

RGC 50TH ANNIVERSARY WINNERS

GEOFF WALLIS - PRESIDENT

From the President

by Geoff Wallis

G'Day members,

I hope everyone has enjoyed their golf through the summer season. For the first time in quite a few years we have had an uninterrupted schedule and it's fair to say our course is in as good condition as it's ever been.

We held our 50th year of the Ringwood Golf Club celebrations during the last week of January and each one of our golf fields for the week was stretched to the limit. We had 177 past and present members attend our Sunday presentation afternoon tea. It was great to see old friends catching up for a chat and remembering great moments from the past. To all of our helpers throughout what was an extremely busy time, a very big "thank you", in particular my fellow sub-committee members of Chas, Corinne, Judy and Des. I stated on our Sunday presentation day that as President that I could not be more proud of our great club and the way that it has progressed through the years.

Our Club Championships in February were also once again a great time around the club. Congratulations to all of our prize winners in their respective grades, in particular to our two Club Champions, Chris Jones and Mei Lee.

We have also, through December and January, completed the exterior rendering/painting of our clubrooms and I am sure that you will agree the result looks brilliant!

Pennant is well underway for ladies and seniors and our scratch and handicap sides commence in mid-April. Good luck to all and keep representing Ringwood with pride.

Please keep in mind that we are always looking for helpers to volunteer some time and effort to keep the club running the way we have come to expect.

See you around the club.

Joffa

Fore! RGC Newsletter April 2016

"If I'm on the course and lightning starts, I get inside fast. If God wants to play through, let him."

- Bob Hope

GolfTrainingAndPracticeGear.com

Congratulations goes out to ERIC YONG for what has to be the trick shot of the year.

We hear that you had a hole-in-one the other day Eric. Apparently (!) you teed off the 12th and managed to drop your ball in the 2nd hole! What a trick shot that was. Well done!

RGC celebrates 50 glorious years

Past and present members got together on 31 January to celebrate our 50th anniversary

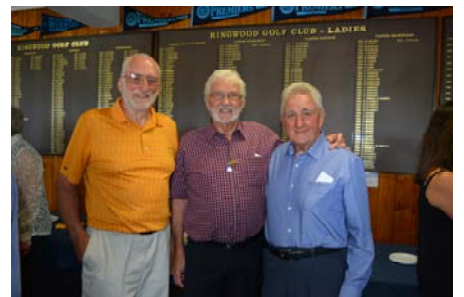
The Ringwood Golf Club held their 50th anniversary celebrations for all past and present members and their partners culminating on Sunday 31 January 2016.

The week was a resounding success with many members competing for commemorative trophies. Over 180 people attended the presentation and celebration on the Sunday and we would like to thank all who participated and contributed. It was wonderful to see so many come together to celebrate 50 years of golf at the Club.

We would also like to thank our sponsors, Maroondah Leisure, IGA Heathmont and East Ringwood and the Bendigo Bank Heathmont and East Ringwood for their generous support in what was a truly memorable occasion.









News from the Captain

A new prize management system is coming

A new Prize Management System will be implemented on June 1, 2016.

This new system will enable prizes [balls and vouchers] from any completion [Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday] to be accumulated in one system which will allow members to collect their prizes on any competition day.

The current system of separate sheets to track prizes will be phased out on May 31, 2016.

All members must collect their prizes accumulated on the current sheets by May 31 as the new system does not allow for any old prize winnings to be carried forward.

Please see one of the match committee [Lynton Forster, Graeme Miller, Bob Elsum, or Darren Walton] to collect your accumulated prizes.

Details of the new system processes will be provided in late May 2016. Keep an eye on the notice boards.

Ball Payouts

The committee wishes to advise all members that ball prices have increased recently. As such ball payouts for the following ball types will now be 2 for 1, that is for every 2 balls won by a member they can collect one of the following ball types:

- Titliest ProV1
- Titliest ProV1X
- TaylorMade Tour Preferred
- Srixon Z Star
- Bridgestone B330

All other ball types will remain as a 1 for 1 payout.

Clarification regarding grasses in bunkers

The grasses planted within the bunkers on the course are NOT garden beds.

