NEWSLETTER

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RIP

Life member, Normie Ross, passed away as we re-started the game of golf. Normie is an icon at the club and will always be remembered for his love of the course, the club and its members. He contributed many hours to the club and was always one of the quiet workers who assisted Brendan with the many jobs to be done.

We were always amazed at his recall of his strokes which could have been two months ago or 20 years ago, the time, the conditions and the score he had.

A true gentleman and a great friend.

Our condolences to his family.

Coronavirus:

The Victorian Premier, Dan Andrews, announced an increase in the number of people as a group but under guiding rules which prevent the congregating of large numbers. Still no open clubhouse or bar except for take away drinks.

The following measures are helping clubs avoid congregation in the following areas: registration and score submission points, practice areas, starting tees, and anywhere out on the golf course.

- Access to the clubhouse will be the Presidents, Captains and Match Committee on duty for absolute necessities or doing results.
- 2. Timesheet will be on the table for competition days Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday. No pen available use your own pen please.
- The time sheet will run from 8:00am until 2:00pm.All players MUST write their name on the time sheet in the time they are hitting off.
- 4. Limit of 10 have access to practice putting greens and other practice areas.
- 5. People who have pre-booked a starting time have preference to play.
- 6. Use First tee only unless otherwise designated.
- 7. Play in groups of 2-4.
- 8. Intervals between starting times is 6 minutes to ensure there is no congregation.
- 9. Players to leave the facility immediately after completing their round.
- 10. No presentations at the conclusion of play.
- 11. Use of motorised golf carts restricted to one person only. [cart sharing permitted by people living under the same roof.]

- 12. Score submission: recorded card placed into "Card Only" slot at the Office Box.
- 13. Players are to write out their opponent's card, score the card with verbal confirmation of the hole total and total score. Do not sign your own card.
- 14. During play, the flagstick must remain in the hole.
- 15. Handle your own equipment throughout the round.
- 16. Bunkers have no rakes. Level as best you can; if you believe you have an unfair lie, ask your opponent for a preferred lie in the bunker.
- 17. Captain and Match Committee will record scores, decipher the winners and paste results in the window.
- 18. Wash hands in soap and water before & after the round of golf.
- 19. Enjoy your return golf by adhering to these suggestions to stay fit & healthy while not putting others at risk.
- 20. If you feel unwell or display any flu-like symptoms **Stay Home!!**

Thank you

Any queries, please contact me or for up to date information, go to the Golf Australia website or the Federal Government have also created a COVID-19 site.

MAGIC!!

Golfers returned to the course being greeted with perfect autumn conditions and a beautiful little bush course. The seventeenth hole looks splendiferous in the sunshine mid-afternoon.

Results show some more rounds need to be played to loosen up the joints and re-train the golfing muscles but the scores were the least important aspect over the first few days.

Great to see people adhering to the guidelines set out for us during this time. Wednesday have had 20+ women, Thursday 20+ men and across Saturday an average of close to 50 men & women. Fabulous!!

The farming community have been busy cropping and are joining us as they finish this important part of the season.

Golf Carts

We have 37 bays and at present 35 are being utilised. Fantastic but it does mean drivers need to adhere to basic rules such as use the tracks & not too close to the green.

Congratulations and Thanks!!

Gary Krahe has after 15 years of being a member of the bar committee has delivered his last box of beer. [For now anyway]. Gary has been excellent in ordering and delivering the important liquid of soft drinks, water and beer to the club as a volunteer and active member. This is one of those jobs' members don't think too hard about until there is no drink thus Gary's dedication to the job goes unnoticed by most.

Obviously, this opens up a career opportunity to another member who is keen to see the club run smoothly. Any enquires to Peter Barling or Mick Marchment who are the other two bar committee members.

I believe the Coronavirus has he and Maz on the run with business increasing greatly with deliveries. We thank them both and wish them well in keeping up the good work at their business, Australia Post.

Bowls Garden Project

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During April/May 2020 the Bowls members updated the garden and BBQ area to the northern entrances. Thanks to the team lead by Clicker & Joan Clarke, Shirley Liersch & Graham Clayton for their huge amount of time & effort they put in.

They also had assistance

Liersch, Graham White, McFarlane, Terry Sanders

generous people who

donated the iron, plants and ideas as the project cost very little. Bunnings supplied a number of the plants as well.

We look forward to the plants establishing themselves ready for a blooming Spring!

Golf Garden Working Bee

A fabulous working bee on the first and tenth tees gardens as well as at the western side of the change room facilities was held last Friday. This was led by the Women's President Wendy, and Castari Debby, who had dumerous ladies assisting them throughout the day. Congratulations ladies on a fabulous effort. Thanks also to the men who assisted along with Groundsman Sean in clearing away the debris. All these areas are looking clean & tidy with the prospect of a good wet winter thus springing to life in Spring 2020.

Rabbits!!

Kevin Newell & Peter Schilling are as persistent as the rabbits!! They are doing a great job in limiting the numbers as it is impossible to train them to eat & dig off the course. Our working bee next weekend is to fill in the rabbit scratching's on fairways 2, 3 & 4 as well as 12 & 15. So, if you can assist please contact myself or Dennis Murphy.

Working Bees: These will begin again in June and will return to a consistent Sunday [9:00-11:00] after each

Monthly Medal; Monday [8:00-10:00] 1st & 3rd week of the month. You may contact Dennis Murphy re Sunday and David Baxter re Monday.

The June date will be held even though it is the long weekend so if you are home, let us know & come out.

Upcoming events: Check your fixtures booklet. Projects of the future!!

Maintenance teams for gardens, fairways, surrounds, bunkers & more

Machinery upgrade ie fairway mower, sander Painting of the clubhouse and changerooms Solar power for the pump &/or clubhouse Regenerating plant life around the course Upgrade the main cool room

