

The Eagle

Bairnsdale Golf Club monthly newsletter July 2025 Issue 126

GOLF EAST GIPPSLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to our own
Mel May and Leonie Taylor
for winning the GEG Foursomes
B Grade trophy on July 7 at South
Pines GC.

The following day Wendy Martin was the B Grade Scratch winner with 96 gross, 75 net.

Well done Wendy!









Memorial Service

Dale Alexander Cadd "Caddy"

Adrian & Vivien Cadd extend an invitation to all for a Celebration of Dale's Life at the

Bairnsdale Golf Club
Bairnsdale-Paynesville Road,
Eagle Point on
Sunday, 17 August. 2.30p.m.

Afternoon Tea will be provided.

Drinks at bar prices.

For golfers, please feel free to join a nine-hole Ambrose in honor of Dale.

Non handicap golfers are welcome.

Registration essential by phoning the
Golf Club 51566847.







This month our Wednesday women had the opportunity to wish Jean Johnstone a very happy 90th. birthday.

Congratulations Jean, and many more to come!



Jean is pictured with Mel May and Vice-captain Judy Stewart .. and cake!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - JULY 2025 Stephen Mann

Hello to all members,

VALE We extend our sincerest sympathy to the families and friends of Elaine Eadie and Roy Miller who passed away recently.



In the coming weeks there will be two important events held at our Club namely, **DALE CADD MEMORIAL DAY** ON Sunday 17th August 2025-Memorial service followed by 9 holes of Stableford starting at 2.30pm.

All funds raised on this day will go towards the Dale Cadd Memorial PGA Associates Pro-Am on 1st September 2025.

DALE CADD MEMORIAL PGA ASSOCIATES PRO-AM on Monday 1st September 2025 Entry Fees are \$35 for Members and \$50 for Non-Members.

A PGA Associate is an inspiring PGA Professional currently completing a nationally accredited training program under the guidance of the PGA.

Jack Young from our Club is one of these Associates.

Members are encouraged to play in the event and donate towards the prize money for this important event.

Entry forms for both of the above are available at the Pro Shop.

Enjoy your Golf and Bowls during August.

Regards,

STEPHEN MANN (President)



The Bairnsdale Golf Club welcome our most recent new members. We wish them a happy and successful association

David Brand Luke Smith

Judah May John Jessup

Julie Frew Beverley Campbell

Tola Touch
Darcy Johnson
Kerryn Lindsay

Brian Barry
Mitchell Johnson
Chris Martin



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Congratulations to our latest winners: Draw 71 11/08/2025

\$800	(144)	A. Stewart, J. Stewart, R. Pearce, W. Reddaway
\$400	(101)	G. Keys, P. McCallum, M. Mays
\$200	(192)	L. Coles, D. Pollard, D. Turner, P. McDonald

MANAGER'S REPORT - JULY 2025 Jeff Graham

Hello all,

I'd like to start with some important information regarding my role as General Manager.

Last Committee of Management meeting I proposed to reduce my hours and salary to that of a part time position. Specifically, I intend on working four days per week,

Tuesday to Friday and dropping my Saturday Golf Shop shift. This will both save the club a small amount of money but more importantly allow myself and Leonie more time to enjoy the things we love. I have assured the Committee that this will not impact my ability to manage the club, the Saturday shift was entirely service related and I performed very little management tasks. Whilst the details are yet to be finalised its 99% likely to commence in October and to say I'm looking forward to it is an understatement. Who knows, I may play golf Saturdays! Other than the above, not a great deal to report over the past month.

Next month, I shall be detailing a strategy to raise some extra revenue which includes the return of the meals nights, the café expansion, social events and more.

Strategic Plan update.

IN PROGRESS

(Perform 50% of) Change the sand in seven bunkers. Repair the drainage and change the sand in four others, fill in and grass two others.

In accordance with our Bunker audit, we will be fully renovating the 1st hole left greenside. The 17th hole left greenside, 8th hole front right greenside. We will also replace the sand in the 2nd hole, 3rd hole x 2, 5th hole, 8th hole and 14th hole. NO UPDATE since last report **Perform minor renovations to the female change rooms.** Finance has approved the flooring replacement, when Wood St Style and Flooring are available, it will be replaced. UPDATE: The flooring in the cubicle has been installed. Next, we will attack the vanities and the floor directly in front of them. NO UPDATE since last month's report however some correspondence with the Wednesday committee of the allocation of funds and timing of the works has started.

IF TIME PERMITS

(Perform 50% of) Repair or reconstruct the golf course paths rated a high priority. 5th to 6th, 6th to 7th, 7th to 8th & 10th to 11th. UDPATE: Unfortunately, due to the limited staff resources on the course we will not be in a position to start the path reconstructions. UPDATE: Now that we have employed Matthew Leong, we are back to full strength with course staff levels. Throughout the next 6 months we hope to catch-up on the above high priority bunker works. Unfortunately, we are back to two staff for the short term which will delay the process a month or so. UPDATE: From the week of Monday July 7th we will be back to full strength and whilst there will be a staff training period we will hopefully get to the paths over winter. UPDATE: We have engaged contractors to provide us with advice relating to the construction of a permanent pathway from the 18th green to the clubhouse (with a 10th tee connection) COM are currently weighing up the associated costs.

We expect to reconstruct the pathway in the Next two months, whether it be hex grid/crushed rock, concrete, asphalt or similar remains to be determined.

