



# April Newsletter

## FROM THE COMMITTEE

Our Saturday members' draw was won last Saturday evening by Shane McDonald, so the prize reverts back to \$500. The amount we revert to after a winner is dependent upon the balance we have in the fund set aside for this promotion. Remember you must be in attendance to win the money.

Thanks to the committee who organised the Matt Hollywood Dinner & Show. Those who attended were presented with an enthralling show and a high standard 3 course dinner. Look out for more social events in the near future.

The Committee is endeavouring to make our Friday night Bistros a more regular event. We have therefore scheduled a number of dates closely together in June, July and August. (See the Coming Events for dates). If these events are well patronised we will continue to offer more frequent and regular Friday night Bistros.

Our Easter Tournament, held on the 7th, 8th and 9th of April, was a great success thanks to the organisation of the Match Committee and particularly to Mark Washington. Also to the boys in the Pro shop (special mention to Tim Watson), our catering and bar staff, volunteers, Rob Handley and of course to Bill Daunt and his team for presenting the course in outstanding condition. Many favourable comments were passed by members and visitors. Our major sponsor for this tournament was **Ray Williams from Shepparton Retravision** who we gratefully acknowledge and thank for their support. Members are encouraged to support sponsors such as these, as we rely on them greatly to make our tournaments viable.

On Anzac Day, the ladies will be having their usual Wednesday competition with a shotgun start at 1pm. As it is a public holiday, they have invited the men to have a separate competition at the same time ie. a shotgun start at 1pm. The match Committee have accepted the kind offer and have organised an event for the men. Entries through the Pro shop.

For the information of members and guests, times when the bar is open are currently displayed in the bar area. These times have been set by the Committee and expect members to comply.

## COMING EVENTS

APRIL 25th	Anzac Day—Ladies' and Men's Comps. Shotgun start 1pm.
APRIL 28th	Ambrose Event for Challenge. 7.30am and 12.30pm shotgun.
JUNE 8th	Bistro
JUNE 22nd	Bistro
JULY 13th	Bistro
JULY 27th	Bistro
AUGUST 10th	Bistro



### MATCH COMMITTEE

A reminder of the Challenge Ambrose event this coming Saturday, April 28th. There are still spots available in the morning fields at 7.30am shotgun start.

#### Junior Mentor Program

Given the successful Junior Clinics currently being held on Tuesday afternoons, the Match Committee has developed a transitional program for some of our promising juniors in order for them to 'hit' the course and learn all facets of golf and hopefully see them playing competition golf in the near future.

A mentor program is the next step for a number of juniors who have been identified and are ready to advance.

Expressions of Interest are invited from members to assist with this program. If you are interested in becoming a "Mentor", please contact David Trower or Mark Washington at the earliest opportunity to discuss the role.

It is imperative that the Shepparton Golf Club continues to encourage, develop and support all of our current juniors whilst promoting the game to other children in our area.

Your support is much appreciated.

David Trower & Mark Washington.

### LADIES' COMMITTEE

The Joyce Broadbent Ladies Challenge Bowl played on Friday 13th April was very successful with 35 teams entered from 18 clubs. A Shepparton team consisting of Carolyn Scott, Heather Groves and Ellen Chard won the Bowl, with Rose Priestley winning "B" grade. Congratulations girls.

A "Big Thank You" to all the committee & lady members who helped to make the day the success it was.

Pennant commences this week. Good luck to all participating teams.

A reminder that the Trading table for the Walter & Eliza Hall Institute will be held on the 9th May.

# MEMBERS DRAW

EACH  
SATURDAY AT  
PRESENTATION  
AND NOT BEFORE 5.30PM

CURRENT JACKPOT  
\$500

MUST BE A FINANCIAL  
MEMBER IN  
ATTENDANCE TO WIN!

### NEW MEMBERS

*Welcome to:*  
*Lou Caversan*  
*Stephen Segrave*

### WAYNE'S WORDS OF WISDOM courtesy of Wayne Rush

Everyone replaces his divot after a perfect approach shot.

A golf match is a test of your skill against your opponents' luck.

It is surprisingly easy to hole a fifty foot putt. For a 10.

## **GREENS & COURSE REPORT**

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SERVICE BY VOLUNTEERS:**

The instalment of 14 vents to the golf cart shed by Neil Niblock & Max Dawber. Grateful thanks for your prompt action and time given to complete the task. Hopefully, this will create more airflow from below to generate a greater efficiency to the three spin vents above during the extreme summer heat.

There was an excellent response from members to assist in the “touching up” of the bunkers on Monday, April 2nd. A fantastic effort and again thanks, as this enabled the course staff to complete works which wouldn’t have occurred without this support. If the thunderstorms keep persisting a similar request may be issued at a later date.

**A COMMENT ON GREENS:** The kikuyu and couch in the green surrounds and on the greens have been sprayed, hence the yellowing and straw appearance in these areas. These areas will recover as the herbicide effects these grasses and not the other in this area. This is a gradual process due to the aggressive nature of these grasses AND the understanding of the members in relation to this issue is appreciated.

**MOTEL OVAL GARDEN BED:** This project is on hold pending further research of ideas & designs by members of both the C & G and General Committee.

16th tee Safety Fence: Also on hold awaiting further specifications, consultation and ratification by appropriate bodies.

The Course & Greens Committee welcomes two new members in Vivian Harding and club professional David Trower to its team and both will, undoubtedly, be a great asset to the overall presentation and future direction of the course.

**FOOTNOTE:** Following a timely burst of Autumn rain recently the course is looking at its pristine best....just an absolute joy to have a social or competitive round of golf. Very noticeable to see quite a lot of visitors frequenting our course before moving onto other northern or southern venues.

A reminder to all to repair pitch marks on greens and sandfill tee & fairway divots.