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Club News Club News

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November 2015

Diary Dates November / December 2015

**Saturday 14 November - Men's
Annual Tournament (No Ladies'
Comp)**

**Sunday 15 November - Men's
Annual Tournament - 3 Ball Open
Ambrose**

**Wednesday 18 November -
Ladies' Annual Tournament -
Stableford (No Men's Comp)**

**From December the Ladies' tee off
time for Saturday Comps will be
9.30am**

**Saturday 5 December: Men's
Monthly Medal**

**Tuesday 8 December: Ladies
Xmas Break-up 4.30pm for 5pm
tee off, Supper**

**Saturday 12 December: Men's
CAZNA Cup (Monthly Medal
winners)**

**Friday 25 December: MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

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 and the more major events are published in the 'This Week in Falls Creek and Mt Beauty' magazine.

Committee News

The AGM was held at the Clubhouse at 7.30pm on Tuesday 20 October 2015.

Your Committee for 2016 consists of:
President: Stephen Short
Vice President: Peter Johns
Secretary: Michael Bartholomew
Treasurer: Len Tonn
Captain: Peter Hertzog
Committee Members:
Julie Chapman, Lynda Barter, John (Taf) Sullivan, Bill Webb, Andy McEnally, Alan Retallick, Dave Browning (who will be represented by Don Mason for the next 12 months) and newcomer, Ben Charlton.

The President and the Committee welcomed Ben to the fold and look forward to his contribution and enthusiasm.

The committee can be contacted at committee@mtbeautygolfclub.org.au

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

October was Golf Month

Golf Month for Mt Beauty GC was reasonably successful and attracted 5 new members to the club. We welcome all our new members and hope they will enjoy reading our newsletter. New members were, Ben and Lynda Meehan, Henry Ziemnicki, Doug Zollo and Narelle Prosser. The Junior Golf Clinics held every Sunday morning at 10am attracted up to 24 participants with many thanks to Liz Harvey for the organisation and to Leesa Bevan and all her helpers for mentoring the kids

in all aspects of the game. The parents were kept busy with a skills brush up session and a few holes of golf. These clinics are still continuing till 13 December so come along and have a hit and bring the kids. And, of course, anyone who would be interested to play with a member and then enjoy the apres golf on the deck is more than welcome to join us on Wednesdays, Saturdays or Sundays at noon to play with a member of the club and experience the ambience of a competition day. Needless to say you do not need to play in the comp of the day but you will be with a member.

Come on up to the Club and see how much fun it is to be a member of Mt Beauty Golf Club.

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Course News

Plans are well under way and quotes are being sort for the removal and disposal of up to 50 dead and dying pines from the course. This will possibly happen over the next few weeks and may cause some unavoidable damage to some fairways. Apologies in advance, but rest assured all precautions will be taken to avoid major damage. Please be patient and understanding - it will only take a short time for the damage to disappear.

A reminder to cart drivers to please use common sense and stay at least 10m away from any greens. Your co-operation is very much appreciated.

It is asked that NO carts be driven to the left side of the 17th green to

enable ground staff to get the grass established in that area.

Attendance at the Saturday 9 Hole Comp has waned as of late and I would like to remind you all that everyone is welcome to play the 9 hole event with the regulars. This is a great event to play if you have not got the time to devote all afternoon to golf, for whatever reason. Start time is the same as the 18 hole event - noon for 12.30pm on the Saturdays.

Cam and the regular volunteers have been kept busy mowing and maintaining the course. The new fairway mower has proved its worth as the fairways are looking, and playing, the best I can remember them. Rarely a bad lie is taken and the contours of the fairways adds to the character of the course.

Thanks Guys.

If anyone has a spare hour or so and looking for something to do - there is always sticks to be collected under the trees on all fairways. If you have a trailer please take it along and pick up any heaps of sticks you find on a fairway, even if you only do one, that would be a great help. Remember to drive on the sides of the fairways, please use common sense in this regard. If you have no trailer just walk along one fairway and put loose sticks in a couple of heaps near a tree or two.

Trailer loads can be dumped on burn piles behind the Men's 3rd tee or over near the dam on the 12th / 13th area.

Wildlife on the Course



Please be aware that all wildlife on the course can be dangerous if approached.

With the increasing numbers of kangaroos on the course if your ball happens to go near them it is safer to take relief and drop another ball, no closer to the hole, rather than try to retrieve your ball from within the mob.

Upcoming Events

The weekend of Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 November will see the playing of the Men's Annual. Saturdays event is a 10am shotgun start 18 hole Handicap and Scratch event while the Sunday event will be a 3 Ball Open Ambrose with a Noon start time.

Entries close Wednesday 11 November so get your name down soon. Entries to Ben Charlton at Ben Charlton benacharlton@hotmail.com

Wednesday 18 November - Ladies' Annual Tournament - 18 hole Stableford. Plenty of prizes. Start time is 9.30am for 10am and lunch will be provided after the round and the bar will be open. Contact Lynda Barter (03)57544071 barter1@southernphone.com.au or Julie Chapman (03)57544297.

