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Dear Members and Friends, welcome to the

Axedale Golf Club August Newsletter



President's Report

As this is my first report as your President, let me thank members for their vote of confidence in not only myself but also our new revamped committee. I believe that the abilities and experience of the new team will contribute positively to the development of the club. In my opening address, I urged committee to listen carefully to members and engage in open and respectful discussion. Committee members were also reminded of their responsibility to respect confidentiality and ensure all decisions of Committee were supported consistently.

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focus“. We should be conscious of engendering ‘emotional capital’, nurturing a culture in which all members felt comfortable and confident so they don’t “drift away’. Axedale’s growing membership is an anomaly in times of reducing golf club participation and needs to be curated carefully.

I also noted the Club’s human capital – our staff, volunteers, and the input of Committee and Sub-Committee membership. It is notable that that the club’s strong demonstrated commitment to “volunteerism” is envied by many other clubs. Axedale GC has developed strong “niche brand capital” evidenced by visitors regularly complimenting the course and the camaraderie evident among members. Recent feedback from Golf Victoria and invitations to host both regional and State level events have endorsed this status. There is an ongoing need to further develop our ‘digital capital’. Communications need to be timely and provide relevant information to members.

Our club is fortunate to have a membership that continually demonstrates a desire to be involved in a wide variety of activities. In respect of such – it was my pleasure to present Robert Scott & Wayne Mildren with a gift of thanks for their skill and expertise – not to mention the many hours they freely gave, in completing the cart shed extension. Thanks to you both for a sterling job! .

The 2017/18 C’tee has now met twice since the AGM and has deliberated on a number of priority issues. The finance budget is close to being finalised – with just some non-discretionary course expenditure yet to be finalised. This will be decided upon well before the next C’tee meeting when the budget will be presented for endorsement. The state of the bridge on the 9th hole has been a matter of concern for some time and an assessment has been provided and a decision as to refurbishment will be made shortly. We have now reached a stage where the Sub-C’tee membership is nearly finalised - confirmation of membership will be made “asap”.

On the golf front, it has been a busy time with the Club Championships plus various District events being played at Axedale. Organisation of the Golf Victoria Country Teams Championship to be hosted by Axedale [Oct. 21/22] is now well advanced and we are indebted to Ian Martin and Alan Andrews for their co-ordination of this event. The Men’s Club championships attracted strong fields on each of the 3 days of

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Nett (with 206). Congratulations also to our B and C Grade winners – Peter Richardson and Derek Higham. Peter also took out the Veterans event. Stuart McGibbon was the King of the Greens as he had just 86 putts over the 3 rounds. Well done to all the winners and thanks to all those that contributed to making such a success of our 2017 Club Championships. Kerry Moore is our latest Monthly Medallist [Sept.] returning to the clubhouse with a 91/30 – 61 on Sept.2nd. – well done Kerry! We hosted the Central Victorian Veterans on September 4th. when a relatively small field contested the 4BBB championship, Axedale was well represented with John Geldart being the star of the day in scoring an “ace’ on the 12th. – Congratulations John! [A “holy” ball indeed!!]

It has been especially gratifying to see so many members make the effort to stay back after play on a Saturday and enjoy the social side of golf as well as support the Match C’tee when results are announced and presentations made. The attendance on Saturday [9th Sept] was exceptional with 90 men playing and 25 women contesting their event which involved Belvoir Park – let’s keep it rolling, as Spring will, hopefully, see our course in picture perfect condition. On a personal note I take this opportunity to express sincere thanks to members for their sympathy & support of myself & family over the past months – I can assure you that it has been most appreciated. Good golfing ! Andrew W

Welcome to Our New Members

Full Members.

Rick Manley

Rob Smith

Steve Johnson

Paul Duncan

Allison Bodinnar

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Captain's Report

Club Championships for 2017 – Firstly a huge THANK YOU to all our members. We had terrific numbers on each of the three rounds with 84, 87 & 90 playing in the championship. We had 52 men that played on all three days, so well-done guys! An extra big thanks to all those that helped out in the Captain's Office, especially, Lesley Elvey, Ian Kerr, Len Rodda, John White & Andy Watson. It can get quite hectic during the 'clubbies' and I greatly appreciate all your efforts.

Axedale's new Club Champion – Troy Cartner. Troy had a fantastic 3 rounds and well deserving of the 2017 Club Champion's Jacket. Troy had Gross rounds of 73, 75, 72. Troy also won the A Grade Nett with a total of 205. B Grade was taken out by Peter Richardson with Pete also taking out the Veterans award. Richo won both awards with consistent scores (Nett, 68, 71, 69) over the three rounds. C Grade saw Derek Higham playing strongly to hold off any contenders at bay. Derek finished with rounds (Nett) of 70, 70, 71. In the awarding of the 'Putter Award', it was a surprised Stu McGibbon, who came from a few putts back to win overall (with 86 putts in total), putting only 28 times in the final round. Stu finished ahead of Round 2 leader, Peter Hoskin & Hayden Neilsen, both with 88 putts.

Monthly Medal winner – Kerry Moore – on the final day of the Club Championships – had a field day with a fantastic 91/30/61 to easily take out the September Monthly Medal. The 12 medallists will compete in the 'Medal of Medallists' on the 7th October (Dennis Higgins Oct 16, Ian Kerr Nov, Bernie Fitzgerald Dec, Tim Holmes Jan17, Fred Kath Feb, Andy Watson Mar, Paul Pyke Apr, Glenn Laity May, Paul Brooks Jun, Troy Cartner Jul, Warren Pollock Aug & Kerry Moore Sep).

