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*Merry Christmas to all*

### **Diary Dates December 2015**

**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**

**Friday 11 December: CHRISTMAS PARTY 6.30pm for 7.30pm eating. Fun and frivolity mixed with presentations of major event trophies. \$35 per head. See any committee member to book.**

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

**Friday 25 December: MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**The 2016 Program of Events have not been finalised by the Captains. Details next month.**

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# Club News Club News

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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 low stock of score cards and an excellent opportunity to upgrade to full colour cards has prompted the committee to review our logo. A few examples were put to the committee and the one decided upon was:



We hope you all agree that this reflects our geographic positioning and portrays the club as being fresh and cheerful. Concepts for the new cards have been put to the printers and it is hoped that a final draft can be decided upon very soon.

Cameron's contract came up for discussion and he is to be congratulated on his fine efforts in keeping our course in the condition it is and we have extended his contract for another 12 months and will give him more responsibility for more of the course maintenance. Along with the volunteer workforce we have we can only expect the course to flourish and become a very nice course to play.

New member this month is Murray Beaton. Welcome and we all hope you will enjoy the course, the club and the golf.

The committee can be contacted at [committee@mtbeautygolfclub.org.au](mailto: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.

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#### **Course News**

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.

It has come to our notice AGAIN that some are not repairing their DIVOTS on the fairways or PITCH MARKS on the greens. PLEASE ensure you not only take a bucket of sand with you, make sure you use it. If you do not possess a pitch mark repairer you can use a tee to repair a divot.

Tip a quantity of sand into your divot mark and step on it to smooth out the sand - Similarly:

Put the repairer or tee into the ground beside the pitch mark on the green and push in toward the centre of the mark. Do this from several different positions and smooth out the mark with your putter.

Please, it is not hard to do and do it often. Members, make it a habit to repair any divots and pitch marks you find - even if they are not yours. The course is looking great and this small thing will help to keep it that way.

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.

A couple of groups responded to the call to pick up sticks on the course. A big thanks to all who participated. How much more pleasant is the course to play now that the large piles are gone - especially from 'Octopus' on the 15th and from the corner gum on the 6th (Tommy keeps reminding me of his efforts on this one!!)

Trailer loads of picked up sticks 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 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.

**Friday 11 December will be a night not to miss.**

**The Christmas Party at the clubhouse will kick off at 6.30pm with nibbles, drinks and games. At around 7.30pm we will all sit down to the always wonderful meal prepared and served by Allan Ferrari and his helpers. This year we will be doing Presentations to all winners of major events so we can all celebrate with them. Kids are welcome and the cost will be \$35 per head for the adults and \$15 for the kids.**

**Bookings to Michael Bartholomew, Alex McGregor, Brian Woinarski, Kez Johnston.**

### Past Events Information

The weekend of Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 November saw the playing of the Men's Annual Tournament.

Saturdays' event was an 18 hole Handicap and Scratch event. A field of 28 starters were ably fed by the ladies' upon completion of the round. Thank you to all the ladies involved. Plenty of prizes were on offer and were hard fought for.

The A Grade Scratch was taken out by Nathan Schneider with a 75. B Grade Trevor English with an 86 and C Grade Syd Thomas with a 91.



Trev



Syd

The Handicap section winners were:  
A Grade: J Payne with 74 on a C/B from A Jones.  
B Grade: P Evans 74 on a C/B from Emil Solar and  
C Grade: J (Taff) Sullivan 76



J Payne



P Evans



Taff

Winners also included:  
Best Front 9: A Grade Allan Ferrari 36, B Grade Emil Solar 36 on a C/B from Stephen Short and C Grade Michael Bartholomew 39.  
Best Back 9: A Grade D Edwards 36 on a C/B from A Jones and J Payne, B Grade Darren (Rattles) Flay 37 and C Grade Tom Duncanson 36.

Longest Drive on the 2nd: A's Vaughan Saunders, B's D Thomas and C's to newcomer Richard Roman.

The Keith Holford Trophy for best aggregate team score was Trev English, Emil Solar and Michael Bartholomew with 225.

