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Ringwood Golf Club

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Message from the President

G'day to all members of the Ringwood Golf Club. I hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas/New Year season and have made a great start to 2011.

We have enjoyed many successful events in the past few months with October/November being especially busy. Our ladies hosted many other VWGL clubs in their annual 'Ringwood Bowl' event. The club also hosted the Presidents/Secretary/Captains Day for the VGL with over 100 committee members from other V.G.L. clubs attending. It was fantastic the glowing feedback we received from these events both for the golf course and our fantastic club rooms.

Our third annual charity day was also held in November. This proved to be an outstanding success raising \$8000 for our two nominated charities. These cheques for \$4000 each were presented in December to representatives from Eastern Palliative Care and Uniting Care Options. Many thanks must go to Kerry Kennett and her very diligent, hard working committee for this terrific effort.



The social committee also revived our 'Christmas Party' in December and it was very well attended by members and guests. We are looking forward to many other great social events in 2011. Please check the social board next to the bar for upcoming dates.

On the golfing side I am very proud of the fact we have a junior pennant side representing Ringwood this season for the first time in quite a while. The work done by our match committee, parents and volunteers over the past two years to nurture our junior program and allow us to once again have a Junior Team and to introduce these young people into competitive golf is a fantastic achievement. Well done to all involved. By the time of print of this newsletter our Club Championships will be underway or perhaps finished but I wish everyone the best of luck during this competition.

We have a large range of pennant teams again this year and it would be great to have your support around the course during the season. Good luck to all of our teams in 2011.

On signing off I would like to thank the committee/helpers for the continued hard work in the running of our great club. If you think you can help out in any way please let us know.

Enjoy your golf.

Geoff Wallis
President

DRESS CODE

Please take note of the Ringwood Golf Club's dress code on competition days. We have the Dress Code guide lines up just inside the front door if you are unsure. It is important that we maintain a good standard of dress both on and off the course. If you see a member that is not dressed in the accepted attire please alert a [committee member](#) so we can take an appropriate course of action.

Sid Warner - 1914-2011

The Ringwood Golf Club would like to acknowledge the passing of Sid Warner, aged 94, on 4th February 2011. Sid was a past member of the RGC and will be sadly missed.

A private cremation was held for family and friends.

How to Mark a Golf Ball on the Putting Green

Marking the golf ball on the putting green is a common occurrence. So you better know the correct procedure.

Step 1

Place a small coin (or similar ball marker) directly behind your golf ball on the putting green.

Step 2

Pick up your golf ball.

Important: Make sure your ball marker is on the ground before lifting the ball. Never lift the ball and then place a marker where the ball was. Place marker first, lift ball second!

Step 3

When ready to replace your golf ball on the ground, put it back on the green directly in front of your ball marker.

Step 4

Pick up your ball marker. As with Step 2, make sure you do Step 4 in the proper order. Which is: **Place ball back on ground, then lift your ball marker.**

And that's it. Pretty simple, eh?



Juniors@Ringwood

Although beaten on the day (away at Brighton) our team played very well considering it was their first competitive match. Two of the matches went to the 18th hole one a half and one a win. The match was played in good spirit with all competitors showing great sportsmanship and etiquette. Overall the Ringwood Club can be very proud of our team as were the team manager caddies and parents who attended.



<u>Adam Scott Division</u>			
Rd1	Centenary Park (1)	9 v	Australasian 1
	Brighton	7 v	Ringwood 3
Rd 2	Australasian	5 v	Brighton 5
	Ringwood	5 v	Centenary Park (1) 5
Rd 3	Ringwood	8 v	Australasian 2
	Centenary Park (1)	7 v	Brighton 3
Rd 4	Australasian	2 v	Centenary Park (1) 8
	Ringwood	7 v	Brighton 3
Rd 5	Brighton	0 v	Australasian 0
	Centenary Park (1)	0 v	Ringwood 0
Rd 6	Australasian	0 v	Ringwood 0
	Brighton	0 v	Centenary Park (1) 0
		Ladder	
	Centenary Park (1)	14	29
	Ringwood	10	23
	Brighton	6	18
	Australasian	2	10

