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### COMING EVENTS:

**Wednesday, October 4 – 9 for \$9 commences**

**Friday, October 6 – Junior Tournament**

**Wednesday, October 18 – Ladies Annual General Meeting & Trophy Presentation**

**Friday, October 27 – Breast Cancer Charity Day**

**Sunday, October 29 – Annual General Meeting**

**10.00am**

**Tuesday, November 7 – Melbourne Cup Luncheon**

**Saturday, November 18 – Rump and Red Night**

**Sunday, November 19 – Seniors Championships**

### ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE FUNDRAISER SUCCESS

Once again the annual Fundraiser was a great success with approximately \$8500 raised. Members and friends totalling 36 teams enjoyed the Ambrose and lunch and afternoon tea supplied by the RFDS Committee. Prizes were presented at the end of the day and funds raised will go to the very needed resources of the Royal Flying Doctor Service.



### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Sunday, 29 October 2017**

**at 10.00am**

Reports from the various Committees will be presented together with the election of the new Committee for 2017/2018. Nominations are required for President, and 4 Committee members and must be lodged by 15 October 2017.

Dwayne Baker, Adrian Ballintyne, Graeme Armstrong, Bryan Hunt, Di Norman and Heather Barry are retiring and eligible for re-election. Rab Headlam, John Gosling, and Trent Eitzen have 1 year remaining. Andrew Stark will not be seeking renomination.

There is also a motion to consider and vote:

**“The Committee seeks approval from the members to allocate \$35000 from the Investment Account to fund a Course Enhancement Plan which will run parallel with the Strategic Plan. Any alterations to adhering to the CEP must be by a majority vote by members at a Special General Meeting”.**

Annual Reports will be ready shortly for collection. Proxy forms available from Camilla if unable to attend.

## SPRING TOURNAMENT - 23 SEPTEMBER – 2

### OCTOBER RESULTS

The 95<sup>th</sup> Spring Tournament concluded last Monday with very good participation numbers in some events. On the first weekend, the Men's SE Championship was played over 2 days and won by Anthony Williams from the Blue Lake club, firing 73 and 73 over 36 holes from Darren Bilney with 75 and 72. The net winner over the 2 days was Trent Eitzen with 141 from Anthony Williams 146. In B grade Brendon Curley won the championship with 175 off the stick from Darren Griffin with 179. The handicap event was won by Dave Boyce with net 149 from Lance MacLean from the Naracoorte club with 150. Peter Jones was the champion in C grade with 184 off the stick from Brad Von Dube with 188 while the handicap winner was Graham Kain with net 148 from Jason Clauson with net 154.

Tuesday was Ladies Day and the largest field for some time of 81 players included visitors from Naracoorte, Bordertown, Lucindale, Kingston, Keith, Millicent, Robe, Beachport, Blue Lake, Portland, Peninsula-Kingswood, Warrnambool, Heywood and Coomealla. The climax for the day was determining the SE Ladies Champion after our local ladies Faye Mainwaring, Helen Gregory, Rab Headlam and Vicki Snodgrass from Lucindale all finished with 89 off the stick. A four way play off saw Vicki and Rab eliminated after the first hole before Helen and her sister, Faye ventured



down the 9<sup>th</sup> hole. Faye, our current lady champion was the victor on the 9<sup>th</sup> and added to her fantastic year to claim the SE Ladies Championship. Visitors were very impressed with the course alterations and will be back next year to see the completed

project. In the A grade handicap event, Helen Gregory was successful with net 70 from club captain, Rab Headlam with net 71. A stableford round in B grade, saw Helen Stratford from the Blue Lake club with 37 points the winner on a countback from another visitor, Janine Shepherd from the Portland club. Another countback was necessary in C grade when Lois Harvey produced top golf to win with 40 points

from Helena Holman from the Heywood club. The weather was superb and overall a very successful day.

The popular Niblick Day on Thursday was very well supported when 130 players played in the 4 ball better ball against par. Conditions again were



favourable and the winning men's pair of Chris Gabriel and Michael Dempsey from Melbourne combined very well to win a pair of golf shoes each with a great score of 12 up. Runners up were Adrian Ballintyne and Richard Gosling with 11 up. Betty McKechnie partnered with Lorraine Stratford who played her first 18 holes since having a knee replacement 18 months ago, combined very well to finish with 11 up to claim a pair of shoes each from runners up Carol Davis and Heather Barry with 8 up.

AFL grand final day saw a stableford round with a shotgun start at 7.30am for 60 players and the winner was Jason Millhouse with the best score for the day with 44 points from Andrew Noble who was runner up with 43 points.

The final day of the tournament saw 76 players take part in an Ambrose for men, women and mixed teams. Darren Bilney and Hayden Fennell with 60.5 net took the men's prize from Kayne Lockwood and Jason Clauson with 61. The winners for the ladies were Kerry Pedlar and Donna Jennings with 70 net while Yvonne and John Shirley won the mixed team event with net 64 from Rab Headlam and Philip Geier with net 65.25.