Until next month, play well,

Jeff Graham



WOMEN'S GOLF - JULY 2025 Vice-President Janine Newell

Winter is certainly here with a vengeance so we now have to tackle our beautiful course with lots of layers of clothes which doesn't always make for an easy swing.



This month we have the sad news of the passing of one our lady members, Jeanette Raisbeck who we will remember with fondness for her quiet happy manner.

We wish Sue Newstead a speedy recovery and hope to see her back on the course soon.

We are very pleased to see our Women's Captain Denise Lessels back at the Club in her recovery from her latest operation and no doubt she is looking forward to swinging a club again when she is ready to have a game.

We are pleased to welcome Susan Hall and Kerryn Lindsay as new members to our club and look forward to having a game with them.

The first Wednesday in July certainly was a day to remember with nonstop rain coming from down the coast and eventually it became so wet that our course was closed and our golf cancelled for the day.

It was our Monthly Medal game which was postponed and we will get a chance later this month to try for a great round of Stroke.

Disappointing, but I believe the rain was welcome for our farmers who managed to get some for their properties and a chance for those who had the day at home to catch up with some indoor time. It certainly was a day for the ducks.

It is certainly a welcome sight in winter to come back to the clubhouse to see our fireplace warming the room and with a coffee from our great baristas in the Pro Shop it is a welcome place to dethaw and catch up with everyone.

The recent work on our deck with a new roof and repainting certainly has made the area very attractive and will make the area a great spot in summer to relax after a game.

This month we have three games where we are very lucky to have sponsorship from our own women members and it is important that we acknowledge their generosity in supporting our women's golf games.

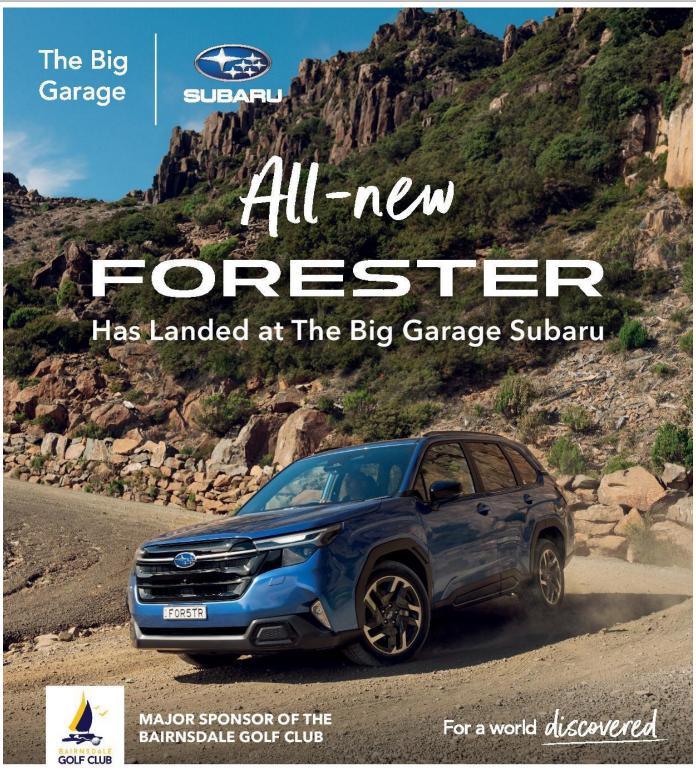
Just a reminder to everyone it's a great idea to regularly check out the notices and special events on our notice board in the Ladies Locker rooms as it's easy to miss some important news and updates.

Happy golfing!

Janine.

"I play too much golf," said no-one ever.





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SUNDAY GOLF - JULY 2025 Geoff Brooks

Fifty-nine players participated in Sunday Golf on 6th. July with Robyn Kercher (23) prevailing in the ladies' comp. with 35 pts. Justin Clemm (21) dominated the men's comp. with an excellent 43 pts.





The following week we attracted 46 players and saw Ruth Engel (38) victorious with an excellent score of 41 pts. to win the ladies' competition comfortably by 5 points.

Meanwhile, in the men's comp. Brian Wray (14) with 40 pts. edged out Damien Tubb (5) and Don May (17) by just 1 point.

Sunday 20th. July saw Ruth Engel (36) continue on her winning ways with an excellent score of 40 pts. to edge out Debbie Brebner (18) 38 pts. In the men's section Jacob Brewer off a handicap of 4 recorded an excellent 38 pts. to win comfortably.

Sunday Chairman Geoff Brooks congratulating Ruth Engel..



Inclement weather reduced our field to 43 players on Sunday 27th. July however this did not deter our winners, Julie Brittain (21) 40 pts. and David Pollard (9) 41 pts.

Special mention to our runners-up Ginny Quist 37 pts. and Cam Wilmott 39 pts. who both also had excellent scores.

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Chairman Geoff Brooks congratulating Julie Brittain on her win.







Sunday 3rd. August presented us with a beautiful winter day which attracted 50 members and lots of casual golfers.

Winners of the day were Jenny Brown (27) with 34 pts. and Lachie McGrath (12) 41 pts.

Congratulations to young Lachie on breaking 80 off the stick for the first time.

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Jenny Brown and Lachie McGrath were congratulated on their wins by Geoff Brooks.

Looking forward to warmer weather and bigger fields over the coming months.

