

Mount Beauty Golf Club Inc.
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Diary Dates September / October 2015

Wednesday 2 September: Ladies' Monthly Medal

Saturday 5 September: Men's Monthly Medal

Wednesday 9 September: Stan Church's 90th Birthday

Saturday 12 September: Men's Canadian (Pairs)

Sunday 27 September: Men's 2 Ball Ambrose

Saturday 3 October: Men's Monthly Medal

Thursday 8 October: Ladies' Bright Tournament

Saturday 10 October: Round 1 Men's Club Championships

Wednesday 14 October: Ladies' Monthly Medal / Summit Final Round

Saturday 17 October: Round 2 Men's Club Championships

Saturday 24 October: Round 3 Men's Club Championships

Saturday 31 October: 'Yellow Ball' Comp

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

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<http://www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au>

<https://www.facebook.com/MtBeautyGolf>

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

Committee News

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

Any topics for discussion please send them to the President, Stephen Short, at president@mtbeautygolfclub.org.au

More info will be available in the next newsletter when the agenda will be closer to finalisation.

There are a number of Committee positions available this year. If you require a nomination form please let me know and I will get one to you.

I will put one up on the web site and let you all know when this has been done so you can download one.

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

The Committee was very disappointed to learn that the proposed NBN Tower to be erected near the 17th tee was not going ahead due to technicalities with the lease and public objections. We will now need to find alternative sources of income.

On a brighter note:

October is Golf Month

The Committee is planning a series of events to encourage membership to the club by showing off our facilities to everyone. This incentive has been initiated by Golf Australia

with great prizes available for members who introduce new members who become financial during the month of October: Golf Australia have a number of exciting competitions on offer during the campaign:

1. Introduce a Member

Any member who introduces a new member to your club up until the end of October is eligible to go in the draw to win an all-expenses-paid, money can't buy 2015 Emirates Australian Open experience which includes:

- Flights, six night's accommodation and transfers for two people
- One spot to play in the Pro-Am
- Two season clubhouse tickets with access to the Golf Australia Club on all four championship days
- Inside the ropes experience on one day.

2. Facility of the Year

The facility that achieves the highest number of new club members up until the end of October wins a \$5,000 grant to spend on growing membership and participation at their facility.

3. Facility Innovation Awards

Facilities that implement the most innovative offerings in each State/Territory win a MyGolf Delivery Kit valued at \$500.

4. PGA/ALPG/Trainee Incentive Award

Random draw prize of a SwingFit Deliverer kit valued at \$1,000 for a PGA Member, ALPG Member or PGA Trainee who actively participates in GOLF MONTH at a registered facility.

Great prizes for all.

Our events are still in the pipeline and I will let you know what is happening via email / facebook and in the newsletter next month.

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Happy Birthday: Stan Church

Wednesday 9 September will see a celebration at the clubhouse for Stan Church who will be turning a very young 90.

Come along for golf and after golf for a few beers and nibbles with Stan to wish him a very **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**. Stan has been our bar manager now for as many years as I can remember and has had varying roles within the club over his many years as a member.



Course News

The Tree Planning Sub-committee has begun planting shrubs and trees on the 1st and 10th tees and fairways as the first stage of our 'tree plan'.

Thanks to Dave and Sally Browning, Linda Barter, Alan Retallick and Stephen Short for their much appreciated input and help on Sunday last and thanks to all who have offered help and given help this week, Narelle and Tony Smith, Andy McEnally and James Martin.

We plan to add some colour to the course as well as cull out some unwanted, dead and dying pines from the fairways. Hopefully this will be done over the next few years as funds are available.

Preferred Lies, through the green, are still in force on the course for all

players due to the dampness of the fairways.

Captain, Peter Hertzog, has declared the course once again open to carts but please use common sense and stay off the fairways as much as possible. It has been brought to my attention that some carts are driving too close to the greens and causing unsightly damage to the surrounds. PLEASE keep ALL carts at least 15 metres from ALL greens to protect the damp surrounds. Your co-operation is very much appreciated.

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. During the winter months they tend to play the holes that are the driest so you don't have to tackle the wet ones. Start time is the same as the 18 hole events - noon for 12.30pm on the Saturdays.

The grass is starting to grow again and the maintenance boys and Cam are asking for anyone who is prepared to mow the roughs during the growing season to meet at the golf club at 9.00am Thursday 10 September for an introduction/ refresher course on the machinery. Beginners are particularly encouraged and introduction 'lessons' will be conducted on the day. Thanks in advance to all who take part in this activity.

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 their mob.

Upcoming Events

The Ladies' Monthly Medal for October will be contested on Wednesday 14 October (11.30am for noon) instead of the usual first Wednesday of the month and will include the Summit Final Round. The Men's Monthly Medal will be Saturday 5 September - noon for 12.30pm tee off.

Some important events in the September calendar for the Men are the Pairs Canadian (Saturday 12 September) and the 2 Ball Ambrose on Saturday 27 September. Grab your partners and come along to play in these events.

The most important rounds for the Men in October will be the Club Championships held over consecutive Saturdays beginning on 10 October.

A different event has been planned by the Captain to be held on Saturday 31 October. It has been called the 'Yellow Ball' Comp. In this event golfers play in groups of four. Of the four golf balls the team members are playing, one of them is yellow.

That yellow ball rotates among the team members, changing after each hole.

For example, on the first hole Player A hits the yellow ball; on the second hole, Player B plays the yellow ball, and so on, rotating throughout the group over the round.

At the completion of each hole the stroke scores of **two** team members are added together to create one team score. One of these scores **must** be from the player who used the yellow ball. The other score is the low score among the other three team members.

Example:

On the third hole, Player A scores 4, B scores 5, C scores 5 and D scores 6. Player C has the yellow ball, so his 5 counts.

