



Captain & President Newsletter September 2005



BUSSELTON
GOLF CLUB



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Captain – Brian Pross

Hi Everyone,

What a great month of golf we have enjoyed and once again the heavens opened up for our corporate day ambrose in aid of the Salvation Army. Considering the rain a great day was had by everyone. Special thanks go to Roy Weston Real Estate, ably led by Alan McGregor, other main sponsors for the day were Vasse Bar & Café, Palandri Wines, ANZ, WestPac, WAFC Memorabilia and many other donors. The saying thank god for the Salvos certainly came true when after the first nine holes they supplied us with hot soup and eats. Thanks also to Peter Fullarton for driving the drinks cart and Richard Gledhill the auctioneer. Approx \$5000 was raised and the winners on the day were Paul Fullarton and Mick Demeo.

The Fennessy's Holden Scramble was also run in August. Thanks to Ray Mountney and Jim Mercer for a great day with at last some fine weather. Winning the event were Rob Hogan, Darren Cummins and Neil Donaldson with a fantastic score of 56 off the stick, less 4 5/6 = 51 1/6 nett. They put this together with 6 birdies on the back nine and an unbelievable 26 (8 birdies, 1 eagle) on the front. All the best guys when you fly the flag for the club at Joondalup. Thanks to Mary, Helen, Mal & Hank for the sausage sizzle & for the drinks cart.

One of our main events of the year is only 2 months away The West Coast Open. This event is one of our main fund raising events and can only be successful with the help of members. Volunteers are needed in quite a few areas;

- Tee Marshalls Sat 24th, Sun 25th, Mon 26th September 7.00am & 11.30am for tees No 1 & 10
- Score Checkers to assist Brian Williams.
- Score Markers to assist Jan & Railene
- Spotters for the 3 days 7.00am & 11.30am
- Car Park attendants 10.00am to 12 noon on the 3 days
- Helpers also for the kitchen and around the club house for the 3 days.

If you can help please put your name on one of the sheets located in various areas of the club house or contact myself Vice Captain Bill, Brian Williams or Brian Vanderhoek.

The month of September also see one of our most prestigious events of the year, the mens and ladies club championships. The men play for the Cape Crusader Charters trophies over 4 days, Sat/Sun 10/11th and Sat/Sun 17/18th. This event is not only for the gun golfers as there are three divisions A, B & C, both gross & Nett, so lets see a good field play, the entry sheet is already out.

The ladies play for the Cape to Cape Financial Services & Busselton Dunsborough Mail trophies. (See more details in the ladies notes further down).

Scroungers are still getting great numbers, topping the month off with 122 on the 25/8. I think quite a few only came out to see what our resident comedian is up to (when is it Richmonds turn Charlie ??). Winners for the month;

4/8 Trevor Reilly Trophy Peter Huitson 40 pts
11/8 AMD Chartered Trophy Greg Carr 43 pts

11/8 BSN Mower World Trophy Damien O'Shea 42 pts
25/8 Bakers Delight Trophy Peter Snook 40 pts

Saturdays are still down on numbers, maybe when the football finishes (already has for Dockers !!!!) we will get more participation. Winners for the month;

3/07 Stephen Leaney Trophy Kevin Pross 40 pts 6/8 BSN Saw Doctor Trophy D. Robinson & W. Fitzgerald 104 pts
13/8 Naturaliste Settlements Trophy R. Welsh 36 pts 20/8 Computer West Trophy B. Dalziel +6
27/8 Willow Bridge Monthly Mug D. Nichols 68 nett

Saturday Ladies results;

6/8 D. Okeefe & M. Hitching 78 pts 13/8 S. Welsh 35 Pts 20/8 M. Hitching -1 27/8 Monthly Goblet M. Smith 70

Vets results for the month;

2/8 B. Brody Trophy A. Hammerstrom 39 pts 9/8 S. Lewis Trophy B. Ivey +5 16/8 B. Wall Trophy G. Dudley 37 pts
23/8 A. Groat Trophy A. Hammerstrom 43 pts

We also conducted The Busselton Margaret River Times Mens 4's Championship & The Newman & Brookes SWDGA 4's Championship inconjunction on Sun 28/8. Busselton golfers proved that local course knowledge helps a lot by making a clean sweep of all the trophies. Playing great golf to take the major event the gross were Rob Hogan & Glen Tillotson with 77 71 = 148. They won both BSN & SWDGA Trophies. Runners up were Wayne Henssler & Matt Mildwaters with 81 80 = 161. Winning the nett in the BSN section were Rick Smith & Nigel Yoxall with 74 77 = 151, runners up were Tony Harbjoern & Ron Mathews 79 73 = 152. Winners of the nett in the SWDGA were Wayne Henssler & Matt Mildwaters with 148. Thanks Joy for doing the lunches.

