



# July Newsletter

## FROM THE COMMITTEE

Last month, President, Graham Scott and Course Superintendent, Bill Daunt attended Axedale Golf Club to receive a grant of \$4,500 to assist our Club with its recovery from the floods experienced earlier this year. Fourteen Clubs in all shared in the funds raised by the Melbourne Sandbelt group of courses, to whom we are extremely grateful.

*Felicity Stephens has advised the Committee that she intends to retire at the end of October this year. The Committee will be advertising the position very shortly and conducting a selection process to appoint a replacement catering manager, in time for as smooth transition.. This will be no easy task when we consider the outstanding job Felicity has done for our Club.*

The Committee is encouraging all members to support our annual major raffle to be launched shortly. This is a major fundraiser for our Club which assists with our major projects such as the new machinery shed currently under construction.

The recent two day Seniors Tournament, part of the V&A Doug Bachli order of merit, was very successful. Feedback from competitors was extremely positive, urging us to retain the two day format. This year we introduced a ladies tournament on the Monday which we anticipate will grow in the coming years. Thanks to Graeme North and Max Dawber for their organisation, with the assistance of the Pro shop, Catering and bar staff. High praise was the order of the day for the condition of the course, thanks to Bill and staff.

Special thanks to Barry Hobbs and Shepparton Aged Care, who once again generously sponsored this event. The standard and range of trophies was exceptional, and greatly appreciated by recipients, and of course, the Club. Thanks Barry.

Thank you to the member who posted a suggestion regarding publishing a social calendar for the year. The suggestion will be discussed at Committee level, with an outcome posted in a future newsletter.

## **FORUM**

**Monday July 18th at 7pm**

**Opportunity for members to share views and ideas, and to give feedback on Club activities and directions. An agenda will be published prior to the event.**



## COURSE & GREENS

A big "Thank You" to Cheryl Mahon who recently donated a 6' Norfolk Pine tree which has now been planted in the vast open area left hand side of the 17<sup>th</sup> fairway. Upon maturity and much TLC it may well reach 80 feet and, not surprisingly, will more than likely outlive most of us by that stage!!

### TREE LEVY UPDATE:

Much has been written in past newsletters as a continuous process to keep members informed of happenings on the course and, in particular, the reasons for such a levy principally for tree/shrub damage & replacement as an ongoing project for years to come. It has always been the practice to purchase advanced young trees rather than miniature tube-like ones as they offer stronger & quicker recovery if severely damaged by golf balls or by other means. Obviously, this necessitates a more expensive outlay although Bill does receive a discounted cut from his source of supply. As previously mentioned a fully fitted Water Wagon & Trailer is factored into the levy for purchase when available for summer watering of continuous planting of young trees/shrubs which incidentally consumes 4 to 5 hours of time over two days! On a lesser scale there is always a requirement to replace plants & materials in established gardens around the course & clubhouse.

Please find enclosed for members' interest a current breakdown of monetary details since the levy was introduced:-

Opening balance of levy account	\$17,700
Expenditure to date	\$ 3,000
Proposed water wagon costing	\$10,000
Current balance	\$ 4,700



**Our Plant Nursery**

### PROPOSED COURSE PROJECTS:

- 6<sup>th</sup> Men's Tee:** Redevelopment & reinforcement using dried treated pine sleepers at rear & toilet side.  
Extension of tee and provision of garden bed for low native shrubs or hedging.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Tee path:** Creation of low mounds, mulching and attractive low assorted native & exotic plants.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Tee area:** Continuous revision of such. Currently been surveyed as with the 6<sup>th</sup>.  
Options put forward and further details of final analysis in later issue of newsletter.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Tee area:** Clearing of logs & debris to enhance the area...this being an historical site of our original clubhouse as featured in the office passageway display cabinets.  
Peppercorn tree shielding the magnificent gum tree to be removed to highlight the gum's beauty.  
Eventually, a mounted plaque or the like to signify original beginnings of the Shepparton Golf Club.

Nick Munari  
Greens & Course Chairman

# MEMBERS DRAW

EACH SATURDAY AT  
PRESENTATION

CURRENT JACKPOT  
**\$775**

**MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE TO  
WIN!**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 21st - Forum 7pm  
Aug 5th - Bistro  
Aug 14th - Holden Scramble  
Aug 18-21 Annual Tournament

### GOLF MUSINGS

I'm not saying my golf went bad, but if I grew tomatoes, they'd come up sliced. Lee Trevino

### LADIES' NOTES

#### **2011 Club Championships:**

Club Champion: Kim Morris  
B Grade: Greta Keenan  
C Grade: Rosemary Tyquin

#### **4Ball Champions:**

Adele Baensch & Marg Henney

#### **GV Brooch Winner:**

Ruth Stephen who will play off in the final against other GV winners at Numurkah on Aug 22nd.