A ball that comes to rest in one of these area must be played as per **Rule 13 Ball Played as it lies.**

Examples of the grass in bunkers



Need to know what our temporary local rules are?

Often the Match Committee applies a temporary local rule to accommodate course works, bird digging's etc. You will find all the temporary local rules on the board in the comp room. Make sure you check out these temporary rules before you commence your round EVERY time you play. It could save a few shots off your round!! 😊

Pennant update

Our two senior pennant sides are well in the running to play off in the finals.

The Finals will be played at Kingston Links Golf course in Rowville on April 21. Get down and support the squads if you can.

Our ladies pennant sides have put up some great efforts to date but it looks like neither side will make the finals.

Men's Handicap and Scratch pennant seasons commenced on April 10. There are some familiar faces and some new faces in both squads. The Handicap squad has three juniors playing this year and the Scratch squad has one.

Dates for the Scratch & Handicap games at Ringwood Golf Course are as follows. If you have some time please come down and support the teams, they will appreciate it!

- April 10 Scratch
- April 17 Handicap
- April 24 Handicap
- May 1 Handicap
- May 15 Scratch
- May 22 Scratch

The following website has all the result information if you would like to track all the pennant teams' progress.

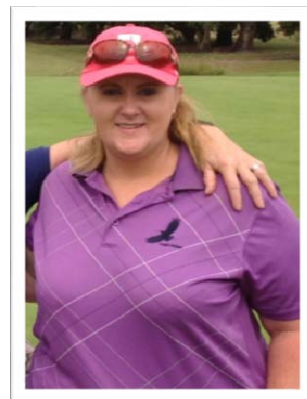
<http://golf.resultsvault.com/common/pages/public/rv/draw.aspx?entityid=40155>

Golf Skate Caddy

The motorised Golf Skate Caddy ride on units recently introduced by the ProShop for hire are considered to be a motorised buggy by the committee. As such any member wishing to use one of these Golf Skate Caddy units in RGC competitions and VGL events will need a medical certificate unless the club member is over 70 years of age.

Darren Walton – Club Captain

Joffa puts the spotlight on Donna Carter (Club Secretary)



Born:	7th May
Place of birth:	Box Hill
Siblings:	2 sisters & my little bro - Stuart
Schooling:	Southwood Primary and good old Ringwood Tech
Family:	Divorced. Two wonderful girls, Jess & Danni
Nickname:	Dee or Carts
Employment:	Anderson & Associates - just hit 20 years
First Job:	Working in a nursery, watering, weeding and potting up plants
When and where did you start playing golf:	Ringwood GC - just having a bash around with dad in my early 20s.
When did you join Ringwood Golf Club? Why did you choose RGC?	April 2005. Dad and Stu were already both members
Golfing Achievements:	Hole in 1 - 24 December 2005 (Merry Christmas to me) Summer Cup champ in 2014 and 2016
Best golf handicap and best score ever:	Best is my current handicap - 17.7 Best score - 83 in the last round of clubbies this year
Best golf course that you have played	Love the views at Narooma and the challenge of "Hogan's Hole"
Which Footy Team do you follow:	The mighty Hawks
Favourite music:	Love 80's music and a lot of current pop/rock stuff
Favourite Band/s	Depending on the mood I am in, either The Fray or Linkin Park
Favourite Food:	Medium rare steak covered in red wine jus
Favourite Drink:	Skinny Capp (or a midori)
Favourite colour	Green
Donna's 3 wishes:	Having a more consistent golf game My two girls being successful in their career paths Having a stress free life (although it might get boring after a while)
Donna's selected dinner party guests:	Taylor Swift - Love how she makes fun of herself Matt Damon - Smart and good looking Joffa - Smart and good looking Samuel Johnson - Absolute superstar in raising awareness and funds for breast cancer Jensen Ackles - My TV bad boy eye candy Matthew Reilly - Favourite author, I'm sure he could tell some great stories
Hobbies:	Gardening and keeping busy
Likes:	Going to the footy or watching a game on TV Having a good day betting on the ponies Watching a good action movie
Dislikes:	3 & 4 putting Lazy people at work
What 3 things would you take with you if dropped on a deserted island?	Endless supply of good books, alcohol and sunscreen
Some things we don't know about Donna:	Don't normally like watching golf on TV (would rather be out playing) Used to sell sausages on a Sunday at junior footy to Liam & Chris Hemsworth

Donna is the current, extremely hard working Club Secretary. For those that don't know, Donna's dad is Graeme Mahoney, our Club Handicapper.

