R Hill | 3/2              |
| M Haslett | def | J Burt | 20 <sup>th</sup> |

### B Grade

|           |     |        |                  |
|-----------|-----|--------|------------------|
| D Parrott | def | T Guy  | 19 <sup>th</sup> |
| C Golding | def | N Judd | Forfeit          |

### C Grade

|           |     |           |     |
|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|
| R Easling | def | A Bailey  | 4/3 |
| J Janson  | def | S Dearman | 4/3 |

### D Grade

|            |     |            |      |
|------------|-----|------------|------|
| B Penny    | def | L Mitchell | 7/6  |
| P Anderson | def | B Burnett  | 1 up |

## Finals

### A Grade

|           |     |         |     |
|-----------|-----|---------|-----|
| M Haslett | def | R Jones | 3/1 |
|-----------|-----|---------|-----|

### B Grade

|           |     |           |     |
|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|
| D Parrott | def | C Golding | 5/4 |
|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|

### C Grade

|          |     |           |                  |
|----------|-----|-----------|------------------|
| J Janson | def | R Easling | 28 <sup>th</sup> |
|----------|-----|-----------|------------------|

### D Grade

|            |     |         |     |
|------------|-----|---------|-----|
| P Anderson | def | B Penny | 2/1 |
|------------|-----|---------|-----|

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November saw a cool, but fine day greet the finalists in the Echunga Golf Club Championships Finals. After two rounds of stroke play, the top 8 qualifiers in each grade were determined, before quarter finals and semi-finals of match play were completed to determine finalists.

The **A Grade** final of 36 holes saw Mike Haslett, having qualified 7th beating Hugh Griffin (1up) and Jamie Burt (20th) on his way to the final, up against Randy Jones, who qualified 8th beating #1 qualifier Bill Guy (1up) and Richard Hill (3&2) on his way to the final.

The match started with both finalists playing scratchy, but solid golf around the first nine before hitting their straps around the back nine. Play was all square through 15 holes, but with Jones making



a couple of bogies to close out the first 18 holes, Haslett's solid pars were enough to give him a lead of 2 up at the half way point.

Unfortunately for Jones this trend continued around the first nine of the second 18 and with Haslett making very few mistakes, he slowly extended his lead over the 3rd nine holes. With further wins on the 26th, 27th and 28th holes and a half on the 11<sup>th</sup>, the lead blew out to 7 up with only 7 hole to play.

Not one to give up Jones hit his straps playing the next 5 holes -1 to win all of them and move from dormie 7 to dormie 2. The chance of the unthinkable happening was real. With Jones standing on the par 3 17th, one of his favourite holes, he hit a poor tee shot and could only make bogey. Haslett seized his chance, knocking it to the edge of the green before chipping to 6 inches and securing a par and a 3/1 win.



*Club Champion Mike Haslett (left) with runner up Randy Jones.*

The **B Grade** final over 36 holes saw number 1 qualifier and the defending B Grade Champion Derek Parrott taking on regular contender Col Golding. The front nine scoring swung wildly with Golding streaking away to a 4 up lead early in the first 18, only for Parrott to slowly reel him in before taking a lead of 1 up into the second 18.

From here Parrott played some brilliant golf, showing why he really is an A Grade player reeling off multiple pars. Golding did well to stay in touch for as long as possible, but in the end Parrott's torrid play was far too good, winning the match 5&4.



*B Grade Club Champion Derek Parrott (left) with runner up Col Golding.*

The **C Grade** final over 27 holes also saw the #7 and #8 qualifiers with Janis Janson taking on Richard Easling in an entertaining contest. Both players were very evenly matched all day, Janson took a lead early before Easling moved ahead, getting to dormie 2. However, some inspired play from Janson saw him win the 26th and 27th to tie the match.

Players moved to extra holes with Easling finding trouble in the trees which he couldn't recover from and with Janson making a calm bogey the match was over.



*C Grade Club Champion Janis Janson (right) with runner up Richard Easling.*

The **D Grade** final over 27 holes was also a tight contest between Bob Penny and Peter Anderson. Penny drew the early blood getting to 2 up over the first nine holes, but from here it was all Anderson. He quickly got back into the lead and held that for the rest of the game, and although Penny tried

valiantly he could not make up the deficit, eventually going down 2&1.



*D Grade Club Champion Peter Anderson (left) with runner up Bob Penny.*

**Hugh Griffin**  
Captain

## Online booking system

Members are reminded that they have a duty to remove themselves from the booking sheet if they are not intending to play. This becomes even more important during the busy summer months when competition numbers increase and hot weather causes players to seek earlier hit off times.

