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Club News

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DIARY DATES

December 2017

Saturday 30 December – Men's Canadian (Pairs)

January 2018

Saturday 6 January – Men's and Ladies' Monthly Medal

There will be a range of games played during January. Mostly Stableford with a few team events thrown in. These will pretty much be decided on the Saturday. Wednesday's will be usual Stableford Midday and Twilight.

AUSTRALIA DAY Friday 26 January – The course will once again be set up as 18 Par 3 Holes with all sorts of skill related tests between holes.

COMMITTEE NEWS

The Committee wish all our Members and Newsletter followers a Happy and Safe 2018.

Captain, Peter Hertzog, has not finalised the Program for the upcoming season as yet so January will be pretty much an on the day decision as to the type of event will be played. Stableford will be the order of the day with a few team events and 'Yellow Balls' thrown in to mix it up.

See 'Upcoming Events' for details of the Australia Day event, Friday 26 January 2018.

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

Our number is 1036.



COURSE NEWS

The course is looking at its best at the moment despite the warmer weather and lack of precipitation. The bore is paying for itself.

Thanks to all the boys and girls out there mowing, planting, watering etc.

A Roster has been drawn up on the whiteboard at the Clubhouse for all those who wish to volunteer to man the clubhouse and help our visitors enjoy their round, starting

26 December and going through to 3 January. All the necessary paraphernalia, change, tees, balls, drinks and retail items etc will be made available on the table inside the clubhouse. It is not an onerous job at all.

Please put your name and time slot down that suits yourself. All help is gratefully accepted and THANKS in advance to all who volunteer to help.

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 would be 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 first Saturday in January, the 6th, will see the Men's and Ladies' Monthly Medals played.

As mentioned earlier January will be a relaxed program of events.

The MAJOR day of the month will be Australia Day Friday 26 January when, once again, the course will be transformed into 18 Par 3 holes. This event was a great success last year and let's attract more participants this year. On some of the longer journeys between hole and tee on the day there will be all sorts of skill related events happening such as Longest Drive with opposite Hand, Longest Drive, closest to an object, Straightest Drive to name a few.

After the day's comp, around 5pm, will be a relaxing time on the deck at the clubhouse with a Family BBQ cooked by the members. All are welcome, especially families of the players and others who could not make it on the day.

Due to extreme weather conditions on Saturday 2 December the 'Medal of Medallists' playoff has been postponed to a date in the New Year, to be advised. This was formerly the CAZNA Cup and is open only to those who have won a Monthly Medal between December 2016 and November 2017 inclusive.

Eligible players for the 'Medal of Medallists' this season are: Peter Dilley (Dec), John Sullivan (Jan), Stephen Short (Feb & July), Steve Haugh (March & Nov), Trev English (April), Tony Campen (May & Aug), Steve Johnston (June), Dave Whelan (Sept) & Allan Ferrari (Oct).

'Good Hitting' to all those who take part in this event in the New Year.



PAST EVENTS INFORMATION

Due to the postponement of the event on the first Saturday of December there was no Monthly Medal Winner for that month.

The major event for the month was the 'Everyday Hero' Day held on 17 December. See later in the newsletter.



'EVERY DAY HERO' GOLF DAY



The players: Ben Charlton, Peter Hertzog, Macca Deans (on course support), 'Taf' Sullivan, Wes Dowell, 'Kiwi' Dave, Stuey Jelbart, Ben Peacock, Bill Webb, 'Rattles' Flay, Craig Brown (caddy)
Front row: Stephen Short, Will Hood (cook). Absent: Dave Browning

A BIG 'WELL DONE' to the 11 guys who gave up their Sunday on 17 December to play 72 holes of golf and attempt to raise over the \$4000 raised last year at the Longest Day of Golf.

This year we they got behind Parkinson's Victoria, as one of our regular players and a hard worker for the club, John 'Taf' Sullivan suffers from Parkinson's. The community came out in force, donating via a special link to Parkinson's Victoria and helping to raise \$6050 this year. A huge effort and thanks go out to all who donated.

It is still not too late to show your support and go to give.everydayhero.com to donate.