Thanks for your time Dee, I look forward to our dinner with Taylor, Matt and our other friends. Cheers. Joffa.

Ladies@Ringwood

2016 Championship results

Club Champion – Mei Lee

B Grade Champion – Trish Perry

C Grade Champion – Jill Hill

Overall Handicap Champion – Sandra Luby

On the 10th of March we held our annual W.E.H.I. day (Walter and Eliza Hall Institute). It is the ladies one special charity day for the year and the funds raised go towards this very important research facility. As well as the usual \$5 donation per player, this year we held a craft table. Thank you to the ladies who donated goods to sell. We raised just over \$500.00. A fine effort and thank you to our very generous ladies. The Joan Cullen Trophy was presented to the overall winner on the day and it went to Anne Timms (32) with 46 points.

The ladies played Team Match Play on the 24th March, (Presidents verses Captains). It was great to see everyone getting into the spirit of the game. The Captains team had a narrow win over the Presidents team (10 to 9). Each winning team member received a prize of a hand cream or talc with some Easter Eggs.

Anne Timms

Ladies pennant

The ladies completed their pennant game season and had mixed results. They all played well ladies and hope for better luck next year.



Ladies Presentation Day 2015





Volunteers at Huntingdale

What a great few days we had. The weather, if not always kind to us, was at least OK. The gold was amazing and inspired us all.

Here's hoping that this event will run again this year.



Charity Day 2015

In December 2015 Barry Dempsey (Charity Day Chairman) handed over cheques to our two nominated charities, Eastern Palliative Care and Irabina.



2016 SENIOR PENNANT

SEASON RESULTS

Ringwood Blue, with 5 wins and 1 loss finished TOP OF THE LADDER
A very big improvement on 2015

Ringwood Gold, 2 wins, 1 sq., 1 loss
A tardy start (3 losses) cost them any chance of finals.

FINAL AT KINGSTON LINKS

Centenary Park White (3 wins, 2 halves = 8) def. Ringwood Blue (1 win, 2 halves = 4)

A disappointing result after being top team in Ossie Pickworth Division.

Players to score: Maurie Mawer (win), Geoff Ovens (sq.) and Dennis Philipson (sq.)



Labour Day Long Weekend 2016

The Labour Day Long Weekend has long been a popular “Away Game” for a small group of adventurous RGC Members. In recent years their preferred destination has been Heathcote, but for a bit of variety 2016 they decided to venture to Mansfield.

The golf course was in great condition. The course was moderately difficult, easy walking with fairly wide fairways and tight greens that are slightly on the quick side but very true. The Mansfield GC staff were fantastic. We were made very welcome and all played in the MGC Comp of the Day.

Our group enjoyed the excellent hospitality, comfortable rooms and great facilities provided by the Mansfield Valley Motor Inn. The motel was conveniently located mid-way between the town center and golf club (less than a 10 minute walk either way – and that is very important after a couple of refreshers!)

Self-catering was the order of the weekend, using the Motel BBQ located by the pool while enjoying a couple of ales on the lawns outside the rooms and mingling with other motel guests contributed to a thoroughly enjoyable and relaxed weekend.

Initial reservations have already been made with the Golf Club and Motel for a return Labour Day Long Weekend 2017. If you are interested in joining the group in 2017, Brian Cullen or Geoff Beer will be happy to provide further information.