#### **Captain V President Day:**

Captain's team was victorious.

#### **Doris Chambers Foursomes:**

Shirley Dean & Joan Kitto

Ladies are encouraged to enter the Shepparton Annual Tournament commencing August 18th

### MATCH COMMITTEE

Golf Australia has written to all Clubs advising of progress to implement changes to the new Golf Australia Handicap System. The following four priority amendments are to be made to correct a significant bias towards higher markers and to deal with large field net events.

1. Alter the 'Best 10 of 20' to 'Best 8 of 20'.
2. Change the Bonus of Excellence multiplier from 0.96 to 0.93
3. Introduce an Anchor which will prevent a player's handicap from increasing any more than 4 strokes beyond their best exact handicap from the previous 12 month rolling period.
4. Golf Link will cap the score that goes into a player's handicap record at no more than the following amount over the course rating:  
50 women  
40 men

These four priority amendments will come in to effect on Wednesday 21 September 2011.

It is also confirmed that the following will NOT be a part of the new system:

- "Most Likely Score"
- Required handicapping of novelty competitions
- Handicapping of ALL non-competition scores
- Handicapping of match play scores
- Handicapping of a score returned by a player who plays alone

More detailed and regular updates are available on the Golf Australia website: [www.golfaustralia.org.au](http://www.golfaustralia.org.au)

#### Medalist Of The Year

The date for this event has been printed in the syllabus on two different dates. Please note that the **correct date is 22nd October.**

#### MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

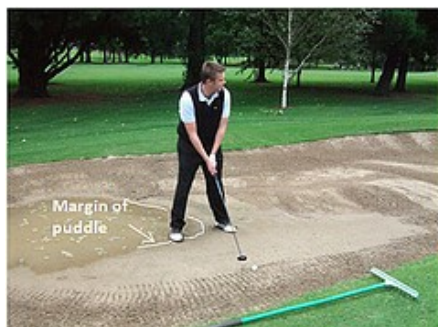
**CLUB CHAMPION:** Daniel Adem  
**B GRADE:** Clem Robl  
**C GRADE:** Craig Mathisen  
**D GRADE:** Greg Newman

Congratulations to all finalists.

#### JUNIOR MEMBERS

Thank you to all members who play with and look after our junior members. It is important that they are encouraged in their endeavours, and that they develop an appreciation of the etiquette of the game. It should also be remembered by playing partners that junior members are not allowed to mark each other's cards.

## Casual Water in Bunker



In the photo part of the player's stance in the bunker is in casual water, but their ball does not lie in casual water.

### Question 1:

- May the player choose to make their stroke anyway?
- May the player drop their ball in the bunker within one club-length of the nearest point of relief from the casual water, without penalty?
- If the player chooses to take relief and when they drop their ball it embeds into the soft sand may they re-drop it?
- May the player choose to drop the ball outside of the bunker under penalty of one stroke?

### Answer 1:

- Yes, the Rules do not require a player to take relief from an abnormal ground condition.
- Yes, this is one of the options under Rule 25-1b (see below).
- No, there is no relief for a ball that is embedded in a bunker; the player must play the ball as it lies following the drop.
- Yes, this is an option afforded by Rule 25-1b(ii)(b), (see below).

Part of Rule 25-1b states;

*A player may take relief from interference by an abnormal ground condition as follows:*

....

*.... (ii) In a Bunker: If the ball is in a bunker, the player must lift the ball and drop it either:*

*(a) Without penalty, .... the nearest point of relief must be in the bunker and the ball must be dropped in the bunker or, if complete relief is impossible, as near as possible to the spot where the ball lay, but not nearer the hole, on a part of the course in the bunker that affords maximum available relief from the condition; or*

*(b) Under penalty of one stroke, outside the bunker, keeping the point where the ball lay directly between the hole and the spot on which the ball is dropped, with no limit to how far behind the bunker the ball may be dropped.*

Note: If a player opts to drop their ball in a part of the bunker that affords maximum available relief from the casual water they may not then invoke another option because they do not like the result. They must play the ball as it lies or declare it unplayable and choose one of the options under Rule 28, for a penalty of one stroke (Decision 25-1b/9).

# BULLANT'S BANTER

27<sup>th</sup> May

## **HP Byron Nelson Championship Texas**

Jarrold's score 69, 75 +4 Par was 70.  
5 Birdies, 9 Bogeys, 22 Pars  
Average Distance in 2<sup>nd</sup> round – 322 yards.  
Cut was +3

*Winner:* Keegan Bradley -3

\$1,170,000, 24 year old.

