

Mt Beauty Golf Club Inc. PO Box 23, Mt Beauty Vic 3699 Ph: 03 5754 4002

# Diary Dates March / April 2016

*During April the Ladies' tee off time for Saturday Comps is 9.30am* 

Saturday 2 April: Men's Monthly Medal & Round 2 Kiewa Hydro Cup

Wednesday 6 April: Ladies' Monthly Medal

Sunday 10 April: UKV Lion's Police & Citizens Day

Saturday 16 April: Mixed Canadian Championships

Saturday 23 April: Final of the Men's Matchplay Championships

Monday 25 April: ANZAC Day Mixed and Men's Canadian

Saturday 30 April: Yellow Ball Stableford

Wednesday 4 May: Ladies' Monthly Medal

Saturday 7 May: Men's Monthly Medal

Saturday 14 May: Steve Green Memorial. Mixed & Men's Canadian

Saturday 21 May: Jarman Cup Round 1

Sunday 22 May: **Red Heart Day.** Mixed & Men's 4 Ball Ambrose

Saturday 28 May: Jarman Cup Round 2

# Club News

http://www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au

The 2016 Golf Programs are available at www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au/ current-golf-program.

The month's program for both the Ladies' and the Men will 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**

An Inclement Weather Policy for the procedure for players to follow has been posted on the website at http://www.mtbeautygolfclub.org.au/policies

New members this month are Joe Mero, C & F Gerardson. Welcome and we all hope you will enjoy the course, the club and the golf.

Following on from recent greens' problems and the lack of water pressure to some of the greens the committee has taken on the task of exploring costs and viability of sinking a bore on the course. Initial calculations show this course of action to be very economical, in the long run, eliminating very hefty water bills paid for watering at present.

Over the last couple of weeks the clubhouse has been re-stumped.

Green fees for play will be as normal as the greens have recovered from their malady and are playing very well at the moment. The Committee apologises for any inconvenience caused during the period of recovery.

Thanks to all who volunteered their time over the Easter period to man the Clubhouse to help visitors with their golf needs. The committee can be contacted at

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#### **Course News**

We would ask that you DO NOT interfere with any watering equipment or taps on the course.

# 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, no penalty, rather than try to retrieve your ball from within the mob.

# **Competition Times**

From the Captain: It appears there has been some confusion regarding tee times for competition rounds. To clarify the current state of play regarding tee times the following applies:

Saturday, Sunday and Public Holiday club competitions: Tee times ...... 12:15 - 12:45 sharp

Wednesday club competitions: Tee times, Day 12:15 - 12:45 sharp Tee times, Evening 4:30 - 4:45 sharp

Players may be sent off earlier than 12:30pm or 4:30pm depending on field sizes and group readiness, at the discretion of the Captain and/or the match committee. Players may tee off at times other than those listed, however this must be done by prior arrangement with the Captain.

### Note:

The final group will tee off at 12:45pm sharp and 4:45pm sharp respectively, and are not required to wait for more players. There is no requirement for the final group to return to the tee after they

have hit off, should a player arrive after this time.

#### For Information:

There is a proposal before the committee to bring the last tee time for winter (ie; competitions outside of daylight savings time) back to no later than 12:30pm.

This would be as a trial for the winter months with a view to a permanent change.

Please talk to your committee members if you have concerns regarding this proposal.

# Upcoming Events

The Ladies' competitions have a start time of 9am for 9.30am. This timing will continue until further notice, usually when the weather starts to cool down.

The Ladies' Monthly Medal day is the first Wednesday of the month, being 6 April and 4 May.

The Men's Monthly Medals will be contested on Saturdays 2 April and 7 May, the former coincides with the 2nd round of the Kiewa Hydro Cup. The 1st round of which was played on Saturday 19 March, see later for details.

Other events to be played over the next couple of months are:

The annual UKV Lion's Police & Citizens Day this year will be held on Sunday 10 April. Everybody is welcome, whether you have a handicap or not. This year's event will feature a 4 Ball Ambrose format with a shotgun start at 10am. Entry fee is \$20 per person and there will be lunch supplied and heaps of prizes and giveaways. Entries to

president@mtbeautygolfclub.org.au or phone (03) 5754 4002. Saturday 16 April will see the Mixed Canadian Championships hotly contested. Get your partner organised!

