



PENOLA GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER

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President's Corner

What a great month it has been for the Penola Golf Club! With the Championship finals concluding on a glorious Spring day, we couldn't have showcased our course any better. It was fantastic to see such a large crowd in attendance following the groups round, as well as in the club rooms later. To have a clubroom full of people after a championship was great for the club. Thanks to Patrick of Coonawarra, who are fantastic supporters of our club and the sponsors of our Club Championships. Congratulations to our Champions, Jock Agnew and Penny Young, and also to the others who took out the minor grades. I'm sure the details will be later in this newsletter.

2-Ball Ambrose

With a great field of 92 players, the TDC South East 2-ball Ambrose was a great success. The event ran very smoothly thanks to the great team work of our members who helped out on and before the day. The captain from Mt Gambier commented on what a great day it was and said "You guys have got it worked out, you know how to run a great tournament."

Thanks to Steven and Sam Hill from TDC for their major sponsorship and continued support of the event. We also thank Lion Nathan for their seven years of sponsorship. Unfortunately due to structural changes and different priorities, they will no longer be sponsoring the event.

A few thank-yous, hopefully I don't forget anyone!

- Peter Walker for the great course

- David Murray for slashing for at least two days prior to the event
- Lofty for mowing around the clubhouse, carpark and tee blocks
- Bill Cheers for managing and stocking the bar, picking up beer prizes and helping out all day
- Peter Docking for helping out all day and donating the ice
- Bill and Terry for being awesome BBQ cooks
- Marg and Marg for helping out in the kitchen
- Committee – Ferg, Leo, Jock, John and Hilly for their help
- Hutch for helping with cards, and setup
- Anyone else who helped set up, cook breakfast, sell spinning wheel tickets, invite players from other clubs etc

It all helped make a great day and event which raised over \$4000 for our club.

Presentation Night and Closing Day

I encourage all members to come along to our Presentation Night on **Saturday November 4th**. It is a great celebration for our club and our Championship Winners. For \$25 you will get a three-course meal with a happy half hour from 6:30pm. It would be great if we could fill the clubroom again.

It will also be our closing day Men's and Mixed Pinehurst event open for all players. This challenging and enjoyable format is a good way to complete our winter season.

AGM

The AGM will be held on **Tuesday 14th November** at the Penola Golf Club. All members are invited to attend. All positions will be declared vacant.

Buggy Shed

The buggy shed is pretty much all completed, now with the sign up. Thanks to Briggsy for putting this up. A few reminders:

- The shed door/s must shut once you have removed / put back your buggy
- Clubs stored on push carts must have paid the \$25 fee. (tags arriving soon to confirm payment) and carts to be stored neatly.
- The shed must be kept tidy with cart rubbish and bottles disposed of.

This is a great asset for our club and will also be a useful generator of future income for the club.

Premier League Golf

The three week trial for Premier League has been completed with Senior's selection winning. We would like to run a season over summer, running over about 10-12 weeks. We will need team captains to nominate a side of five players, with the best scores counting. It is certainly valuable to have regular players in your side, there is no need to have to play with them. The cost is about \$18 per player for the season (less than \$2 per week). If you would like to nominate a team or are interested in playing, please see Paul. If successful, we will introduce a perpetual trophy for the Premiers.

Competition Prizes

We will be trialling vouchers for prize winners in weekly competitions as something different. The vouchers can be cashed in for products such as golf balls, tees, gloves etc or they can be also used over the bar. We will be hoping to get more stock shortly to top up the equipment you can buy or trade in vouchers for.

The committee has also voted to raise Thursday competition fees to \$5.

Strategic Planning Workshop

Strategic planning may not sound like the most exciting way to spend an afternoon, but research clearly shows that an organisation that has a vision is far more likely to succeed. In a volunteer organisation with changing personnel on committees, we need to have a consistent processes and plans for the future of the club.

We are inviting all members, interested players or anyone who cares about the future of Penola Golf Club to participate in a planning Workshop on **Sunday 19th November**. Facilitated by Tony Elletson, it won't be all jargon and paperwork, the workshop will be about ideas and what you as members want from the future of our club. From course ideas to clubhouse development; increasing membership to sustainability, your opinions matter. So if you are someone with lots of ideas, but can't commit to the committee, please come along and support the future visions of Penola Golf Club – plus the bar will be open!

Last Word...

For a small club we have shown we can put on events that are the envy of larger clubs around us. This is mainly due to the culture and ethos of the people that make our club what it is. It has been a great month of golf and we can be proud of the events we have presented. I am looking forward to a great summer of golf!

Happy hitting,

Paul Harmer

Men's Captain

This Month's Monthly Medal was sponsored by the Prince of Wales Hotel and was also the Monthly Medal Championship. Winners of the Monthly Medal were Don Ferguson in A grade, Shane Anderson in B Grade and Trent Nankivell in C grade.