Good Golfing in September.



President Mal Sanderson

After a hectic but very enjoyable few months away it is good to be back in Busselton. I was lucky enough to be able to play a few games of golf while away (I hate borrowed clubs) and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Some of the courses had spectacular views, were in delightful locations and had magnificent facilities but I can truthfully say that at no stage was our course ever put to shame. We have an outstanding facility here and we must strive to maintain and develop it.

Callum and his merry men are to be complimented on the presentation of the greens and fairways and I know that they have a commitment to excellence. Busy bees are an important part of the presentation and development of the course and I urge you to become involved.

Thank you all for your understanding during our interruptions to the potable water supply. Hopefully we have now solved the problems and things will return to normal.

Coming events:

West Coast Open: This is the signature open event for men and needs your support. Brian Williams is preparing a roster for assistance with starters, marshals and spotters, and Brian van der Hoek needs help on the catering side of things. If you are unable to give time or to supply requested foods, think about a small donation to help the club.

Raffle tickets: The club is running the annual raffle to fund the updating of the clubhouse furniture. Please try to sell your allocated tickets so we have ample funds to do the upgrade.

Leaney Cup: Last year the response was excellent for an inaugural event. This year we are expecting an improved response so start thinking about putting your entry in early.

Annual General Meeting: This is not too far in the future and one of the things we will be voting on will be amendments to the club constitution. There are copies of the amendments available in the clubhouse and I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Country Vets – Alan Hough

Things have been a bit quiet in Country Vet circles this month due in part to many members , particularly from Busselton, being absent in warmer climes.

Waroona on August 1st could only attract some 50 odd starters with only 3 attending from Busselton who all failed to finish with any score above 30 points. This event was won by P Warburton on a countback from Tony EDIS of Waroona, both on 39 points.

A bigger field of 78 starters was in attendance at the attractive Bridgetown course on August 19th with only 7 Busselton players making the trip. The winner on 40 points was the consistent Cec Holman of Harvey from Mike Watson of Donnybrook with 39 points.

The best from Busselton was Greg Dudley with 33 points who was seen after the game collecting a few sizable side bets from some of his luckless compatriots.

September events include Dunsborough Country Club on Friday September 2nd, with Manjimup hosting their event on Wednesday September 21 on their very attractive lay out.

Hoping to see more activity from local members who should be making more use of the events that are available to them.

Ladies – Captain H. Rigoll

August has been a sad month with the passing of our long time member and friend and former champion Medina Cameron. The ladies formed a beautiful guard of honour at her funeral. Our sympathy to all her family - we will miss you Medina.

Jubilee Foursomes was won by Sonia Cooper and Colleen Moms with 39 points unfortunately they cannot compete in Perth so Josie La Cava and Georgie Bruce Smith also with 39 points are going to represent us. The trophies were donated by Jill Reilly and Tnsh Hancock, Jan Coldan and Pat Robinson.

The last Silver Spoon Stroke was won by Marg Denton 72 Nett Runner Up Jill Reilly 74 nett - Trophies from Country Style Curtains and Marion Mezgar.

The Winner of Our Silver Spoon for the Year was Sharon Koch and she will represent us in the Play Offs in Perth. Good Luck to Josie, Georgie and Sharon.

Sandra Greenfield won the Stableford event, Denise O'Keefe and Di Evdokimoff trophies, with 37 points from Mavis Gray on 35.

We held a very successful Open Day sponsored by Willow Bridge. The Winners were Midge Reynolds 40 points and Barb Albreys 34 points for a great total of 74. Runners up were Di Sanderson 34 points and a visitor F. Fyfe 36 for a total of 70.

We are now heading into the serious golf Club Championships will be two Stroke rounds 31s August and the 2nd September with Match Play on 5th and 7th September Our Championship Dinner is held that night.

The Course – Callum Hitching

It has been another very busy month on the golf course. On behalf of Doug Rowe and my staff I would like to extend our thanks to the dozen volunteers who made themselves available for our tree maintenance last Monday 22/8.

