



Dear Members and Friends, welcome to the

Axedale Golf Club April Newsletter



President's Report

Congratulations to all the winners of events in the last month.

The Autumn tournament was very successful and I wish to take

the opportunity to thank Leslie Elvey for her excellent organizing and commitment . Also to those who organized the catering, Fred Kath and Helen Martin and their helpers. The course was presented in excellent condition and thanks to the greens staff and volunteers.

Pennant is now underway and Axedale Golf club is very well represented, and I wish all teams all the best.

The mixed trip was held recently and it was a very successful and enjoyable weekend at Barham Golf Club. A big thanks to Helen Martin for all the organizing.

Thanks to the greens committee, staff and volunteers who contribute to the presentation of the golf course. Last Tuesday, there were a group of ladies from Mornington Peninsula played our golf course, and the next day they rang to congratulate the club for the excellent presentation of the golf course.

A reminder to all members, regarding our sponsors. We are very fortunate to have people who are willing to support our club in many ways. Consequently, I urge all members to support our sponsors whenever they can, because without their contributions memberships costs could be higher.

Rod Connelly

Welcome to Our New Members

Jeff Trewick – Full Member

Robert Rojewski - Full Member (rejoining)

Damien Nihill – Full Member

Deborah Bish – Six month off season member (rejoining)



Captain's Report

The club has been busy with some great events occurred in the last month. We had the PAR 3 Day on the 5th March and then the season 'Opening Day' on March 11th. There was a great turnout for the Opening Day with 32 Mixed players and 63 Men (individual Stableford). Kate & Gary Harrop took out the Mixed Pairs with a fine 71 / 11.5 / 59.5.

Then came our Autumn Tournament March 15th – 18th with the Ladies having a successful day on the Wednesday (with visitors from 10 others clubs), Friday we had 68 Men & 24 Ladies playing and on the Saturday, similar figures with 66 Men & 18 Ladies playing. Overall Aggregate winners for the Ladies were Maureen Connolly & Raye Fleay and the Men's were Sam Bilardi & Dom Pompei (who also took out the Peter Kealy Memorial award). March 25th saw the Abbott Supply 'Super Saturday' event. A change in dates (for the event) coinciding with the qualifying

round for Men's Singles Knockout) provided a fantastic turnout of 96 Men & 18 Ladies. Abbott Supplies were extremely generous in their donation of prizes and there were many happy golfers leaving the clubrooms at the end of the day.

The Men's Pennant kicked off on March 26th with Axedale hosting the first round of the Div 1. & 2 draw. Our Div 3. & Open teams went down to Kyneton and then played their round to matches at Royal Axedale. Unfortunately for our pennant teams, most have struggled to get a win on the board with only the Div 3. Team squaring their 1st round match and having a gutsy 3/2 win in round 2. Here's hoping our teams can win their last few rounds and make the finals.

April Monthly Medal

In a closely run race – with 4 other players finishing on the same nett score, the April Monthly Medal winner was Paul Pyke. Paul had a very tidy Gross 75 / 08 / 67 nett.

Recent Match Committee meeting – items discussed: Event Promotions - with great results in attendance to the recent 'Abbott Day' highlighted how advertising through the website, Facebook and club members email possibly encourage a better than normal turn out. Further use of these social media outlets will be used for any upcoming event/s.

Men's Pennant final – to be played at Axedale GC (on 7th May), arranging for volunteers for the day to help 'showcase' the club and confirm the confidence Golf CV had in appointing the final to Axedale.

OOB line near Clubhouse – the committee voted that the current ruling (OOB Line) remain the same due to fear of damage to the clubhouse.

Golflink Card Swipe for competition entry – The possible use of the swipe facility – at the side of the touch pad screens is being looked at. This would require members to swipe their Golflink Card and would automatically generate a card (printed from the computers printer). Further investigation will be conducted as to the pros/cons of the system and how the system is working at other clubs.

Entering of scores – in line with what was identified at the recent ‘Rules’ night, members will need to enter their scores in conjunction with their Marker, meaning both Players and Markers will need to come into the clubhouse to submit their scores. Once cards are handed to the Captain’s Office, it will be declared as cards having been submitted. Further information will be put out to all members.

Opening Day – the question was asked as to why the club has a season ‘opening day’ and whether it was still necessary. The Match Committee were in agreement that the day is a welcoming of the new season, traditional and should remain on the calendar.