<u>Geoff Ogilvy Division</u>			
Rd1	Royal Park	0 v	Centenary Park (2) 10
	Riverside/Ess	7 v	Camberwell 3
Rd 2	Centenary Park (2)	5 v	Riverside/Ess 5
	Camberwell	5 v	Royal Park 5
Rd 3	Camberwell	5 v	Centenary Park (2) 6
	Riverside/Ess	8 v	Royal Park 2
Rd 4	Centenary Park (2)	8 v	Royal Park 2
	Camberwell	3 v	Riverside/Ess 7
Rd 5	Riverside/Ess	0 v	Centenary Park (2) 0
	Royal Park	0 v	Camberwell 0
Rd 6	Centenary Park (2)	0 v	Camberwell 0
	Royal Park	0 v	Riverside/Ess 0
		Ladder	
	Centenary Park (2)	14	29
	Riverside/Ess	14	27
	Camberwell	2	16
	Royal Park	2	9

Junior pennant results and ladder

Social@Ringwood

Social events for 2011

Please put these dates in you diary so you don't miss out on any of our great social activities over the coming months.

Away trip 5& 6 March - Cancelled

This trip has been cancelled as the start of the Club Championships was delayed. We would like to invite you all to come along and help us celebrate the winners. All members are welcome.

Trivia night - Saturday July 23rd

Watch the Social board for more information closer to the date.

Club golf trip to Deniliquin – 7, 8 & 9 October

Social will start taking bookings and money at the end of March. Get in early as there are only 40 spots.

Cost per person \$145.00

You get: 2 nights accommodation, 2 cooked breakfasts, 2 rounds of golf (Saturday and Sunday).

For an additional \$15.00 per person you can enjoy a porterhouse steak, sausage, pattie and salad.

Annual Club presentations

More information will come later in the year. This year will be bigger and better, just you wait and see!

Christmas Party Saturday 10th December

Come along and enjoy an afternoon for fun and get to meet people from around the Club. Last year we had a great turn out 50 booked and 80 turned up. We have lots of give a ways and great food so make sure you mark this one in your calendar.

Powerball

The winners for our second Powerball were: Roger B X 2, Gary C, Bob Canet, Nick Plant, Andy Hoad X 2, Corinne Dyer, Cameron Constable and Frank Pickering.

You have to be in it to win it all you need to do is to choose your lucky number and pay your money. For more information see the Social notice board.

Talent - Do you have any?

Social is looking for any one who can sing, dance, mime, play any instrument, or anything else to entertain us (be nice).

If you do have any talent or even don't but are game to have a go, come and see me or put your name on the notice board list.

I would like to thank everyone who helped me out last year – Social could not function without you all.

Colleen Martin



New members

The Ringwood Golf Club would like to welcome to following new members to the Club:

Men: Glenn Trott, Kevin Brew, Alan Lau, Dominic Curtain, John Waugh, Ruan Zheng

Ladies: Fiona Homans, Laurel Wheatley

Juniors: Angus Puddy, Jayden Harris

Heathcote 2011

The weekend of Friday 3rd June to Sunday 5th June has been booked for the annual non-RGC sanctioned (unofficial) annual Heathcote golf weekend.

While the weekend is primarily a “boy’s away weekend”, ladies are welcome to come as day-trippers to play on Saturday or to source other local accommodation and join in for a fun, relaxed, social and golf weekend. The weekend provides a great opportunity for new (and established) members to get to know fellow RGC members in an environment other than on the Golf Course.

The itinerary for those choosing to participate in all activities on the weekend is:
Accommodation Friday & Saturday nights – Commercial Hotel, shared rooms (men only) allocated or by request. Beds are limited, so it will be a case of first paid first in!