At around 5pm support was shown by members and their families at a BBQ on the deck. A great turnout was had and the subsequent, and inevitable, putting competition was held for all takers. This attracted both ends of the age spectrum with a visit by Stan Church. At 92 years young he led the comp for most of the time, only to be defeated on the last putt by Tony Campen. Well done to all who participated and donated. It was inspiring to see a few of our member's younger girls and boys participate before the crowd. There are certainly some up and coming golfers amongst them.

A MAJOR SPONSOR for the day was AGL who donated \$1000 to the cause in cash and kind. Thank you very much AGL.

Thanks also to 'Kiwi' Dave at the local Tawonga South produce store, Kiwi's Market, who raised \$470 from raffling 'All the Icecream you can eat for a month'. Vegetation and the Mount Beauty Cricket Club for their kind donations of produce for the day and thanks to Len, Joe, Andy Mc, Don, Tom, Syd and Alex for the use of their carts, without which the 72 holes may never have been completed.



Not only did the boys play the whole 72 holes, starting from 6am, but they added the stress of scoring as well. They all scored extremely well considering how tired they must have been. Peter Hertzog even chose to walk the first 36 of the holes. The weather was very hot and humid and did take its toll a little as a few were hoping to go for 100 holes.

Results:

Best score over the 4 rounds (Stableford) was Wes Dowell (31, 37, 34, 38) pursued closely by Webby (34, 37, 34, 32) and Taf with 135 (35, 34, 40, 28). Amazing consistency over the 4 rounds was demonstrated by all. Special mention must go to Taf on his performance remembering that he suffers from Parkinsons!

A few outstanding feats worth mentioning: Rattles Eagled the Par 5 1st straight after snatching NTP from 'Kiwi' Dave on the 18th emptying the Eagles Nest for Ben Charlton who Eagled the Par 4 15th. He did, however, share the proceeds of the Nest with Ben. Well done to the both of you.

A great result from the boys, all the sponsors and the Community at large for their support. It is always satisfying, and amazing, to see this relatively small community get behind their own for these sorts of causes. A big Thankyou again to all involved.

HOLE IN ONE



On Wednesday 26 December Father Christmas belatedly delivered a very welcome present to Roger Church in the form of a lovely 'Hole in One' on the Par 3 17th. The shot was straight at the hole, took a couple of bounces and spun back to finish up in the hole, for the skeptics out there it was not 'Off The Bank'.

Well done Roger and you can expect a visit from a representative of [Tate Funeral Services](#) and the handy receipt of \$200 for your efforts.

TUESDAY MORNING AND TWILIGHT GOLF

Liz will be busy this summer and is once again offering the opportunity for non-competition golf to all

on a Tuesday evening starting at 5pm. Come along and have a few hits with some members in a social environment.

This year Liz will also be offering a morning round starting at 10am every Tuesday as well.

These outings are meant to be an introduction to golf in a fun way. Let your friends and family know about this. Participation is Free.

Enquiries to Liz Harvey (03) 5754 4077

FINDLAY SHIELD

A report on the Findlay Shield will be in the next newsletter. With only one round to be played, at Myrtleford, can we defend the honour?



TALL GOLF STORIES? OR TRUE?



Captain, Peter Hertzog, is very proud of his remote controlled buggy BUT, according to one of the group he played the Ambrose with on Saturday 23 December, he probably should reconsider 'Drinking & Driving'? A lesson for us all?

RECIPROCAL AND LOCAL CLUB NEWS

The Victorian Mid-Amateur Championships will be held on Sunday 14 & Monday 15 January 2018 at the Cranbourne & The National (Long Island) GCs. [Register here](#)

The 29th South Gippsland Golf Classic is to be held in February 2018, 9 days of golf at 9 different courses. Our website is southgippslandgolfclassic.org.au

The Oates Vic Open is locked in for 2018, with the biggest staging in the event's history to get underway on 1 February 2018. Australia's fastest growing golf tournament will return to 13th Beach Golf Links for the sixth straight year and is expected to lure more of the world's top talent to the Bellarine Peninsula. The Oates Vic Open is the only golf tournament of its kind around the world, with the men's and women's fields competing on the same courses, at the same time, for an equal share in the prize money.

