



The Eagle



Bairnsdale Golf Club monthly newsletter
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'Your Own Way' Golf Day



YOUR OWN WAY, through Club member Brad Campbell, very generously sponsored a Mixed Ambrose event on September 13, with a tremendous field of 181 players.

The aim of this day is to increase mental health awareness and to raise funds for mental health services which will be accessible for staff and members via an Environment Assistance Program.



Congratulations to the winners, Marcus Richards, Glenn Gudgin, Mark and Scott Ashley with a score of 53.75 on count back from runners-up Paul Molinaro, Tyrone Lawson, Oska Molinaro and Dean Lawson.

WOMEN'S 'ALL GIPPSLAND' CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to our own 'All Gippsland' Champions Chrissy Fisher and Johanna Wyllie who won the Foursomes Championship at Yarram. Chrissy was runner-up with 87.

They won both the scratch and handicap with a score of 83 (net score 74).

Johanna was also the winner of the Singles Championship with 84 off the stick.



MANAGER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025

Jeff Graham



Hello all,

As we begin our run into the very, very, busy event season (late October to mid-April) I'd like to take this opportunity to thank in advance the hoards of volunteers that make event a success. Too many to name, but you know who you are. Make sure you say thanks if you play in event and notice one of our members involved.

GOLF OR BOWLS!

Meal nights are coming back

We have some great news to share.....Thursday night will be Pizza and Pasta (Italian) nights at BGC. We have earmarked November 20th or 27th as the official launch date and we are working hard behind the scenes to ensure it's a hit. Below are some of the activities and menu items

- Authentic stone baked pizzas (traditional Italian flavours)
- House made pasta and other traditional Italian dishes
- House made Italian desserts (featured in our cake displays)
- Expanded wine list to include Italian wine varieties
- **Dine in or takeaway options**
- A new 9 Hole Twilight Comp between 3:00pm and 6:30pm (TBC) to coincide with the Pizza & Pasta menu (after golf on the deck)
- Live music on the deck from 5pm onwards (TBC)
- Members CASH DRAW
- Indoor putting comp or standard raffle. One or the other.

Whilst this will be mainly an employed staff affair, I do expect we will require one volunteer each night to assist with taking meals to tables. If you are in a position to assist, please let me know. If I can get 4 or 5, it will only be an every 4 - or 5 - week impost.

A regular job we need filled

Golf Event Photographer- Bev Yeates has performed this task admirably for many years and a few months back resigned (despite our best efforts) Bev has big shoes to fill, but if you enjoy photography and have some time on your hands, let me know. Typically, there is one event every 3-4 weeks that requires photos.

Strategic Plan update.

IN PROGRESS

Clubhouse Lounge Ceiling. UPDATE This was scheduled for July 2025 and we commenced the process at that point in time. Our pro-bono plasterer has engaged another contractor to assist and unfortunately it appears this will be a considerably bigger job than first thought (and quoted). The entire ceiling will need to be removed (rather than covered with new board). We are currently obtaining quotes.

MANAGER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025 (cont.)

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

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. UPDATE: Unfortunately, due to the limited staff resources on the course we will not be in a position to start the path reconstructions.

UPDATE: 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. **UPDATE:** COM have approved the construction of a hex grid pathway with concrete culvert drainage from the clubhouse to the 18th green (via a new cutaway through the garden bed to the front of the 18th green (and onwards to the women's 10th tee. We expect this to commence within the month (contractor dependent for the culvert drain).

Until next month, play well,



Jeff Graham

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



Aiden Southern

Max Gudgin

Tyrone Lawson

Charlie Crane

Mark Thorburn

Max Taylor

Katie Garth

Kahu Dickson

Jackson Calabro

David Taylor

Karen Thorburn

Dallas Anderson

Daniel Taylor

Jock Rankin

Sandon Mullen

John Campbell

Patrick Hollow

Harrison Howlett

Gordon 'Tex' Michard

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025

Stephen Mann



Hello to all members,

September has seen some improved weather although it has been rather windy for golf and bowls.

The club ran an **RU OK Awareness Day** on Saturday 13th September 2025.

- There were events in the morning and afternoon and the club house was full for presentation.
- This day was sponsored by Your Own Way via Brad Campbell who supplied prizes for \$2,000.

A huge thanks to Brad for his work assisting mental health which has a serious impact on so many people including golfers and bowlers.