Jason Day 5<sup>th</sup> \$260,000

Rod Pampling 8<sup>th</sup> \$169,000

Scoring was very high because of high winds.

27<sup>th</sup> May

## **Champions Tour Kentucky**

Senior PGA Championship

*Winner:* Tom Watson -10 \$360,000

5<sup>th</sup> Peter Senior -7 \$76,000

Seasonal position 9<sup>th</sup> \$430,641

6<sup>th</sup> June

## **Memorial Tournament Ohio**

*Winner:* Steve Stricker -16 \$1,116,000

John Senden 7<sup>th</sup> \$174,116

Aaron Baddeley 45<sup>th</sup> \$17,732

Nick O'Hern 51<sup>st</sup> \$14,284

Rod Pampling =51<sup>st</sup> \$14,284

13<sup>th</sup> June

## **Fed Ex St Jude Classic Tennessee**

Par 70

Jarrold had a 75,73 -8 over missed cut.

4 Birdies, 23 Pars, 7 Bogeys, 1 Double, 1 Triple

Driving Accuracy 68%

Greens in Regulation 50%

Cut was 2 over.

*Winner:* Harrison Frazer \$1,008,000

355 tournaments for 1<sup>st</sup> win. 13 under

R Allenby 13<sup>th</sup> \$112,000

At the recent **Wales Open** on the European Tour 2-5 June **Elliot Saltman** from Scotland had a hole in one on the 17<sup>th</sup> in round 1, and round 4 as well.

**Jarrold Lyle** went for a 36 hole qualifying for the 2011 U.S. Open after a 76 in the first round he withdrew.

Jarrold currently is 151<sup>st</sup> on the U.S. money list.

## **June 20<sup>th</sup> U.S. Open Championship.**

### **Congressional Country Club Maryland.**

*Winner:* Rory McIlroy -16

Par was 71 \$1,440,000

McIlroy, 22 years old has held at least a share of the lead in seven of his last eight rounds in majors.

Jason Day was second -8 \$865,000

Day is now ranked 9<sup>th</sup> in the world.

John Senden 30<sup>th</sup> \$50,436 2 over

Marc Leishman 51<sup>st</sup> \$24,708 6 over

Jason Day has finished Top 10 in the last 3 Majors.

## **June 20<sup>th</sup> Nationwide Tour**

### **Preferred Health Systems Wichita Open Kansas**

*Winner:* Mathew Goggin \$108,000

Par was 71. Goggin 266. 18 Under

Mathew is No 1 on the Nationwide money list with \$303,898, the next best player has won \$188,000.

Top 25 on this list go onto the U.S. PGA Tour.

## **European Tour**

### **Saint-Omer Open France.**

*Winner:* Matthew Zions Australia -8 100,000 euro

Par was 71. Andrew Tampion (Aust) =5<sup>th</sup> 16,560 euro

**Bryden McPherson** from Peninsula Golf Club won the UK Amateur Championship 3 and 2 from Scotland's Michael Stewart in the 36 hole matchplay final at Hillside near Southport.

This earns him a place in the 2011 British Open, and the 2012 Masters. Doug Bachli won this in 1954.

McPherson is 21 years of age.

## **U.S. PGA Tour**

25<sup>th</sup> June

### **Travellers Championship Connecticut**

Cut was 4 under. Par is 70.

Jarrold was 7 over.

Lift clean and place was being used 5 Birdies, 22 Pars, 7 Bogeys, 1 Double and 1 Triple

*Winner:* Fredrik Jacobson, Sweden -20 \$1,080,000.

Aaron Baddeley 24<sup>th</sup> \$46,425.

This was Jacobson's 188<sup>th</sup> start over 8 years.

19 year old, Patrick Cantlay, who was the leading amateur at the U.S. Open, had a 10 under 60 in the second round.

**Peter Senior** finished 6<sup>th</sup> on the Champions Tour \$59,500.

On the European Tour **Sergio Garcia**, had to win or be second at the BMW International, in Germany, to qualify for the British Open. He finished second in a 5 hole playoff with Pablo Larrazabal.

## **Ladies USA L.P.G.A. Tour**

### **Wegman LPGA Championship (Major)**

*Winner:* Yani Tseng from Taiwan won by 10 shots, 19 under. \$375,000

This was Yani Tseng's 4<sup>th</sup> major at 22 years of age younger than Jack Nicklaus, Annika Sorenson and Tiger Woods, when they won their 4<sup>th</sup> major.

**Sarah Kemp** from Australia in the 4<sup>th</sup> round went out in 29 – par 35. 4 Birdies and a hole in one (eagle)

Then came home in 43 - par 37.

1 Birdie, 2 Pars, 5 Bogeys, 1 Double