The Match Committee thanks Craig and his staff for their organisation, acquisition and presentation of trophies, drink refreshments and Allanah and Vanessa for keeping us fed and hydrated.

Special thanks to sponsors who have supported these events and the Match Committee are looking at a different time next year to avoid sporting finals.

### **9 for \$9 COMMENCES**

With daylight saving commencing this week, the 9 for \$9 competition will again be held on Wednesday afternoons with hit-off times from 12 noon – 6.00pm. This social golf event has fantastic prizes for members and non-members and level of golfers are welcome. Craig Davis and staff will be running this stableford event. Points will be allocated towards the Order of Merit based on your score. The best score for the day will get 10 points, if you are one shot behind the winner you will receive 9 etc, 2 behind you will get 8 down to 10 shots behind and you will not receive anything. At the end of the daylight saving season, the winning member with the most points will receive a year's supply of Callaway golf balls (12 dozen) while a non-member with the most points will win a Lifestyle membership to the club.

Cost per week is \$5 for members and \$9 for non-members.

### **COURSE PROGRESS**

On Wednesday, 27 September Neil Crafter, golf course architect made a visit to our club to inspect the ongoing Empak project and agree and sign off ready for the planting and seeding of the new areas. As players are aware, the couch is soaking up the sunshine and the fairways are starting to grow again. Each week they are improving and with the automated watering system fully operational this year, they can only restore to their best. Plans are underway to start our new scarifying and recouching program on the bare areas.

### **JUNIORS TOURNAMENT**

This Friday, 6 October will see the juniors play in different categories, handicap and non-handicap events with some events played over a modified course. There is quite a bit of talent currently at the club in the likes of Mitchell and Courtney Handford, Jade Delaney, Parker Smith, Seth McRae etc. Craig will be running this event and if you are free or would like to assist, please contact him in the Pro Shop. These could be our future full time members eventually, so let's encourage them.

### **GOOD LUCK, CRAIG**

The Mount Gambier Golf Club and Beachport Liquid Minerals Pro Am has been nominated for the **2017 PGA Pro Am Tournament of the Year in SA**. The winner will be announced at the Golf Industry Awards Night on Saturday, October 21 in Adelaide.

### **RUMP AND RED NIGHT**

On Saturday, 18 November there will be a Rump and Red Night held in the clubhouse. For the cost of \$40, there is a 3 course meal with a trio of dips to share, rump steak and vegetables followed by dessert. Bookings can be made by phoning 87257739 and we would appreciate payment made prior to the night. This event is to help raise funds to upgrade the kitchen. There will be 2 bottles of red per table of 10 so please make up tables of 8-10 and enjoy the night. Ellyana Sims who recently released her first CD and sang at the club last Friday night will be our entertainer for the evening.

### **RAFFLE BOOKS**

Each year the club runs a major fundraiser in the form of a raffle with cash prizes drawn the week before Christmas. Each member will be asked to sell a book of 10 tickets @ \$5 each and these will be distributed over the next two weeks. There are 10 prizes from \$1500 down to \$100 and over the next 2 months, we are hoping most books will be sold. This is another way of supporting your club to help make more improvements.

### **SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Our apologies for the postponing of the popular



Seniors Championships but confirm they will now be held on Sunday 19 November. As in the past, there are 3 age categories for men and women – 50-59, 60-69 and 70+ and the list to register is on the blue board in the foyer of the clubhouse.

There will be a 9.00am for 9.30am shotgun start when teams of 4 men and/or women will play 18 holes. At the conclusion of the golf, players will have a chicken and salad lunch and trophy presentation. Players can only win one major prize and there will also be prizes as well for the best three stableford scores. Cost for the day is \$20 per head. Any queries re the day, please see Jim Leane, Peter Waters, Kevin Cook or Heather Barry.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON – TUESDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2017

Golfers, punters or anyone who likes to enjoy both, there is a 9 hole competition prior to lunch if you wish so come out and make it a fun day!! Those who attended last year had a great time so don't miss out!

You are welcome to dress up and be part of the race day. Watch your horse win on the big screen.

# THE MOUNT GAMBIER GOLF CLUB Melbourne Cup Event

**TUESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2017**

**\$30 PER HEAD**

**BIG SCREEN RACE VIEWING  
2 COURSE MEAL**

**GLASS OF WINE OR SHOONER OF BEER  
UPON ARRIVAL**

**PLUS \$5 SWEEP - PRIZES TO WIN!**

## **2 COURSE MENU:**

*Roast  
with Vegetables and Gravy*

*Battered Fish  
with Salad*

*Chocolate Mousse  
with Fresh Fruit and Cream*

*Fruit Salad  
with Ice Cream*

*For Bookings:  
Please phone 87257739 or contact Gloria*