Red Marker players

At our Feb Match Committee meeting the item of players wishing to play from the ‘Red Markers’ – when the event for the day is being played off the ‘Black Markers’ – was tabled. For this to occur we would require 8 players (wanting to play from Red Markers) to constitute a competition. For the club to get a gauge of the keenest for this can interested members please speak to either myself or Len Rodda or Ian Kerr (on Thursdays).

Captain’s Office Volunteers

Don’t forget if you are interested in helping in the Captain’s Office, we will provide training & shadowing in any of the roles with the Four roles being,

Entry – that involves setting up the comp on the computer and entering players as they come in to register.

Send Out – Taking the ‘comp fees’ from members entering and arranging groups to then be sent out at 12noon.

Results – transferring results from the computer system and inputting the results onto a templated form for reading out at Presentations. As well as forwarding results on Golf Australia and the Bendigo Addy

After Easter, Lesley has kindly offered to have ‘training’ nights – possibly on a Tuesday or Thursday late afternoon (times and dates to be announced) – where people interested in helping in the office can ‘get their hand in’ with making up ‘dummy’ comps and inputting results. These training nights will also be available to anyone who currently is on the roster but may not have used the computer system for a while (myself included here!) who would like a bit of a refresher. Give Aaron (0439320840) or myself a ring (0409404008), letting us know what suits you and any Saturdays you are available. You will get a ‘gig’ roughly every 4 – 6 weeks and would greatly take off the workload of a few.

Thanks

Rod Jacobs



A family affair - recent new members husband & wife team John and Carmel Harrison come out winners - John winning the Captain trophy and Carmel winning the Berryl trophy - well done congratulations to both of you.



Lady President's Report

The perfect weather and condition of the course continues to attract golfers to Axedale. It's great to see many of our new members getting together out on the course and we encourage you to join in the competition days as we offer a lot of support.

Thank you to all the ladies for your assistance with the Tournament in so many ways – including administration, on course duties, kitchen and room preparation, donations of prizes, providing slices, playing and hosting visitors. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who participated in the event.

Summer Presentation Day was another successful day on our busy calendar. Our Captain Loretta had kept the records of all events over Summer and it was great to see so many ladies receive their rewards from Summer golf. Congratulations to Loretta for winning the Summer Cup in a tight contest from Jan Walklate and Annette Purdy.

Thanks to our sponsors, MLC Advice and Cool Frog Transport for their ongoing support of our events.

The next major event on the calendar is our Federation Bowl on Friday, June 2nd, but in the meantime there are many opportunities to play golf at Axedale, including the Natural Hazards Mixed Events. The Members Handbook has details of all events or check our club website axedalegc.com.au for results and news.

Good luck to our two Pennant teams – maybe this will be ‘our’ year.

Division 1 – Linda Andrea, Loretta Prowse, Ruth Iser, Raye Fleay, Jan Walklate, Joy Kennedy.

Division 2 – Annette Purdy, Robyn Weeks, Sue Minne, Irene Murdoch, Pam Davies, Maureen Connelly, Anne Telford.

Emergencies – Carmel Harrison, Rosemary Winther, Marianne Dunn.

Raye Fleay

Taylor's Trivia Ten - No.17

TAYLOR'S TRIVIA TEN NO. 17

1. The first “Big Thing” tourist attraction was built in 1964. What is it?
2. Who won the Oscars for the Best Actress and Actor in a Leading Role at this year's Academy Awards?
3. Which artist's famous works included *Belshazzar's Feast* and *Night Watch*?
- 4. What team won the AFLW's inaugural grand final?**
5. In our 2017 handbook, which company is listed first in our two pages of highly-valued sponsors?

6. In which year were the words "Good evening and welcome to television" spoken in Australia?
7. Australian painter Kevin Hart took what nickname?
8. Ted Nui's name can be rearranged into a certain six letter word. If you swap the positions of two letters in that word, you'll get a second word that has the "opposite" meaning. What are the words?
9. Why were young guns Rohan Wight and Alex Porter in the sporting news in March?
10. An Olympian, I was born in Modesto, California in 1950. After "only" winning two relay gold medals in Mexico, I won an amazing seven golds at Munich. I set new world records in all seven events in which I competed in 1972. Following the Munich Olympics, I retired from competition even though I was still only 22 years old. Nine gold medals is a record I share with only three others. Who am I?