Geoff B.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT - JUNE 2025

Chris Savige

SATURDAY

What a weird month, we lost days of competition due to it being wet, no carts and then within a week the course was playing firm again. Fields have been down due to the nomads away and the cold and wet weather. It has been many years since August frosts!



A couple of matters to deal with. The practice fairway has ropes set down by the course staff and that is the area from which you use the practice fairway. There are some members who feel that is not for them and choose to hit from places that suit them. Don't be offended if you are asked hit from the correct area.

Pace of play is the never ending issue for members, especially the members who have to endure slow play. Recently on a Saturday waiting for the last morning group, they took 2 hours 22 minutes to cover the front nine but when the afternoon field followed them, the back nine took just two hours. If the morning groups can get through the front nine in two hours then the PM groups would not catch them.

There have been complaints that groups are up to two holes behind which is not on. We have a by-law which states that if you fall a hole behind then to speed up play you may call the group following through. That condition of play used to read the group following will demand to play through but has been watered down over the journey.

Be reminded that it is everyone's responsibility to keep up to the group in front and not keep ahead of the group behind.

Finally in regard to place of play, I draw attention to Rule 5.6a, Unreasonable Delay of Play – members have a habit, a bad habit of marking their cards before they tee off. If your group is on the tee and the fairway is clear then the first person on the tee should mark their card after teeing off. Any unreasonable delay when playing a hole or between holes is a one stroke penalty. Again be aware of your pace of play and position in the field.

Bunkers are still a topic or rather players inability to rake them correctly or to smooth out their footprints and divots. I observed a player recently that after playing from a bunker, smoothed their footprints and divot with their feet and a golf club. The very behavior that golfers hate to see and the very marks that we all hate landing in – someone else's laziness.

Results -

Les Tipper Memorial and we played for the Club's 4BBB Championships and it was won by Stephen Legg and Peter Johnston with a fine +9 from Chris Savige and Greg Kerr on +7.

July 13 was unlucky for most but really lucky for one Jeff Graham who scorched the course with 41 points. There has since been a proposal to erect a cairn to celebrate the achievement but your committee of management has rejected the many attempts at recognition. B Grade winner was Rob Barton with 37 and in C, Anthony Veale was electrifying with 37 points.

Monthly Medal and Peter Johnston turned up in the morning and killed the day for all with 64 net. A Grade winner was the stroke specialist Michael Brusamarello and C Grade, Stephen Legg again made a speech with 73 net.

Last Saturday of the month and Marcus Richards shot a fine 42 points to win the day. Daryl Newell won B Grade on 40 points and long time no see Peter Thornton saluted with 36 points.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT - JULY 2025 (cont.)

THURSDAY

We have had a pretty consistent month with fields in the high 80's. Have had a few away, our Chairman Peter Schmidt has been slumming it in South Africa so he is due back in August.

Results -

Month started with a stableford round and Grant Handysaye saluted with 41 points. In B grade Andrew Savige shot 38, Bill Tanner in C with 35 and Kieth Carmody was the surprise in D Grade with 33 points.

Medal Day and the specialist himself, Michael Brusamarello won the medal with a fine 68 net. B Grade winner was the inform Rob Barton on 70 net, Max Shearman won C Grade with 70 net and in D Grade, Ross Davidson won with 75 net.

The wet day and no carts, Ewan McRae won A Grade with 37 points while Clive Hull won B Grade with 38 points.

Round 2 of the Par Aggregate Winter Series sponsored by Rickson Lucas and A Grade winner was Chris Savige on +3, B Grade was another bulldog in Merv East with +2 and the mysterious Col Jefferis won C grade with +2. Mark Jackson is the current leader of that competition.

The Annual Competitions are up to date and are on display next to the noticeboard.

Chris.

The Greens Keeper by Edgar A. Guest

He's on the job at break of day and when the stars come out, There's always trouble on the course for him to fret about. He starts the gang to work at dawn and follows them around, Then listens to committeemen whose wisdom is profound. They talk of "bents" and "fescues" in a way that makes him squirm, For they acquire much knowledge in one brief official term. His task is one that calls for tact, for lacking that is means Next year there'll be another man brought on to keep the greens. The members seldom know his name, or have a smile for him, They only wonder why it is the course is not in trim. They only rave and rage and rant while hunting for a ball And wonder why the greensman hasn't cut the rough this fall. And when they find a cuppy lie or footprints in a trap, "The course in in a rotten shape!" declares each gloomy chap. And yet my hat is off to him, now winter intervenes, I want to pay my tribute to the man who keeps the greens. He's on the job from dawn to dusk, a million pests to fight, Tis his to see that every green is watered well at night. The weeds attack his finest work, the drought destroys his grass, The rain beats down the tender shoots, but still the players pass. And still they play the game they love, a happy golfing clan Who never stop to count the odds against a single man. And so I wave my hand to him, who toils in sturdy jeans,

> The best old friend all golfers have the man who keeps the greens.



Golf East Gippsland Men's Championships 2025

To be held at

Bairnsdale Golf Club

Sunday 31st August 2025

Programme of Events

Championship of Golf East Gippsland, 27 Holes. Stroke Play. Event 1 B Grade Trophy. Handicaps 12 and over, 27 holes. Stroke Play.

Event 3 H.H. Fox Junior Championship, 27 holes. Stroke Play Open to Juniors who are under the age of 21 years.

