

**Mount Beauty Golf Club Inc.**  
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# Club News

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## Diary Dates May / June 2015

**Wednesday 6 May: Ladies' Monthly Medal, Summit Round 3**

**Saturday 9 May: Steve Green Memorial Mixed & Men's Canadian**

**Saturday 16 May: Jarman Cup Round 1**

**Saturday 23 May: Jarman Cup Round 2**

**Sunday 24 May: Red Heart Day Mixed & Men's 4 Ball Ambrose**

**Sunday 31 May: UKV Lion's Club Police & Citizens Day**

**Wednesday 3 June: Ladies' Monthly Medal, Summit Round 4**

**Saturday 6 June: Stroke - Men's Monthly Medal  
Benalla Annual Tournament  
Official start of the Snow Season**

**Sunday 7 June: Benalla Annual Tournament**

**Monday 8 June: Benalla Annual Tournament**

**Saturday 13 June: Men's Canadian Championship  
Tallangatta Annual Tournament**

**Sunday 14 June: Tallangatta Annual Tournament**

**Saturday 20 June: Bogey  
(Alf McBain Memorial)**

### Committee News

We welcome new members Narelle & Tony Smith and Ben Peacock to the club and hope to see them playing plenty of

golf. If you wish to play competitions please feel free to come up to the club on Comp Days and you will be made welcome.

Please visit this link, <http://www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au/current-golf-program>, if you would like to download a program. The month's program for both the Ladies' and the Men will also be posted on the window of the office at the clubhouse.

A Thank You once again to the Bendigo Bank for a 'grant' of \$800 which is to be put toward the Junior Golf Program ably run by Liz Harvey.

Discussions regarding NBN Co leasing a plot of land on the golf course to erect a mono-tower are progressing well. More information when it comes to hand.

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

### Vale

The Committee wishes to extend their sympathies to the family and friends of Colin Wilson who passed away on Sunday 3 May.

### Facebook

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[www.facebook.com/MtBeautyGolf](http://www.facebook.com/MtBeautyGolf)

### Course News

Could everybody who is using any greens for pitching practice PLEASE refrain from doing so as they are causing considerable damage to the fairways with multiple divots and pitch marks on the green being left unrepaired.

The recent spate of European Wasps on the course has been dealt with, both by us and the weather. An eye will be kept on the nest locations and hopefully we can lessen the spread of these pests in the future.

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

### Upcoming Events

The Ladies' Monthly Medal will be contested on Wednesday 6 May (11.30am for noon)

Saturday 9 May is the Steve Green Memorial Mixed & Men's Canadian competition.

Please make a real effort for this day as without the foresight and efforts of Steve Green we would not be enjoying the greens we have now. He was responsible for the building of the greens back in the early 2000's.

Saturdays 16 and 23 May will see the 2 rounds of the Jarman Cup contested by the Men.

Followed on Sunday 24 May by the Red Heart Day Mixed & Men's 4 Ball Ambrose event - wear something RED!!

Sunday 31 May we finally, after the April timing was postponed, get to play the UKV Lion's Club Police and Citizens Day. A great social day with plenty of laughs, tall tales and good food. Come along for this event at 9.30am for a 10am shotgun start. Entry is \$20 and lunch is provided.

Of course the Ladies' Monthly Medal and round 4 of the Summit

Trophy is the first Wednesday of June (3rd) and the Men front up on Saturday 6 June for their Monthly Medal.

The most important events in the June calendar are the Men's Canadian Championships (13th) and the Alf McBain Memorial (Bogey) Trophy (20th). More info next newsletter.

### Past Events Information

On Wednesday 18 March sixteen ladies gathered to play golf at the Mt Beauty Golf Course to raise money for the Breast Cancer Institute of Australia & the Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Research. The weather was good and a pleasant day was enjoyed by all. Afternoon tea was taken following the golf with the winners of A and B grades and the nearest- the-pins competition being presented with their trophies. The real winner of course were the two charities sharing the \$282 raised from entries and raffles. We thank all of our lady members and visitors from Bright, Bandiana and Running Creek for their support.

The Kiewa Cup scoreboard from the 1st Round played in April showed Steve Johnston in the lead (68) from Tony Bogaski (70) and Dave Browning and Trevor English (74).....

Trevor English (pictured) was the eventual winner of the Kiewa Hydro Cup with a net 146 on a C/B from Steve Johnston.



