

Veterans Golf Club of Victoria

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JULY NEWSLETTER – 07/2012

On Monday 2 July 2012, 23 'hardy souls' played golf at Cranbourne Golf Club. It was a Stableford event for the inaugural Grant Haselgrove Perpetual Trophy.

It was cold and damp and not a great day for golf. Well done to all of you who played on the day.

PRESIDENT

President Ray welcomed members to Cranbourne GC and thanked the Club for making their facilities available to us. He hoped everyone enjoyed their game and played well.

Apologies:

Apologies were tendered by many members, including Gary Finnis, Donald MacDonald, Mario Andreola, Leo Gamble, Lindsay Quennell, Jim Milne, Stan Klofa, Stan Odachowski and 7 players who pulled out on the day and let us know. 7 others just did not turn up!

Starters today:

Ray made a special effort to thank Colin Wiseman for being a starter today. Colin was placed in a difficult personal situation yet still performed his task before going home. Thanks Colin.

Special Achievements:

There were four known Special achievements in the past month:

- (1) On 30 May – Mal Carter – won at Southern GC – 37pts;
- (2) On 02 June – Gerard L’Huillier – won a 4B at Rossdale GC – 49pts;
- (3) On 11 June – Mike Sales – won at Patterson River GC – 40pts and his wife Christine won the B Grade ladies with 45pts;
- (4) On 23 June – Ray Reed – won at Brighton GC – 35 (c/b);

Eagle Ridge:

The date for our game at Eagle Ridge GC is set for Monday, 16 July at 9.00am.

The cost will be \$35 for the game, a cart and a cup of soup. So far we have 24 paid up starters and 5 who have not yet paid.

For those who wish to play and/or have not yet paid, please contact Bernie Coyle on 97660293.

Brighton Challenge:

The annual challenge match against the Brighton GC will be held on Monday 24 September.

Donation:

Ray Reed kindly donated an Electric Wok for a future raffle prize.

We thank Ray for his donation.

Parmaker buggy for sale:

Bob Leverington has advised that he has still not sold his 3 wheel, Sprite ride on buggy. It is 3 years old and has 2 batteries and a charger. He is prepared to sell it for \$1,500.00.

If you are interested, give Bob a call on Tel. 9781 2418.

Club Jumpers:

Ray advised that all ordered jumpers (42) had now been distributed.

Two jumpers were still available for sale (XL and XXL).

See the Secretary if you are interested in buying one of them.

VICE PRESIDENT:

Vice President Bernie welcomed members to Cranbourne GC for today's event.

Before announcing the winners for the day Bernie took great pleasure in announcing that today's Sponsor Trophy had been renamed as the Grant Haselgrove Perpetual Trophy.

He had great pleasure in asking Life member Grant to come forward and accept the new Trophy.



Grant joined the Veterans Golf Club in 1999 and was made a life member in 2011.

Grant is the Club's current Handicapper and has been for the past 12 years. He took over the role in 2001. Handicapping is a very difficult task and one which Grant handles with great aplomb and with a clear focus.

Grant said that he was honoured to accept the Trophy and the recognition bestowed upon him.

He then presented the Trophy to today's winner.

Grant Haselgrove Perpetual Trophy:

John Currie (24) was our inaugural winner with 41 points.



John acknowledged how hard it was to be a Handicapper at any club and how proud he was to receive the inaugural Trophy from Grant

Other winners at Cranbourne were:

A Grade: Peter Ross (20) 34 points

B Grade: Ray Desmond (24) 36 points

C Grade: Tom Govern (31) 36 points

Nearest to the Pin:

8th Hole: Bill Dooley

14th Hole: Gerry O'Connor

Balls down the line:

Barry Taylor 34 points

Bill Frey 33 points

Bill Dooley 32 points

Bernie Coyle 31 points

Hugh Churchward 31 points

Ken Pride 30 points

Geoff Cohen 30 points

Noel Manning 29 points

David Vine 29 points

Ken Griffiths 28 points

NAGA Awards:

1. George Giles

Raffle Winner:

Our Cranbourne GC raffle was won by George Giles.

Birthday Boys for August 2012:

Congratulations and best wishes to those members whose birthday falls in August:

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| 3rd | John Farrow | 75; |
| 18th | John Brown | 73; |
| 25th | Stan Klofa | 70; |
| 27 th | Jim Milne | 80; |

Raffle Donations:

We urgently require raffle prizes to be donated.

If you are worried that a potential raffle item is, or is not, suitable ask Daryl and he will advise you.

Next Event:

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| <u>Monday:</u> | 13 th August 2012 at Sandhurst Golf Club |
| <u>Stableford:</u> | John Sant Trophy – be there by 7.15am |
| <u>Starters:</u> | Wayne Lamb and Noel Manning |

Finally, to those members who are not feeling well, hopefully tomorrow will be a better day.

Good health and happy golfing.

Stan Odachowski,

Secretary

Veterans Rules of Golf

This was found on the Nambour golf club web site.

Rule 1.a.5

A ball sliced or hooked into the rough shall be lifted and placed on the fairway at a point equal to the distance it carried or rolled into the rough with no penalty. The Veteran golfer should not be penalised for tall grass which ground keepers failed to mow.

Rule 2.d.6 (B)

A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed not to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck and luck has no place in a scientific game. The Veteran player must estimate distance the ball would have travelled if it had not hit the tree and play the ball from there.

Rule 3.B.3 (G)

There shall be no such thing as a lost ball. The missing ball is on or near the course and eventually will be found and pocketed by someone else, making it a stolen ball. The Veteran player is not to compound the felony by charging himself or herself with a penalty.

Rule 4.c.7(h)

If a putt passes over the hole without dropping, it is deemed to have dropped. The Law of Gravity supersedes the Rules of Golf

Rule 5

Putts that stop close enough to the cup that they could be blown in may be blown in. This does not apply to balls more than three inches from the hole. No one wants to make a travesty of the game.

Rule 6.a.9 (k)

There is no penalty for so called "out of bounds". If penny-pinching golf course owners bought sufficient land, this would not occur. The Veteran golfer deserves an apology, not a penalty.

Rule 7.G.15 (z)

There is no penalty for a ball in a water hazard, as golf balls should float. Veteran golfers should not be penalised for manufacturers' shortcomings.

Rule 8.k.9 (s)

Advertisements claim that golf scores can be improved by purchasing new golf equipment. Since this is financially impractical for many senior golfers, one-half stroke per hole may be subtracted for using old equipment.

Sex After Death

A couple made a deal that whoever died first would come back and inform the other if there is sex after death.

Their biggest fear was that there was no after life at all.

After a long life together, the husband was the first to die.

True to his word, he made the first contact: " Marion ... Marion "

"Is that you, Bob?"

"Yes, I've come back like we agreed."

"That's wonderful! What's it like?"

"Well, I get up in the morning, I have sex. I have breakfast and then it's off to the golf course.

I have sex again, bathe in the warm sun and then have sex a couple of more times. Then I have lunch (you'd be proud - lots of greens). Another romp around the golf course, then pretty much have sex the rest of the afternoon.

After supper, it's back to golf course again.

Then it's more sex until late at night. I catch some much needed sleep and then the next day it starts all over again"

"Oh, Bob are you in Heaven?"

"No..... I'm a rabbit at Phillip Island!"