F. Morecroft Handicap Trophy for 27 holes.

Event 5 Senior Championship of East Gippsland, 27 holes. Stroke Play. Open to players aged 55 years and over.

Event 6 18 & 9 Hole Grade Events* (* grade events subject to entries)

Entry \$15.00

Food is available for purchase on the day.

Direct Debit payment preferred BSB: 633000 179018338 Ref: MC's & SURNAME or payment on the day.

Entries to be sent to Tournament Secretary:

Email: Chris Savige (chris@savigeaccounting.com.au)

WOMEN'S CAPTAIN'S REPORT - JULY 2025 Denise Lessels

Vale Jeanette Raisbeck, R.I.P. Jeanette was my caddy (several years ago) for a final pennant round at Lakes Entrance. She was so lovely, supportive and encouraging to me that day. As a newbie pennant player I was understandably nervous, but with her support, I won my round.



A warm welcome to our new members: Linda Hall, Wendy Evans, Tracy Jardin and Kerryn Lindsay. And a warm welcome to our newest committee member, Sue McInnes.

July 2 No competition due to weather conditions. The Monthly Medal event was rescheduled to 16 July.





July 7 GEG Foursomes Championships held at South Pines Golf Club.

Congratulations to Mel May and Leonie Taylor for winning the B Grade trophy.

July 8 GEG Singles Championships held at South Pines Golf Club.

Congratulations to Wendy Martin for winning scratch B Grade gross 96, 75 net.

July 9 We had 60 entries for a stableford event with Grannies/Vets/Supervets event sponsored by Lois Kurrle, Elaine Eadie and Jeanette Obst. Players finally enjoyed a lovely sunny day with a high of 15 ..blistering! Our Division 1 winner was Kerryn Clemm (hcp 14) great score of 40 points. Division 2 winner, not to be outdone, was Marj Gleave (hcp 27) top score of 43 points.

Well done to you both. Vets winner: Lynn Beeck; Supervets winner: Marj Gleave; and Grannies winner: Kerryn Clemm...all receiving lovely gifts from Lois, Elaine and Jeanette.

Our 9 hole competition had five entries with Julie Clarke (hcp 27) scoring 18 points to win.







Sponsors Jeanette Obst and Lois Kurrle presented prizes to Kerryn Clemm, Marj Gleave and Lyn Beeck.

Coltman Cup East Gippsland District representatives at Country Teams in Mildura Sept. 29-Oct. 1 were announced, including Sue Wood, Nadine Martin, Chrissy Fisher and Maddison Kelly from Bairnsdale.

From other clubs: Jo Ballinger (Sale), Robyn Walker (Newry), Lucy Haussegger (South Pines), Tania Holmes (South Pines), and Carmel Cameron (Newry). Best of luck to all in this yearly challenge.



The only sure way to get a par is to leave a four-foot birdie putt two inches short of the hole.

WOMEN'S CAPTAIN'S REPORT - JULY 2025 (cont.)

July 16 There were 58 entries for the Monthly Medal #6 and count putts event, and 13 entries for our 9 hole competition.

Ellen Hollow (hcp 45) had the winning score with 19 points, closely followed by Charley Goodrem (hcp 39) with 18 points. Mary-Ann Emerton was our Division 1 winner for the day (hcp 10) score of 70.

Mary-Ann was also our July Monthly Medal winner. Rose Jackson (aka Jackson Rose) was our winner of division 2 (hcp 29) score 74.

Count putts winner with 28 putts – Judi Shearman. Congratulations to Chrissy Fisher on her **Eagle** on the 14th hole.





Mary-Ann and Rose received their prizes from Women's Captain Denise.



July 23 We had 64 entries for a 4BBB stableford round. Many thanks to our very generous sponsors for the day, Gwen Robinson and Ros Pearce. Division 1 winners: Marg McCallum and Jenny Gibbs scoring 46 points. Division 1 runners-up: Dianne Howe and Julie Lambert scoring 43 points. Division 2 winners: Monica Nordblom and Helen Dennison with a score of 43 points. Division 2 runners-up: Jenny Halloran and Gwen Jackson scoring 41 points.

Winners were grinners today...a few of them also won raffle prizes. We had seven entries in our 9 hole competition. Gloria Barrack (hcp 30) brought in the winning score with 20 points and Elaine Gwynn was a place getter with 13 points.







Sponsors Gwen Robinson and Ros Pearce presented prizes to Marg McCallum, Jenny Gibbs, Gwen Jackson, Jenny Halloran along with Helen Dennison and Monica Nordblom.

July 30 There were 59 entries for a stableford competition. Generous sponsor for the day was Energy Elements (Jack and Jenny Hamilton). Jenny Gibbs (hcp 23) was our Division 1

winner with a top score of 41 points.
And Joyce Jones (hcp 35) was our
Division 2 winner with a very nice
score of 43 points.

The 9 hole competition had 10 entries and Joy Vellios (hcp 41) won with a score of 18. Two place getters were Gloria Barrack 17 points and Jeanette Jones 14 points.





WOMEN'S CAPTAIN'S REPORT - JULY 2025 (cont.)

If you are interested in **ordering a BGC name badge** please see a Match Committee member or our honorable secretary, Claudia Watson. Cost is \$15.00.