ELECTIONS

- Nominations are open for the Committee of Management positions of President, Vice President & 1 Committee Member.
- Nomination Forms are available from the office.

Nominations close on 8th October 2025.

ANNUAL TOURNAMENT entry forms are available at the Pro-Shop.

CAR PARK REPAIRS - Work to repair the car park is expected to be completed by end of September. Enjoy your Golf and Bowls during October.

Regards,

STEPHEN MANN (President)



TREASURER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025

David Pollard

Hello all,

Our annual audit is pretty well done and dusted! We are just waiting on the final report and then I can get the Treasurer's report done and out to you all.

Any time you would like to chat about the figures, let me know.

Bank Accounts – as of 5 October 2025

- Trading Account \$353,823.29 Credit Funds
- Holding Account \$ 5,051.15 Credit Funds
- Term Deposit \$ 56,048.10 Credit Funds

The reporting period is 01.07.25 to 31.08.25.

RESULTS V BUDGET

Income is under by \$4,700 (no so good).

- Competition Fees, Subscription Fees are down, with some small gains in other income areas keeping the 'amount under budget' lower.
- August's trading has been significantly better than July's and we look forward to that hopefully continuing.

Expenses are under \$7,900 (good).

- We have made some early savings in Wages.
- Otherwise, our expenses are tracking well.

Net Profit (Before Depreciation) is over \$3,100 (good).

A good turn around after the last few trading months not being the best.



David



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WOMEN'S GOLF - SEPTEMBER 2025
Women's President Jenny Hemming



September, spring is with us with a bit of rain and slightly warmer weather, lovely spring days towards the end of the month.

A warm welcome to our new members Cindy Holden, Karen Thorburn, and Katie Garth.

'Pace of play' is always an issue with our golfers. Please, don't be apprehensive to pass a slow group and don't be bothered if a group wants to pass your group.

We appreciate and give recognition to all those who sponsor any of our events and to those who donate to our weekly raffles.

To new members who wish to donate to our raffles, contact Valerie Keys.
To sponsor a day or a game, contact our captain Denise Lessels.

Congratulations to our Gippsland Champions Johanna Wyllie and Chrissy Fisher.
The last time Bairnsdale brought home the trophies was in 2003.

Good luck to the Country teams!

Looking forward to our Annual Tournament starting 20 October.

Happy golfing 



Jenny.



WOMEN'S GOLF SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 2025
Julie Brittain



September has just flown past not long till our long hot summer days of golf.

6 Sept. with 19 women playing stableford finishing with Mary Ann Emerton with a score of 37.

13 Sept. RUOK day was a huge success for the club, a huge field.

20 Sept. we played our last Monthly Medal for this year with Robyn Kercher winning with net 70. Good effort on a really windy day with 26 women playing.

27 Sept. Grand Final Day and 15 ladies playing Par.

Anne Crowe the winner with +3. She must have really missed her golf when she was in New Zealand.

18 Oct. will be Medal play off day, tee times will be advised closer to the date.

Good golfing,

Julie.



*Women's Captain Denise
congratulating Medal
winner Robyn Kercher.*

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CAPTAIN'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025

Chris Savige



Spring has arrived and with it cored greens and our usual windy days. The cored greens has played into the hands of most players and less finesse is required on slower greens and the scores show that.

It is usually a big month in golf and leads into even busier times in the coming months, culminating in Christmas.

First up, a big congrats to Johanna Wyllie in winning the All Gippsland Championships for the second time and we are the holder of the Pearson Shield, oldest trophy in Gippsland Golf.

Tip of the hat to GEG East Gippsland Women's Country Week team, successful in Division 2, meaning they are promoted to Div 1 next year. Our representatives with Sue Wood, Chrissy Fisher and Madisson Kelly.

Our junior representatives for Country Teams in Heathcote this month are Tyler Elliot, Maddison Kelly and Lachlan McGrath, so good luck to you all and enjoy the event.

While on Juniors, Tyler Elliot has been burning up the course and last Monthly Medal shot a 74 off the stick playing off 9 for a 65 net.

His handicap has since dropped to a GA of 5.9. The last time we had an ultra talented junior who lost a B Grade Championship playoff whilst in state schools, was Andrew Webster. And Webby went on to represent Australia in the Eisenhower Cup in 2000 with a couple of handy golfers in Aaron Baddeley and Scott Gardiner. So we wish you well Tyler.