The Over 65's was won by Syd Thomas with a 91 / 75.

One of the visitors, who shall remain nameless (Sarge), complained so much about our very friendly flies that we felt compelled to present him with a fly net which he could wear for next time he joins us.

Drummonds (Albury) donated the club a golf bag to raffle on the day which was won by Pete Brockhurst who promptly donated it back to the club. Jumping on the opportunity to raise more funds Michael started an impromptu auction, raising a further \$115 while the eventual owner of the bag, Syd Thomas, went home all smiles.



Thanks go to Karen and Campbell Ford from Mt Beauty Hardware for their very generous discount on the prizes and to John Barfoot at Drummonds Albury for his much appreciated contributions to the day.

Thanks to all the visitors and locals who attended the Saturday. A great day was had by all. See you all next year.

The Sunday event was a 3 Ball Open Ambrose in which 8 teams battled it out for some great rewards.

Scratch winners were Leesa Bevan, James Martin and Ben Charlton 65 from Don Mason, Bill Webb and Stephen Short 66.



Handicap winners were Alan Retallick, Peter Hertzog and Taff Sullivan 59.17 from Don Mason, Bill Webb and Stephen Short 59.5



The Mixed Scratch winners were: Tina and Andy Cook and Emil Solar 70 from Carol and Michael Bartholomew and Trev English 78.



The Mixed H/Cap winners were: Carol and Michael Bartholomew and Trev English 67.66 from Tina and Andy Cook and Emil Solar 61.33. (Yes, we can count - no team could win more than 1 prize, hence the score differentials)



Taff got himself in the shot as well!

The following Wednesday the Ladies' held their Annual Tournament. A very impressive turn out from neighbouring clubs was very encouraging with all ladies thoroughly enjoying their day and all commented very favourably on the condition of the course. Thanks to all.

Winners on the day were:

A Grade Tina Cook (Bright) 36 points  
B Grade Robin Poyner (Bright) 32  
C Grade Marie Hore (Mt Beauty) 35



Tina



Robin



Marie

(Apologies for the photos. Flash did not work)

The Alpine Trophy for the best teams aggregate points went to the Mt Beauty Team of Julie Chapman, Marie Hore, Kez Johnston and Lynda Barter with 120 points.



Alpine Trophy winners

Lots of prizes were enjoyed by the winners of the raffle conducted on the day.

A last minute change to the golf agenda for Saturday 21 November

resulted in a fun day comprising a President v Captain Teams' day. Lots of opportunity was given for misguided frustration and tears beginning with a random card draw for teams and groups to play in. After surprisingly few tears and argy-bargy 4 groups of 4 were sent off to battle it out in a Stableford Multiplier format, this format is designed to bring grown men to their knees! Some of the best sledging and heartfelt tears were heard during the round with all having a most enjoyable day.

The eventual winning team was the President's with a total of 235 points from the Captain's team on 215 points.



Michael, Syd, Dave, Trev, Rollo, Alex, Tom with the President, Stephen, in front

Individual winners on the day were Michael Bartholomew with 37 points from Rollo Kiek 36.

Pairs winners were Michael Bartholomew and Syd Thomas with 74 points from Rollo Kiek and Alex McGregor 70.

Thanks to both the President and the Captain for putting some money across the bar for all to enjoy

Congratulations to all winners and competitors for all of these events and hope you will all join us again next year.

### Findlay Shield 2015

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

It came down to the last shot as Dederang came up trumps over Mt Beauty by one solitary shot!!! 348 points to 347 points.

Player of the competition was our own Cameron Gregg (Playing for Dederang would you believe!!) 105 points with R/Up Craig Piazza (Myrtleford) 103. It was a very close contest. Scores were determined from the best 10 scores of a maximum of 18 for each team. As a result the teams averaged 34.8, 34.7 and 34 points.

Well done Dederang - we'll get you next year by crikey!

Thanks to the ladies for catering the day.



Webby admiring Myrtleford's form

### Junior Golf Clinic

Two more Sundays to go for the Junior Clinic for 2015. The sessions have been very successful with up to 24 primary school aged juniors participating every week.

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

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.