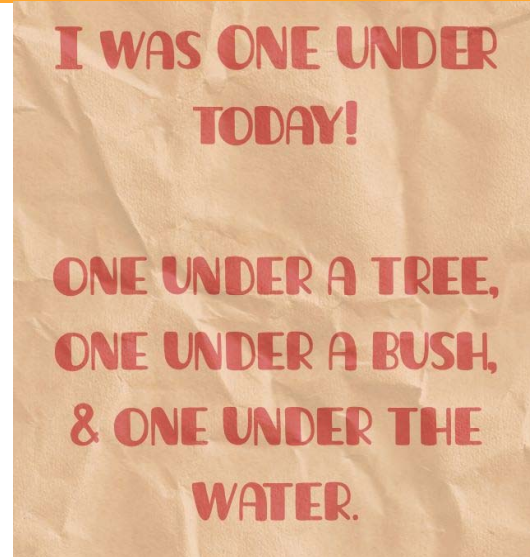
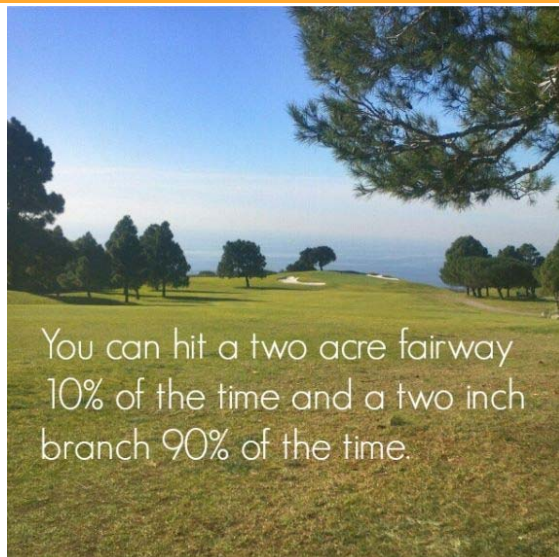
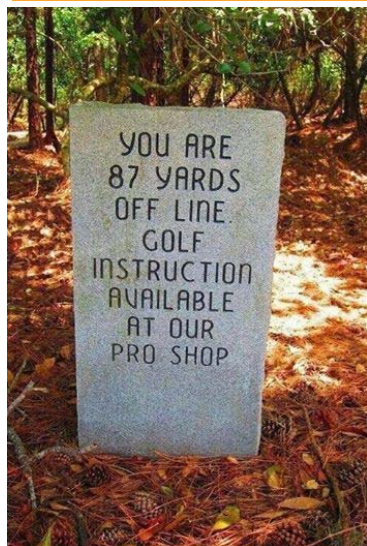
Dear Members

As you all aware Ringwood Golf Club is one of the strongest in the Victorian Golf League, having one of the highest memberships, better facilities than most, and it all seems to happen like clockwork. In reality, there is a tremendous amount of work, virtually all completely voluntary, that goes on behind the scenes to ensure that the club runs smoothly from both a golf and social perspective.

There are many ways that members can help – do not think that because you are new to the club, or no one has spoken to you about joining a committee or helping with an event that your efforts would not be greatly appreciated – quite the opposite, it is a great way to not only get to know more people around the club and learn how the place works, but there is great mutual respect among the volunteers as each knows that they and others have done their bit (often much, much more) to help out, giving back to the club for the fun and enjoyment that they themselves have enjoyed while a member.

The club is approaching a real crunch point in this respect – there is a very limited pool of volunteers, most of which work full time jobs and have families to manage as well, that are actively engaged in running the golf club. We have over 400 members, and with elections coming up in September for a number of officer positions we hope for a tsunami of nominations this year! However do not wait until then – please speak with one of your committee members about how you might like to get involved and join us in helping to keep RGC at the top of public access golf clubs, and make a lot of friends in the process!

From the Committee of Ringwood Golf Club (Geoff Wallis, Judy Sheehan, Glenn Paton, Darren Walton, Donna Carter, Ben Boyd, Helen King, Justin Kyatt and Nick Plant)



RGC Trading Post

Got something for sale or free to good home? Email cdyer01@gmail.com for your goods to go into the next quarterly newsletter.

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Golf Skate Caddy Champions

The inaugural Skate Caddy record time trial was held at Ringwood Golf Course recently – the Golf Pro did his 18-hole round in 43 minutes, the female Golf Pro in 45 minutes, the male amateur in 47.24 and our very own Mei Lee did it in 44.44. There were two tag team entries, a male and female team. The men completed their round in 47 minutes and the ladies in 1 hour 27 minutes.

Well done everyone.



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Ringwood golf trip away – 21 to 23 October 2016

The next club trip away will be held at Numurka. Check the Social noticeboard for more information, or have a chat to Nick Plant our social convenor.