Another District event that we were represented in was the Men's GEG Plate at Newry. Haven't played there for a while and quickly discovered how hard it is to find the putting surfaces. Sadly neither of our teams in the top half but it was a great day. I should mention Butch Hemming was our best performed golfer on the day with 37 points. I am only thankful he wasn't in my car for the trip home. The winners on the day of course, Newry 2 defeated Newry 1 and all the individual events were won by Newry players.

This month we have our major fundraising event in the Annual Tournament. No changes to the program from last year. There is \$7,000 in vouchers and club vouchers up for grabs, so the Club is asking for your support to make it a great week. Get organized so Judy has less to do at the last minute.

Results for the month –

Saturday 6th September, Jacob Brewer won A with 39 points, Darren Beggs with 39 won B and Mike Manning won C with 36 points.

Saturday 13th September was the R U OK day which attracted 181 entries and the winners were Glen Gudgin, Scott Ashley, Mark Ashley and Marcus Richards with 53.75 on a countback from Ty Lawson, Dean Lawson, Paul Molinaro and Oska Molinaro.

Saturday 20th September was Tyler Elliot winning the Medal with 65 net, B grade was Warren Prior also with 65 net, Don Broomfield won C with 66 net and this month's typo, Geoff Brooks won D Grade with 68 net.

Saturday 27th September was a Par event and Marty Fanning won A with +4, Butch Hemming saluted in B with +1 and in C, a visitor, Beau Spierings had a +4.



Alan Jackson—Aug.
'Bunny of Bunnies'.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025 (cont.)

THURSDAY

Thursday is starting to get to the pointy end of the year and the culmination of our annual events. With just two months before our Christmas Breakup, here are the following progressive scores –

Rob Maitland Memorial 18 Hole Stableford sees Greg Emerton leading with 76 points.

Nearest to Greg is Craig Kerr on 65 and Andrew Savige on 48.

Norm Bambury Front 9 Stableford leader is again Greg Emerton on 77 from Kevin Naughton on 61 and Chris Savige on 53.

The Ten Hats Back 9 Trophy, leader is Craig Kerr on 79 from Greg Emerton 58 and Peter Baldwin on 52.

Ian Wigg Memorial Annual Stroke is Chris Savige on 39 from Gary Black and Brad Campbell on 34.

Peter and Judy Wilson Stroke Elimination we are at the top 16 and they are Brad Campbell, Peter Convey, Ewan Logan, Jim Adams, Mick Elliott, Alan Jackson, Ian Murray, Tim Jones, Daryl Newell, Gary Black, Gary Crane, Peter Baldwin, Brusa, Brian Wray, Barry Evans and Shane Mathieson. Shane is the luckiest golfer in this bunch and on the first two rounds, he has scraped in on a countback both times. The last time was an 80 net.

Thursday results –

Thursday 4th September Brad Campbell won the Medal with 68 net. Jeff Hathaway saluted in A Grade with 68 and Jim Adams, the only magpie not to choke in September won C with 72 net.

Thursday 11th September Carl Turner, our regular visitor from Sale won A with 38 points, Ewan Logan in B with 38 points and Barry Evans in C with 38 points also.

Thursday 18th September Gerry Ciavarella won A with 41 points. Schmiddy doesn't like Gerry collecting wins as he has 57 variations to Ciavarella. Rob Barton won B with 39, Warren Scott won C with 41 and score of the day was in D with Haybale conjuring up 42 points. Not sure how that happened, he went to Newry and lost 5 strokes on the slope and couldn't muster 25.

Thursday 25th was a 4BBB Par and the winners with a fine +11 was Marty Farrelly and President Stephen Mann from the unlucky Clive Hull and the electrifying Anthony Veale had +10.



You will all be aware of the changes to Golflink to Golf Connect. A lot of work behind the scenes and most of that work fell on Jeff Graham's shoulders and we were one of the first clubs up and running. Thank you to the members for their patience last week, running non handicap events while the system was being updated.

Chris.



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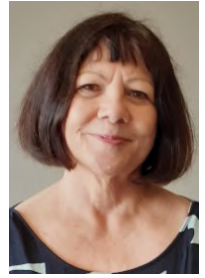


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WOMEN'S CAPTAIN'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025

Denise Lessels



A warm welcome to our new members: Cindy Holden, Karen Thorburn and Katie Garth.

