

Veterans Golf Club of Victoria

Established 1949

ABN 54 147 171 969 E

President:	Bernie Coyle	0411418759	<u>Honorary Secretary</u>
Vice President:	Gary Finnis	0419377492	Stan Odachowski
Captain:	Donald MacDonald	0414446636	10 Kimber Court
Vice Captain:	Michael Bainbridge	0413663449	Dingley Village 3172
Treasurer:	David Vine	9583 7373	9551 2332 or 0409331626
Marketing:	Daryl Edwards	9584 6790	stan.o@bigpond.com
Handicapper:	Grant Haselgrove	9584 6852	
A/ Handicapper	Ray Desmond	0408590868	

AUGUST NEWSLETTER – 08/2013

On Monday 5 August 2013, 44 members played golf at Cranbourne Golf Club. Our game on the day was Stableford and we played for the John Sant Trophy.

John Sant was made a Life member in 1988. He was a member of our Club from 1975 to 1995. He was President in 1983 and Handicapper from 1982 to 1995. He was born in April 1912 and died in 1996. He was aged 84.

PRESIDENT

President Bernie welcomed all members to Cranbourne GC. He thanked the Club for the use of their well presented course, their modern facilities, bunkers and sandwich lunch.

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Lindsay Quennell, Alan Millard, Robin Miller, Barry Pollock, Alex Johnson, Peter Charlewood, John Farrow, John Molloy, Mal Carter, Geoff Cohen, Jeff Stevens and Grant Haselgrove.

Sick List:

Alex Johnson, Grant Haselgrove, Robin Millar, Mal Carter and Alan Millard remain on our sick list.

Starters today:

Bernie thanked Colin Wiseman and Gary Finnis for being our starters for the day.

Special Achievements:

There were four known special achievements in the past month:

- (1) On 2 July Harold Hayes won at Churchill Park GC with 38 pts;
- (2) On 13 July Bernie Coyle won at Brighton GC with 42 pts on c/b;
- (3) On 23 July Harold Hayes won again at Churchill Park GC with 41 pts;
- (4) On 3 August Malcolm Turner won the Trophy at Brighton GC with 64 pts;

Raffle Prizes:

The Club is still looking for members support by donating raffle prizes if they can.

Donation:

Bernie thanked Colin Wiseman for his donation of a 'putter' at Cranbourne.

Social Activity:

Our inaugural social event was held at Rossdale GC on Thursday, 4 July 2013.

It was a great success. Bernie thanked everyone who attended and gave a special thank you to Gary Finnis and Stan Odachowski for helping to organise the night.

Eagle Ridge Golf Day:

On Monday 15 July we played our annual Ambrose game at Eagle Ridge GC.

33 members played on the day.

The event was won by Noel Manning, Donald MacDonald and, man of the month, Harold Hayes.

Question Time:

Bernie asked members if there were any issues that they wished to raise.

1. Laurie Comerford asked how members can enter any of the VVGA events held each year.

Bernie advised that any member can enter a team for these events.

Committee members usually had the first option, then, ex Committee members.

Wives normally attend. Registration and any other costs are borne by the members playing.

Any member wishing to enter a VVGA event should contact a member of the Committee to find out the details required to play in the event i.e. Registration, accommodation and cost.

CAPTAIN:

Captain Donald welcomed members to Cranbourne GC for today's event.

The CCR for the day was 34.

Winners on the day were:

John Sant Trophy:

Garry Finnis (28) was our winner with 44 points;



A \$30 Bunnings voucher was also provided to Gary for his superb display.

A Grade: Mike Bainbridge (21) 35 points

B Grade: Ray Reed (27) 36 points

C Grade: Hans Bleeker (42) 36 points

Nearest to the Pin:

3rd Hole: John Sutherland

14th Hole: Reg Davey

NAGA Award:

Malcolm Turner was our lucky winner, on c/b.

Balls down the line:

Reg Davey 35 pts; Barry Taylor 35 pts Ray Desmond 35 pts;

Kelvin Tyler 33 pts; Alan Baker 33 pts;

Ken Griffiths 32 pts; David Vine 32 pts;

Donald MacDonald 31 pts on c/b;

Raffle Winner:

The raffle prize was drawn by Harold Hayes and was won by Daryl Edwards.

The raffle raised \$134.00.

Gift:

Donald thanked Ray Desmond for his gift of 1 dozen golf balls.

Birthday Boys for September 2013:

Congratulations and best wishes to our members whose birthday falls in September:

3rd John Currie 74;

8th Hugh Churchward 87;

18th Alan Millard 63;

25th Rod Goode 74;

26th William Dooley 67 and Norm Gale 74;

Nearest to the Pin change:

Please note:

Following up on a request from member Ken Griffiths at our Cranbourne game, the Committee decided that, wherever possible, **we will have 4 NTP's at each game**, commencing at Churchill Park in September 2013.

Club Jumpers:

Any member wishing to purchase our Club jumper is asked to let the Secretary or Marketing Manager know a.s.a.p. We have one request in at the moment for a club jumper. The cost of a jumper is \$75.

NB: It is much easier for us to order a number of jumpers rather than one at a time.

Reciprocal Rights arrangement:

Any member whose home Golf Club lists a Golf Club that we are playing at as having a Reciprocal arrangement with it is entitled to play at that Club on the given day for \$10.

Rule Changes:

Members are reminded that Rule changes introduced in 2012 are set out in your Rules of Golf booklet available from your golf club. Non golf club members should ask a golf club member to get them a copy – they are free.

Next Event:

<u>Monday:</u>	2 nd September 2013 at Churchill Park Golf Club
<u>Stableford:</u>	John Coleman Trophy – be there by 7.15 am
<u>Starters:</u>	Lance Bolam and Bernie Coyle

John Coleman was born in August 1920. He joined the Veterans Golf Club in 1989 and was made a Life member in 1999. He was President from 1994 to 1999. In 2002 he was elected Vice President. He won the 70-74 Aged Trophy in 1993 and the John Sant Trophy in 1999. John died in August 2003. He was aged 83.

Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow.

Good health and happy golfing.



Stan Odachowski
(Secretary)

Dave Feherty - CBS GOLF ANNOUNCER

He said one day, "It would be easier to pick a broken nose, than a winner in that group."

A few choice Dave Feherty quotes are below. If you watch golf on TV, he's often an announcer with a distinct Northern Ireland accent and a colourful way of putting things, so to speak.

Feherty is a CBS and Golf Channel announcer who finds very unique, colourful and uninhibited ways of explaining or describing whatever is on his mind ... (he's probably always on time delay these days).

Feherty Quotes:

"Fortunately, Rory is 22 years old so his right wrist should be the strongest muscle in his body."

"That ball is so far left, Lassie couldn't find it if it was wrapped in bacon."

"I am sorry Nick Faldo couldn't be here this week. He is attending the birth of his next wife."

Jim Furyk's swing "looks like an octopus falling out of a tree."

Describing VJ Singh's prodigious practice regime - "VJ hits more balls than Elton John's chin."

(I thought I was going to hurt myself laughing at that one.)

"That's a great shot with that swing."

"It's OK - the bunker stopped it."

At Augusta 2011

"It's just a glorious day. The only way to ruin a day like this would be to play golf on it."

"That was a great shot - if they'd have put the pin there today."

"Watching Phil Mickelson play golf is like watching a drunk chasing a balloon near the edge of a cliff."

"That green appears smaller than a Pygmy's nipple".

Forward this to any golfers with a sense of humour.

.....