Friday – 18 hole stableford (with a “skins” comp on the side) at Kilmore Golf Club on the way up.

Friday twilight – drinks at the Heathcote GC to meet the HGC members and participate in their ‘Friday Raffle’

Friday night – unplanned evening but recommend the great counter meals at the Commercial with a few beers in the bar!

Saturday am – 18 hole per Heathcote GC comp-of-the-day. Day-trippers and RGC members with alternative accommodation arrangements can either play in the morning group or join with the Heathcote GC members for their official afternoon round – or, the keen ones can play in both!

Saturday pm – free time to enjoy the local offerings – wine tasting, tours or the traditional punt at the local TAB. This is a ‘Bye’ weekend for the local footy team.

Saturday night – presentation dinner in the Commercial Hotel Bistro (I’m looking forward to another of their oversized, tender and inexpensive steaks) followed by party time and challenger’s pool table in the bar.

Sunday am – 9 hole stableford ‘sick parade’ golf challenge - \$5 in and winner takes all!
Then home for a well deserved rest!

Please direct enquiries and bookings to Brian Cullen 0403 819 933.

For sale

Are you after a new pair of men’s Addidas Golf Shoes in a size 10 for \$50.00 (ONO)? Contact George on 0407 255 548.

How Remembrance Day came about

Many members that are no longer with us were greatly involved on various committees, but not all of them, some were mad golfers. Most of all, everyone in those early years just loved the social and friendly atmosphere of the club.

Twice a year we went away for long weekends of golf. The various stories that evolved from these weekends have become legendry. It was no surprise that they were a close knit bunch. Each one who passed became a great loss to everyone involved in the club.

The club started in the sixties and there are still a few founding members that would remember all those who have 'gone before'.

The first tragic loss for the club was the great **Alf Johns**.

Shortly after Alf was followed by **Eric Kimberley**. Apart from being great friends, these two guys were inseparable on the course, that is until they reached the sixteenth hole, that was when Eric would invariably take to the left, hence "the tree".

Although the men tried to have a competition in their honour, it was not until Von Purchase – who was a wonderful lady member - passed away. It was then that the ladies got together and started what we know today as "Remembrance Day".

Von's husband Jack, who was another great member, died shortly after, thus starting the Purchase Family Day.

Sadly in 1996 my wife Noela Johnston passed away, who apart from being a most well-loved member, was also a very competent and hardworking committee member. Noela was also club handicapper.

The same can be said for the lovely Doris Watkins whose family held a very successful memorial day in her honour for many years.

There have been a number of members who have died since then, and I for one think of each and every one of them with fond memories.

As the club matured and more people passed away, Dennis Fredericks, Mick Halland Syd Warner to name a few, it became obvious that the club could not support holding a Memorial Day every month or so in their memory.

Hence the committee of recent years decided, and rightly so, that a day should be set aside once a year in memory of all those club members that have passed away would be more appropriate.

On closing, I would like to see this day as a fun day for all members who play on Remembrance Day, with presentations to bring attention to those that went before, and their invaluable contribution to our Club.

Dave Johnston

Check out our new website – it's fantastic

Have you checked out our new look website yet? Steve Evans has worked hard to make sure that our new look website is user friendly and it looks great. You will also see that our scores now go up straight after competitions, which is great for those of us who think they may be in the running for a prize.

Congratulations Steve and thanks for the hours you put in to get it right.

Go to: <http://www.ringwoodgc.com>



Geoff introducing and handing over a \$4000 cheque to UCCO, one of the two charities supported over the last three years.

Ringwood Golf Club Charity Day Two worthy charities required

The Ringwood Golf Club Charity Committee is still looking for some local charities to donate the proceeds raised by the Ringwood Golf Club annual charity golf day. Proceeds are divided between two selected charities and we are looking to club members to help us out. Do you know of a local charity that we can support? Big or small, it doesn't matter.