Club Championships have been run and won. Congratulations to this year's Club Champions, Jock Agnew, George Kidman, Steven Skeer and Bill Cheers.

Closing day and Presentation Night is on Saturday 4th November. Format for the day is Pinehurst and teams can be men, women or mixed.

Novembers Monthly Medal is sponsored by Davis Golf Solutions and will also include the Penola – Mt Gambier Challenge. This will be held on 11th November and we play at Mt Gambier the following week. Mt Gambier have a rump and red night that evening so I will book a table for us if there are sufficient numbers.

Women's Captain

Women's match committee 2017-2018

President - Penny Young (her second year)

Vice President - Deb Redman

Captain - Gail Stephenson

Vice Captain - Wendy Hollick

Handicap Manager - Claire Mossop

Catering Manager(s) - Barb Provis and Maggie Murray

Sponsorship - Karen Hunter

Media - Marg Ferguson

Committee - Rosemary Ey, Marg Ferguson, Claire Mossop, Penny Young, Deb Redman, Gail Stephenson, Wendy Hollick

Summer Captain - Rosemary Ey

The women celebrated the end of the winter season with a social nine holes of golf and luncheon. Presentations were made:

Tom Skene – Penny Young

Patron's Trophy – Deb Redman

Patron's Trophy runner-up – Ros Lynn

Patron's Trophy – NTP – Deb Redman

Lorna Stehbens Stableford Trophy – Marg Ferguson

Wednesday Eclectic – Claire Mossop

Laurel Wreath – Deb Redman

Womens Handicap Championship – Deb Redman

International Bowl – Bronze – Deb Redman

International Bowl – Silver – Claire Mossop

Shylie Rymill Foursomes – Mary Cram and Claire Mossop

Aggregate Points – All – Penny Young

Most Reduction in Handicap – Deb Redman

Nett Scores – 6 Best 0-28 – Deb Redman

Nett Scores – 6 Best 29-45 – Karen Hunter

Wednesday Eclectic – Gross – Claire Mossop





Monthly Medal Sponsors

A huge thank-you to our November Monthly Medal Sponsor. Details of these events will be posted in next month's newsletter.

Men's



Bunker Roster

Always on the lookout for bunker volunteers. If you are at all interested in helping out, let the captain know. The more help, the less work there is for everyone.

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| 28 th October | John Boneham |
| 4 th November | Boyd/Hill |
| 11 th November | Bill Cheers |
| 18 th November | Anderson/Briggs |
| 25 th November | Chris Holden |
| 2 nd December | Paul Harmer |
| 9 th December | John Boneham |
| 16 th December | Boyd/Hill |
| 23 rd December | Bill Cheers |
| 30 th December | Anderson/Briggs |
| 6 th January | Chris Holden |
| 13 th January | Paul Harmer |

Key Happenings

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| Strategic Plan – Sunday, November 19th |
| Owner: Chris Holden |
| The Penola Golf Club is set to develop a strategic plan. A key aspect to this process will be holding a workshop at the clubhouse where all members will have an equal say as to the direction. The workshop will take place at 3pm on Sunday, November 19 th . Further details will be sent out to members shortly. |

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| Annual General Meeting |
| 14th November, 2017 |
| We will hold our AGM on Tuesday the 14 th November. This is an opportunity to hear about recent successes and future goals of the club straight from the committee. |

Recent Results

Men's Results

Thursday 5th October biannual Penola-Edenhope Dunny Seat Challenge Stableford

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| Bill Cheers | 36 |
| Grant Stephenson | 35 |
| Trevor Williams | 34 |
| Jamie Boneham | 29 |
| Leo Price | 28 |

REPORT

A group of five players, led by Trevor Williams standing in for the injured John Gregory, travelled to Edenhope on the 5th of October to defend the biannual Dunny Seat Trophy. Bill Cheers top scored for Penola with 36 points closely followed by Grant Stephenson with 35 points & Trevor with 34 points. Leo Price was in holiday mode & scored 28 points & new member Jamie Boneham contributed 29 points. Jamie struggled on the front nine at his former club with 10 points, but came home with a wet sail on the back nine with 19 points. The Edenhope course was in very good condition, which justified the move to reverse the months in which the challenge was played at the two clubs. The mosquitos were out in force over the whole course & Trevor will swear to his dying day that at least one of his wayward tee shots deflected off one of these monsters & back into play. All in all an extremely enjoyable day was had by all those involved & the Edenhope hospitality was outstanding as always & finally despite our small numbers Penola managed to retain the dunny seat by one point .

