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# **DIARY DATES**

### **FEBRUARY**

**Saturday 1 February - Monthly Medal** 

Saturday 8 February - 4 Player Vegas Stableford

**Saturday 15 February - Red Tees Plate** 

Saturday 29 February – Par

### **MARCH**

**Saturday 7 March – Monthly Medal** 

**Monday 9 March – Labour Day Stableford** 

Saturday 14 March – 4 Ball Ambrose

Wednesday 18 March – Back 9 2 Ball Ambrose

Saturday 21 March - 1st Round Club C'Ships & 1st Round Kiewa Cup

Saturday 28 March - 2nd Round Club C'Ships & 2nd Round Kiewa Cup

Rounds 3 to 5 of the Club C'Ships will be played during April and May.

### **COMMITTEE NEWS**

The good news, from the Golf Club point of view, is the recent fire events had a minimal impact on the course. The hot weather has dried out the fairways but thanks to the bore the greens had minimal damage. When the new bore is connected up we will certainly be able to keep up with the watering of the greens and may even be able to investigate watering the tees as well.

It was a challenge teeing off into the smoke, around 100m in front, using the 'hit and hope' method along with a spotter directly behind to indicate direction of ball flight – then follow that line till you came across your ball.

We welcomed 3 new members during December and January: Tom Wiffen (Jr), who played his first comp with us on Wednesday 22 Jan, receiving a ball for his efforts, Jack Percy and James Egglestone.

I was humbled to hear from one of our Reciprocals in SA, Echunga, expressing concern as to how we were faring in the fires. Thanks to Russel Yeates, my counterpart at Echunga GC, for your thoughts and wishes.

As you would expect Green Fees were way down on the same period in 2019 and the committee is actively awaiting Emergency Relief Grants to be announced.

Something you may not have thought about as yet, but could be important – Do Not use the abbreviated form of a date for 2020, e.g. 21/1/20, as anyone could then add 2 more numbers to this and backdate important documents, the date could become

21/1/2017 quite simply and easily. This could have serious repercussions on date sensitive documents.

If you wish to contact any of the Committee please do so at committee@mtbeautygolfclub.org.au or ring 0459 679 356.







Don't forget to give your points to Mount Beauty Golf Club at Foodworks in town. Our number is 1036.



### **COURSE NEWS**

Bore Update: Piping and power to the new bore has been laid in the ground (Thanks Mt Beauty Bobcat for your efforts). Power will be connected very shortly so we can get the in-ground pump working. Dave Browning has kindly offered to pour a small slab and erect a covering over the electrics at the bore site. Thanks also to David Quick for connecting the power to the pump.

Please could all golfers practicing on the fairways and greens remove ALL balls used, fill ALL divots with sand and repair ALL pitch marks on the greens. Thank you for your co-operation. This is very important for the speedy recovery of fairways and greens under these hot and trying conditions.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sunday 2 February** will be the usual Monthly Medal game. Postponed due to forecast extremely hot weather.

On the following Saturday, 8 February, a 4 Ball Vegas Stableford format will be attempted. Grab a partner for this one. Scoring is unusual, if you get 3 points on a hole and your partner gets 2 your score is 23 for the hole. The lowest number comes first in the score.

Saturday 15 February - Red Tees Plate. Play off the Red Tees for this event and remember this is an Honour Board event.









Saturday 29 February is the dreaded Par format. We don't have too many of these. It is a challenge worth taking up.

Then again on Saturday 7 March - Monthly Medal day.

Monday 9 March, being the Labour Day holiday there will be a Stableford event with a BBQ after.

Saturday 14 March, being the first Saturday after the Monthly Medal the usual more relaxed event will be held. The day will be a 4 Ball Ambrose.

On Wednesday 18 March the Back 9 specialists will be able to strut their stuff in a 2 Ball Ambrose.

The Match Committee, at the suggestion of the Captain, have changed our Club Championships from October/November to a more weather-stable time of the year. The 1st Round will be held in conjunction with the 1st Round of the Kiewa Cup on Saturday 21 March followed on Saturday, 28 March by the Second Round of both Honour Board events.

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# **PAST EVENTS INFORMATION**



Saturday 14 December was a trial for a Las Vegas style 4BBB. Partners were found. The scoring system explained: if you get 3 points on a hole and your partner gets 2 your score is 23 for the hole. The lowest number comes first.

