

Castlemaine Golf Club

The Fairway - June/July 2021

To the Members

With the winter upon us we have seen a drop in the size of our fields, although they are still good numbers for the conditions we have had lately. This winter we may also see that travel around the country is restricted, so some members may not travel north.

Sponsorship is steady and we need to maintain the sponsors we have. Our Sponsors day held last month was very successful. We will look at some areas to improve the day before next year.

The time of the year has come around to renew our memberships. Membership fees remain unchanged for the coming financial year, i.e. \$520 for full membership, or \$43.40 per month. For those who have taken the monthly payment option, please continue to do so, and if anyone wishes to start paying monthly, or by other payment methods, please continue to do so.



Full details on membership categories and payments are in the foyer of the clubhouse, and on our website (www.castlemainegolf.com), under Membership.



We are reintroducing bag tags this year - members will receive a yellow bag tag on payment of their subscriptions.

The course has some wet patches which will need to be avoided when carts are on the course. Last Saturday, after last week's wet weather, no carts were allowed on the course, however this didn't appear to deter the players, as 50 played that day, all walking the 18 holes. This may occur more regularly as the wet weather will impact the course.

A mid-winter Big Hole was played on a sunny Sunday morning on 20th June. Sixteen played Big Hole, and several others joined us for the meal afterwards.



Max Billman, who only plays golf occasionally, was encouraged by his wife Denise, to give it a try. He said 'I love that BIG hole!' Max had the winning score!

The next Big Hole is on Sunday 18th July - start around 10 am and stay for a BBQ lunch!

On the same day in June, we also ran the first of two Come and Try Days for Women - it was a very successful day - more information is on page 2.

Rather than having both events on the same day, we will run Big Hole and Come and Try Days on different days in July, as some of the women involved in the Come and Try Days would like to participate in Big Hole as well.

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Our volunteers continue to help Glenn around the course, cleaning up the rough and some of the lower hanging branches on the trees lining the fairway. Glenn has also borrowed Dave's sander to dust some of the greens with more sand.

The mezzanine floor is partly installed. Time has been against us again but it will be completed this month. We will also be looking to concrete another bay of the shed in the next month or so.

We have recently had a significant number of enquiries about the use of the clubhouse for various events, and have a number of bookings in the upcoming weeks. With these bookings, we will be looking for some volunteers to help facilitate these events.

The dam project is still crawling to completion. When the fill is complete Darren Rice will spread the top soil. Once completed we will need to plan what the club would like to do with the reclaimed land going forward.

After a recent meeting with Dale Husted, Coliban Water are putting together a position including repayment options. Dale has reported back with some positive news but the total picture has not been finalised. Dale has been very open with his discussions and we should have the final proposal in the near future.

Martin Cross
President

Wanted - a trailer

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We are looking for a trailer to use around the golf course.

If you know of anyone who has a 6 x 4 trailer for sale (in good condition)

please contact Glenn Carroll on 0417 311 150

Come and Try Day



The first of two Come and Try Days was held at our club on Sunday 20th June. The group of 12 eager women was split into three smaller groups, for chipping, putting and driving.

We thank our members, Peggy Ronnau, Marj Lang, Helen McEwen, Bronwyn Gudgeon and Glenda Jefferies, who did the Golf Australia on-line coaching course for instructors, so we could run these sessions.



The hour-long introductory session was followed by a lively chat over morning tea. **The next Come and Try Day will be held on Sunday 25th July, starting at 11 am.** Contact Peggy Ronnau to book (0409 232 919).

And a follow up 5-week Swing Fit course for Women is also planned for spring - the date is yet to be decided, but again, Peggy will organise this. Thanks Peggy!!!

Terry White Chemmart signs on the 12th



As players head towards the 12th hole, a new Terry White Chemmart sign is now on display. This sign is cited behind the green. Terry White Chemmart are sponsoring a Hole in One so here is your chance to hit a Hole in One on the 12th prize!

The white 12th tee is also sponsored by Terry White Chemmart, and we thank them for their generous sponsorship. Check out their new signage at their Mostyn Street pharmacy too!

June monthly medallists

The Thursday June medallist is Gavin Lang, proudly sporting his CGC cap! Our other June winners were James Park (Saturday) and Pam Hunter (Tuesday).



4BBB Club Shield Par Gold Letter Event

Our happy winners of the 2021 4BBB Par Club Shield are Julie Bottomley and Peggy Ronnau



Golf lessons for men and women



These lessons continue to be very popular, and bookings are essential, however, our golf professional, Paul Powell will be away this month, so the next lessons will be held in August.



Peggy is your person to contact to book in. M: 0409 232 919.

New scoops!



Have you noticed these new scoops? These, as well as bright new red flags on the putting green, are the handiwork of Jason Thompson - thanks Jason!

Alien crop circles, or ?



Our volunteers had a surprise when they turned up for duty a few weeks ago - several 'alien crop circles' were on some fairways - strange happenings in mid-winter?

Fortunately, Greenkeeper Glenn had some helpers out there pretty quickly to repair the damage ...



Manager Josh from Castlemaine Maxi IGA says that they are very happy to sponsor us, by providing weekly vouchers for Nearest the Pins for Tuesday competitions.



Leonie from Cliffords Quality Cuts shows us a nice leg of lamb, and Steve is learning how to cook a turkey....



Tee sign on the 13th red tee



Stan from Castlemaine Fresh loves Uncle George's apples. Do you?? Thank you Jeff and staff for supporting the Golf Club!



Tee sign on the 17th white tee

Calendar for July - weather permitting! ***Note: there is no chicken dinner on 3rd July**

| 2021 | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT | SUN |
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| | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| JULY Castlemaine Golf Club | | | | STABLEFORD | | SATURDAY MEN'S MONTHLY MEDAL STROKE | |
| | | 6 WOMEN'S MONTHLY MEDAL STROKE 4TH ROUND SILVER SPOON | 7 | 8 STABLEFORD | 9 | 10 FRANK EDWARDS PAR ROUND 1 | 11 |
| | | 13 STABLEFORD | 14 | 15 THURSDAY MONTHLY MEDAL STROKE | 16 | 17 FRANK EDWARDS PAR ROUND 2 | 18 BIG HOLE 10 AM BBQ LUNCH AFTERWARDS |
| | | 20 PAR 1ST ROUND CAPTAIN'S TROPHY | 21 | 22 PAR | 23 | 24 STABLEFORD | 25 COME AND TRY TRY FOR WOMEN 11 AM |
| | | 27 TEAM GAME | 28 | 29 STABLEFORD | 30 | 31 4BBB PAR | |