Please note that there will be NO Men's competition on that day.

The Ladies' golf competitions will have a new start time beginning in December of 9am for 9.30am, as the weather warms up. This timing will continue until further notice, usually when the weather starts to cool down.

The Ladies' Christmas Break-up will be on Tuesday 8 December starting with a 4.30pm for 5pm tee off followed by supper and socialising.

Saturday 12 December will be the playoff for all of the winners of the various Monthly Medals over the year. Details of the finalists next newsletter.

Past Events Information

On the weekend of 9, 10 and 11 October 6 representatives journeyed to Belvoir Park GC, Bendigo, to compete in the Victorian Men's Country Teams Championships.

Numbers were down a little with only 34 teams represented this year.



We were allowed 2 teams and naturally some rivalry and some friendly, most of the time, sledging occurred.

Results were OK with Team 2, Dave Browning, Tony Campen and Webby doing slightly better overall than Team 1, Trev English, Emil Solar and Michael Bartholomew. Good company, great apres golfing and a course in great condition made the weekend very enjoyable for all. The navigator for Team 1 fell asleep at a crucial time on the trip home giving us the opportunity to explore regions up near Rochester. I did tell Trev to look out for signs to Murchison or Rushworth!

This was our third outing to these Championships and Mt Beauty GC is privileged to have been asked to host the event for 2016. The Committee is busy planning for this event.

The most important rounds for the Men in October were the Club Championships held over consecutive Saturdays beginning on 3 October. The 3 best scores over the 5 rounds counted toward a persons Championship Score, both Stroke and Handicap.

I must say it was a most exciting and interesting way to conduct this important event as placings were really not too clear until after the final round. Some could not play in the last round and others had to score well, having had only 3 rounds available for them to compete. The A grade result required some very good scores to catch the eventual winner. The B Grade winner was always in the lead and played extremely well over the month, include non-championship rounds. C Grade was hotly contested with the

result reflecting how well the eventual winner played, having had a round of 87 off the stick somewhere in the middle of his 4 rounds.

The Champions were:

Club Champion: Mick Luscombe (6) with a 239. Congratulations to Mick on his well deserved win, 9 strokes ahead of rival Alan Retallick.

A Grade Champion: Mick Luscombe followed by Alan Retallick (9) with 248 and Alan Ferrari (11) with a close 250

B Grade Champion: Don Mason (13) with a creditable 260 followed by President Stephen (13) with 264, closely pursued by Darren Flay (17) with 266



Don receiving the B Grade Trophy from President Stephen. (I bet the handshake grip was very tight!!)

C Grade Champion: Rollo Kiek (20) with a hard to beat 275 from Michael Bartholomew (22) with a 284 and Jim Crebbin (20) with 289.



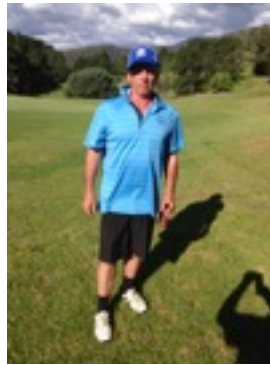
54 Hole Handicap Champion: Their scores were 215 and the result was decided by a playoff between Darren Flay and Rollo Kiek on Saturday 7 November. Both teed off the 18th with Darren just missing out on playing from the sand whilst Rollo,

rather nervously, put his in the gully well before the green. A rather untidy chip shot propelled the ball off the toe of the club, with Rollo's third shot hitting the green.



Meanwhile Darren had chipped his ball to within 4 metres of the hole. It took both men 2 putts to finish the hole and resulted in Darren winning the Championship.

Congratulations to Daren Flay for winning the 2015 54 Hole Handicap Championship.



All results are available on the website at <http://www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au/upcoming-events>

A great feed from the BBQ after the final round was supplied by Alan Ferrari. Thank you very much Alan.

Findlay Shield 2015

The final round of the Findlay Shield Competition between rival clubs Mt Beauty, Dederang and Myrtleford will be battled out on Sunday 22 November 2015 @ Mt. Beauty

Anyone interested in playing in this round please contact John Sullivan on 0419 285 987 or by email at jsu56771@bigpond.net.au or put your name on the list at the clubrooms.

Junior Golf Clinic

The Mt Beauty Golf Club is running a series of 10 free golf lessons for girls and boys aged 6-14 years old, with members coaching.

The junior golf clinics are well underway with 24 participants. The group is divided into 4 and they all do 4 different golf activities each day after some stretching and physical activity. The group ranges from prep grade to year 8 at secondary school.

We have plenty of equipment which has been purchased with funding from the Bendigo Bank, VicHealth and Golf Victoria. The Club also purchased junior irons which participants can hire long term so they have something to practice with at home. The improvement shown in the few weeks is great. The older students, who participated last year, are ready to play a few holes with club members showing them the ropes.

While the junior lessons are underway, there is coaching for parents. Hopefully this will encourage a few more players among the adults. There is also a group of more experienced players who are new to Mt Beauty or who have not played golf for many years. Another of our members has been showing them around the course.



