



NEWSLETTER



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Dear Members,

AGM Notice

Please be advised that the annual AGM will be held on Monday 25th September 7.30pm in the marquee. Further information to follow in the next few weeks.

Dear Members, Upcoming Events

School Holidays
Sept 16th - Oct
1st

September 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Stableford	4 Stableford	5	6 Monthly Medal Eclectic Medallist of Year	7 Stableford	8	9 SCRAMBLE
10 Stableford	11 Stableford	12	13 Gentsomes 2 person 1 person < 20 H'cap	14 Bonus Par	15	16 Stableford Final Stableford
17 Stableford Rd 2 Swan Cup to be completed	18 Stableford	19	20 Par	21 Stroke	22	23 Par Par
24 Par	25 Par	26	27 TBC BMG Cup @ Gisborne Stableford	28 Stableford	29 GF PH Gents, Womens and Mix 4BBB Stableford Gentsomes	30 Grand Final 4P Amprose Womens r Shotgun Start

Captain's Report September 2023

You may have noticed that Jade is no longer working in the Pro-shop. He has undertaken a traineeship at Eynesbury Golf Club. We wish him all the best in his endeavours.

Congratulations to Robbie Iredale on his win in the Winter Cup Match Play Event. The final was played last week. Commiserations to Shannon Closter
Congratulations also to Gail McInnes and Shane Payne who took out the Mixed Foursomes Championships. The nett event was won by Jenny Walker and Graeme Sheers. Well done to the winners and all who took part.

One of the last things the ground staff do on a Friday is fluff up the bunkers with the bunker machine. If you are playing late on a Friday afternoon and you notice that someone has been in a bunker and not raked it properly, could you please rake it for them. (bloody green fee players) I'm sure the morning players the next day would appreciate your efforts. There is nothing worse than landing in a footprint in a bunker. They are hard enough to get out of at the best of times.

On the 21 of August five players from our club ventured to Royal Melbourne to play in the Seniors Classic. The course was in great condition, but it was quite windy, which made it very difficult to score well, to say the least. There were a number of times when a ball got within six feet of the pin only to run back down to where it was hit from. I think four times in a row was the record. Three of the group managed to bring up "the ton" but a great day was had by all. It's not often you have 115 off the stick and have a good collect in the scats. No names, no pack drill!

Saturday September 9th is the date allocated to BMGC for The Scramble. This is a four person Ambrose event. Players will need to opt into The Scramble and book through the website. Each team must have at least one BMGC member. The winning team will play in the Regional Final with the chance to advance to the State and National Final. Every player participating will receive 6 Calloway golf balls and a chance to share in some great prizes on the day.

We need to have 48 players enter to qualify a team for the Regional Final. The cost for BMCG members is \$45 per player and \$60 for visitors.

Check the website www.thescramble.com.au for full rules and conditions.

Two important rules that I noted are:

- only 2 single figure handicap players per team
- only players with official GA handicaps can enter.

There will be a four person Ambrose event run on the day for members who do not wish to enter The Scramble. There will be an 8am and 12:30pm shotgun start. The club event will be run under the same rules as for The Scramble.

Well done to the ground staff for the way they have been presenting the course. They have been doing a great job. There are still some problems with the pump (waiting on parts) All indications are for a dry summer this year - anything we can do to help with course care will be appreciated. Please remember to fill in your divots, repair pitch marks on the greens and rake bunkers.

Please note we have a rule regarding practice on the course. We ask that you play no more than two balls while practising on the course and if you are playing two balls, make sure you are not holding other players up. Make sure you fill divots, repair pitch marks and rake bunkers when you are practising as well.

No news from the Match Committee this month as we haven't had a meeting since our last newsletter.

Cheers

Roger

Greens Committee September 2023

Following a very dry winter the course has held up reasonably well. I know people have been asking why we aren't watering? The short answer is that the pump system was broken, and we are waiting for a part to arrive. The Tessa are ready to be grassed and they will be done during the week starting the 10th of September. Michael and the boys are upgrading the sprinklers that will look after our tees during the hotter months. We will need some help with the turf and at the moment it looks like the morning of the 8th of September. Help will be appreciated. However, it is not definite as yet.

Please be mindful of the divots taken and the pitch marks left on the greens. A thirty second repair can make a massive difference in the weeks that follow.

Now that our bunkers are back in play, can all players please ensure that they rake the sand after your shot.

We will in the near future be receiving some unwanted items from one of our exclusive clubs in Melbourne that is undergoing a huge renovation. The parts include valves, taps and additional golf wares. More information will be provided when the items are collected.

The path program has started and thanks to some hard-working members they are coming along nicely. I know that it is only the tip of the iceberg but a start, nonetheless. The toppings and road base that Shannon has sourced is fantastic and we have lots left to tackle the other bumpy bits.

We will be doing a mini coring of the greens during the week starting the 9th of October, please be aware of the possible disruption.

Thanks for your patience with the ongoing works but the boys are doing their best and we look forward to a normal spring with some rain and warmth to make the course flourish.

Women's Captain Report September 2023

The fabulous winter weather has contributed to some very good scores of late. Well done to Janet Goedegebuure on her Nett 66 to win the Saturday Medal this month and well done Patriece Shelly having 7+ on her first 18 hole competition outing.

Medallist of the Year Playoffs are due the first Wednesday and Saturday in September. Congratulations to all players eligible to compete and may you have a hotly contested event.

We are about to embark on our final Get Into Golf Program for the year commencing the first week in September. If any members know women who may be interested in joining the program, please contact the pro shop or visit the GA website for details. The previous programs have been very successful in introducing women to golf with many participants falling in love with our game, taking out membership, getting handicaps and joining competitions. We value highly Brodie Richardson's generous spirit in again offering a free lesson to any participant who takes out membership following the program. To the many members who have freely given time to support the past and future programs, my sincere gratitude.

The last Sunday in August we are hosting a 40+ handicap Ambrose event especially for new women golfers and get to show case our course to players within our region. This is a fun event aimed at introducing new golfers to competition on a shortened course in a relaxed, social way to build their confidence and experience. Thank you to Bombay Chopati Restaurant in Maddingly for their donation in supporting this event. Thanks also go to the members who have offered support in the preparation and running of the day.

Gail

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

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