



Club News

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March 2017

Diary Dates March / April 2017

Saturday 4 March – Ladies' Monthly Medal

Saturday 4 March – Men's Monthly Medal

Sunday 5 March - Men & Women – 3 clubs only

Monday 13 March - President's Choice – 4BBB Matchplay

Saturday 25 March - Stroke - Round 1 Kiewa Hydro Cup

Sunday 26 March - Pennant at Jubilee

April 2017

Saturday 1 April – Monthly Medal & Round 2 Kiewa Hydro Cup

Saturday 1 April – Ladies' Monthly Medal

Sunday 2 April - Pennant at Mount Beauty (Bye)

Saturday 8 April - 4 Ball Ambrose Invitational

Sunday 9 April - Pennant at Beechworth

Friday 14 April - Stableford (Good Friday)

Saturday 15 April - Bisque

Sunday 16 April – Par

Monday 17 April - 2 Ball Ambrose (Easter Monday)

Saturday 22 April - Captain's Choice

Sunday 23 April – Pennant at Myrtleford

Tuesday 25 April - Mixed & Men's Canadian (ANZAC Day)

Saturday 29 April - Final of Matchplay Championships

Sunday 30 April - Pennant at Yackandandah

Falls Creek and Mt Beauty' magazine.

Committee News

The lock to the buggy room door at the clubhouse has been changed for security reasons. If you require a new key to this room please see Stephen Short at the Tawonga South Newsagency. A \$20 refundable deposit will be charged for a new key. If you no longer wish to have a key please remove your equipment from the buggy room ASAP.

We welcome 2 new members to the club this month: Brad Redmond and Bob White.

Bob was sighted having a short game clinic with Michael Skinner recently. Good Luck to both of you and Good Hitting.

The Match Committee has performed some minor housekeeping on the Conduct of Club Competitions Handbook to bring it into line with our practices in recent years.

The main changes are:

1. The Men's competition 'book' will be closed at 12.25pm sharp on all



The 2017 Men's Golf Program is available at:
<http://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

comp days. On Wednesday's the 'afternoon tee off' will still remain at 5pm.

2. All Men's Honour Board Events will be played from the Blue Tees.
3. The CAZNA Cup will now be called the "Medal of Medallists"

All Committee members can be contacted at:
committee@mtbeautygolfclub.org.au

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



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Course News

Anyone who can spare some time (even an hour) to mow or water please contact [Peter Hertzog](#) or [Stephen Short](#), or any of the committee, and we will have you mowing in no time.

Thanks to ALL the guys and girls who spend countless hours on the course keeping it in great condition. We have been having very hot spells lately and the course has never looked better. With the help of new volunteers this work will take less time and the course will benefit from any extra work being done.



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.

Upcoming Events

The Ladies' Monthly Medal day is the first Saturday of the month, being 4 March and 1 April.

This date now corresponds to the Men's Monthly Medal dates as the Ladies' have changed their 'major' day to a Saturday to enable the growing number of working ladies starting their golfing careers to play. The committee has welcomed this change and hope it will attract more ladies to the game at a time which is more convenient for them to play. The time change may also facilitate social interaction between the men and the ladies as their tee off times, therefore finishing times, are similar.

The Captain and Match Committee have signed off on the Men's Competition Program for this year and upcoming events look very interesting with quite a few different format events included. As mentioned previously the Program is available for download from the website.

On the Labour Day Holiday, Monday 13 March, the President has chosen a 4BBB Matchplay format for the day. This will entail teams of 2 playing in a group of four using a matchplay scoring format. The winning team will be decided by the biggest win of the day. Of course, any tied scoring will trigger a playoff on the 18th hole, in front of the balcony gallery. Always good for entertainment value.

Saturdays 25 March and 1 April will see the men playing both rounds of the Kiewa Hydro Cup. The second round coinciding with the April Men's Monthly Medal.

April is a huge month for honour board and major comp days with Saturday 8th seeing a replacement event for the past Lion's Day event. This year the format will again be a 4 Ball Ambrose, only the name has changed. There will still be the usual BBQ and earlier tee off time. Details next newsletter.

Meantime get yourselves a partner ready for the day.



Easter will be full on with an event scheduled every day. Good Friday will be a Stableford game followed on Saturday by a 'Bisque' format, Sunday is Par with Monday playing a 2 Ball Ambrose.