A special thank you to our members who travel near and far representing our Club at other club competition events. I recognize that it is no easy effort to get up early, travel some distance, pay for petrol and competition fees and then play exceptional golf. But, I know you do it because you love the game, or the competition, or because you just can't help yourselves.:)

Coming Up:

- 4 August Lakes Entrance Salver
- 6 August Newry President/Captain Day (entries close 4 Aug.)
- 11 August Vets play at Bairnsdale
- 11 August Yarra Yarra Golf Club Challenge Bowl (entries close 4 Aug. or when field reaches capacity).
- 13 August **Bairnsdale** Silver Spoon Final (stableford)
- 17 August Dale Cadd Memorial Day at **Bairnsdale** 2:30 pm, with a 9 hole competition
- 18 August Heyfield Ladies of the House Day, 3 team Ambrose
- 22 August entry deadline for **Bairnsdale** President/Captain/Guest Day
- 24 August GEG 4bbb Championships at Maffra (entries close 20 Aug.)
- 27 August Bairnsdale President/Captain/Guest Day, 4bbb stableford, 9:30 shotgun start
- 29 August Yarram Challenge Salver (entries close 24 Aug.)

Wishing our golfers wombat-free holes, eagles, birdies, pars...and most of all, a great time enjoying all our Club has to offer.

Denise





WOMEN'S GOLF SATURDAY - JULY 2025 Julie Brittain

Well the days seem to be speeding past and winter will soon be over.

5 July saw 13 ladies brave the elements to play stableford with Mary-Ann Emerton winning with 33 points.

12 July must have been a nice day as 19 ladies came along to play and Judy Stewart won with 36 stableford points.

19 July had 19 women again vying for the Monthly Medal.

The winner was Allison Gilbert with a net score of 74 on a countback from Carolyn Hine.

26 July on a slightly cooler morning had 15 ladies playing and great to see a newcomer to the Saturday ladies, Helen Rose, win with 36 points.

Don't forget we only have two more Monthly Medal days, August and September, to go.

Keep golfing.

Julie.





Allison was presented with her badge by Women's Captain Denise.

Our Driving Range Volunteers

In the November 2023 Eagle we presented a story about the Volunteers who collect, wash, and recycle Range Balls each year. Sales of some 5,400 buckets annually, result in over \$40,000 per annum revenue for the Club.

As at that time, we can put this revenue into perspective by noting it exceeds that from many other individual sources of budgeted income. Also of note, is that working in rostered pairs Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays throughout winter and summer weather, these Volunteers sometimes start at 6.30am to provide for early use of the range on Special Event days.

Since we commenced this Volunteer Range Ball activity in 2021, when we took it over after Wayne and Lena ceased the pro-shop operation, we have been very fortunate in the numbers volunteering.

Having named those involved in 2023, this article acknowledges our current team, including most recent recruits, and the participation of two stalwarts in particular.

Don May and Kerry Chilcott have operated the process every Wednesday for almost 3 years. Longevity has its rewards, and these two will now have a slight respite and pickup every second week like the rest of the team.

As a result of retirements, and consequent appeals to Club Members, Alan Jackson, Craig Kerr, Steve Mackay and Rob McGrath recently joined the others in the team, being Bill Flack, John Fleischer, Colin Hudson, Graham Johnston, Gary Keys, Kelvin Mathews and Frank O'Connell. Quite an effort considering they also volunteer for other tasks around the Club.

Peter Wilson.

RANGE BALL ROSTER - PLANNED As at 25/07/2025

MONDAYS		04/08	11/08	18/08	25/08	01/09	08/09	15/09	22/09
See also dates against names		Col Hudso	Peter Wilso	Col Hudso	Kelvin Math	Col Hudso	Kelvin Math	Col Hudso	Kelvin Math
below		Bill Flack	Steve Macka	Bill Flack	Peter Wilso	Steve Macka	Steve Macka	John Fleisc	Steve Macka
WEDNESDAYS Timing	Not between 8.15 & 10.15	06/08	13/08	20/08	27/06	03/09	10/09	17/09	24/09
Don May 0439 743 584		Peter Wilso	0	Alan Jackso	0	Alan Jackso	0	Alan Jackso	0
Kerry Chilcott 0417 245 860	Prefers to Drive	0	Craig Kerr	0	Craig Kerr	0	Craig Kerr	0	Craig Kerr
FRIDAYS as per	And/or on dates shown	08/08	15/08	22/08	29/08	05/09	12/09	19/09	26/09
Bill Flack 0409 382 542	Not Wednesday	04/08		18/08		х	х	х	Х
John Fleischer 0411 693 446	Not Fridays	Х	Х		Х	0		15/09	
Colin Hudson 0481 715 165	Not Fridays	04/08		18/08		01/09		15/09	
Alan Jackson 0429 492 331	Wednesdays	Х		20/08		03/09		17/09	
Graham Johnston 0425 621 899	Any Days		0		0		0		0
Craig Kerr 0487 337 516	Any Days		13/08		27/08		10/09		24/09
Gary Keys 0400 521 750	Any Days	0		0		0		0	
Steve Mackay 0437 726 473	Any Days		11/08			01/09	08/09		22/09
Kelvin Mathews 0478 165 824	Not Fridays or Tuesdays	Х	Х		25/08		08/09		22/09
Rob McGrath 0429 906 071	Fridays		0		0		0		0
Frank O'Connell 0413 580 809	Any Days	0	2	0	Х	Х		0	
Peter Wilson 0417 011 166	Fill in Any Days	06/08	11/08		25/08	19 3			

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CHECK DATES AGAINST YOUR NAME – WHERE YOU MAY ALSO BE ALLOCATED ON ANOTHER ROSTER DAY
PLEASE CHECK IN ADVANCE WITH YOUR NOMINATED PARTNER RE STARTING TIME
ANY PROBLEMS CONTACT COORDINATOR (see below) IN TIME FOR OTHER ARRANGEMENTS

X = NOT AVAILABLE DURING THAT WEEK

See notes page 2 about special days in red about

Volunteer Roster Coordinator - Peter Wilson 0417 011 166 petera.wilson@hotmail.com





COURSE MANAGEMENT - JULY 2025

Craig Rimington

We continue with the tree audit works, currently into week 6 of 12.