1. The Big Banana 2. **Emma Stone (*La La Land*) & Casey Affleck (*Manchester by the Sea*)** 3. Rembrandt (van Rijn) 4. **Hopefully Melbourne!!** 5. Abbott Supply 6. 1956 (TCN 9 became the first station in Australia to broadcast regular programming on September 16. The first words spoken on the station were by John Godson, who introduced the station audio-only, shortly before the first program, *This Is Television*, which was introduced by Bruce Gyngell who was the station's Programming Director. As Godson's voice only was heard, Gyngell {who spoke and was seen} is regarded as the first person to "appear live" on Australian television.) 7. Pro (He was nicknamed "Professor" during his younger days, when he was known as an inventor.) 8. United, untied 9. They scored a thrilling win in the 2017 Bendigo International Madison. 10. Mark Spitz (Paavo Nurmi, Larisa Latynina & Carl Lewis have also won 9 gold medals. Michael Phelps has won a mind-boggling 23!)



Lady Captain's Report

It has been a very hectic past month with our Autumn Tournament, Summer Presentations and the opening of the Winter season.

Autumn Tournament.

60 Ladies played in the Wednesday 3Ball with 24 and 18 playing in the 4BBB on the Friday and Saturday. Congratulations to our President Raye and Secretary Maureen for winning the 4BBB aggregate over the Friday and Saturday. A sincere thank you to Tournament secretary Lesley, vice- captain Jan and all my match committee for their help over the 3 days.

Summer Presentation Day , which was a 4BBB stableford, was also a qualifier for the Doubles Knockout and the District R.W.H. final to be played at Belvoir in May. Our representatives in that event will be Rosemary Winther and Anne Telford, Irene Murdoch and Louise Liddle.

Winner of the 18 hole Summer Eclectic – Jan Walklate

Winner of the 12 hole Summer Eclectic – Dawn Creek

Winner of the Summer Cup – Loretta Prowse

Winner of the Wednesday April Medal – Pam Davies – 95-27 – 68 nett.

Winner of the Saturday Monthly Medal – Carmel Harrison – 94-24-

70 nett.

Congrats to these ladies. A great effort from two of our newer members.

G.C.V. Woman's Pennant commences on Monday 10th April.

We have entered 2 teams, playing in Div 1 and Div 2

Div 1 team – Ruth Iser (c), Linda Andrea, Loretta Prowse, Jan Walklate, Raye Fleay and Joy Kennedy

Div 2 team – Annette Purdy (c), Irene Murdoch, Sue Minne, Robyn Weeks, Pam Davies, Anne Telford and Maureen Connolly.

Good Golfing - Loretta Prowse.

Monthly Medal Winners for April

Men - Paul Pyke

Ladies - Pam Davies



Wear your club logo.

Proud of your golf club? Then why not have the Axedale logo embroidered on your golf gear.

The Committee recently agreed that the official club logo could be worn on any appropriate golf apparel.

Simply purchase your golf gear from Hip Pocket in Strickland Rd and ask to have the Axedale logo embroidered on to it.



A happy looking group of our members who recently spent a 3 day golfing weekend at Baraham.

Committee news

Greens staff

With larger fields and morning and afternoon hit-offs, greens staff face increasing challenges in preparing the course. Members to be reminded that greens staff have right of way on course at all time.

Tree lopping

Two recent working bees have lopped trees to enhance the playability and appearance of the course. Work has been completed on the 1st and 10th tees and fairways on 7, 10, 11, 15 and 17. The work was completed by new member and qualified arborist Rob Rojewski, of Judd's Tree Services, assisted by member volunteers. We are very pleased with the results, with the trees healthy and looking good thanks to Rob's expertise. While our 4000-plus trees give our golf course its strong character, the committee aims to ensure the course is safe and that golfers are not penalised for good shots by trees unfairly encroaching over fairways.

Help your course

Please help to keep our course in the best possible condition by repairing not only your divots, but unrepaired divots you come across.

Ensure you repair your pug marks; these are becoming a significant problem.

Please drive your carts only on approved areas.

Slow play

The committee is concerned about slow play. With good fields for most events, it is important that all golfers commit to keeping the game moving by remaining in close touch with the group ahead.

Move quickly to the next tee and play 'ready golf'. Thank you.

Victorian Men's Country Championship

This important event will be held at Axedale on 21 and 22 October 2017. Our club will be responsible for catering and hospitality, for which we will be seeking volunteers.

Thanks to all who helped out over Easter manning the office, bar and organising carts for green fee players, green fees, bar sales & cart hire around \$4,000. Green fees were \$3,300

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