The Mixed Canadian Championship Winners were Leesa Bevan / Tony Bogaski with 80. Handicap Winners were Ita & John Arter 66.5 followed by Ute & Lars Svoboda with a 68.



Champs



Handicap Winners & Runners Up

Saturday 25th April was the date for the Mixed & Men's Canadian playoff. The Winners were – Sue Roman / Tony Campen with a 67.5 on a C/B from Tina Cook / Trevor English Champs and Runners Up below.



The Ladies' Championships were played over 3 rounds in April with Liz Harvey winning Club Champion for 2015 with a gross score of 294 followed by Kez Johnston (300). Handicap Champion was Julie Chapman with a 151 net followed by Liz Harvey with a net 153. This score was the aggregate of the best 2 rounds. Both winners pictured below.



(Thanks Carol Bartholomew for the photo)

### Pennant 2015

The NEDGA Pennant competition concluded for us on Sunday 3 May this year after a rather costly loss to Wodonga 1 the Sunday prior. We finished a creditable 4th on the ladder with 2 wins under our belt. A great performance by all. Our losses were always close calls with the majority going to extra holes.

As Captain of the Pennant Team I would like to thank all those who played for Mt Beauty over the 6 rounds: Stephen Short, Dave Browning, Trevor English, Tristan Skitt, James Martin. A great effort guys and well done to all.

Myrtleford & Yackandandah will fight out the Finals on May 17. We wish both teams the best of luck.

### Sunday 'Get Together' Golf

The Tuesday evening social golf has ceased for now.

Anyone who would like to play social golf on Sunday mornings, turn up at 10am. No cost to members, and \$5 to non members.

We usually play 6 or 9 holes depending on who comes. The Sunday mornings will continue until the ski season.

There is some coaching available if required!

The Tuesday Twilight & Sunday 'Get Together' golf has resulted in a few new players for our competitions, which has been a great result. If you know of anyone who would like to play golf but is not confident about turning up to competitions, then this is for them. So please mention it.

Enquiries to Liz Harvey 57544077.

### Junior Golf

A report from Liz Harvey on the Junior Golf Program follows:

'The first junior golf coaching course has now finished, with a mixed result.

The 5 Sundays before Christmas were really well attended with 35 students enrolled. We had approximately even numbers in 3 groups, Prep – Grade 2, Grades 3&4 and Grades 5&6 and secondary school students. We had a regular attendance of about 20 kids.

Unfortunately, the last 5 weeks were poorly attended. I believe there were many other activities going on at this time e.g. soccer, swimming, cricket.

Thus our next clinic will be in term 4 only, and be completed before Christmas.

The final day was a fun golf competition followed by a sausage sizzle. Our thanks go to Gavin at Kiewa Valley Meats who supplied our sausages. They were delicious, thanks Gavin.

Some of the prizes for the day were donated by Drummonds Golf Store in Albury.

The equipment for the golf coaching was purchased with grants from the Bendigo Bank (Mt Beauty branch), and more equipment was bought with a grant from the Victorian Golf Foundation.

Our thanks go to Julie Chapman, Lynda Barter, Ann Bellingham and Leesa Bevan who did a great job teaching the kids the various strokes in a fun way.

As we all know, any sport is best learned when young. So we hope many of the kids will come again and become more proficient.'

The clubs thanks go to Liz Harvey who tirelessly organises such 'programs'. Liz also does the Twilight & Sunday Golf programs for non-handicappers and beginners.

### **Trouble on the Course**

Amazingly there were 2 incidences of trees jumping out and trying to secrete balls in their branches:

The first was on April 18 and involved John 'Taff' Sullivan.

Peter Hertzog was on hand and made the following comments:

'Lucky Taff!

A few keen souls (aka ----- idiots) braved the weather for a round on Saturday April 18.

You would think that if you played in those

conditions the golfing Gods would smile upon you. WRONG!!!

Look where Taff's drive on the 7th finished, yes that's the tree right & short of the green. One of his playing partners was heard to lament how lucky Taff was because no-one else would have even found their ball up there!'



AND:

On Wednesday 29 April Michael Bartholomew found himself in a tree just in front of the 16th green. Luckily Emil Solar remembered Taff's effort and decided to look up in the tree.

I must say the shot was punished as I hit it well from a very tight angle to the green.

All we can say is thank goodness there will be a tree management program in place soon!