Areas completed this cycle have included; RHS 1st, front entry, LHS 18th and rear of green + RHS to 15th Tees, 15th carry way RHS 15th, LHS & RHS of 16th from Tee to work sheds, we are currently working on the triangle between 12th and 16th from the work sheds to 12th Tee / 16th Green.



We welcome Dale Blanchette joining the Course staff, Dale is our new casual employee.

Course Management Practices undertaken during July have included: -

Preparations for day to day running of all Club events Golf & Bowls; blowing carpark and clean gutters; greens aeration Air 2 G2 machine, all Golf greens and bottom Bowls; soil conditioner, fertiliser application Golf greens; machinery maintenance and general course maintenance practices.

Greens Golf greens have had the Air2G2 Machine over them again for the second time this winter. Greens have been sprayed with soil conditioner, preventative insecticide, iron and magnesium for color retention.

Bowling Greens Top Bowling green has been shaved to collect dead leaf material, greens upcoming application of selective herbicide for moss control. Bottom Bowls treated with the Air2G2 machine.

Tees Divoting of tees has been on a fortnightly or as needs basis.

Fairways General maintenance, debris blowing.

Bunkers General maintenance, during mid-August we will obtain the sand profile from the reconstruction of the green at Paynesville Bowls Club, some of this sand will be used to fill/top up both practice bunkers.

Vegetation Tree/Vegetation works has been the main focus we have now completed all the High risk tree removals and have around a dozen left for dead wood removals, all the high risk tree work will be completed this cycle, we then move onto the Medium and Low risk works, which includes: removals, crown lifting, weight reduction, deadwood removal, formative pruning.

OH&S / Staff New staff member Dale Blanchette, casual role.

No incidents to report.

Machinery Scheduled maintenance is being carried out on all machinery as required.

Rainfall

July 2024 77.5 mm (no. of rain days 10)

Year to date 2024 443.4 mm

July 2025 **84.5 mm (no. of rain days 6)**

Year to date 2025 449 mm

Temperature

July - Ave Min temperature 5 degrees.

July - Ave Max temperature 15 degrees.

Works Program for August 2025 to include: -

Preparation for all Club events Golf and Bowls; Golf EGGA Championships, Associates Pro–Am Sept. 1st; tree management: pruning, removals, weight reduction; IPM Control Program; Broad leaf weed controls, roughs/out of play areas; path track repair/ maintenance; continued bunker works, sand top up practice Bunkers and any issues which may arise from Committee Meeting.

Works program may vary due to weather conditions.

Craig Rimington Course Superintendent

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MONDAY 10th NOVEMBER—WEDNESDAY 12th NOVEMBER 2025

DAY ONE: BAIRNSDALE GC STABLEFORD 18 HOLES

DAY TWO: LAKES ENTRANCE GC STABLEFORD 18 HOLES

36 HOLE EVENT RUN IN CONJUNCTION WITH ABOVE EVENT

TUESDAY NIGHT: DINNER - The Lakes Entrance Golf Club

DAY THREE: LAKES ENTRANCE GC CANADIAN FOURSOMES S/FORD

ENTRY FORMS: WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOUR CLUB MID SEPTEMBER, PRIOR TO EVENT

Recommended Accommodation



The Esplanade Resort, L Entrance Ph 5150 9600 holiday@esplanaderesort.com.au



Captains Cove, Paynesville Ph 5156 7223
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HISTORY OF THE CLUB THROUGH MEETING MINUTES

In January 2018 I commenced writing excerpts from Club Minutes each month for the Newsletter, the last of these in the October 2022 edition.

As we have many new members since 2018 it was felt that some of the history is worth repeating. Up to this time I have covered minutes from the original Black Quarto Exercise book covering the forming of the Club in 1904 to 1910.

EXCERPTS OF MINUTES FROM THE NEXT BOOK, STILL ALL HANDWRITTEN, COMPRISES 349 PAGES AND DATES FROM 6TH MARCH, 1947 TO 12TH SEPTEMBER 1957.

An item was recorded in the minutes of the **meeting April 4, 1952,** that the Secretary write to W.D. & H.O. Wills requesting a copy of the New Rules of Golf (the days of tobacco Sponsorship).

The matter of the Rough Mower was raised; costs of maintenance were very high. Mr H Redenbach was asked to look at suitable mowers in operation and report back to the next meeting on a recommended replacement.

The president was requested to get quotes for the construction of a **new veranda** (70 years later we get a roof on it) on the west end of the Clubhouse.

At the following **meeting May 9th, 1952,** Mr Redenbach reported that he had looked at mowers and visited Kew G.C where he inspected a Massey Ferguson attachment mower being used. This mower is very efficient and can be purchased for a little under £200 pounds. Enquiries to be made as to the availability of this unit.