A reminder to all who are playing that the Final of the Men's Matchplay Championships MUST be played on or before Saturday 23 April. Most 1st & 2nd rounds have been played to date and there has been some interesting results. Details on the notice board.

Of course Monday 25 April is the ANZAC Day Mixed and Men's Canadian event. Usually well attended with all proceeds to Legacy.

And on Saturday 30 April there will be another of the very popular Yellow Ball Stableford comp.

There are 2 major events taking place in May. The first is the Steve Green Memorial Trophy, Mixed and Men's Canadian event. This event is held in memory of the enormous contribution Steve made to establishing the greens on the course. Without his drive, hard work and enthusiasm in the late 1990's we would not be enjoying the benefits of putting on grass greens.

The second is the Red Heart Day Mixed and Men's 4 Ball Ambrose

event in recognition of the work done by the Heart Foundation on heart disease and stroke. Proceeds of the day are donated to the Heart Foundation.

May also sees the contesting of the Jarman Cup on Saturdays 21 and 28 May.

All in all April and May will be loads of fun for everyone with a varied program to break up the usual stroke rounds and serious events.

#### Past Events Information

On Saturday 19 March Round 1 of the Kiewa Hydro Cup was contested with the eventual leader being Mick Luscombe with a net 70 from Allan Ferrari with a net 72. A few are on 73 and the field stretches out from there. Good luck to all who compete in the 2nd round on Saturday 2 April. The draw for the Round Robin style Men's Match Play Championships was done and play officially started on 20 February. Results are posted on the notice board as the rounds are completed. All rounds, including the Final, must be played by Saturday 23 April. Good luck guys!

Congratulations to all winners and competitors for all of these events.

Just a note to let you all know that the course will be closed on 6, 7 and 8 June due to the playing of the Ladies' NEDGA Championships. This is a major event for the North East and the committee congratulates the Ladies' for securing this event for 2016.

Best of luck for both the hosting and the playing of this event.

# Pennant 2016

Pennant season is upon us once again and began on Sunday 20 March at Wangaratta (Waldara). Unfortunately the boys were unable to win the day, going down 4/1. A commendable effort was made by Dave Browning to win his match on the 22nd hole!

The captain this year is Ben Charlton, as I am unable to play. I will be there in spirit though! Please contact Ben (0408 236 697) if you wish to be included in this very exciting comp.

We play Yackandandah, Myrtleford, Wangaratta, Beechworth and Wodonga. Last season we finished third and I wish the guys well on their journey to number 1 spot this year.

# **Junior Golf Clinic**

The Junior Golf Clinics have finished for 2015. They will happen again in 2016 at a time to be decided. Plenty of notice will be given.

Enquiries to Liz Harvey 5754 4077.

#### Tuesday Evening Social Golf

The very popular Tuesday evening social golf has resumed at 5pm. They usually play until around 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 5754 4077.

# Reciprocal & Neighbour Clubs

The Rotary Clubs of Sandringham and Beaumaris present the 2016 Bayside Mayoral Charity Golf Day at Royal Melbourne West Course on Monday 2 May 2016. Details: Contact: Jim O'Brien Mobile: 0447 447 357 Email: job@surepak.com.au

#### Member's Travels

On Thursday 3 March 8 intrepid travelers from the club winged their way, from Albury Airport, direct to King Island to play 3 days of golf at Cape Wickham and Ocean Dunes. A mechanical fault to the smaller aircraft meant a change of airport to Albury as the larger one needed more runway than Mt Beauty offers.

Despite this disappointing setback we all jumped in cars and enthusiastically made our way to Albury.



23 seats for 8 people! however NO business class :-(

We were transferred from the airport on King Island straight to Cape Wickham GC to tee off on a very picturesque course. The scenery was actually distracting, which was unfortunate, as any stray shots were punished. If you weren't on the fairway it was a drop with penalty.

Walking "off-piste" was fraught with danger from Mutton Bird holes and Copperhead Snakes.



Hole 1!



Johnsy eagled this Par 4

The day was magnificent and thoroughly enjoyed by all, even if the scores did not reflect our enthusiasm.

The next day we teed off at Ocean Dunes. The course had experienced teething problems and was still under construction forcing the playing of 3 holes twice - the dilemma was which 3?

The highlight was the 4th 160m Par 3 across the water to a green surrounded by rocks and water. A true golf hole. I suspect only about half of the rest would agree! We played it twice.