Thank you to all our volunteers who give their time to start our fields, the women's match committee for processing competition results, and all their behind-the-scenes work. Your time and help is appreciated.

As most of you are aware, our Golflink computer system will be transitioning to Golf Connect Australia beginning 29 September. Please be patient with staff and volunteers during this transitioning period.

September 3 We had 66 players for Stroke, Monthly Medal #8 and count putts. Our generous sponsors were Ginny Quist and Kerryn Clemm for our 18 hole competition. Division 1 winner was Sue Ffrench (hcp 15) score of 73; Division 2 winner was Denise Lessels (hcp 23) score 73; and Division 3 winner was Kerry Hine (hcp 35) score 69. Monthly Medal winner was Kerry Hine. The lowest number of putts for the round was 29 by Ruth Engel. Mel May had the best gross score of 88 (hcp 14). There were eight players in the 9 hole competition and the winner was Elaine Gwynn (hcp 45) score of 19.



Sponsors Ginny and Kerryn presented trophies to Sue Ffrench, Denise Lessels and Kerry Hine.

September 8 Mel May and Gwen Jackson played their knock-out match with Gwen finishing 2 up.



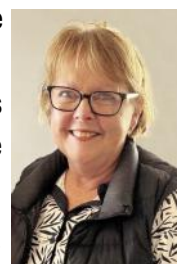
September 10 18-hole Stableford competition had 73 players. Carolyn Hine (hcp 19) score 36 was Div. 1 winner. Monica Nordblom (hcp 24) score 39 was Div. 2 winner, and Robyn Hooper (hcp 32) score 40 won Div. 3. There were seven players in the 9-hole competition and Catherine Holbrook won (hcp 45) score 14 points. Congratulations to Nadine Martin on her eagle on the 13th.



Women's Captain Denise congratulating Monica and Robyn.

September 17 We had 66 players for a 9-hole Stableford competition off the front 9.

Division 1 winner was Leonie Taylor (hcp 18) score 20. Division 2 winner was Wendy Martin (hcp 20) score 19. Division 3 winner was Joy Vellios (hcp 39) score 25.



Division 3 winner Joy Vellios.

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



September 24 Bairnsdale Bowls Club generously sponsored our 18-hole competition. There were 70 players in our Stableford comp. Division 1 winner was Leonie Taylor (hcp 17) score 38. Division 2 winner was Sue Brook (hcp 26) score 36 on countback from Jenny Hemming. Division 3 winner was Llewella Patterson (hcp 43) score of 41.

The 9-hole competition had eight players competing. Gloria Barrack (hcp 30) won with 17 points. Elizabeth Hull was a close second with 16 points.

Congratulations to Chrissy Fisher and Johanna Wyllie on their win at Yarram Golf Course in the All Gippsland Foursomes Championships. They won both scratch and net in a day that held four seasons!

Congratulations to Johanna Wyllie for winning the All Gippsland Singles Championships, and congratulations to Chrissy Fisher for winning the net.



Coming Up:

29 September – 1 October Coltman Cup Country Teams at Mildura. Competing from East Gippsland: Jo Ballinger (Sale), Robyn Walker (Newry), Lucy Haussegger (South Pines), Sue Wood (Bairnsdale), Nadine Martin (Bairnsdale), Chrissy Fisher (Bairnsdale), Tania Holmes (South Pines), Maddison Kelly (Bairnsdale), and Carmel Cameron (Newry).

8 October – 12 October – 2025 Spring Annual Tournament at Lakes Entrance Golf Club.

15 October – Bairnsdale will host about 25 visiting players from Cowes.

15 – 19 October Tambo Valley Golf Club Tournament (entry forms available the club's website).

18 October – Bairnsdale Saturday women's badge playoff (see Julie Brittain for details).

18 & 19 October – Junior Country Teams at Heathcote Golf Club.

20 – 26 October - Bairnsdale Annual Tournament week (entry forms available now at the club).