And Player A has the low score among the other three, so his 4

counts. Five plus four equals 9, so 9 is the team score.

This should be a lot of fun and we are hoping for a great turn-out for this event. Thanks Peter for breaking up our competitions with fun events such as this.

Past Events Information

Congratulations to the following on their great performances in the Men's 2 Ball Ambrose event on Saturday 23 August:

Peter Hertzog & Stephen Short with Net 66 Runners up Allan Ferrari & James Martin with 67.75
NTP's 9th: Allan Ferrari 17th: Mark Pollard 18th: Ben Peacock

For the Men, the Eclectic Competition has been resurrected with thanks to Ben Charlton. Every round Ben will record your best score on each hole with the winner at the end being the best score over the period.

I had the pleasure of playing last month's Monthly Medal in the company of new member, Wolfgang Forke, in his first competition round of golf. I will admit he could have picked an easier day to debut as in a monthly medal round you have to 'play off the back markers and count 'em all'!



One of many putts!

Findlay Shield 2015

The 3 rounds of the Findlay Shield Competition between rival clubs Mt Beauty, Dederang and Myrtleford will be battled out on Sundays:

13 September 2015 @ Dederang
25 October 2015 @ Mt Beauty
22 November 2015 @ Myrtleford.

Anyone interested in playing in these rounds please contact John Sullivan

on 0419 285 987 or by email at jsu56771@bigpond.net.au

Good, fun Sunday afternoons and the satisfaction of winning the Shield.

Taff is looking for players for the first round on Sunday September 13.

JUNIOR GOLF LESSONS

These will begin in School Term 4 of 2015 under the guidance of the tireless Liz Harvey. Liz would like to inform all interested Juniors and their parents (see next section for Parents Golf!)

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

All equipment will be provided by the club with a number of irons available for hire by the participants to take home to practice with. The irons will be able to be swapped for differing lengths as the participant grows out of it.

We will also provide a number of plastic 'holey' practice balls per player to take home as well.

A 'Come and Try' day and Registration will be held at the golf course, Tawonga Cres., on Sunday 11 October at 10am for about 1 hour.

Lessons will be 10am -11.30am for the following 9 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 will resume on 6 October at 5pm. We 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.

Trips Away

Dave Browning is organising a trip away for up to 8 people to play the 2 courses on King Island, Cape Wickham and the soon to be opened Ocean Dunes, From March 3 to 5 2016.

He has **only 1 place left on the trip.** A great opportunity to play on a brand new course, Ocean Dunes, which is being built as we read.

If you are interested please contact Dave via this newsletter at communications@mtbeautygolfclub.org.au

The deal includes return flights from Mt Beauty airfield to King Island, transfers to and from the courses, 2 nights accommodation on King Island and 3 rounds of golf between the 2 courses. All for a cost of \$1390 pp.

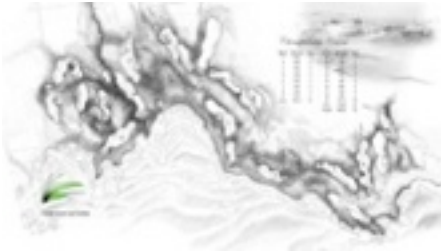
A few pics to whet your appetite:

Cape Wickham
<http://capewickham.com.au>





Ocean Dunes
<http://www.oceandunes.com.au>



Reciprocal & Neighbour Club News

Lonsdale Golf Club is holding their Open week from 14 to 20 September. 504 holes, 386 players, 23 events, 7 days.
More info Phone: 5258 1955 | Email admin@lonsdalegc.com.au | www.lonsdalegc.com.au

Hepburn Springs Golf Club are holding their 83rd Annual Open Tournament from Saturday 19th September to Sunday 27th September 2015. For further information Phone 0401 128 964 or visit <http://www.hepburngolf.com.au>

Bunbury Golf Club will hold their Castieau Classic 36 hole Mixed 4BBB Stableford Tournament from 9 to 11 October.

Laugh Time

4 friends (Ladies) meet 30 years after school at a reunion. One goes to get the food while the other 3 start to talk about how successful their sons have become.

No. 1 says her son studied economics, became a banker and is so rich, he gave his best friend a Ferrari.

No. 2 said her son became a pilot, started his own airline became so

rich he gave his best friend a jet.

No. 3 said her son became an engineer, started his own development company became so rich, he built his best friend a castle.

No 4. came back with a plate full of food and asked what the buzz is about. They told her they were talking about how successful their sons had become and asked her about her son.

She said her son is gay and he works in a gay bar.

The other 3 said she must be very disappointed with her son for not becoming successful.
"Oh noooo!!" said the Lady, "He is doing good. Last week on his birthday he got a Ferrari, a jet and a castle from 3 of his boyfriends".

All the 3 Ladies fainted....

Getting out of Sand Traps

An octogenarian who was an avid golfer moved to a new town and joined the local golf club. He went to the club for the first time to play, but was told there weren't any people he could play with because they were already out on the course. He repeated several times that he really wanted to play that day. Finally, the assistant pro said he would play with him and asked him how many strokes he wanted for a bet.

The 80 year old said "I really don't need any strokes as I have been playing quite well. The only real problem I have is getting out of sand traps."

And he did play well. Coming to the par four 18th they were all even. The pro had a nice drive and was able to get on the green and two putt for a par.

The old man had a nice drive, but his approach shot landed in a sand trap next to the green. Playing from the bunker, he hit a high ball that landed on the green and rolled into the cup.

Birdie, match and all the money!

The pro walked over to the sand trap where his opponent was still standing and said "Nice shot, but I thought you

said you had a problem getting out of sand traps."

Replied the octogenarian.
"I do, would you please give me a hand?"

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
- 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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