



# NEWSLETTER



## Bacchus Marsh Golf Club

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### Dear Members, Upcoming Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 W/C Stroke	2	3 Stroke	4 <b>Monthly Medal</b> Eclectic & Putting Stroke	5 Stableford	6	7 <b>Monthly Medal</b> <b>Monthly Medal</b> Eclectic & Putting Stroke
8 W/C Stableford	9	10	11 Christmas Breakup 3 Holes	12 Par	13	14 <b>George Porter QR</b> Stableford Stableford
15 W/C Par	16	17 Stableford	18 Stableford	19 Stroke	20	21 Stableford 2 person Gentsomes 1 player <20 h'cap min. 6 drives ea
22 W/C Stableford	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28 Stableford Stableford
29 W/C Stableford	30	31 New Year's Eve				

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

## **What's Happening**

Just a reminder that all members need to report to the Pro Shop before they head out to play.

We have a new fleet of Golf Carts arriving late this week or early the next. There will be a new process for the hiring of the carts, the Pro Shop will advise of the details when the carts arrive.

The Anniversary wine is now ready to be collected from the Pro Shop, see the boys and they will sort you out. If you wish to buy some more let Michael or Darran know, and we can organise it for you.

The Committee would like to wish all members a Merry Xmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Attached to the newsletter is the syllabus for next year.

## **Presidents Report December 2024**

Thank you to all the people who attended the celebration of our club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the Links Road site. Events like last Saturday don't happen without a lot of effort. Darran and Glenda were magnificent in getting everything together and many others assisted in various ways. The food prepared by Hoppers was excellent, and the staff were tireless in the preparation and serving of the food.

I know the speaker system was poor, and many people were unable to hear. We will try to ensure that does not happen again.

The story of the course development and the build from scratch will be on the website in the new year. Tom and Zoe will enlighten us with the trials and tribulations of those early days.

The presentation of awards was great to see. Congratulations to all the winners and many thanks to Di and Wendy as well as the Match Committee for putting it all together.

It is fantastic to have a decent amount of rain this week. The dam is full, the ground has really soaked up the much-needed water. Stand back for the grass to start growing.

Thank you to the new board members, who have so generously offered their time to the club. Thanks also to the many volunteers who have helped out in a range of ways during the year. Your efforts are very much appreciated. I hope 2025 will see Bacchus Marsh Golf Club grow and prosper.

This is the last newsletter for the year, and I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe, healthy and happy New Year.

Michael McGonegal

## Captains Report December 2024

Hi members, the month kicked off with monthly medal. A close finish, but Rod Canty won on a Count Back with a nice 68 from Gus Steegstra.

The weather certainly gave us no indication it was going to be anything but hot & dusty thru to Christmas! How things have changed so quickly. We had beautiful deep, penetrating rain and has been followed up a week later with another drenching. A great result for Michael Emery & the course. Speaking of great results our 50th Anniversary celebrations and Presentation Day was fantastic, and it was so good to see so many members turn up to show support for the club. A big thank you to all those involved in the organization and running of the day. Oh, and don't forget there are still glasses & wine available for sale. Please contact Darran Fowlie or Michael McGonegal.

November we also started the Friday arvo "Happy Hour on the 18th" our chipping contest and there have already been 3 x \$100 cash winners. Congratulations to them and please over the summer try to pop in between 4-6pm, have a few drinks & plenty of fun.

And finally, from me, the Board have decided to restrict the bottom gate entry to "members only" shortly there will be signs going up on the fence and a new lock installed. Access can be gained by registration only, thru the Pro Shop. At which time you will be required to register your, off course cart, pay your \$60 annual rego and purchase your key @ \$30. These keys are registered and not replaceable and cannot be re cut. Anyone found tampering, removing or adding locks, will face the board.

Hope to see you all out there soon as we head for the festive season.

Cheers

Danny

## Course Report November 2024

Hi Members:

It's great to be able to report to you the ongoing activities and plans for the course's maintenance and development.

