



Preferred Lies

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Editorial: Here's some useless diatribe to ponder as we approach some better weather...

Apparently, (well according to Big Red) it takes longer to learn to be a good golfer than it does to be a brain surgeon...but hey, on the other hand, you don't get to ride around on a cart, drink beer, eat pies or sizzled snags and pass wind whilst performing brain surgery...Anyway ,back to the task at hand.. Had another opportunity to experience first hand the culinary organisational skills of our lady members during their Championship dinner. From the menu planning, buying and pre prep to the cooking, serving and post clean up this project ran like clockwork. The menu was sublime with choices for soup, mains and deserts...all salads were pre made that afternoon and served in table bowls...even had detailed serving tutorials for presentation purposes. And "the proof of the pud was in the eating".. there wasn't an awful lot left over at the end of the night,, so well done girls ..you continue to do us proud

UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Club Championships: Semi finals by Sept 5.....Finals Sept 11th.

Ladies Saturday championships- 28th August & 4th September

Can Club Function Wednesday September 15th from 6pm

Mixed Foursome championship Sunday 12th September

Ladmach Engineering Capel 3000 -25th and 26th September 4 Ball Mixed competition

PR and MARKETING

The T Walkway **Sign Sponsorship Program** is nearing completion with all 13 new signs in situ. It's been decided to go back to the magnetic style used previously which allows us to re-use them in subsequent years. The committee expressed their thanks to Phil Wright of Amity Signs for his generous assistance in this project. Ladmach Engineering and Capel Hardware have purchased two of the remaining three T Box Signs leaving just the one for sale @ \$500 (plus GST) pa.

In the May edition we highlighted the plight of most golf (and dare we say bowling clubs) around the country who need to try and attract a younger demographic in order to survive. We solicited member input and were impressed by submissions from Tracey Flatt and Chris Mitchell. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed and will be discussed in some detail by the committee. Both have been rewarded with a nice bottle of Capel Vale Red for taking the time to respond.

INTERMEDIATES

Intermediate Pres Coz has been contemplating her conception in "Coral" Bay but managed to field this report... "Well who can believe it's the end of August and another month of the golfing year is gone. Like others, at this time of the year, I've had a three week "sunshine" escape with friends along with some quality time with my sister from Dubai. Unfortunately, I managed to miss our biggest club event of the year, our Ladies Championships, and the four rounds of stroke play that went with it. What's encouraging is that nearly all of our members participated. To all the winners....congratulations.



The Championships culminated with a dinner and presentation night after the 4th day of play. Thanks to Vice Pres Glenice for her coordination skills. The dinner was attended by **life members Joan Scott and Shirley Miller** along with Patroness **Sorrine Flynn**, Vice Patroness **Win Pole** and our most decorated Ladies Champion across the years in **Cheryl Dillon** who has won no less than 11 titles. I'd like to thank all the helpers for their pre -preparation for the night...Glenice, Shellee Lee, Wyn Pole, Sue Pianciantini and Val Sawyer. To our guys who helped cook, serve and clean up...Steve Cass, Keith Sawyer, Ray Scott,

Maurie Forrest, Henry Marino and Bob Strachan...well done and thank you....

To our raffle donors..Joan Scott and Betty Miller thank you for your contribution to the clubs coffers. And to Ian and Gerry Lines for the use of their bus (along with the driver...Ash) our sincere thanks for your continued support.

Now our attention turns to Country Week with 20 of our girls heading up to represent Capel on the City courses...so good golfing and hopefully some spoils"



MATCH MUMBLING

MENS:

Captain Gaz is another to return home with a suntan after an extended period of checking out places with far warmer temperatures than Capel but has wasted no time in returning to the fray. He reports that the Men's Match Play Semi Finals are under way and expected to be completed by September 5th The Mixed Foursome Championships booking sheet is open so get your groups organised and enjoy the day. The Capel 3000 is only three weeks away and is filling up fast...make sure you get your names in and enjoy the weekend.