Thanks to the Club members who have so willingly helped out. They are Julie Chapman, Lynda Barter, Leesa Bevan, Ann Bellingham, Sue Roman, Carol and Michael Bartholomew.

Lessons are at 10am -11.30am on Sundays, finishing with a break-up BBQ and party on Sunday 13 December.



Enquiries to Liz Harvey 57544077.

Funds for the equipment have been kindly donated by the Mount Beauty and District Community Bendigo Bank Branch.

Junior equipment for hire, the practice balls and mats were bought with funding from a VicHealth Active Club Grant.

Golf for Adults / Parents

At the same time as the Junior Golf is taking place there will be the opportunity for parents or other adults to have some golf practice with assistance from members.

All equipment will be provided by the Golf Club and the activities will last while junior golf is on.

Tuesday Evening Social Golf

The very popular Tuesday evening social golf has resumed at 5pm. They usually play until 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.

Enquiries to Liz Harvey 57544077.

Men's Wednesday Golf Comp Challenge

The gauntlet has been thrown down by the 'twilighters' at Wednesday Comp. They reckon they are the better players!!

Captain Peter Hertzog outlines the 'rules' below:

"Just to clarify the start times. The day time start is officially Noon for 12:30pm tee off, however depending on field numbers groups

may be sent off earlier due to the single tee requirement.

The twilight start is 4:30pm for 4:45pm tee off, however depending on work commitments could be later. If you know you may be late simply call one of the regular players and have them wait for you.

Remember, Wednesday evenings is casual fun golf in a comp environment so everything is flexible to a degree, having said that

Don't forget that those playing in the evening have a reputation to uphold, for dishing out many significant golfing lessons to the daytime hacks!

The challenge is set, and it could come to this!!!



Lunchtime vs Twilight Prize TBA

Comp Win 5 points
 Comp R/U 3 points
 Nearest the pins ... 1 point
 NAGA (worst score for the comp)...
 -1 point

Points will be tallied at Christmas function & at the end of daylight savings."

Ed: Let's see if the brag of the twilighters is true??

Recent Rule Changes

THE latest changes to the Rules of Golf announced by the USGA and R&A include reduced penalties for signing an incorrect scorecard or when a player's ball moves at address.

Details of the changes can be found at <http://www.golflink.com.au/news/tour-news/2015/10/rules-of-golf-changes-more-lenient-on-mistakes.aspx>

Reciprocal & Neighbour Club News

For those into the races this is a great opportunity to play in the Morning round. Then jump the fence (figure of speech only) and have an afternoon at the Murray Bridge Xmas race meeting.

Murray Bridge GC will be holding their 'Ham & Turkey' day on Sunday 6 December. The event will be a Men's and Ladies' Stableford Comp. Be there for an 8am or 12.30pm Shotgun Start.

Contact the club on (08) 85 311388
 Email: mbridgegc@internode.on.net

October 19 and 20 we hosted the Annual Tournament for the Keilor Life Activities Group. They had 13 players. They had a great day on the course. We manage to raise about \$700 in Green Fees, bar and lunch.

Thanks to Syd Thomas and Alex and Leslie McGregor for their help with lunch and bar duties. Tom Duncanson kindly loaned his cart to the group and donated the hire fee to the club.



Laugh Time

A blonde wanted to go ice fishing. She'd seen many books on the subject and finally getting all the necessary tools together, she made for the ice.

After positioning her comfy footstool, she started to make a circular cut in the ice.

Suddenly, from the sky, a voice boomed, "THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE."

Startled, the blonde moved further down the ice, poured a thermos of cappuccino, and began to cut yet another hole.

Again from the heavens the voice bellowed, "THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE."

The blonde, now worried, moved away, clear down to the opposite end of the ice.

She set up her stool once more and tried again to cut her hole.

The voice came once more, "THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE."

She stopped, looked skyward, and said,

"IS THAT YOU LORD?"

The voice replied,

"NO, THIS IS THE MANAGER OF THE HOCKEY RINK"

Now that they are retired, my mother and father were discussing all aspects of their future.

"What will you do if I die before you do?" Dad asked Mom.

After some thought, Mom said that she'd probably look for a house-sharing situation with three other single or widowed women who might be a little younger than herself, since she is so active for her age.

Then Mom asked Dad, "What will you do if I die first?"

He replied, "Probably the same thing."

(These 2 gems from Midge Clooney)

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:
- 9th: Falls Creek Coaches

- 10th: Bendigo Bank
- 11th: The Blue Manor
- 12th: Alpine Valley Real Estate
- 13th: Belmores Accountants
- 14th:
- 15th:
- 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

Drummond Club



Thanks to all who joined Drummonds via the Golf Club. If anyone else wants to join please see John at Drummonds Albury.

Mention Mt Beauty GC at Drummonds when you make a purchase - 5% of your purchase goes to club. Cards should be delivered soon.

For Sale

Left hand golf club set

\$100 Bag & Buggy

Excellent condition

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(They belonged to Richard McNally)

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