27 October – Vets at Heyfield.

27 October – Women's Challenge Bowl at Rosebud Country Club.

27 October – Women's Challenge Bowl at Peninsula Kingswood Country Golf Club.

29 October – Bairnsdale Monthly Medal Playoff (final) for Marion Dwyer Brooch

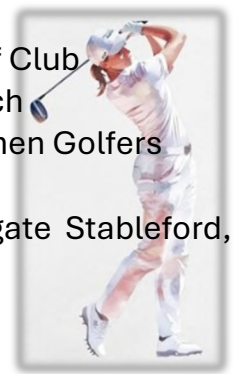
30 October – South Pines Golf Club 4BBB Stableford Event, Invitation to Women Golfers

13 November – Mandalay Ladies Bowl

17 November – The National Goblet 2025, Women's Teams Event Aggregate Stableford, Gunnamatta Course, Cape Schanck

Here's to an enjoyable round of golf, or two, or three, or....

Denise.





Spring has sprung!



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**Kind Regards,
Matt Portelli**



Affiliate Program

COURSE MANAGEMENT - SEPTEMBER 2025

Craig Rimington



September has been exceptionally dry and windy only recording 9mm rain.

The start of the month had seen us host the Dale CADD Associates Pro – Am.

Mid-month had seen us undertake greens renovations. Greens were hollow tined with 8mm tines, cores collected, greens cleaned, amendments applied, around thirty-two tonnes of sand applied, rubbed and brushed in.

We now prepare for the upcoming Annual Tournament, mid-October and the start of the Bowls Club and Pennant season.

Course Management Practices undertaken during September have included: -

Preparations for day to day running of all Club events Golf & Bowls; greens aeration 8mm hollow tine; conclusion of vegetation works as per tree audit; IPM spray management programs; weed control, bunkers, and tee surrounds; machinery maintenance and general course maintenance practices.

Greens

Greens have been 8mm hollow tine aerated, granular amendments and fertilizer applied. Greens have been treated with liquid fertilizer, wetting agent, preventative fungicide and insecticide applications. A Grooming/Verti cutting, and sand dusting program will commence late October. We will re-commence the second season of Couch/Kikuyu grass encroachment spraying.

Bowling Greens

Both greens have been treated with multiple fungicides for ERI and BF1 – (Fairway patch), greens have been fertilized, liquid inoculants applied and 1st application of wetting agent.

The bottom green renovation will take place after the Ladies invitational event.

Tees

Divoting tees has been on a fortnightly or as needs basis. Tees have been sprayed for Black beetles and early season application of miticide has been applied to minimize mite damage. Tees will be liquid and granular fertilized during October.

Heavy sand topdressing of select tees to take place.

Fairways

Fairways, general maintenance has taken place for the month, Fertilizer, Miticide, Growth Regulator and Herbicide applications will take place during October, as the Herbicide products used can be highly mobile with foot traffic spraying of these products will require closure of holes to complete. We aim to complete spraying in suitable weather and plan for Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

Weed spraying in Roughs and out of play areas are underway.

Bunkers

General maintenance, weed spraying, leaf litter removal.

Vegetation

Completion of Tree works for this period (13 weeks), completed High risk trees, stump grinding and clean up.

STAFF/OH&S

Create/ add/ update E – Par WHS system, staff training compliance.

COURSE MANAGEMENT - SEPTEMBER 2025 (cont.)

Machinery

General maintenance taking place as required.

Rainfall

September 2024 **78.5 mm (no. rain days 16)**

Year to date 2024 **563 mm**

September 2025 **9 mm (no. rain days 4)**

Year to date 2025 **484.5 mm**



Temperature Averages

Ave Min – 10 degrees

Ave Max – 21 degrees

Works Program for October 2025 to include: -

Preparation for all Club and corporate events Golf and Bowls; post - emergent herbicide spraying fairways/ greens surrounds, roughs; selective herbicide applications greens for (Couch/Kikuyu). Path repairs (crushed rock); machinery maintenance; IPM Control Program; Couch/Kikuyu grass encroachment herbicide spraying applications.

Issues which may arise from Committee meeting. Works program may vary due to weather conditions.

Craig Rimington
Course Superintendent



SUNDAY GOLF - SEPTEMBER 2025

Geoff Brooks

Sunday Sept. 7th attracted a small field of 32 players with the winners being Judy Elliott (33) with 38 pts and Kelvin Brown (31) with 40 pts. Congratulations to both.

The following week we had Carolyn Hine (19) successful on a countback from Jan Critchlow (45) with 39 pts, whilst in the men's section Kelvin Brown (3) was once again the victor with 36 pts.