LADIES:

Captain "Hey Jude" is one who didn't manage to bugger 'orf North..In fact she's been "busier than a frog in a snakepit" over the past few weeks with Championship admin during the day



and babysitting duties (read Keith) at night.The 4 rounds of stroke format , although appearing daunting,had an exceptional participation rate with Junior **Aiyana Morris** winning her third Championship title with 347 hits over **Lisa Wake** with 354. Division 2 was won by newbie **Leonie Caiger** with a nett score across the 4 days of 311 from **Gail Marino** on 313.. The Presidents Nett Trophy went to **Lil Miguel** with 298 over Aiayna Morris with a score of 307.



The Saturday Ladies Championship is a best 2 of 4 rounds qualifying comp with 2 final rounds.

The first was played on Saturday August 28th with **Colleen Cuomo** just edging out **Jan Doust** on a countback for the daily trophy. The second and final round will be played on Saturday September 4th with **Coral Dennerley** and **Rhonda Forrest** within striking range of the two leaders.

MIXED:

Mixed golf has slowed down, making way for championships and days like Father's day. On Sundays we try to vary the games played, so people get a taste of other events. American, Canadian, Chapman Fours, Russian, Ambrose, 4BBB are some we have played this year. If anyone is interested in playing, we can always find you a partner so let us know.



It was third time lucky for Chris Matson and Vicki Ilacqua as bad weather had cancelled their day twice previously. Playing Canadian stableford, the winners were Steve and Glenice Cass.



Phil and Pat Harper sponsored a day of 4BBB stableford with Ray Rendell and Lisa Wake coming out on top.



Last Sunday in light showers we played Russian stableford with sponsors Elaine and Mike Anderson. It was good to see a new combination win with Jim Maclachan and Caroline Ferguson.

RUSTY PUTTER
CATERERS:

Rusty Putter special this week is Indonesian Nasi Goreng by popular demand. Book early with the Capel Golf Club.
Warm fire, family friendly, chase the ace, footy finals....



GROUNDS

Director Ken (aka Brown Sugar or BS for short) reports that some members have expressed concerns regarding the appearance of winter grass in the greens. BS reports that this is a direct result of the recent weather pattern whereby the normal Course Winter Grass management practices (including foliar fertilisation) has been severely impacted. Apparently, the Club recorded 175mm of rain in July with just 7 rain free days, half of which encountered strong winds which forced Grounds Staff to cancel the spray applications normally carried out in this month. It was agreed that, under these conditions, it would be a waste of chemicals and time to carry out any treatment program on all areas of the course including the greens until the weather was more conducive.

Jim House...BS advises that Jim has stepped down from the Course Committee and joined his Grounds team in thanking him for his input across the past three years..

Continued thanks is extended to **Life Member Graeme Colton**, Jimmy Mac, Tony Tassie, Maurie F and crew for their work on paving around the course. The pathway extension on number 17 is just another example of their prowess. And as a follow up to last month's quip about divots I've noticed that pretty much everyone repairs their divot after a perfect approach shot.

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HOUSE

The new PA system, courtesy of a council grant, is now operational with tutorials being extended to the myriad of users across our golfing week. Rumour has it that reverse cycle air conditioners might be the next big purchase so keep bringing your empty cans and stubbies to the rear of the clubhouse and that objective could be closer than we think.

The Can Club continues to survive with some 50 plus members donating their Leisure Club and Scroungers trophies (cans) to the can bank. The club runs three nights each year whereby those donors get to withdraw their funds and dispose of them on the premises. **The next can night is scheduled for 6pm Wednesday September 15th** at the Club.

NEWS AROUND THE CLUB

Hidden in the office is our own little admin guru **Nicole Augemeri** who does a remarkable job of keeping our accounts (and Big Red) in order.. **Taylah Hall** is our latest (multi skilled) acquisition..you can say Hi and welcome to T behind the bar, in the pro shop or picking up pills on the driving range. Here's a snippet of useless information from our Bar Manager **Linda Webb**..."Guinness estimates that 93,000 litres of beer a year are lost in facial hair in the UK alone"... with so much facial fuzz being displayed in the



clubhouse at the moment it's a bloody good reason as to why we haven't got the stuff on tap.

Apparently the Capel Coppers are hunting a "knitting needle nutter" who has stabbed six people in the bum in the past 48 hours. They believe the attacker could be following some kind of pattern.

The wife was counting all the 5c's and 10c's from the money jar onto the kitchen table when she suddenly got very angry and started shouting and crying for no reason...I thought to myself : "she's going through the change"