Please submit your ideas with details of your nominated Charity by placing your nomination in the office pigeon hole, and marked to the attention of Charity Day Sub-Committee.

Justin Kyatt – RGC Charity Committee Chair

Ladies@Ringwood

Trophy presentations

The culmination of another successful golf year for the ladies was the trophy presentation and Christmas lunch.

Seventy three ladies enjoyed another delicious lunch supplied by Uptown Catering and we were entertained by Kaye Unwin and her team. Thanks for the laughs girls.

We would also like to thank the many members who helped set up the clubrooms and those who helped on the day. Special thanks to Gary Walker for taking on bar duties.

2010 Club Champion: Mary Day

Runner up: Anna Tie

Winner for overall net: Maureen Brown

B Grade: Gross: Kaye Unwin

Nett: Lucy Gannon

C Grade: Gross: Jill Baker

Nett: Karen Lambert

Congratulations to our major prize winners and to all those who won many of the various awards on offer.

Thanks to John Mulvogue for allowing the ladies to set up the room as soon as the Wednesday competition presentations have finished as some ladies needed to be away by 6 30pm.

Pennant

The first round of pennant is to be played on Monday 4th April and this year we are fielding three teams. If anyone is interested in helping out as an emergency please contact Bev Armstrong.

40 years at Ringwood

The 40th Anniversary of the ladies section of the Ringwood Golf Club will be celebrated with the serving of 'High Tea' at the completion of the golf competition on Thursday 7th April. We are hoping that many playing and social lady members of the club will be able to attend this very special event. Look out for notices around the club and maybe try and fit this date into your working day if possible.

Mixed multiplication

There will be a Mixed Multiplication Stableford event on Thursday May 19th. (Not a good event to wipe holes, but a lot of fun and the food is great.)

These days are very popular so put the date in your diary and look out for notices. Golf is followed by BBQ lunch.

Library

Barbara Blount and Colleen Jackson have taken over the organization of the library from Clare Williams who has moved to Mornington. Thanks to Clare for all the hours you put into the library.

All the photos are taken by our resident photographer, Joan Cullen, who knows how to capture the moment.

Lastly, thanks go to Tony, from Heathmont Baker's Delight who supplies the club with all the bread needed for our BBQS and lunches. We appreciate his generosity and encourage members to support his business.





Jill Baker – C Grade Champion – Mary Day – Club Champion and Kaye Unwin - B Grade Champion (in order of appearance)



Gary Walker plays Santa behind the bar.



Judy Sheehan



Ros Hay receives the VWGL Outstanding Service Award for her untiring contribution to the Ringwood Ladies Golf Club



Enjoying Christmas lunch
Jan Thomas and Joan Trengove (life member)



Nonagenarian – Ruth Stewart
Octogenarians – Jean Magee, Pat Fogarty, and Val Collins (absent)



Shafuta send in this photograph showing us what a wonderful sunny holiday they had in Fiji.

Track notes from Yering Meadows – Roy Turner

First time (every time!) users beware! Take plenty of old balls.

The Eastern Vets played Yering Meadows in December and I did a snap survey of ten 4's after the game on the number of balls lost.

The result: 0.7 balls lost per group of four!

The stats: Ninety odd players; some 240 balls consigned to the golf Gods. **Awesome!**

From the Pro Shop

What a topsy turvy summer weather-wise, hot one week and under water the next!

However, life in the Pro Shop goes on and we have welcomed a new member of staff (Troy) to our team. Watch out for big changes to the shop layout and presentation in the coming months.

We are progressively introducing more leading brands to our merchandise range, including Eagles Bags, Smoothy Buggies, Footjoy and Sports Leisure clothing (both men's and women's.)

And there's more to come.

The sale of the Footjoy Super Lite shoes (\$79.95 pr) proved very popular and many members now look very well shod indeed.