Jim Crebbin and Michael Bartholomew combined well on the day to take the event with 343 points holding off a charge from Roger Church and Ron Gallagher (335). Individual winners on the day were Trevor English with 40 points followed by Ron Gallagher with 38. NTP's: 7th Al Retallick, 9th Murray Beaton, 17th Syd Thomas, 18th Taf Sullivan.



Tuesday 26 December was Boxing Day Stableford round. Dave Browning proved he had not overindulged too much the previous day and won the round with a very impressive 43 points playing off an 8 handicap! Len Tonn racked up 39 points, which on any other day would have clinched a win. NTP's: 7th Roger Church, 9th Andrew McEnnally, 17th Ben Charlton, 18th Peter Johns.











Saturday 4 January was Monthly Medal day. The eventual winner was Ben Peacock with an impressive 66 net showing a clean pair of heels to Allan Retallick with 72 net, Stephen Short with a 73 net scored a ball in the Ball Comp. NTP's: 7th Roger Church 17th Ben Peacock 18th Ben Peacock.

Congratulations to Ben on his victory and to all who took part in the comp.



The Herb Gilbert Memorial Trophy 4BBB event was played on Saturday 18 January. Herb (now deceased), along with Stevie Green, played an important role in our transformation from Sand Scrapes to Greens. His very generous donation at the time allowed us to afford to convert. Thank you, Herb.

The title went down to a 4 team playoff between Len Tonn / Joe Mero, Emil Solar / Rollo Kiek, Taf Sullivan / Dave Browning and Peter Partington / Syd Thomas all on 47 points. They all traipsed back to the 18th in front of the tough crowd on the deck. This 'round' resulted in 2 of the pairs squaring the hole. Len Tonn / Joe Mero and Emil Solar / Rollo Kiek.

Back to the 18th for these 4.



Len and Joe ended with a 4 on the hole with Rollo having the Par putt for the Solar / Kiek team whilst their opponents nervously looked on.

Rollo sank the putt for the title. Well done Emil and Rollo. Individual best scores went to Tony Campen, Len Tonn and Peter Partington all with 42 points each. Well Done. NTP's 7th Ben Peacock, 9th Peter Dilley, 17th Peter Partington, 18th and the Money Hole Peter Johns.











#### **EAGLE'S NEST RAIDED**



Saturday 21 December 2019 and the Stableford event was not working out so well for Stephen Short. His game was letting him down a little, he ended up with only 29 points. However, on the  $1_{\rm st}$  Hole he managed to score a 3 on this Par 5. He somewhat sheepishly accepted the Eagle's Nest as his reward for a well hit chip for his  $3_{\rm rd}$  shot.









#### **VIC OPEN TICKETS**

If anyone is interested in attending the great format of the Vic Open from February 6 – 9 http://www.vicopengolf.com/ticketing

- Day pass \$10
- Season pass (all four competition days) \$30
- Kids (17 and under) FREE
- Seniors card FREE (please show at ticketing area on arrival)

If you're a Victorian golf club member, you will be able to enter your Golflink number as a promo code to redeem a complimentary season pass through the online ticketing system below.

Car parking for all vehicles is \$10 per car at the venue.

# **WORLD HANDICAPPING SYSTEM**

A new World Handicap System (WHS) will take effect on 30th January 2020. There will be only minimal changes to the current G.A. Handicap System.

Golf's two international governing bodies, The R&A and the United States Golf Association (USGA), have worked together with the world's major handicapping authorities to develop a single handicap system for the game. Golf Australia (GA) is one of the organisations that has been closely involved.

Please see attached for more information on the WHS in Australia or click on the following link: https://www.golf.org.au/whs/







### RECIPROCAL AND LOCAL CLUB NEWS

NEDGA now has a website @ nedga.org.au which has all the information needed to find out what is happening in golf in our district. The fixtures for 2020 have been loaded to this website.

NEDGA Open Day is on Sunday 9th February 2020 to be held at Jubilee Golf Club. The event will be a 2 person Aggregate Stableford. Entries to <a href="mailto:nedgavic@gmail.com">nedgavic@gmail.com</a>

A CFA Fundraiser will be run at Lakes Entrance Golf Club on Sunday 16th Feb. ontact Scott Mansfield, Golf Operations Manager, on 03 5155 2832. Or check their website <a href="http://www.lakesentrancegolf.com.au/">http://www.lakesentrancegolf.com.au/</a>

The Jubilee Golf Club Annual Tournament for men and women will be held from Friday 6 March to Sunday 8 March.

