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Club News

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February 2015

Diary Dates February 2015

Sunday 1st	Stableford
Wednesday 4th	9 holes Bogey
Saturday 7th	Stroke - Monthly Medal
Sunday 8th	Stableford
Wednesday 10th	9 holes Bogey
Saturday 14th	Stableford (Ladies Tees)
Sunday 15th	Stableford NEDGA Opening Day, Jubilee
Wednesday 17th	9 holes Stableford
Saturday 21st	Bogey Start Matchplay Championships
Sunday 22nd	Stableford
Saturday 28th	4BBB Stableford Multiplier

The Wednesday and Saturday Ladies' Competition format for February will be decided on the day.

Committee News

The decision was made at the January Committee meeting to have the Program of Competitions based on the web at <http://www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au> in order to conserve funds for much needed works around the course. Please visit this link if you would like to download a program. The month's program for both the Ladies' and the Men will be posted on the window of the office at the clubhouse.

The Men's Club Championships will be held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturdays of October 2015. This replaces the

Saturday / Sunday / Saturday format used in previous years.

The recent spate of aged trees falling over on the course has bought the issue of a planting succession plan to the fore. To this end a small sub-committee has been formed to set up a plan, with the help of local nurseries.

New members in January: Tristan Skitt, Mark Pollard, Brian Peacock, Stuart Hodge, Geoff Shuttleworth, Sam Perry and our Greenskeeper, Cameron Gregg. Welcome one and all and we hope you will enjoy your membership with us.

As always please feel free to approach any member of the Committee personally at any time to 'have a chat' about our club.

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Course News

Our trusty and reliable Barman, Stan Church, has decided to swap the problems with the till, lugging beer and drinks up the stairs and the grumblings whenever the bar prices were increased for the comfy chair and slippers in front of his beloved sports channels at the end of February.



Stan has given the club many decades of untiring service as unofficial greenskeeper, greens waterer, mowing and of course his presence behind the bar. Stan told me last weekend that February 1 was the 75th anniversary of his oath taken in his first job with the PMG at the age of 14. Not a bad innings and still plenty of ovens to face. The club has been very privileged to have had the services of Stan and I am sure he will still grace us with his presence at the club on Comp days - maybe even with golf clubs in hand.

The committee, and I am sure all members, will join us in thanking Stan very much for his dedication. We all have appreciated his sense of humour and at some time felt the brunt of his well aimed ire!!

With Stan's 'retirement' the call for a replacement Barperson has been answered by Tony Bogaski. Thanks Tony, we all look forward to your banter on comp days??



Thank you to everyone who continue to show up and put in the hours to keep the course looking great.

Volunteer Days

Volunteer Day for February will be Friday February 6. Hope to see a good crew of workers at 1.00pm at the maintenance sheds.

We have recently taken delivery of 3 more ball washers which will need to be located on the Men's and Ladies' 1st tees and the Ladies' 10th tee.

Keep your eyes open for a project, whether it be a certain area of rough that needs mowing, weeding a garden bed, whipper snipping, picking up and removing debris, cleaning up around the machinery shed, the list is endless, you may even enjoy it and find a sense of pride in looking after your golf course.

'Adopt a Fairway' Scheme

The 'Adopt a Fairway' scheme is still open to all who wish to participate. Please let a Committee member know of your desire to look after one, or multiple, fairways.

Upcoming Events

The Program for 2015 has been released.

<http://www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au/current-golf-program>

The Ladies' Monthly medal will be played on Wednesday February 4 (9 for 9.30am) and the Men's Monthly Medal will be Saturday February 7 (noon for 12.30pm).

Saturday February 14 is the 'Ladies' Day' for the Men. This is a stableford event with the men teeing off the Ladies' tees. (Not as easy as you might think!)

The following weekend sees the start of the Men's Match Play Championships round robin event. If you wish to play in this event please put your name on the list at the clubhouse ASAP so we can get the draw started.