Saturday 7th October - Stableford

| A Grade | |
|-----------------|----|
| Leo Price | 35 |
| Lindsay Storer | 35 |
| Donald Ferguson | 32 |
| Peter Lunnay | 31 |

| B Grade | |
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|----------------|----|
| Paul Harmer | 34 |
| Brett Williams | 34 |
| Daniel Redman | 32 |
| John Foggo | 31 |

Saturday 14th October Prince of Wales Monthly Medal - Stroke



| A Grade | |
|----------------|----|
| Don Ferguson | 69 |
| Ian Agnew | 72 |
| Lindsay Storer | 74 |
| David Murray | 77 |

| B Grade | |
|-------------------|----|
| Shane Anderson | 68 |
| Brett Williams | 69 |
| Andrew Hutchesson | 72 |
| Peter Walker | 74 |

| C Grade | |
|------------------|----|
| Trent Nankivell | 70 |
| Bill Cheers | 74 |
| Greg 'Sid' Jones | 76 |
| Allen Meyer | 77 |

REPORT

Anderson All Class

Shane Anderson has shrugged off the disappointment of losing the B-Grade Championship last week to win the A-Grade division of the Prince of Wales Hotel Monthly Medal at Penola Golf Club on Saturday. Players were blessed with a beautiful day and the course in pristine condition.

With pin positions still tight from the recently held championships, scoring well was expected to be difficult. However, a number of players had great scores, making competition very tight in some grades.

In the A-Grade, Shane Anderson headed the field and had round of the day with nett 68. His back nine of 39 off the stick was the difference as he hammered home 6 pars in a run of 7 holes, only having 12 putts for the nine in the process. After a slow start Anderson parred the 3rd, 4th and 5th to kick start his round.

Only one shot further back was Don Ferguson, who would have been confident of the win as he sat down to enjoy a beverage after the round. As per usual, Ferguson was on fire with the putter; his 26 putts enough to win the putting competition. He has ten pars in his round to finish with nett 69, but had to settle for the Runner's-Up prize.

In third place was Jock Agnew who posted a somewhat robotic nett 72. He did his best work on the back nine where he had 39 off the stick with six pars. Lindsay Storer finished in fourth position with nett 74.

In the B-Grade, Brett Williams continued his good form both on the course and in the fashion stakes with him shooting nett 69 in an outfit that wouldn't be out of place on Ricky Fowler. Consistency was the key with two 43s. The highlight was the birdie from off the green on the 9th hole, making the halftime break much more enjoyable.

Andrew Hutchesson was runner up with nett 72, his birdie on the 12th helped him to 20 points on the back nine.

The old stalwart, Peter Walker, had nett 74 to finish third, with John Wilkinson two shots further back.

In the C-Grade, Trent Nankivell blitzed the opposition with nett 70, not bad after six

weeks out of the game. His four pars and relatively consistent scoring helped him finish with nett 70.

Four shots further back was Bill Cheers, with nett 74. Allen Meyer finished third with nett 77. The longest drives were won by Nathan Williams, David Boyd and Ant Mathys. Nearest the pins were taken out by Leo Price, Peter Walker and Shane Anderson.

The encouragement award of the chocolates was won by Mal Redman, which I am sure will go well with a glass of red.



Saturday 21st October - Stableford

| A Grade | |
|-----------------|----|
| Jeremy Briggs | 40 |
| John Mossop | 40 |
| David Murray | 40 |
| Greg Hutchesson | 38 |

| B Grade | |
|----------------|----|
| Paul Harmer | 40 |
| Malcolm Redman | 40 |
| John Boneham | 39 |
| Graham Pope | 38 |
| Peter Walker | 38 |

Sunday 22nd October South-East Men's Two-Ball Ambrose

| Gross Winners | |
|---------------------------------|----|
| James Norcock & Andrew Williams | 65 |
| John Reynolds & Terry Chant | 68 |
| Ben Golding & Andy Varcoe | 70 |
| Phil Thrussell & Hayden Fennell | 70 |

| Nett Winners | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| John Mossop & Peter Ey | 63 ³ / ₄ |
| Brendan Curley & Ross Bond | 65 ¹ / ₂ |
| Paul Whitford & Arch Bowman | 65 ¹ / ₂ |
| Greg Hutchesson & Paul Harmer | 65 ³ / ₄ |

History

Club Championships Report from the Penola Pennant – Thursday September 15th, 1955

Quarter and semi-finals of the club championship in the various grades were played on Saturday, but due to a family bereavement the match between K. Ey and D. Abbey was postponed until this Saturday.

The C grade semi-final will also be played on Saturday and the finals for both the B and C grade over 36 holes on Sunday. Umpires are required for both these matches.

In the match between B. Wauchope and K. Dohnt, Bruce was unlucky to strike Ken in form with his chip shots and putter. Dohnt required pars on the 8th and 9th for a 36, but took one over at each. His round off the stick was 78 to give him a win 7 and 6. Although Wauchope played well he was out of touch around the greens.