Our March special

Buy a Footjoy FLX Glove (\$14.95) and get a 20% discount on any Titleist ball purchase.

Please Note: Members of the Ringwood Golf Club are automatically entitled to a 10% discount on all hardware items available in the shop - the occasional exception may be selected clearance lines.

See Nick or any of the Pro shop staff for help – we look forward seeing you in the shop soon.

SEE YOU ACROSS THE COUNTER SOON!!!!

Drop in before or during the game and tackle the next nine energized with fantastic food fortification!

Do you want to receive this newsletter by email?

Let me know by emailing me at: corinne.dyer@dtf.vic.gov.au

We are always looking for stories for our newsletter so please feel free to send me an email at corinne.dyer@dtf.vic.gov.au or leave me your story in the Treasurers pigeon hole in the office.

So you think you've had a bad day!

I get to the dentist after a horrific round at Eastwood in the morning. I was in all the trees, in all the bunkers, putts – gone to putt, shanked over the top of a playing partner. Front nine - 8, back nine 13.

Anyway I told the dentist all this and he said that was nothing, "I was lucky. His wife (the secretary) broke her right index finger with an 8 iron the other day!"

I spoke to her after my treatment. Apparently she had piled her 8 iron straight into the ground. Now she can't wash her hair - amongst other things!

Cheers Roy

A Wee Scot Tale

A golfer is cupping his hand to scoop water from a Highland burn on the St Andrews course.

A groundskeeper shouts: 'Dinnae drink tha waater! Et's foo ae coo's shite an pish!'

The golfer replies: 'My Good fellow, I'm from England. Could you repeat that for me in English?'

The keeper replies: 'I said, use two hands - you'll spill less that way!'

Important Medical News for You!

If you can't afford a doctor, go to an airport - you'll get a free x-ray and a complimentary pat down, and if you mention Al Queda, you get a free colonoscopy!

Thank you

To the anonymous member who placed a large bag of Lebanese Cucumbers on the bar for members to help themselves a big thank you is extended!

Yes, I know, it isn't the first such deed. But, this token of appreciation may encourage other members to bring their excess garden produce in to share with fellow members rather than allowing it to rot on the vine.

Saturday morning BBQs

And, while on the subject of appreciation, without naming names, a big thank you to the newer members who were approached to help with recent Saturday morning BBQs. 100% uptake on the invitations – great effort boys!

A reminder to all members – all BBQs are cooked by volunteers and any help is appreciated. Please, don't wait to be asked – if you can spare a small amount of time after your game and would like help with the BBQs please refer your willingness to the RGC catering coordinator, Graham Mahoney, or to other members of our Committee.



Flood appeal

Money was raised by members of the Ringwood Golf Club to assist those who suffered losses during the recent floods in Queensland and Victoria.

Money raised came from:

Ladies	\$200.00
Men	\$57.60
Club	\$292.40
Total	\$550.00

\$275.00 went to the Queensland flood appeal and \$275.00 to the Victorian appeal.

Thank you all for your generous donations.

RGC Committee

2011 Club Championships

A Grade and Club Champion:

Grant Stack 288

B Grade: Geoff Wallace 330

C Grade: T Phillipson 340

D Grade: T Goodey 355

Trophy: T Goodey 249

Snr Trophy: W Barnes 269

Summer Cup: Julie Barrett 280



Well done to Richard Kloss who had a hole-in-one on the 5th.



Our congratulations go to all the winners on the day

In Loving Memory of
Michael George Watson
AGED 67 YEARS
BORN - GLOUCESTERSHIRE, UNITED KINGDOM, 04 / 03 / 1943.
PASSED AWAY - WANTIRNA, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA, 21 / 02 / 2011.
THE FUNERAL SERVICE WAS HELD AT
ST RICHARDS CATHOLIC CHURCH, KILSYTH
ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2011, AT 11.00 A.M