4th

The following day was back to Cape Wickham where Dave Browning and Tony Campen were to play their MatchPlay round. A tight comp between these two resulted in a halved match at the 18th. Time constraints meant the play off was to be continued back home - the result: after 3 trips back to the 18th TC emerged the victor. Well done TC, a hard earned place in the next round.

As you may recall we were divided into two teams - President's v Vice President's.

Day 1 and the scores were fairly tight with the Presidents team ahead. Day 2 at Ocean Dunes sorted the wheat from the chaff and the VP's team was then ahead. Plenty of strategy was talked at the

bar that night - I won't mention the apre golf activities, what happens on King Island stays on King Island!, except to say the Crayfish, wine and cheese were fantastic!



Waiting for Crayfish

Day 3 and all were enthusiastic and armed with game plans. All played well and common sense prevailed. We played off the white tees instead of the black as per the previous rounds.

Great rounds by the VP's team resulted in a landslide win for them. Well done to both teams and all would agree that the trip was a lot of fun, sledging, club throwing, good food and too much wine / beer.



Vice Presidents Team: Dave Browning, Michael Bartholomew, Peter Johns & Don Mason



Overall winner - TC & the Gold Jacket

The overall winner of the trip with a great score in the high 90's (aggregate Stableford points) was the 'away game' specialist, Tony Campen, and well deserved. I had the privilege of witnessing one of his rounds at Ocean Dunes.

What a great time with good company, with only 2 pillows thrown in my room - to stop snorers - Good shots Dave! I blame the wine.

The 3 shots on the last page sums up the difficulty of both of these courses. This was a common sequence of events for a lot of us.



Stunning views - Cape Wickham



2nd shot on the 18th! Cape Wickham

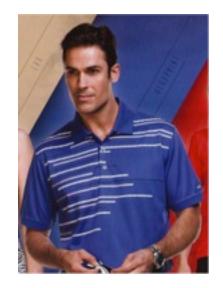


Great views, very distracting Cape Wickham

Till next trip.....

#### Shirts For Sale

We have new shirts for 2016 incorporating our new logo - the one on the top left corner of the first page of this newsletter - at the left pocket position



Blue is the only choice of colour and sorry ladies the bloke does not come with the shirt.

# \$50

Available at the clubhouse or ring 0418 431 531

#### Laugh Time

(Thanks Midge Clooney..)

Flawless Male Logic at its best ...... Woman: Do you drink beer? Man: Yes Woman: How many beers a day? Man: Usually about 3 Woman: How much do you pay per beer? Man: £3 Woman: And how long have you been drinking? Man: About 30 years. I suppose Woman: So a beer costs £3 and you have 3 beers a day which puts your spending each month at £270. In one year, it would be approximately £3,240 correct? Man: Correct Woman: If in 1 year you spend £3,240 not accounting for inflation, the past 30 years puts your spending at £97,200 correct? Man: Correct Woman: Do you know that if you didn't drink so much beer, that money could have been put in a step-up interest savings account and after accounting for compound interest for the past 30 years, you could have now bought a Ferrari? Man: Do you drink beer? Woman: No Man: Where's your b..... Ferrari then?

(These gems from Dave Browning..)

Murphy says to Paddy, "What ya talkin' into an envelope for?" Paddy: "I'm sending a voicemail ya fool!

Statistically, 6 out of 7 dwarfs are not Happy.

Paddy says "Mick, I'm thinking of buying a Labrador." "Blow that," says Mick, "have you seen how many of their owners go blind?"

My neighbour knocked on my door at 2:30am this morning, can you believe that, 2:30am?! Luckily for him I was still up playing my Bagpipes.

The wife has been missing a week now. Police said to prepare for the worst.

So I have been to the charity shop to get all her clothes back.

#### 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: 16th: Falls Creek Resort Management 17th: Tawonga South Newsagency 18th: Mt Beauty Country Club Eagle's Nest: 'Hole in One': Tate's Funeral Services

Scorecard: Mt Beauty Bakery, Foodworks, Mt Beauty Auto, Home Improvement Centre General: Drummond Golf

#### 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 Albury and tell them you are a member of Mt Beauty Golf Club.

And then.....

Mention Mt Beauty Golf Club at Drummonds when you make a purchase and not only do you get a very good discount, 5% of your purchase goes to club. Cards should be delivered soon for all those who have joined already.





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# **Summing up King Island Golf Courses**



Sorry Stephen... Thanks for the photos Dave (I could not resist)