On Sunday 21st we presented a 4BBB Stableford event which attracted a great field of 64 players, with the winners being Mary and John McAuley with a staggering 50 pts. A very big congratulations to them! The unlucky runners-up were Mel and Don May and Judy and Allan Stewart, both pairs with 49 pts.

A good field of 54 players contested on the final Sunday of September and saw Mel May (15) with 40 pts defeat Helen Dennison (30) by one point whilst in the men's competition Les Coles (10) beat David Clack (12) on a countback with 41 pts.

With the springtime elements now in full force, and our course emerging beautifully I expect that we will continue to see excellent scores over the coming months.

Good Golfing everyone,

Geoff B.



Mel May being
congratulated by Geoff.

HISTORY **Ron Healey - Historian**

**ANOTHER PAGE FROM THE REPORTS THAT BEV YEATES HAS
PROVIDED FROM HER SEARCHING THROUGH 'TROVE'.
THIS COVERS THE AGM'S 1932 & 1933.**



The AGM for 1932 was held on a Wednesday night in March at the Soldiers' Club rooms.

The Annual Report and Balance Sheet which were previously published in the Advertiser were adopted on the motion of the Chairman and Mr. R. Brownlow.

In answer to enquiries the Chairman said that the falling off in receipts as compared with those of the previous year was due to £60 less being received from the Tournament.

In 1930 the receipts were much larger than usual due to the Gippsland Championships being contested at Bairnsdale that year. The other reason for the fall off was that subscriptions were down by £20.

Dr Alsop pointed out that last year the Club had been put to a heavy expense on account of the abnormal growth of grass on the links, and under the circumstances they had done well to show a profit of £30.

Election of Office Bearers: - President Mr. E.M. Morrison, Captain Mr. J.L. Jackson, Hon.

Treasurer & Secretary: Mr. S.A. Morrison, Committee Dr. C.J. Alsop, Messrs. R. Brownlow, C. E. Goodman, E.H. Charles, A.H. Morecroft, M. McIlroy, D.R. Dunoon and N.C. La Gerche: Auditor Mr. Frank Holloway.

The Subscriptions were fixed at the same rate as last year. Some discussions were held to reduce the age of Junior members to 18 years, but it was decided that it should remain at 20.

It was also suggested that the Annual Subscription be fixed at £2/2/-, with the Committee be empowered to make a levy of 10/6 if necessary.

This proposal was also defeated, members expressing the view that as the Club was showing a profit no attempt should be made to increase the members fees, although it was admitted that desirable improvement could be made with additional revenue.

The general opinion was that any increase in membership fees would react against the interests of the Club under the prevailing financial conditions.

(I am not quite old enough to remember it, but the early thirties were the years of the Great Depression with unemployment at around 30%).

Opening day was fixed for March 19, It was decided to play a mixed foursomes (Choose partners and choose opponents). Trophies will be donated by the President and members will be entertained at afternoon tea by the President's wife.

Votes of thanks were passed to Mr Bert Morecroft for his services as greenkeeper, Club members were extremely grateful for the excellent attention he gave to the greens. Also, the ladies were thanked for providing afternoon teas at the Tournament.

The AGM for 1933 was held at the Soldiers' Club rooms in March on a Wednesday evening. The President Mr E.M. Morrison presided.

The Annual Report disclosed a very satisfactory state of affairs.

HISTORY (cont.)

Once again, the report stated, we are able to congratulate members on another successful year. There was an increase of 12 in the number of Members to 98 but the Associate membership decreased by 5 to 90.

The Balance Sheet shows a difference of £27/1/5, between receipts and expenditure, thereby reducing the overdraft at the National Bank. The expenditure was £191/13/9 for the year on wages, being an increase of £39/1/- on the previous year, the Committee purchased a new Horse mower at a cost of £30/5/3, (boy some bargaining went on there), and a spiked roller £13/7/6, which are doing excellent work. (The major fuel cost was chaff in those days).

Though the achievements of members in the Royal and Ancient game were not so successful as in previous years, a high standard of golf was maintained. With so many promising young players coming on, prospects for the future look exceedingly bright.