### **Reciprocal Club News**

Tocumwal Golf Club are offering a great deal to 'Stay and Play' over winter 2015.

Stay 3 nights and pay for only 2. The price will include unlimited golf over 3 days and a \$45 meal voucher per person to spend in their Bistro.

Contact: 03 5874 9103 or Freecall: 1800 631 197

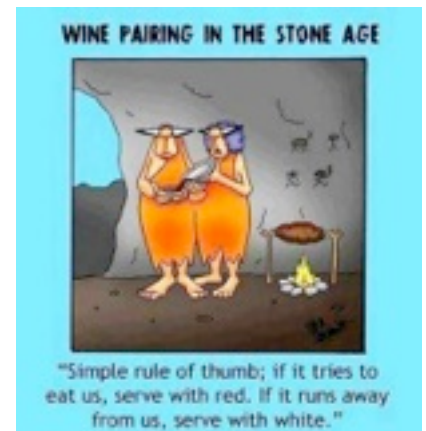
Email: [golf@tocumwalgolf.com.au](mailto:golf@tocumwalgolf.com.au)

Tura Beach will be holding 6 days of events starting on May 19. There is a Men's and Ladies' 18 hole event on the first 2 days followed by a 2 Ball Ambrose Medley and a 4BBB Stableford Medley. The last 2 days will be a 36 Hole Amateur Men's Championship. Contact [golf@turabeachcountryclub.com.au](mailto:golf@turabeachcountryclub.com.au) for further details.

A 4 day Torneo di Golf Annuale in conjunction with La Fiera Myrtleford is planned by Myrtleford from 20 May. Any persons interested please contact [gildavep@internode.on.net](mailto:gildavep@internode.on.net) 0400 566 935. Includes a light lunch/ afternoon tea.

Bright will be holding their Annual Supa IGA Autumn Classic Gentsomes Event on 30 May. Contact: Jenny Richter on 03 5756 2546 or email: [brightcgclub@gmail.com](mailto:brightcgclub@gmail.com)  
This is always a fun event (Ed).

### **Laugh Time**



A preacher who liked to play golf every Wednesday at a modest public golf course was standing on the elevated tee at the sixth hole of that course. He took a few practice swings, and looked across the river to the immaculate private country club nearby.

"Just once I'd like to play at that gorgeous course," the preacher said to his foursome.

Another player spoke up: "My company has a reserved tee time at that club for us every Sunday morning, and it's all paid for, too. But all of a sudden yesterday the boss says we have to travel out of town for a week. It's a shame to let that tee time go to waste. I could give you a guest pass and you could have it all to yourself. Would do you say?"

Of course this was a dream come true for the preacher, but it put him in a terrible predicament. If he accepted the gift, he would have to miss Sunday worship. He thought to himself, "I haven't missed a Sunday service in 17 years of preaching. A sin to be sure, but I am after all just a man trying to do my best like all the rest." He succumbed to temptation and accepted the invitation.

On Sunday, the preacher awoke, called his deacon, and said, "I'm terribly sick today, and will not be able to offer service."

"Well, we surely hope you are feeling better soon," said the deacon. "What matters most is that your health is blessed, and we shall all pray for you today."

Later, on the beautiful practice green, the preacher couldn't help feeling conspicuous. At that exact moment up in Heaven, Saint Peter was looking down. He said to God, "Do you see what is happening down there? I'm very disappointed in this preacher. Surely you are going to do something?" God replied, "Don't worry Pete, I've got it all figured out."

St. Peter knew it was best not to question any further, but to just wait patiently and watch for it all to play out. He watched the preacher walk confidently to the first tee, a short par-4. The preacher teed it up, and hit a pretty fair drive, low and straight.

But just then, God waived his hand and created the perfect little wind. The wind carried the ball as if in the hand of God and lifted it down the fairway. The ball took once bounce and landed on the green,

kept rolling, swung to the right, barely crept up to the hole, and fell in. It was beautiful.

Up in heaven, St. Pete was very upset. "An albatross! Are you kidding me? Here is one of our own preachers committing this sin, on a Sunday no less. Just when I'm certain that you are going to offer up the perfect punishment to befit the sin, you instead go and reward him with a once-in-a-lifetime shot?"

God says, "Yes, but calm down Pete. Who is he going to tell?"

(Thanks to Tristan Skitt)

### 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. There is only a handful left!

### 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:
- 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  
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