An interesting item as to regards to the Bar, it was recommended that a Barnes Bush be purchased at a cost of 25 shillings (what is a Barnes Bush??). It was also stated that barrels were not being returned fast enough, and Mr Cathcart was to attend to this. A lock was to be attached to the door leading into the Bar.

There was a big stink about players not hitting off at their appointed time. The starter was given the authority to send offending players to the end of the field. New time sheets were to be drawn up with a commencement time of 12 noon with 4-minute intervals. (They must have played quickly in those days).

Very little from the **meeting of June 13, 1952,** The Ferguson Attachment rough mower after demonstration proved to be unsatisfactory and other alternatives to be looked at in the future. A spraying outfit has been looked at and member Mr Cameron has offered to lend his outfit to the Club until a suitable machine can be found.

The Gippsland & Junior Gippsland Championships to be held concurrently over 36 holes and an entry fee of 10 shillings covering events be charged to each player.

As very little profit was being made from the sale of Ale the charge for a 5 oz. (about 140ml) glass was increased by 2 pence to 9 pence a glass.

It is surprisingly easy to hole a 30 feet putt—for a 10.

HISTORY (cont.)

On **July 11, 1952,** a special meeting of Executive, Social, Associates and Associates Social Committees was held to organise the events to be held in conjunction with the Annual Tournament. Friday Night Ball in Mechanics Hall, responsible for Music A. Callaway, Catering Associates and refreshments J. Pallot Quota 2 x 18 Gallons.

Saturday Night Associates to arrange function in Picnic Point Hall the charge will be 10/shillings per male member as associates will be providing most of the food. A quota was set of 4 x 9 gallons' just in case they only drink 27 gallons?? (however, there was a comment that any additional ale would result on a further charge to all present).

Saturday morning N Roberts with utility for clean-up.

The ladies have requested that trophies be presented after close of play on Wednesday and Thursday of the Tournament by the Club President where possible.

Bar - Prices to be 10 pence for 6 oz., 6 pence for 4 oz. and all spirits 1/6 per nobbler. Members to be co-opted for barmen and an application be made for a quota of 13×18 gallons and 10×9 gallons, bar to be constructed on Sunday prior to Tournament.

This was followed by an Ordinary Meeting where one of the items discussed was drainage around the Club House, a quotation had been received for 6/- per foot for 120 feet of concrete drainage, however it was agreed that a wooden drain ?? be constructed on a different line as a temporary measure.

A report was received that the Greenkeeper had applied for another job which he did not get, it was suggested the Mr. F. Morecroft discuss the matter informally with Greenkeeper Mr Greenwood "to find out what the true position is".

The next **meeting was October 3, 1952,** and the matter of fairway spraying was discussed, a quote was received for £1 pound per acre and the greens committee was empowered to spend up to £50 pounds for such spraying.

Greenkeeper Mr Greenwood was still about and was granted a bonus of 10 pounds for additional work done at Tournament time. Another motion was accepted that War Savings Certificates to the value of £125 pounds be redeemed.

Following a discussion on a proposed site for a new course at **Eagle Point** it was left to Messrs. Bayley & Potter to contact the owner of the paddock in question.

Afternoon teas for 1953 were set to consist of biscuits and tea only, a motion was moved that Closing Day Ale be provided at no charge, an amendment was put that a charge of 6 pence a glass be applied. This was lost and the original motion passed.

Mrs Maggs was back in the minutes (those who have followed these writings will be aware Mrs Maggs was the lady involved in a lot of catering around the club) the President was asked to purchase an article to the value of £5 pounds for a present to the lady.

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A severe slice is a thing of awesome power and beauty.

ROUND OF PARTIES FOR VISITING GOLFERS

Ball Was Social Highlight

Following on from Ron's report of the 1952 Tournament, here is some of the write-up from the Bairnsdale Advertiser.

Many still have family connections to our Club.

With the object of entertaining visiting golfers to the Bairnsdale tournament last week, parties were arranged by the Bairnsdale Associates and members each day for their enjoyment.

At the buffet on Wednesday evening for Associates, the President of the Bairnsdale Associates welcomed the visitors to the Tournament and expressed the wish they would have an enjoyable time.

The President of the Club (Mr. R. H. Archibald) presented the trophies won during the day and also extended greetings to the visitors.

FOURTEEN HOSTESSES

Mesdames J. J. Dwyer, A. G. McArthur, F. Nethercote, J. L. Jackson, H., Wilmot, A. Archibald, R. Foard, V. Robertson, G. Willis, S. Dwyer, K. Donoghue and Misses R. Limpyer and D. Cole entertained visiting Associates at a buffet tea at the Victoria Hotel. Much merriment was caused by all wearing varied types of bows at the neckline, a fashion which had been set earlier in the day by Mrs. F. Hancock of Melbourne, and quickly adopted by locals and visitors alike.

Also guests of the hostesses were the wife of the President Mrs. R. Archibald, and President and Secretary of the Associates, Miss. Pat Counihan and Mrs. Derek Dahlsen.

After tea several items were enjoyed and the visitors bid farewell to their hostesses in song and words which had been composed by Mrs. R. Symmons of Lakes Entrance and Mrs. C. C. Palmer of Orbost.

Prior to the golf 'At Home' at the Mechanics Hall on Friday evening, several parties were arranged for visitors.

