



Club Captain's Newsletter November 2024

Dear Members,

I trust everyone is well and enjoying the warmer weather to play golf heading into Summer. Other than the imposed temporary greens for the next 4-6 weeks our Golf Course, as always, looks spectacular.



An immovable obstruction behind the 17th Green. No relief permitted!

#### **Medal Winners October 2024:**

A Grade: I. Gollop (65 net)

B Grade: G. Hickie (68 net)

C Grade: J. Wilson (70 net)

December Medal Round also involves the Medal of Medal Event.

The following are qualifiers:

**A Grade**: J. Brand, M. Page, T. Kalajzich, D. Chung, J. Rigney, R. Walker, S. O'Keefe, W. Merchant, P. Troy, M. Shirlaw, I. Gollop

**B Grade**: S. Orr, P. Bolinowsky, M. Winkler, I. Fox, P. Morris, H. Baxter, G. Paver, W. Moodie, S. Rapp, R. Margerison, G. Hickie

**C Grade**: J. Green, G. Clarke, R. Denton, H. Shaw, A. Cooke, N. Hunt, M. Avis, G. Murphy, R. Edgerley, I. Griffin, J. Wilson

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All the best to those competing.

# Playing numbers for October 2024 were:

Members Comp (including reciprocal clubs) 2,137

Visitors Comp

Social 2,514

TOTAL: 4,858\*\*

## **Updated news from Chris Russell for the Ladies:**

**Melbourne Cup Day:** A big shout out to all the people who played on Melbourne Cup Day. It was so wonderful to see the large turnout of competitors. A hearty congratulations to Steve and Ilana Melocco on their sensational score of 59.5 narrowly beating Will Ockenden and John Schott on 59.75!

Thank you also to everyone who supported the club by joining us for lunch. René, Jody and Cathy worked tirelessly in the kitchen to produce a beautiful buffet style banquet.

We hope you enjoyed the day, and we also look forward to seeing you again next year!

**Presentation Day 3<sup>rd</sup> December:** We are looking forward to our end of year finale with a 9-hole 2BBB competition (Shotgun Start). The Presentation will follow starting at approximately 11:30am. The buffet luncheon will be served at 12:30pm – 12:45pm. Bookings and prepayment are essential before Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Current Greens Update:**

The good news is that the new 9th green will be back in play for the December Medal Round on Saturday 7th.

As advised, we will have 3 temporary greens for the next 4-6 weeks (4th, 7th and 13th).

We had planned to start renovations on the 2nd hole in early January. Due to the current issues with the greens, the Greens Committee (and ratified by the Board) have decided to bring forward the redesign of the 4th green and to reschedule the 2nd to a later date. This will take place early January and works will include the construction of a permanent temporary on the back 9 (drawings to follow when available) and to reduce the lip on the 5th fairway bunker (left hand side).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Amazing amount of rounds for a month.

Details on how the course is to be set up will be advised in the December Newsletter.

**NB:** The 4th, 2nd and 11th are all included in our 5-year plan for renovations, so we are now changing the order to suit the immediate situation.

### Reminders:

The yearly HAMBROSE Event (4 person Ambrose) is scheduled for Saturday December 14th. The Hams are sourced from Mountainside Meats in Berry which are legendary. It's an extra \$5 to the comp fees to participate.

#### **David Lamb Memorial Event:**

Sunday December 8th is the David Lamb Memorial Event open to all golfers. Stroke event with net Men's and Ladies' winners having their names on the shield with \$250 to spend in the Club or to subsidise their 2025 fees.

Please book in on the portal if you want to compete and have an enjoyable Sunday golf game.

## **Longest Day Cancer Council:**

Monday December 9th, we have at this time 43 registered players and raised over \$38,040 (trying to get to \$80,000). We currently rank 3rd Nationally in funds raised. There are many posters around the Club advertising how to donate if you would like to support this worthy cause. Any other information you may require please contact Colin Brown at <a href="mailto:colin@worksafeapparel.com.au">colin@worksafeapparel.com.au</a> or see Col at the Club over the next few weeks. (Please note that the golf course will be closed for this event)

Thanks for reading and enjoy your golf leading into Xmas!

Phil Lyons

Club Captain