Since gaining the task of heading course activities there has been plenty happening that has kept the team busy. It has included forming the new Course Committee and looking at the present and future requirements. This is happening while we deal with many of the day-to-day issues that arise as well as the work being done around the course by the ground staff and volunteers alike, to which I would like to shout out my sincere appreciation for their efforts.

At this point in our new tenure, I am going to dispense with the generalities of what is good and bad regarding maintenance, projects and equipment, but let me assure you there has been a great deal of action happening in the background. The most important thing currently is capturing "everything" (good ideas, current issues, future planning, budgeting, etc) so that we have a sound baseline for what we tackle and in what order they are tackled on base of priority, available labour and finance. To this end we have obtained software that will capture and manage all these issues. It is currently being populated with the data we have gathered so far with the hope that we will be running with a live version in the short term. When this occurs it is also our intention to make it visible to any member who wishes to view it, and I will announce this as the time draws closer. We can however tell you that the confirmed first group of priority tasks as to evaluate fact from fiction and capture as many issues and ideas as we can, have been identified. This will be done through a series of audits which can be viewed from the database below:

The screenshot shows a task management interface with a navigation bar at the top containing 'Main Table', 'Priorities', and 'Activity'. Below the navigation bar is a toolbar with options like 'New task', 'Search', 'Person', 'Filter', 'Sort', 'Hide', and 'Group by'. The main content area is titled 'Audits' and contains a table with the following columns: Task, Area, Priority, Notes, Owner, Status, and Budget. The table lists several audit tasks with their respective areas and priorities. Below the table, there are summary rows for 'General Course' and 'Workshop'.

Task	Area	Priority	Notes	Owner	Status	Budget
<input type="checkbox"/> Sprinkler Audit	Audits	High			Not Started	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bunker Audit	Audits	High			Not Started	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fairway Shaping / Layout Audit	Audits	Medium			Not Started	
<input type="checkbox"/> Underground Infrastructure Audit PL...	Audits	Medium/High			Not Started	
<input type="checkbox"/> Course Presentation Audit	Audits	Low			Not Started	
<input type="checkbox"/> + Add task						
						\$0 sum
> General Course	Area	Priority			Status	Budget
18 Tasks / 2 Subitems	Gen Course					\$370 sum
> Workshop	Area	Priority			Status	Budget
6 Tasks / 1 Subitem	Work Shop					\$500 sum

Looking forward to updating you again soon.

Greg Foreman

Head of Course

(New more reflective title) .....see what happens when I get power in my little finger!

Course Committee:

Greg Foreman

Michael Emery

Carol Young

Laurie Craig

Kevin Elliot

Brodie Richardson/Connor McLean

## **Ladies Captain Report December 2024**

November monthly medal winners

Saturday - Jacinta Shelly 70 nett

Wednesday - Karin Caple 69 nett

Well done, Ladies

And just like that we are in December. The 50th Anniversary and Presentation Day was a success. Hopefully this is the start of Presentation Days again. Congratulations to all the major event winners for 2024. It was great to see a few of our ladies, who have only been playing a short time, receiving trophies. And Congratulations to Claire Sutherland for taking out Ladies Club Champion for the second year in a row. Well done ladies.

We have started the Women's golf clinic, and apart from the weather disrupting some of the lessons, they are going well. With 10 ladies coming along, hopefully we'll see them out on the course, playing in the coming months.

We will have our Novelty 9-hole comp on Wednesday 11th December, so come and have some fun. It will be followed by Christmas Lunch. Remember dress for Christmas.

I'd like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe New Year. See you on the golf course in 2025.

Jenny Walker

Ladies Captain

# Sponsor of the Month



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Dear Club/Member,

\*A reminder to all members to check the notice board outside the Golf shop for updates on local rules before you go on the course to play.

a) Players need to check in no later than 15 mins before their hit off time. Failure to do so may result in the player losing their tee time

b) Please have the courtesy to ring the pro shop and let them know if you are not going to play.

It is unacceptable to just let a friend know. The pro shop staff need to know, and it is the players responsibility to let them know.

Regards  
Match Committee

## GOLF CLUB COMMITTEE

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