The President (Mr. R. H. Archibald) and Mrs. Archibald entertained a number of guests and office-bearers of the Club at the home of Mrs. J. Giles (mother of the President's wife) before going to the ball. President of the Associates Miss. Pat Counihan was hostess to visitors and friends at her home in Pyke Street, Mesdames J. J. Dwyer, R. Foard and A. G. McArthur combined to give a dinner party at 'Redcourt' before the ball. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wilmot entertained friends at their home in Ligar Street, also Mr. and Mrs. A. Callaway had a number of their friends at a party at their home in Mitchell Street. Miss Benet Mitchell was another hostess and Mr. Gordon Potter entertained friends at this home in Warde Street.

The Mechanics' Hall was gaily decorated by Mr. A. Callaway with huge autumn leaves on the walls around the dance floor and across the stage. Nearly two hundred dancers were present and the lovely frocking of the ladies made a gay and colourful scent. Mrs. Rae Archibald's grey satin frock had an over-skirt of pink and grey tulle and velvet roses at the hip-line and she wore elbow-length gloves of pale pink kid. Miss Pat Counihan's black embroidered net frock was made with a bouffant skirt and fitting bodice and she wore with it a black net stole and elbow-length white kid gloves. Mrs. Derek Dahlsen wore a pale blue Chantilly lace frock, ballerina length. Mrs. A. G. McArthur's lovely floral frock was of voile. It had a white background with a floral design of blue and pink. Mrs. J. J. Dwyer wore a deep parma ballerina frock of faille made with a square neckline.

Mrs. Arthur Callaway's full skirted frock of aqua green taffeta had a band of ruching trimming at the top of the fitted bodice.

Cinnamon, one of the new fashion shades, was most effective in the nylon net frock worn by Mrs. Bert Haylock. A cherry red taffeta ballerina frock with a matching jacket was worn by Mrs. Noel Roberts. Her sister, Mrs. Leo Houlihan, was an attractive figure in a black frock. The bodice was of velvet and the skirt and shawl collar of black taffeta. Miss Benet Mitchell's white frock, spotted in red, was trimmed with red velvet. Mrs. R. B. Scott wore a charming gown of pearl pink slipper satin, the bodice being heavily encrusted with translucent cabochons and the skirt was finished with a peplum.

Miss Mary Wyndham, who is training in Melbourne for the nursing profession, was home for the tournament, and she was wearing a lemon organdie frock.

One of the most attractive frocks in the ball room was worn by Mrs. John Pallot. It was of gold taffeta, striped with grey and had a matching stole.

Arrangements for the 'At Home' were made by the social committee with Mr. H. R. Wilmot as Chairman and Mr. Ian Thatcher as Secretary, ticket secretaries being Mrs. Bert Haylock and Mrs. A. Callaway.

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There is a Forum called 'OzGolf' where you can read some interesting, and often humorous posts... this is one.

"So my brother and I played in a Pro-Am at our local course. He played in the morning round and I played in the arvo round, so I caddied for my brother in the morning and he played with some hack by the name of Dummet, (hope no none here is related or really likes him). Anyway he chopped his way around and we finished the morning round. Brother went to clubhouse for a few bourbons and I worked in the Pro Shop for a bit. Anyway, I go and find him in the clubhouse and he'd had a couple of bourbons, so I thought it best we get a cart as he was going to caddy with me.



He wanted to go and get some cans from the Bottleo but was told that if he wanted to drink on the course he would have to buy from here, so he says to the barman "I'll have a slab of Jack cans mate." Barman gives him a funny look and gets the slab while Danny goes and gets the esky from the car, stocks it with ice, and away we go with the cart. Danny driving, to meet the Pro (still can't remember his name), anyway all intros get done and we tee of the tenth, a par 3. At the end of the hole I'd already formed the opinion that this guy was a fool who took a dislike to my brother, which isn't hard, he's a top bloke but a bit of a larrikin and likes a drink.

So after playing 16 holes and not getting much convo out of the Pro, but having good chats to the other two guys in the group, and Danny doing a pretty good job of a can a hole, we walk of the 7th green. You have to have a bit of a walk to the next tee just over a dirt bridge. As I was talking to one of the other guys who was walking, I said to Danny "just go to the next tee mate, I'll walk up." He says "no worries man" and roars off in the cart.

The Pro meanwhile had started to not play so well and his demeanor was getting worse. It's not like he was having a shocker he had 71 1 under for the day.

Anyway, Danny goes across the bridge in this golf cart. He was well and truly cut at this point and I looked up to see him chucking a sharp quick u-turn just up on the side of the tee box. Well, the cart went up on two wheels and the esky went flying—bourbon cans and ice everywhere! I look across at the Pro and he's just shaking his head and I'm thinking Danny ya *! Anyway he cleaned it all up and apologised for the spill and driving erratically to the tee. Everybody was sort of like 'your a fool, but a funny one', Pro never said a word.

I admit it was not the sort of thing you expect to see on course but no one was overly upset, needless to say I drove the rest of the two holes.

Get to the last green all the hackers shake hands, turn around to shake Scott 'whatever his name was' hand but he had already put his putter in his bag and was gone.

So everyone goes into the club house for the obligatory and the Pro still didn't turn up, which after everything, (even the cart "incident") and him being so rude all day, he doesn't even come in and have a drink."



Where's Wally?

Can you find Wally? He is in this edition somewhere. This is where he was in June. P. 1





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