Bicketts and McCutcheon had a more even game for Johnny to win 3 and 2 although there was only two the difference in their respective stroke rounds. Both finished with 42's in the first 9, but McCutcheon was 3 down. He won the 10th lost the 11th, won the 12th, the next two were halved, but Ricketts won the 15th and halved the 16th to win the match.

In the B grade match M. Kidman defeated K. Gower, 4 and 3.

With the exception of one match the C graders had a very even tussle. L. Vercoe d J. Morris, 2 up, F. Haddrick d B. Godden, 2 up. Here let me say Bay had a tough job on his hands as Frank had reduced his handicap to 21 during the tournament. I. Wiese d J. McDonald 2 up, S. Reid d G. Mc-Cutcheon, 5 and 3.

On Sunday, I. Wiese in the semi-finals, defeated S. Reid by 2 up. As a first year golfer Reid has made good progress and much can be expected of this player next year. The other match is between Haddrick and Vercoe on Saturday and this should be a great battle with the odds perhaps a shade in Haddrick's favour. The winner will play Wiese.

The game between Ey and Abbey in the B grade semi should be a stout go. Ey is a seasoned match player, while Abbey is a big hitter which, when he has it under control, can produce fig-ures hard to beat. Whoever wins will have a tough fight with M. Kidman.

In the stroke round, B. Lynn was back in form with a 73 nett, and B. Godden with 75 was also on the job. The following day Bay turned in a 70 nett to reduce his handicap to 25.

A stroke round is the competition for Saturday and L. Docking is the starter.

DOHNT AGAIN WINS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

(Contributed)

On Sunday, K. Dohnt won the club championship again when he defeated J. Ricketts by 2 up after a hard fought match, particularly over the last nine holes. He has been club champion for five out of the six years he had been a member of the club.

Apart from the morning 18 when Dohnt finished four up, the game was closely contested all the way. It can be truthfully said that putting was the deciding factor throughout. Both players had bad lapses and frequently 3 putted. Dohnt three putted four times in the morning round, while Ricketts had one four putt green and one three putt. In the afternoon both had several lapses, Dohnt having two three putters and Ricketts one. However, there were many good putts lowered throughout the day. Two of these were by Ricketts for consecutive birdies on the 6th and 7th holes (each about 15 feet) and a 10 footer on the 35th to halve and keep the game alive. Dohnt also sank several good putts during the day, a difficult one at the 5th and a 10 footer on the 36th for a four when Ricketts was lying handy, 2 ft. away for what appeared a certain win to finish all square and take the match to the 37th.

Penola Golf Club Calendar of Events – check programme for further details

November 2017

Men's Programme

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| Thu 2nd | Stableford |
| Sat 4th | CLOSING DAY Pinehurst – any combination – non golfers welcome S – J Agnew PRESENTATION NIGHT |
| Thu 9th | Stableford |
| Sat 11th | Davis Golf Solutions Monthly Medal - Stroke 1st Round Penola/Mt Gambier Challenge - Penola S – P Lunnay |
| Tue 14th | AGM |
| Thu 16th | Stableford |
| Sat 18th | 2nd Round Penola/Mt Gambier Challenge – Mt Gambier |
| Sun 19th | Strategic Planning Workshop |
| Thu 23rd | Multiplication Stableford |
| Sat 25th | Par S – C Holden |

Women's Programme

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| Wed 1 st | Stableford |
| Sat 4 th | CLOSING DAY Pinehurst – any combination – non golfers welcome PRESENTATION NIGHT |
| Wed 8 th | Stableford |
| Sat 11 th | Stroke |
| Tue 14 th | AGM |
| Wed 15 th | Stableford |
| Sat 18 th | Stableford |
| Sun 19 th | Strategic Planning Workshop |
| Wed 22 nd | Stableford |
| Sat 25 th | Par |
| Wed 29 th | Stableford |

December 2017

Men's Programme

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| Thu 2 nd | Katnook Monthly Medal – Stroke 2 nd Round Summer Cup S – G Hutchesson |
| Thu 7 th | Stableford |
| Sat 9 th | Stableford S – R Kuhl |
| Thu 13 th | Stableford |
| Sat 15 th | Stroke & Lone Ranger Competition S – D Moore |
| Thu 21 st | Stableford |
| Sat 23 rd | Par S – J Foggo |
| Mon 25 th | CHRISTMAS DAY |
| Thu 28 th | Stableford |
| Sat 30 th | Stableford S – L Price |

Women's Programme

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| Sat 2 nd | Stroke |
| Wed 6 th | Mystery Event Christmas Lunch – TBA |
| Sat 9 th | Stableford |
| Wed 13 th | Stableford |
| Sat 23 rd | Stableford |
| Mon 25 th | CHRISTMAS DAY |
| Wed 27 th | Stableford |
| Sat 30 th | Stableford |