### **RULES: 15 CLUBS IN THE BAG**

What happens if you tee off or complete the first hole before realising you have 15 clubs in your golf bag? WATCH THE VIDEO

### A REQUEST FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF MOUNT BEAUTY

Would you please save **No 2 and No 4** plastic bottle tops from milk containers including long-life milk as well as soft drink and water bottles. The number is inside the top within a triangle. Lids such as these mostly go into landfill but they are being used by Envision, a company in Melbourne, to create **prosthetic hands and arms via a 3D printer** for children who have lost limbs.

The local clubs and schools are part of this project. Our target is 10,000 and we're well on our way to achieving it. There will be a barometer in the Supermarket showing the ongoing total.

Collection points are the Neighbourhood Centre, Foodworks Supermarket, Take Out, Treats, mount Beauty Bakery, Tawonga stores.

This project costs nothing but has such a wonderful outcome. Thank you.

More info on Envision Hands can be found here

#### **LAUGH TIME**

We had a power outage at my house this morning and my PC, laptop, TV, DVD, iPad & my new surround music system were all shut down.

Then I discovered that my iPhone battery was flat and to top it off it was raining outside, so I couldn't play golf.

I went into the kitchen to make coffee and then I remembered that this also needs power, so I sat and talked with my wife for a few hours.

She seems like a nice person (Thanks Shorty)

Every woman's dream
Her ideal man takes her in his arms,
throws her on the bed...
and cleans the whole house
while she sleeps.

Irish Craic and Humour

Do you know that great feeling when you get into bed, fall straight to sleep and wake up feeling refreshed and ready to take on the day...

No, me neither.

irishcraicandhumour.com



It's been a bit of a strange day! First I found a hat full of money. Then I was chased by an angry man with a quitar...

Me: (sobbing my heart out, eyes swollen, nose red)...I can't see you anymore... I am not going to let you hurt me like this again!

Trainer: It was a sit up. You did one sit up.



The three hardest things to say are:

- 1. I was wrong
- 2. I need help
- 3. Worcestershire
  Sauce



# **GOLF IN ANTARCTICA**

During November and December 2019, 2 members, Carol and Michael Bartholomew had the opportunity to spend 9 days at Which-a-way Camp in East Antarctica. During their time down south they partook in many ice related activities using crampons, climbing and traversing cliff faces with ropes, scaling the tallest mountain in the region, ice tunnelling and visiting nearby Russian and Indian bases.

They were also fortunate enough to visit the South Pole, where they camped overnight at -28°C, an Emporer Penguin Colony and **THEY EVEN PLAYED GOLF!!**Here are a few photos I hope you will enjoy:













### SOUVENIRS FOR SALE



Two types of ball markers are available, one attached to a pitch mark repairer and the other to a hat clip. The marker bears our Logo. All items can be purchased separately and are available at the clubhouse.



For the convenience of Members, Comp Players, Green Fee players and visitors we have stocked up on the 'disposable' items we sometimes forget to pack. A small sample is shown here at very reasonable prices. Enquire at the bar.

### **SPONSORS**

A very important part of the Club is the support given by our many sponsors. Please give these businesses the opportunity to supply your products or services. I am sure you will get looked after as a member of the Mount 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, tees and other awards:

1st: Mount Beauty Holiday Centre 17th: Tawonga South Newsagency

2nd: Available 18th: Mount Beauty Hardware & Drapery

3rd: Middy's Electrical Scorecard: Foodworks

4th: Available Mount Beauty Auto Repairs

5th: Snow View Holiday Units Mount Beauty Bakery

6th: Rocky Valley Bikes & Snowsports

Home Improvement Centre

7th: Tawonga South Butchery Eagle's Nest: Available

8th: Altitude Electrical Hole in One: North East Funerals
9th: Falls Creek Coaches Meat Tray: Tawonga South Butchery
10th: Bendigo Bank NTP's: 7th Tawonga South Newsagency

11th: The Blue Manor9th Peter Hertzog12th: Available17th Murray Beaton13th: Belmores Accountants18th Don Mason

14th: Available Practice Nets: Mount Beauty Hardware &

15th: Available Drapery

16th: Falls Creek Resort Management Board General: Drummond Golf 3NE

For info on how to become a sponsor please contact: The Treasurer

# **DRUMMOND CLUB**



You can join Drummonds as a Lifetime Member via the Golf Club at a substantially discounted price. Please see John or Belinda at Drummonds in Albury and tell them you are a member of Mount Beauty Golf Club.

And then.....

mention Mount Beauty Golf Club at any Drummond Store when you make a purchase and not only do you get a very good discount, 5% of your purchases go to club as a rebate.