For those of you not familiar with 'Bisque' – vaguely, the format enables flexibility with your handicap 'strokes' to enable the player to use his / her strokes as they see fit. E.g. if you have a handicap of, say, 18, instead of getting a stroke on every hole you are

able to use as many strokes on a particular hole you think you may need in order to have a reasonable score. BUT, beware, you can only use your 18 strokes over the round! Use them wisely. Allocation of the strokes will, in this instance, be able to be done AFTER the hole has been played. This will be very interesting and careful note will need to be taken of the number of strokes from a player's handicap taken over the round.

Saturday 22 April will be Captain's Choice on the day.

The Mixed and Men's Canadian will once again be played on ANZAC Day, Tuesday 25 April, with all proceeds, plus a donation from the club, going to Legacy.

The following Saturday will be the Final of the Round Robin Men's Matchplay Championship which started on 18 March.

March and April will be a fun couple of months with a lot of golf on offer including the normal rounds usually played on a Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.



Past Events Information

The February Monthly Medal was won by Stephen Short. It was wrongly reported that he won the January medal. The winner of that medal was Taf Sullivan. Apologies to Taf.

Saturday 11 February was the 'Ladies' Tee' Day with the winner being Syd Thomas with a net 61 followed by Emil

Solar with 67. Balls going to Brian Woinarski, 68 on a C/B to Stephen Short. The NTP's, 7th Allan Retallick 9th Peter Partington 17th Darren Flay & 18th James Martin.



Syd played extremely well on the day, so well in fact that he shot an 85 off the stick. The remarkable thing about this round is that Syd is a young 86. Well done to you Syd and we hope you can emulate this feat off the Men's Tees in the near future.



The usual suspects, or in this case, suspect, donned the appropriate apparel and dressed for the occasion.



Wednesday 22 February was the 9 Hole Stableford (3 Clubs) day. Choosing the right clubs was Craig Brown with 22 points and R/Up Darren Flay, 20. Ball Comp winner was Allan Retallick with 19. The NTP's were 7th Darren Flay 9th Allan Retallick.

Saturday 25 February the dreaded Stableford Multiplier format was played. Deserving winners were Ben Charlton & Andrew McEnally with 79 points with R/Ups Peter Hertzog & Ben Peacock on 78. Ball Comp: Darren Flay & Stephen Short.

The individual Stableford winner was Ben Charlton, 41 followed by in-form Syd Thomas with 40. Ball Comp: Stephen Short 38. NTP's 7th Bill Webb 9th James Martin 17th Darren Flay 18th Ben Charlton.

9 Hole Stableford Winner on the day was Murray Beaton 19 over Joe Mero 16.

Rumour has it that Hertz and Peacock were in a great position to take the lead on the 17th as both had hit the green and ended close. Fate stepped in and the putting was not as accurate as needed. 'Defeat snatched from the jaws of Victory'

Congrats to all winners and podiums for the February competitions. Keep up the good form for March.



Swing Fit

As reported last month Golf Australia awarded Mount Beauty Golf Club with a Golf Month Innovation Award of a 'Swing Fit' kit.

'Swing Fit' purports itself to be the fun, healthy and social way for women to get started in golf.



We are planning to introduce this program in the near future, in conjunction with our Pro, Michael Skinner. The program is 6 sessions long and our first introduction session will be a free, social event for all wishing to participate. It is aimed mainly at female participation, men are welcome as well, and will incorporate exercises into the basics of the golf swing to highlight how golf can keep you fit as well as being a fun social game played for enjoyment.

More info will be emailed out as arrangements are finalised. Anyone interested is encouraged to contact the editor expressing their interest.

Pennant 2017

Our first game for the 2017 North East Pennant season will be Sunday 26 March at Jubilee. This year we will be competing against 4 teams from Yackandandah, Myrtleford, Jubilee and Beechworth.

Please contact Michael Bartholomew or Ben Charlton, via this newsletter, if you are available for any of the 5 Sundays beginning 26 March. A copy of the draw has been

put on the notice board at the clubhouse.



Tuesday Night Social Golf

This runs on Tuesday nights between 5 and 7pm. It is mainly for people who would like to play a few holes with some assistance. Anyone is invited to come. It is free to come and clubs are available if required.

It will continue until daylight saving is over.

Any queries to Liz Harvey (03) 57544077.

Reciprocal & Local Club News

The 2nd Rotary Charity Golf Day, a 4 man Ambrose starting at 10am, is to be held at the Myrtleford Golf Club on Sunday 12 March 2017. Put this in your diary for next year as this will fit in with the Myrtleford Festival. An earlier start so all can participate in the Street Party. Enquiries to Gill Piggot on 0400 566 935 or email at gildavep@internode.on.net Proceeds will go toward a Learner Driver Car for Myrtleford Youth.