Saturday February 28's round will be a 4BBB Stableford Multiplier event so get your partners organised. If you have not experienced a Multiplier before - you are probably one of the lucky ones!!

Past Events Information

The major event held in January was the Herb Gilbert Memorial Trophy 4BBB.

The event was won by Father and Son team Syd and Daniel Thomas (pictured) with 47 points from Alan Retallick & Emil Solar with 44 points. Congratulations to all who played.



(Thanks to Peter Hertzog for the photo)

Mother Nature decided to brew up a couple of particularly nasty storms over the weekend of January 24 resulting in the 2 outcomes pictured below:



First she dumped enough rain in 15 minutes to completely drown the greens, here the 14th is covered, and then she sent down a thunderbolt to

split one of the large pines on the 11th.

Play was delayed for around 20 minutes. Thank goodness the group I was in was near Herbie's shed at the time. Others on the 5th were not quite so lucky.

Eagle's Nest

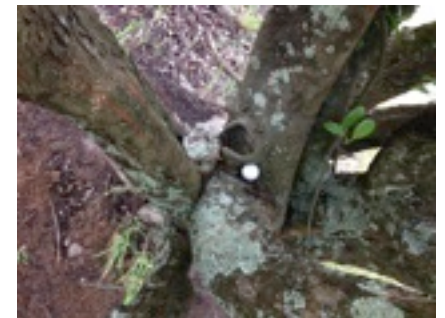
The Eagle's Nest was emptied of around 24 balls on Monday January 26 by Alan Retallick on the par 4 10th with a lovely chip up the hill. He thought it had gone through - you can't see the green from the gully.

Alan went on to win that day's comp with 43 points.

Well done Alan and he gave his fellow competitors a ball each and donated the remainder to the Junior Program. Nice gesture Al.

What are the chances of this?

On Saturday January 31 Don Mason hit a nice recovery 2nd shot on the 6th, only to be punished somewhat severely:



Don's ball in the fork of the tree!

Rotten luck, Don. Glad you took the sensible 'unplayable' option though.

Pennant 2015

Sunday March 22 is the start of Pennant season. Anybody interested in playing for Mt Beauty please get your name on the list at the clubhouse.

More details as they come to hand.

Tuesday Twilight Golf

Tuesday evening social golf is still happening. It is available to any members, visitors or just anyone

who would enjoy playing 6-9 holes. Hit-off is at 5pm. We finish at about 7pm.

This is for anyone who would like to play – beginners or just social players. It is free for club members and \$5 for non-members. Just turn up and there will be someone there.

Enquiries to Liz Harvey 57544077.

Junior Golf

Junior Golf has been in recess over the Christmas break and will resume after the hot weather, on Sunday, March 8th commencing at 10am. There are 5 more clinic days to go. We have had 26 participants, ranging from prep grade to secondary school (age 14). The equipment, which is suitable for all size students, has been terrific and we have now purchased some utility clubs as well.

Enquiries to Liz Harvey 57544077.

The day is aimed at 6 to 14 y.o.'s who would like to try their hand at hitting a golf ball. There is no need to have ever picked up a golf club at all or to have any knowledge of the rules.

Reciprocal Club News

The NEDGA Opening Day will be held on Sunday February 15 at the Jubilee Golf Club, near Wangaratta.

Echunga Golf Club is holding its Autumn Classic Tournament on Sunday March 1. Further information at <http://www.echungagolf.com.au>

The 12th Great Alpine Classic 2015 will be played on Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th & Thursday 19th March at the Wangaratta, Bright and Myrtleford Golf Clubs. Enquiries to Tournament Secretary Gill Piggott email: gildavep@internode.on.net Ph. 0400566935 or Box 331 Myrtleford.

Hepburn Springs Golf Club cordially invites you to the Women's Spa Silver Salver on Monday 23 February 2015. Entries & Motorised Cart Bookings to: Shirlene Nevill, 216 Main Road, Hepburn, VIC 3461. eMail shirlene@nevill.com.au or Ph: 5348 1522.