The club appointed a committee to survey all the trees on the course. Those trees/branches that have been deemed dangerous, encroach on the irrigation system, unfairly inhibit tee shots and bunker shots have been removed.

A cherry picker was hired and Des (my 21C) was lucky enough to be our arborist for the day. Consistent support from the same members allowed us to get a lot done, our clubhouse fire wood pile has never been so big. Again on Monday 29/8 to continue with our maintenance of the trees Justin Bell and his employee Shaun Uwren have been given their time and machinery to help the club take responsible action on the dead

trees on the course, thankyou Belly and Shaun.

As everyone knows the Men's and Ladies club championships are upon us culminating with the West Coast Open on the long weekend. There are plenty of jobs that I would like to see done around the course and clubhouse before this time. A list of possible jobs will be posted in the clubhouse for anyone who would like to help us.

Unfortunately due to my staffs Tafe studies I will be one staff member down for all of September. We shall battle on and endeavour to present the course to the highest standard.

It doesn't stop there. On Tuesday 27th October we will be renovating greens (coring and sanding), this is the only date available so that the greens can be in good condition for the Leaney Cup at the start of November. Tuesday will be an all day affair so if you are available after lunch we would love to see you out here.

Congratulations to Hoges and Tillo on another fine display of golf to win the S.W. 4's Championships. Good luck to all players in their respective championships and the West Coast.

Due to the large fields the course will be taking this month please remember to fix your divots and pitch marks THANKS!!

Did You Know ???

The Lowest Recorded Score on a long course in the UK is 58 by Harry Weetman, the British Ryder Cup golfer, for the 6170-yard Croham Hurst Course in Croydon, Surrey, on January 30, 1956.

The Lowest Recorded Score in the world is a 57 shot by Wayne Meyers of Easley, S.C. back in 1994 at Southern Oaks golf course in Powdersville, South Carolina in the USA.

A Score of 59 The first professional to record a 59 on the US Pro Tour was Al Geiberger on June 10, 1977, in the Danny Thomas Memphis Classic at the Colonial Country Club. It included 11 birdies and an eagle and just 23 putts. The score was eventually equaled by Chip Beck, and more recently David Duval.

The Record for 36 Holes is 122 by Sam Snead in the 1959 Sam Snead Festival on May 16-17, 1959.

The Most Holes-In-One in a year is 28 by Scott Palmer in 1983. All were on par 3 and par 4 holes between 130 yards and 350 yards in length at Balboa Park in San Diego, California.

The Most Holes-In-One in a career is 68 by Harry Lee Bonner from 1967 to 1985, most of them at his 9-hole home course of Las Gallinas, San Rafael, California.

The Longest Hole-In-One ever recorded is the 10th (447 yards) at Miracle Hills Golf Club at Omaha, Nebraska, by Robert Mitera on October 7, 1965. A 50mph gust carried his shot over a 290-yard drop-off.

A Drive of 2,640 Yards across ice was achieved by an Australian meteorologist named Nils Lied at Mawson Base, Antarctica, in 1962.

The Longest Recorded Drive on an ordinary course is one of 515 yards by Michael Hoke Austin of Los Angeles, California, in the US National Seniors Open Championship at Las Vegas, Nevada on September 25, 1974. Austin drove the ball within a yard of the green on the par 4 450-yard 5th hole of Winterwood Course. It rolled 65 yards past the flag aided by an estimated 35mph tailwind.

On the Runway at Baldonnell Military Airport in Dublin, Liam Higgins drove a Spalding Top Flite ball 634.1 yards on September 25, 1984.

The Longest Holed Putts in a major tournament were both 110 feet - Jack Nicklaus in the 1964 Tournament of Champions and Nick Price in the 1992 PGA.

Robert Tyre "Bobby" Jones, Jr. was reputed to have holed a putt in excess of 100 feet at the 5th green in the first round of the 1927 Open at St. Andrews.

A Putt Measured at 140 feet and 2 3/4 inches on the 18th at St. Andrews was sunk by Bob Cook in the International Fourball Pro Am Tournament on October 1, 1976.

The Greatest Margin of Victory in a major tournament is 21 strokes by Jerry Pate in the Colombian Open with 262 on December 10-13, 1981. Cecil Leitch won the Canadian Ladies Open Championship in 1921 by the biggest margin for a major title - 17 up and 15 to play.