Natural Hazards – The fifth round of Natural Hazards (mixed event) was held on the 20th August with a field of 26 players enjoying the day playing a round of 4 Ball Stableford Aggregate. The winners with a score of 43 were Raye & Daryl Fleay. The Fleays won a close fought battle – on a 3 way 'count back'. Runners up being Carmel & John Harrison. Next Natural Hazards is on September 26th being a 'Pinehurst' event, so grab a partner

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Competition entries – last Saturday (9/9/17) at 1130 we had 45 entries, this included 16 men that had played in the morning. We ended up having 90 men playing the Saturday round, which was fantastic. However, as many of those 45 guys that had not entered by 11.30 would attest, it was a very slow process (slowed up in part by some visitors registering for rounds). Due to our increasing numbers we are actually sending a few groups away at 11:50, so it is imperative that you get to the course well before time, register first, then get your gear out of the car. If you are in a cart (solo) seek out a partner to jump in with you – prior to registering at the Captain's Office.

**Thanks
Rod Jacobs**



Club Champion.

Congratulations to Club Champion and Garry Harrop trophy winner Troy Cartner pictured with Garry and President Andrew



Lady President's Report

Our Club hosted the Ladies Silver and Bronze Division District Championships conducted by Golf Central Victoria on Friday, 25th August. With the course in excellent condition we received many compliments from our visitors. Once

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who gave up their time to ensure Axedale's reputation for hospitality was maintained. Thank you also to the ladies who helped prepare sandwiches for the recent Veterans Day.

On Saturday, September 9th we hosted the ladies from Belvoir for the second round of the Beldale Classic with 25 ladies playing. This day also celebrated the naming of a regular Saturday event 'Lorraine's Day' in recognition of the involvement of Lorraine Gunn in establishing Saturday golf for the ladies and coincided with Lorraine's 80th birthday. Thanks to Janette Jackson for organising this event and to Helen Martin for the delicious birthday cake for Lorraine. The Ladies Subcommittee for 2017/2018 comprises Loretta Prowse, Helen Martin, Jan Walklate, Maureen Connelly, Jan Fry, Irene Murdoch, Rosemary Griffin, Sue Minne, Annette Purdy, Marlene Lyell and Anne McManus and myself. I thank everyone for their interest in the club and its future and for the wonderful support they provide in a variety of ways. On behalf of the Ladies I thank the staff and volunteers involved in the improvements made to the on- course toilets. We look forward to some warmer days and welcoming members back from their trips up north and overseas. With the Spring Luncheon not far away rehearsals are in full swing and as usual at this time of the year, chaos reigns in the clubhouse!
Raye Fleay



Medal of Medalists

Congratulations to Pam Davies 2017 Medal of Medalists, on her way to the final Pam won two monthly medals for the year.

Dates to remember

- September 23 Men's Knock out Qualifier - Stableford aggregate (Top 8 pair)
- September 24 Natural Hazards (Pinehurst)
- September 30 Grand final day - morning golf only

Taylor's Trivia Ten - No.22

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TAYLOR'S TRIVIA TEN NO. 22

1. How many people have set foot on the moon – 8, 10 or 12?
 2. Which old Aussie folk song features the line “Wide is his blow and his hands move quick”?
 3. Choose the correct words in the following sentence: “If its/it’s leg is broken and you haven’t bought/brought your supplies, we’re/weir/were in trouble.”
 4. Who are the Wimbledon open singles champions for 2017?
 5. Meniere’s disease or syndrome affects what part of the body?
 6. What, in volume of water, is the largest river in the world?
 7. Jacqueline du Pre was a virtuoso of what stringed orchestral instrument?
 8. According to my “reliable sources”, on the May Golf Trip to Queensland, a total of how many balls were lost by the 24 players during one round at the beautiful Sanctuary Cove Pines golf course – 48, 68 or 98?
 9. With the initials SG, BK & JS, who have won the first three men’s golf majors for 2017?
 10. The daughter of vaudevillians, I was born in 1922 and died in 1969. After performing on stage at an early age, I signed with MGM Pictures in 1935 and made my film debut in the short *Every Sunday*. I am best remembered for the films *Meet Me In St Louis* and *The Wizard Of Oz*. Who am I?
1. 12 2. *Click Goes The Shears* 3. Its brought we’re 4. Garbine Muguruza defeated Venus Williams 7-5, 6-0 & Roger Federer won a record eighth Wimbledon title defeating Marin Cilic 6-3 6-1 6-4. (Federer claimed his 19th Grand Slam title and at 35 is Wimbledon’s oldest men’s winner of the modern era, succeeding Arthur Ashe, who was almost 32 when he won in 1976.) 5. (Inner) ear 6. Amazon 7. Cello 8. Would you believe 98?! 9. Sergio Garcia (Masters), Brooks Koepka (US Open) {not Brian Keating!} & Jordan Spieth (The Open) 10. Judy Garland



Lady Captain's Report

A very busy month of golf with numbers down on all days due to weather and ladies away.

**Wednesday Monthly Medallist for September- Marg Kerr- 74 Nett
Saturday Monthly Medallist for September – Loretta Prowse -88-
12-76.**

Next Wednesday will be the Medallist of Medal final, plus the final

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although none of our girls were among the winners or place getters, there were many favourable comments regarding the Course.

Good Golfing. Loretta.



Ladies monthly medalist.

Marg Kerr (Right), winner of the September Monthly Medal with Maree Stanley, from MLC Advice, the sponsor of the Ladies Monthly Medal events.



Men's Monthly Medalist.

Kerry Moore, winner of the September Monthly Medal with Captain Rod and President Andrew.

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