Liz and Ken Harvey were joined by friends and enjoyed playing one of our Reciprocal Clubs recently:

"Ken, Annie Meehan and I had 4 days of golf in the South Gippsland area, where we played at 4 different courses, including reciprocal clubs, Lang Lang and Leongatha. They were both great courses (weather not so good). It is a really great way to visit different areas.

We also played at Korumburra where one of their guys said he would approach our Club because they would like to have reciprocal arrangement."



Laugh Time

A young doctor moved out to Victoria to replace a doctor who was retiring. The older doctor suggested that the young one accompany him on his rounds, so the community could become used to a new doctor.

At the first house a woman complains, "I've been a little sick to my stomach." The older doctor says, "Well, you've probably been overdoing the fresh fruit. Cut back on the amount you've been eating and see if that does the trick?"

As they left, the younger man said, "You didn't even examine that woman how'd you come to the diagnosis so quickly?" "I didn't have to. You noticed I dropped my stethoscope on the floor in there? When I bent over to pick it up, I noticed a half dozen banana peels in the trash. That was what was probably making her sick." The younger doctor said "Pretty clever. If you don't mind, I think I'll try that at the next house."

Arriving at the next house, they spent several minutes talking with a younger woman. She said that she just didn't have the energy she once did and said, "I'm feeling terribly run down lately." "You've probably been doing too much for the Church," the younger doctor

told her. "Perhaps you should cut back a bit and see if that helps."

As they left, the elder doctor said, "I know that woman well. Your diagnosis is most certainly correct, she's very active in the church, but how did you arrive at it?" "I did what you did at the last house. I dropped my stethoscope and when I bent down to retrieve it, I noticed the priest under the bed."

(Midge Clooney again and the next one)

I could not resist this one. For all the wine drinkers out there:

New Wine For Prior To Bed

A single glass at night could mean a peaceful, uninterrupted night's sleep. A NEW Wine for Seniors, I kid you not.....

Clare Valley vintners in South Australia, who primarily produce Pinot Blanc, Pinot Noir, and Pinot Grigio wines, have developed a new hybrid grape that acts as an anti-diuretic. It is expected to reduce the number of trips older people have to make to the bathroom during the night.

This new wine will be marketed as

PINOT MORE



Club Shirts For Sale

We still have shirts left and these are for sale at \$50 each. A good size range is still available. They come in Yellow, Blue and Red. The Mt Beauty 'logo' is at the left 'pocket position' and a 'Drummond' logo is on the right sleeve.

Thanks to Drummond Albury for their help with the cost of the shirts.



Anyone wishing to purchase a shirt or two, they are available at the Clubhouse.

Sponsors

A very important part of the Club is the support given by our many sponsors. If possible please give these people/businesses the opportunity to supply your products or services.

I am sure you will get looked after as a member of the Mt Beauty Golf Club, but it is just as important to show support to our sponsors by driving business their way.

The following businesses have agreed to sponsor our holes and tees:

- 1st: Mt Beauty Holiday Centre
- 2nd: Mt Beauty Bobcat
- 3rd: Kiewa Country Cottages
- 4th: Mt Beauty Hardware & Drapery
- 5th: Snow View Holiday Units
- 6th: Rocky Valley Bikes & Snowsports
- 7th: Tawonga South Butchery
- 8th: Altitude Electrical
- 9th: Falls Creek Coaches
- 10th: Bendigo Bank
- 11th: The Blue Manor
- 12th: Alpine Valley Real Estate
- 13th: Belmores Accountants
- 14th:
- 15th: Alpine Solar Panel Cleaning
- 16th: Falls Creek Resort Management
- 17th: Tawonga South Newsagency
- 18th: Mt Beauty Country Club

Eagle's Nest: Mt Beauty Newsagency
'Hole in One': Tate's Funeral Services
General: Drummond Golf



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