



Castlemaine Golf Club



The Fairway - December 2020

To our Members

Christmas is bearing down on us in a year that no one saw coming; we were very lucky that we only lost six weeks where no competition golf could be played. This year we have picked up some new members and due to travel restrictions we were able to maintain good fields through Winter and into Spring. With other sports and travel commencing, our fields have dropped marginally.

The Golf Committee has done a wonderful job of running nearly all our major events this year, we missed three monthly medals and our tournament, but all other events were run. The fields for these events were very good overall.

The club has progressed with a re-seeding of another fairway (10th) with Santa Anna couch; this is now beginning to show signs of growth. The 18th fairway has improved further this year and will only get better going forward.

The card payment system we were looking at is on hold with the success of the EFT payment into our account being so successful.

This was the initiative of some of our members and we thank them for that. It can be used for green fee players as well as for members on competition days (the notice is in the window of the office).



The club is moving towards QR Codes for interior seating, so if members can use this method of registration, please do so, to allow us to move to one person per two square metres, not every four.

Members may have noticed that the club has replaced the old Fergie tractor; the replacement gives us more capability than previously. A thank you is extended to Leigh Campbell for picking the tractor up and delivering it for us.



The committee congratulates all the winners of the Club's major events, and thanks you - and all members - who participated in those events and who play regularly at the club.

We have no room left in the new cart shed. Members who have booked spots are okay, but no new bookings can be taken at the moment. We may have to look at further extensions...

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2020 - what a year this has been!

With our usual program being severely curtailed due to COVID, we have been flat out running as many major events as we can, in the run up to the end of the year. **Congratulations all our winners!**

Club Champions for 2020 - Megan Carroll and Simon Sheedy.



Other major winners were:

Lachlan and Liam O'Brien
Bud Annand Trophy

James and Matt O'Brien
Foursomes Champions

Kevin Gardner, Bill Dennis Trophy,
Veterans 50+, B Grade Champion



Jason Cordy and Lachy Brown
4 Ball Champions

Tracey and John Jefferies
Canadian Mixed Champions
John also Frank Edwards winner



Val Bassett Trophy
Marj Lang

C grade
Champion
Kors Van Eyk

Una Carroll Trophy
Barb Livingstone

Medallists of the Year
Lynne Johnson Stephen Cooper



Break up day for the gals

On our Christmas break up day a team game is usually the game of the day - no pressure, just a fun day! Jeannie Allan, Bronwyn Gudgeon and Glenda Jefferies played so well together that they won on the day - and they were very happy campers!



A bring-a-plate lunch followed golf, and we welcomed some past members to join us for lunch. For most of this year social interaction after golf has not been an option, so now at the end of the year we can once again enjoy some time together, and it is so good to be back!



On this day each year our Captain presents her prize (The Captain's Trophy) to the player who had the best par rounds in this event.

We congratulate his year's winner, Rosemary Ashby, who received a parcel of delicious goodies for her pantry, kindly prepared and donated by Peggy Ronnau.



Peggy has been our Women's Captain for the past two years, and she will now hand over this role to Rosalie Roberts.

Thanks were extended to Peggy for her efforts, particularly during this strange year of COVID, and Rosalie was welcomed as incoming Women's Captain for 2021.

December monthly medallists

Congratulations to our winners for this month - Julie Bottomley and Greg Sinclair



Golf lessons

Under the watchful eye of Paul Powell (left), Professional golf instructor, participants practised their swing on Monday 14th December.



These lessons are very popular (we are now running two sessions, 8.00 and 9.30 am). Regulars will be notified of the next lesson date in the new year. Enquiries for 2021 can be made by text to Peggy Ronnau (0409 232 919).



The last Big Hole for the year was played on Friday 11th December, and was followed by our regular BBQ.

Led by Martin, Ross, Garry and Peter, this team puts in endless hours, preparing and catering, not only for Big Hole, but also for other events. It's so easy to enjoy the game, then relax, sit back and enjoy the meals, but it wouldn't happen without them, and all our volunteer support. Thank you!!

Phil Broderick, who has been unable to play for around two years due to a shoulder injury, bounced back to win on the day. Well done, Phil!