The match committee will be watching this closely over the summer months and players risk losing their booking rights as per the user policy for our online booking system.

**Hugh Griffin**  
Captain

## New Members

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

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| David Kettlestring | 6 day rejoining |
| David Williams     | 7 day rejoining |
| Samson Barratt     | U17             |
| Evan Florins       | 7 day           |
| Andrew Reid        | 7 day           |
| Neil Franzway      | 6 day           |

May you enjoy your golf and friendship with us.



## Twilight Golf

Now on each Wednesday  
Hit off times 4:00pm to 6:00 pm  
9 hole Stableford Comp  
\$5.00 per round  
Non members \$10.00

## Members Market



## Have something for sale?

**Advertise it in the Putter.**

Email me your details and place a gold coin donation in the 3 putt tin.

### This is why people don't trust Senior Citizens.

The other day I went over to a nearby CVS Pharmacy.

When I got there, I went straight to the back of the store to where the Pharmacists' Counter is located.

I took out my little brown bottle along with a teaspoon and laid them both onto the counter. The pharmacist came over smiled and asked if he Could help me.

I said, "Yes! Could you please taste this for me?" Being I'm a senior citizen...I guess the Pharmacist just went along with me.

He picked up the spoon and put a tiny bit of the liquid on his tongue and swilled it around. Then with a stomach-churning look on his face he spit it out on the floor and began coughing. When he finally was finished, I looked him right in the eye asked, "Now, does that taste sweet to you?"

The pharmacist, shaking his head back and forth with a venomous look in his eyes yelled, "HELL NO!!!"

So I said, "Oh thank God! That's such a relief! My doctor told me to get a pharmacist to test my urine for sugar!"

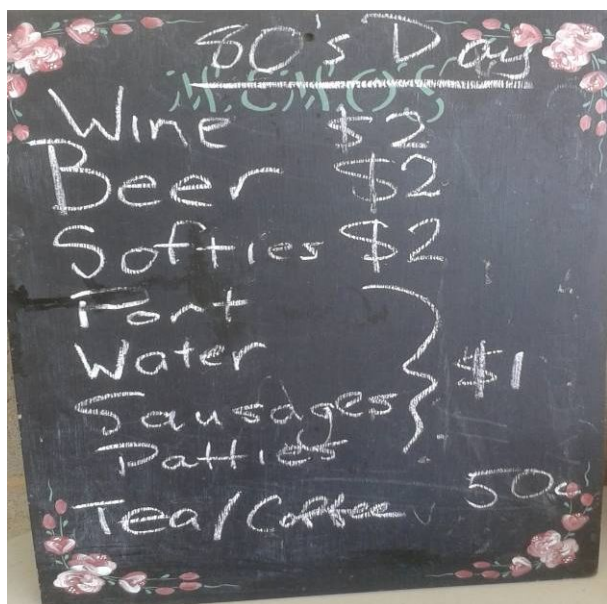
Well, I can never go back to that CVS, but I really don't care though, because; they aren't very friendly there anyway!!!



# Farewell to the Old Clubrooms



On the 28<sup>th</sup> November, we gathered at the old Club Rooms to reminisce old times and enjoy food and drinks at prices paid when the Clubhouse was in full swing.



## Les Couch and the Old Clubrooms

*By Trevor Dolman*

It is my considered view, that without the above member's contribution, the Golf Club would not exist in its present form or indeed may not exist at all.

As you may be aware, the club originally formed I think, in the 1930's and went into recess during the war. In the very late 1950's it started to reform and in a short time became a winter only golf course with a handful of members from Echunga and Meadows and in fact for a period of time, was known as the Echunga Meadows Golf Club.

The history of Les and his involvement as I recall it in the early days of the club's formation is as follows:

Les was always a staunch supporter, worker and advocate for the club.

My early memories in the early 1960's was of Les who owned a light blue FE model Holden ute, spending many hours each week, watering trees (from 44 gallon drums of water on the back of the ute) that he had planted in order to beautify and enhance the club. The main ones that I recall are on the side of the old 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> fairways (now the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> fairways). As anyone who has handled 44 gallon drums will know, they are quite heavy and awkward to deal with, especially for a person of slight build, as Les was.

Around the same time, possibly say 1963 or so, Les physically built the old clubhouse singlehanded and I remember that I on a few occasions I acted as his labourer (at around age 11 or 12), passing Besser blocks up to him to lay them.