Golf Vic are seeking volunteers to help out at the event. There are numerous roles to choose from, so for more information and to register: <http://www.vicopengolf.com/volunteers>

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The club has since received a number of tickets to the event, compliments of Golf Vic. If you would like to go to this event please get a ticket or two from the bar at the clubhouse.

Tocumwal Golf Club are staging the 2018 Veterans Autumn Tournament on 12 to 16 March 2018. Ph: 03 5874 9111 or Freecall: 1800 631 197

Email: reception@tocumwalgolf.com | www.tocumwalgolf.com.au



SOUVENIRS FOR SALE



We have received shipment of **new shirts** incorporating the club logo. They are available at the Clubhouse for \$50 each. There is both a Ladies' and Men's (left to right) style to choose from.



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.

We have our own Stubby Holders with exclusive branding incorporating an iconic photo of West Peak from the 2nd fairway and our logo (pictured).

These can be purchased at the

clubhouse for **\$8 each**.





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.

LAUGH TIME

The frequency of sexual activity of senior males depends on where they were born Statistics just released from Stats Canada, in conjunction with the United Nations B.O.H. Team, reveals that:

North American men between 60 and 80 years of age, will on average, have sex one to two times per week, (and a small number a lot more), whereas Japanese men in exactly the same age group, will have sex only once or twice per year if they are lucky.

This has come as very upsetting news to both me and most of my buddies at the golf club, as none of us had any idea that we were Japanese. (Thanks to Richard Hobday for this information)

GOLF TRIVIA

These statistics come from the US PGA Tour records of 195 putts from distances measured in feet:

- 9 feet: 23% make the putt
- 8 feet: 25%
- 7 feet: 42%
- 6 feet: 53%
- 5 feet: 66%
- 4 feet: 82%
- 3 feet: 98% make the putt

As the stats suggest the closer the best golfers in the world get to the hole, their chances of making that putt improve dramatically.

5 Fun Facts for your day!

1. Between 1900 and 1920, Tug of War was an Olympic event.
2. Crayola means "oily chalk." The name combines "craie" (French for "chalk") and "ola" (short for "oleaginous," or "oily").
3. The Scots have a word for that panicky hesitation you get when introducing someone whose name you can't remember: tartle.
4. Fredric Baur invented the Pringles can. When he passed away in 2008, his ashes were buried in one.

5. The American Psychiatric Association's DSM-V handbook classifies caffeine withdrawal as a mental disorder.

RULE OF THE MONTH: IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS

Ben Doney, PGA Professional explains the difference between playing immovable obstructions and the complications that come out of hazards and drop zones.

[Watch the Rule of the Week...](#)

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 and tees:

1st: [Mount Beauty Holiday Centre](#)
2nd: [Mount Beauty Bobcat](#)
3rd: [Middy's Electrical](#)
4th: [Available](#)
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: [Falls Creek Ski Lifts](#)
15th: [Available](#)
16th: [Falls Creek Resort Management Board](#)
17th: [Tawonga South Newsagency](#)
18th: [Mount Beauty Hardware & Drapery](#)
Scorecard: [Foodworks](#)
[Mount Beauty Auto](#)
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[Home Improvement Centre](#)
Eagle's Nest: [Available](#)
Hole in One': [Tate's Funeral Services](#)
Meat Tray: [Tawonga South Butchery](#)
General: [Drummond Golf](#)

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 Drummonds Store when you make a purchase and not only do you get a very good discount, 5%

of your purchases go to club.

FOR THE TAKING – BY DONATION



The rental club fleet has been rationalised and all superfluous clubs, bags and head covers have been placed in the pull buggy storage area on the uphill side of the clubhouse.

Please feel free to take any clubs, covers, bags you need from the selection. **ALL WE ASK IS THAT YOU LEAVE A DONATION TO THE CLUB IN THE GREEN FEES BOX.**

Under the sign-in table on the downhill side of the clubhouse there is also a foam container of 'experienced' balls. These are very reasonably priced at **\$5 for 20** of them. Please leave monies in the green fees box.