Jubilee Golf Club will be holding their Annual Tournament from Friday 10 thru Sunday 12 March. Entries and enquiries to illiston@optusnet.com.au A Veterans Autumn Tournament will be held at Tocumwal Golf Club from 20 to 24 March 2017. Enquiry to Pro Shop: 03 5874

9172; Clubhouse: 03 5874 9111 or email: reception@tocumwalgolf.com

Tambo Valley Golf Club are holding their Junction Creek Classic on the weekend of 15 to 19 March. eMail TVGCtournament@agnet.com.au for further details or to enter.

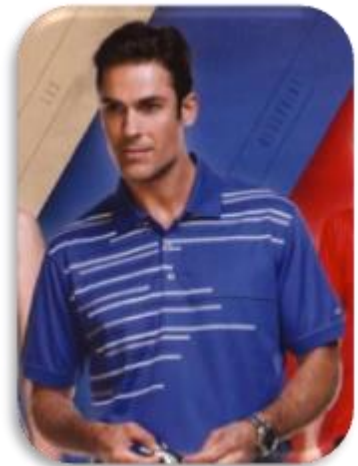
The 14th Great Alpine Classic will be shared between Wangaratta, Bright and Myrtleford on Monday 20, Tuesday 21 and Thursday 23 March. Enter on the day. Shotgun starts at 9am at each course.

The Tocumwal Golf & Bowls Club Easter Golf Tournament is scheduled for 14th – 17th April 2017. Entries and enquiries to the Pro Shop on 03 5874 9172; Clubhouse 03 5874 9111. Email: reception@tocumwalgolf.com



Shirts for Sale

We have only a few shirts left incorporating our new logo

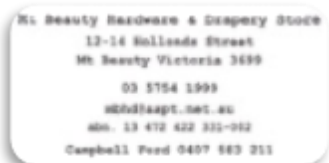


For Sale - \$50

Available at the clubhouse or ring 0418 431 531

Ball Markers

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



Stubby Holders

We have our own Stubby Holders with exclusive branding incorporating an iconic photo of West Peak from the 2nd fairway and our logo. These can be purchased at the clubhouse for \$8.

Laugh Time



(Thanks to Midge Clooney)



Golf Trivia

Craig Stadler was disqualified from the 1987 San Diego Open for playing a shot whilst

kneeling on a towel. (Improving his lie?)

The chances of getting 2 holes in one in the same round are 67 million to one against.

In 1940, professional Harry Gonder hit 1,800 balls unsuccessfully trying to make a hole in one at a Par 3.

Rules Modernisation

Overnight (1 March) the R&A and the United States Golf Association made a major announcement on **proposed** changes to modernise the Rules of Golf. The announcement includes an explanation of each of the 30 major proposed changes.

Details of the announcement are available from the following page of the Golf Australia website – www.golf.org.au/modernisation

- Among the more than 30 substantial changes are that:
- Penalties for accidentally moving your ball while searching for it or accidentally moving your ball or ball marker on the green will be scrapped;
 - Time allowed for ball searches will be reduced from five to three minutes;
 - A ball being dropped can now be released at any height above the ground without touching anything;
 - There is no longer a penalty for hitting an unattended flagstick with a putt from on the green;
 - Touching or removal of loose impediments in a bunker is now permissible; and
 - Almost all damage, including spike marks and animal

damage, can be repaired on the green.

Golf Australia are hoping for and expecting great feedback on these and all the changes to the Rules of Golf from Australian players.

Sponsors

Welcome to Mount Beauty Hardware and Drapery and thank you for sponsoring our 18th hole. We hope this arrangement can work to our mutual benefit.

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: [Kiewa Country Cottages](#)
- 4th: [Available for sponsorship](#)
- 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: [Available for sponsorship](#)
- 15th: [Available for sponsorship](#)
- 16th: [Falls Creek Resort Management](#)
- 17th: [Tawonga South](#)

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18th: [Mount Beauty Hardware & Drapery](#)

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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.

Golf Carts

An interesting email popped up in my inbox during February and the Editor is very excited and wants one of these!



There are many more styles, but I bet you get the drift. An amazing price of only \$12000 will get you one of these. A lot cheaper than anticipated by many people I asked for an estimate. The best thing is they will make a small donation to the club for every one purchased!

See more at <http://www.hawkcarts.com.au/>



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Email letters, contributions, etc. are most welcome.

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