Les was a keen golfer generally playing off of a 14 handicap (not bad considering that he had only one eye) and frequently broke 40 for 9 holes around the old layout. The greens were scrapes, which had wire fences around them to keep the sheep off of them. If a shot hit the fence or a post, it could be replayed without penalty. If you hit a sheep, it was too bad!

Les was a great recruiter of members and if a person fronted the club with an interest in joining, Les would rarely let them escape without getting a signature and a cheque from them. "What about the seconder they would ask? I don't know anybody here." "Don't worry I will fix that," said Les!

He drank butchers of beer (no light in those days) and never to excess as I recall and he always drove home at 37 to 38 mph, much to the aggravation of a number of motorists following him.

Les always took consent for granted in any request he made of members.

On a few Saturdays when members rolled up for golf he said, "No golf today, we are having a working bee", he then gave them shovels, spades and rakes and members did what was needed to be done at the time.

It would be a tragedy to not continue to play for his memorial trophy and I hope this informs members of some of the history of the club and the characters that in effect initially created it.



# Women's Report

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November  
Stableford

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| Wendy Jackson | 31 |
| Kathy Clarke  | 27 |
| Libby Pride   | 27 |

**NTP**  
**Div 2** Libby Pride

## Through to the Women's Championships

### Semi-Finals:

Janeen Coleman  
Lisa Gray  
Sue Maddern  
Val Nairn

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Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November

### Championship Semi-Finals

Playing in the final next week:

### Championship

|             |      |
|-------------|------|
| Lisa Gray   | 2 up |
| Sue Maddern | 1 up |

### Salver:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Veronica Bowman | 4/2 |
| Ann Morton      | 4/3 |

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Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November

### Matchplay

### Championship Final

|           |     |             |      |
|-----------|-----|-------------|------|
| Lisa Gray | def | Sue Maddern | 1 up |
|-----------|-----|-------------|------|

### Salver Final

|            |     |                 |      |
|------------|-----|-----------------|------|
| Ann Morton | def | Veronica Bowman | 1 up |
|------------|-----|-----------------|------|

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Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

### Stableford

### Leonore Steer Trophy- Rnd 1

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| Wendy Jackson | 35 |
| Val Nairn     | 33 |

**NTP**  
**Div 1** Val Nairn  
**Div 2** Veronica Bowman

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# Echunga Women's Championships 2015

The Club Championship and the B Grade Salver were played on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November.

None were prepared for the hot, blustery conditions on the day. With winds gusty and coming from the North, it made conditions tough for Lisa Gray and Sue Maddern who were playing for the Championship and also for Ann Morton and Veronica Bowman in the Salver.

This all paled into insignificance when we heard about the terrible bush fires raging through the Pinery Area with devastating results to human life, live stock and the crops.

Lisa and Sue hit off at 8-00 a.m. for the 27 hole Championship and Ann and Veronica at 8-30 for the 18 hole Salver.

In the 27 hole Championship after 9 holes Sue was 1 up.

The powerful hitting of both Lisa and Sue was a delight to watch, if you could see that far ahead. Both found the putting a bit more difficult, but each ended up with excellent results. Sue had a head start by the 15<sup>th</sup> hole, and then they squared the next 4 holes leaving Sue with a 3 up advantage after 18 holes.

Lisa, spurred on by the high standard of the match, won the 19<sup>th</sup> and then the 21<sup>st</sup>, after her second hit missed the tree in the centre by millimetres to land on the green less than 3 metres from the pin and later squared the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

By now Sue was hanging on with 1 up. They squared the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Lisa won the 24<sup>th</sup>, with a win to Lisa on 25<sup>th</sup> she was 1 up. Sue then won the 26<sup>th</sup> to be square again, Lisa won the 27<sup>th</sup>. to win the Championship after over 5 gruelling hours in the heat and wind, where there could be no relief with the use of umbrellas or hats.

Many of the women who played a 9 hole competition watched the final holes played from the tree line.

The Salver Competition saw Veronica 3 up after 9 holes and 4 up after 13 holes. Ann then put her better golfing into action and started to claw back into the game. On the back nine Ann got her Taylor Made Hybrid working to good effect on the fairways. Once again the driving was generally straight down the middle. Veronica's 2 balls into the dam at the 14<sup>th</sup> did not do her game or morale much good. Veronica's lead was slowly whittled



**Women's Championships**





away as Ann's approach to the green on the last 4 holes gave her an advantage.

Ann's final drive on the 18<sup>th</sup> over ran the green, while Veronica's ball hit a stone and went backwards. Ann won the Salver 1 up.

Thank you to Sharon Pascoe and Val Nairn for being referees.

All women provided a plate of food for a shared lunch.