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 Challenge

Winners to be announced at the Christmas Party along with the Eclectic Results for the Men.

### Rules Guru

#### Identifying your ball - Rule 12.2

Marking, lifting and replacing your ball to identify it as your ball is permitted **BUT** a 1 stroke penalty **WILL** apply if done without giving your marker or competitor the opportunity to observe, or if it is done when it is not necessary. The ball cannot be cleaned. Each player should put an identifying mark on his ball.

#### Provisional Ball - Rule 27

##### When to play:

A provisional ball may be played, if it is considered that the ball played may be out of bounds or may be lost,

outside of a water hazard (Rule 26.1)

#### When not to play:

A provisional ball cannot be played if:

1. The ball played is definitely in a water hazard, or
2. The player has gone forward to search for the ball.

It is **NOT** possible to "go back" to go back to play a provisional ball. Any ball played in such circumstances becomes the ball in play regardless of the status of the original ball. The point at which the original ball becomes "out of play" is when a stroke is made at another ball or the five minutes search time has elapsed.

If a provisional ball is played, and it is subsequently determined that the original ball was lost in a water hazard, there are no repercussions. The original ball is in play and the provisional ball is picked up without cost.

The interpretation of these two rules have been contentious within groups as of late. I hope this will clear up any confusion in the future.

#### **Reciprocal & Neighbour Clubs**

The Commercial Golf Club in Albury will be hosting the 2015 Inland Tournament from Wednesday 2 November for 5 days. The days comps are a Ladies' Championship for the first 2 days followed by an Open Stableford then an Open 2 Ball Ambrose culminating in a Men's 27 Hole Championship. Details from the Pro Shop Phone: 02 6057 2801 or Email: proshop@commclubalbury.com.au

Tocumwal Golf Club are holding the VICTORIAN 36 HOLE 2 PERSON AMBROSE CHAMPIONSHIP from Friday 5 February to Sunday 7 February 2016  
Friday: Free practice round pm check in at Pro Shop  
Saturday and Sunday: Men & Ladies 18 Holes 2 Person Ambrose (9am Shotgun)  
Scratch & Handicap Events  
Single Day Entry Only - \$50 per team  
Details: Pro Shop: 03 5874 9172  
Clubhouse: 03 5874 9111  
Email: admin@tocumwalgolf.com.au  
Website: www.tocumwalgolf.com.au

The Amateur Classic 2016 from 5 to 8 January will be staged at the Lonsdale Golf Club.

Details Email:  
admin@lonsdalegc.com.au

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

#### **Shirts For Sale**

We still have 3 shirts left for sale. 2 Yellow and 1 Red one.

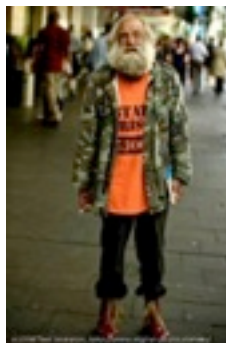
**\$20 each**

First in - Best Dressed

#### **Laugh Time**



'IT'S ONE WORD GEORGE!'



A man was walking down the street when he was accosted by a particularly dirty and shabby-looking homeless man who asked him for a couple of dollars for dinner.

The man took out his wallet, extracted ten dollars and asked, "If I

give you this money, will you buy some beer with it instead of dinner?"

"No, I had to stop drinking years ago," the homeless man replied. Will you spend this on green fees at a golf course instead of food?" the man asked.

"Are you NUTS!" replied the homeless man. "I haven't played golf in 20 years!"

"Well," said the man, "I'm not going to give you money. Instead, I'm going to take you home for a shower and a terrific dinner cooked by my wife."

The homeless man was astounded. "Won't your wife be furious with you for doing that?"

The man replied, "Most probably, but it's important for her to see what a man looks like after he has given up drinking and golf!"

#### **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: Mt Beauty  
Newsagency  
'Hole in One': Tate's Funeral  
Services  
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.

### **For Sale**

Left hand golf club set

**\$100 Bag & Buggy**

Excellent condition

Suit a 6 footer

Ring Len 0428 541 215

( They belonged to Richard McNally)



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