The Club Championship was won by Mr Len Morecroft, with Mr Roy Potter runner up. Presided over by Mrs. S. Brownlow and with Miss P. Jackson as Secretary the Associates again had a successful year. They cannot be too highly praised for the manner in which they assisted throughout the year.

The Associate Championship was won by Mrs. W.P. Heath with Miss M. Nixon runner-up. Mrs. W.P. Heath proved the standard of Gippsland's Associate golf when she was runner-up in the Associate's Country Championship of Victoria.

During the coming season your Committee hopes to sand bunker the course and erect new tees which should greatly improve it.

The following donated trophies: Messrs. E.M. Morrison, I Travers, D. Brownlow, J.L. Jackson and F J Kyle.

The Annual Report and balance sheet were adopted on the motion of the president and Mr. W. P. Heath.

Election of Office-bearers:-

President: Mr. J. L. Jackson; captain: Mr. R. Brownlow; committee: Messrs E. H. Charles, D. Dunoon, C. E. Goodman, A. R. McArthur, L. Melroy; A. Morecroft, E. Morrison, H. J. Pallot; Auditor: Mr F. Holloway; hone. Secretary: Mr S. A. Morrison.

Life Membership conferred on Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Alsop

The president said all members of the club would regret the absence of Dr. C. J. Alsop from the meeting, as he had been one of the most regular and enthusiastic members.

Mr E. M. Morrison, in moving the motion that Dr and Mrs. C. J. Alsop have life memberships conferred upon them as a mark of appreciation of their long association with the club, said Dr Alsop was one of the foundation members of the club, and he was sure in the intervening years the doctor must have attended thirty annual meetings. It was a matter of regret to all of them that Dr Alsop could not continue to play golf, and as the time had come for him to discontinue his active association with the game, members felt they would like to show their appreciation of the long association of both Dr and Mrs. Alsop with the club. The motion was seconded by Mr La Gerche and unanimously agreed to.

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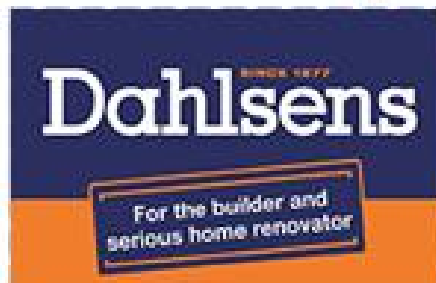
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The Bairnsdale golf tournament attracted a large and representative entry. 1. Dr. C. Alsop and Dr. Mitchell, junior champion. 2. Miss C. Tuckey, ladies champion of Gippsland. 3. Mr. Len Morecroft, Gippsland's champion golfer. Miss Marion Nixon, junior winner. 4. Mr. Stewart Morrison, secretary of the Bairnsdale Club, and Mr. N. C. La Gorchio, secretary of the tournament. 5. Mr. A. H. Morecroft, captain of the winning team (Bairnsdale) for the Beckett Cup, Mr. J. Brown, Mr. J. Jackson and Mr. L. Morecroft. 6. Miss Gwen Dunbar and Mrs. E. H. Charles. 7. Miss M. Nixon, Miss C. Tuckey, Miss Frost-Samuels, Mrs. Scows, Mrs. W. Heath, Mrs. Leslie, Miss Anderson, Mrs. Dann and Miss S. O. Brvan.

Another day at the forum ..

"Played yesterday with a 36 handicapper, who was about 110 in the shade. It was a good day out and I was paired with her which made it more fun. But by 12-13 holes we were falling behind the group in front. We were 150 metres up the fairway from the old duck. As I said, she must have been nearly 100 years old, so there's only so much 'hurrying up' she could do. Add to that it was a very hilly course."

"When you said 'old' I didn't realise she was that old! Maybe you should have offered her a piggy back?"

"I was tempted but she had enough trouble pushing her buggy up the hills, let alone carrying another 100 kg?"

Superstitions

"If I mark my ball at all - I only ever use a flower. If I really want to have a good game I make sure I eat baked beans for breakfast and I wear my 'lucky' black undies (no connection to the previous meal choice) and I sing a rendition of "Fly Me To The Moon" while driving in my car up the hill to the course."

"I don't knock superstitions much, they are a powerful psychological tool for most people...equally a tool of both good and bad though. That's why I don't have any, I got enough issues."



Where's Wally?

Can you find Wally?
He is in this edition
somewhere.
This is where he was
in July P. 15



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