Congratulations to all players for the way they persevered and played it out right to the end in such atrocious conditions.

Fitting Championship finals.

Congratulations to both Lisa and Ann on their wins.

*Pat Umlauf*

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## Junior Clinic 13<sup>th</sup> December

### Juniors –

13th December - Xmas Family Ambrose game - we are hoping to have the use of some golf carts so bookings are essential!

If we have enough interest we will schedule in extra sessions during school holidays.

Please let us know if you would like to participate and which days/times would suit.

*Esther Burt*

*Junior Co-ordinator*

### I thought I had heard them all

Paddy and Mick are two Irishmen working at the Local sawmill.

One day, Mick slips and his arm gets caught and severed by the big bench saw. Paddy quickly puts the limb in a plastic bag and rushes it and Mick to The local hospital.

Next day, Paddy goes to the hospital and asks after Mick. The nurse says, "Oh he's out in Rehab exercising".

Paddy couldn't believe it, but there's Mick out the back exercising his now re-attached arm. The very next day he's back at work in the saw mill. A couple of days go by, and then Mick slips and severs his leg on another bloody big saw. So Paddy puts the limb in a plastic bag and rushes It and Mick off to Hospital.

Next day he calls in to see him and asks the nurse how he is. The nurse replies, "He's out in the Rehab again exercising".

And sure enough, there's Mick out there doing some serious work on the treadmill. And very soon Mick comes back to work.

But, as usual, within a couple of days he has another accident and severs his head. Warily Paddy puts the head in a plastic bag and transports it and Mick to hospital. Next day he goes in and asks the nurse how Mick is. The nurse breaks down and cries and says, "He's dead."

Paddy is shocked, but not surprised. "I suppose the saw finally did him in".

"No", says the nurse, "Some dopey bastard put his head in a plastic bag and he suffocated."



# Flashback!

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

## 5 Years ago

### Club Champions

#### A Grade

Bill Guy defeated Brad Spaven 3/2

#### B Grade

Chris Nailer defeated Tony Guy 4/3

#### C Grade

Daniel Rosser defeated Ron Avery 5/4

#### D Grade

Creagh Bedson defeated Steve Grivell 2up

*Taken from the December 2010 Putter*



When I was young I decided I wanted to be a Doctor so I took the entrance exam to go to Medical School.

One of the questions asked us to rearrange the letters PNEIS into the name of an important human body part which is most useful when erect.

Those who answered the spine are doctors today. The rest of us are sending jokes via email.

## 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

Broken Hill Golf & Country Club  
Wentworth Falls Country Club

## Northern Territory

Darwin Golf Club

## Tasmania

North West Bay Golf Club

**We are in the process of re-confirming our Reciprocal Rights arrangements with the above Clubs on the basis that 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.

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## December Birthdays

|                  |           |           |    |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Merv      | Lelliott  |    |
|                  | Trevor    | Klar      |    |
|                  | Brett     | Rogers    |    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Rick      | Perry     | 55 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Brian     | Nielsen   |    |
|                  | Anthony   | Evans     |    |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Pat       | Ackland   |    |
|                  | David     | Middleton | 65 |
|                  | Troy      | Raymond   |    |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Bill      | Manuel    |    |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>  | John      | Oliver    |    |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Simone    | Coonan    | 50 |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Geoff     | Quirk     |    |
|                  | Marg      | Wray      |    |
|                  | Cathy     | Taddeo    |    |
|                  | Glyn      | Palmer    |    |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> | Steve     | Conder    |    |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | Andy      | Li        |    |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> | Keith     | Healey    |    |
|                  | Malcolm   | Bills     |    |
|                  | Mike      | Stephens  |    |
|                  | Rodger    | Davidson  |    |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> | John      | Doherty   | 80 |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> | Tom       | Steel     |    |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> | Klaus     | Gerke     |    |
|                  | Andrew    | Turner    |    |
|                  | Stephen   | Kinnane   |    |
|                  | Ki        | McLennan  | 25 |
|                  | Henry     | Kehoe     |    |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | Trevor    | Sharp     |    |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Garth     | Watts     |    |
|                  | Nathan    | Tilley    |    |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Priscilla | Loughhead |    |
|                  | Sam       | Sangil    |    |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> | Scott     | Tonkin    |    |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> | Max       | Govan     | 80 |
|                  | Lindsay   | Bowey     | 65 |
|                  | Craig     | Weinert   |    |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> | Gerald    | Rayner    | 30 |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> | Ross      | Hosking   |    |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> | Andrew    | Burt      | 85 |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> | Ron       | Materne   |    |



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



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