Trivia night – Saturday 16 July

Our next trivia night has been organised for Saturday 16th July. More information coming soon.

X Golf Sunday Competition

We will be holding an X Golf Sunday comp during winter when the weather is so-so! The date is yet to be finalised but will be held at the House of Golf so make sure you check out the social notice board.

Keep a look out for information on the Social board and please support the clubs Social functions.

Nick Plant – Social

A book has been compiled especially for Big League Friday

This book on golf gives the reader valuable playing tips and insider information that I have gained through my 40+ years of experience.

Highlights include:

- Chapter 1) How to Properly Line Up Your Fourth Putt
- Chapter 2) How to Hit a Maxfli ball from the Rough When You Just Hit a Titleist from the Tee
- Chapter 3) How to Get More Distance off the Shank
- Chapter 4) When to Give the Curator the Finger
- Chapter 5) Proper Excuses for Drinking Beer Before 9:00 a.m
- Chapter 6) How to Find That Ball That Everyone Else Saw Go in the Water
- Chapter 7) How to Relax When You Are Hitting Three off the Tee
- Chapter 8) How to Relax When You Are Hitting Five off the Tee
- Chapter 9) When to Suggest Major Swing Corrections to Your Opponent

The book also includes the latest GOLF TERMS

- A Paris Hilton - an expensive hole
- A Diego Maradona - a very nasty 5 footer
- A Salman Rushdie - an impossible read
- A Rock Hudson - thought it was straight, but it wasn't
- A Cuban - needs one more revolution
- An Elton John - a big bender that lips the rim
- An Adolf Hitler - two shots in the bunker
- A Yasser Arafat - ugly and in the sand
- A Kate Winslett - a bit fat but otherwise perfect
- A Kate Moss - bit thin
- A Gerry Adams - playing a Provisional
- A Rodney King - over-clubbed
- An O. J. Simpson - got away with it
- A Princess Grace - should have taken a driver
- A Princess Di - shouldn't have taken a driver
- A Ladyboy - looks like an easy hole but all is not what it seems
- An elephant's arse - high and shitty
- A condom - safe but didn't feel real good
- A circus tent - a BIG top
- A sister-in-law - up there but I know that I shouldn't be

Once there was 10, then there was 4

In the first semi it was the minor premier Kayser taking on The Eastwood Boozers. Kayser where in the four all season and Eastwood came from the depths to force their way into the four late in the season. As usual Kayser played their most reliable line up of Brendan, Kenneth and John Mac. Eastwood left Butler out, continued with their form player in Nick Evans and it was their experienced campaigners in Robbie and James that rounded them out. Kayser Mauna Ocean, the easiest of courses hoping to take advantage of the shorter holes and wide fairways, but it was not to be. Boozers were rolling and knocked them over comfortably in the end but it was a gallant effort by Kayser. Between all six players they were a total of 23 better than handicap. Very well played all round.

Second semi had RGC taking the Badger Boys at Oyster Bay. Neither side fell out of the four all season. RGC stayed true to their winning formula with Tic Toc, Camo and Stacky, while Badger went with Casey, Heywood and The Emu. The early form from Emu suggested he was ready. He had a hole in one earlier in the day. It just wasn't to be, the ever reliable RGC held on. Stacky and Camo made too many birdies and closed it out. Honourable mentions to Soupy and Powelly from Badger for your efforts this season.

The Granny - RGC v Eastwood Boozers

Carb loading and electrolytes is what will be required. This week it will be an 18 hole marathon, Mano to Mano. Pre match entertainment is on, hands on hearts, this will be a tear jerker. It is forecast sell out, tickets are limited, call tickertek for further details. Special admission will be granted to anyone who knocks twice.

In the red corner, from fourth on the ladder, with a combined 18 hole handicap of 13, playing out of the Eastwood Golf Club are The Eastwood Boozers, represented by Siane "Blood Nut" Butler, Nick "Chip In" Evans and James "The Southpaw" Reid. (Attard is out prancing around Bangkok wearing nothing but eye shadow and a thong?)



In the blue corner, the Kings of Consistency, with a combined 18 hole handicap of 18, playing out of The Ringwood Golf Club are The RGC, represented by Ben "Tic Toc" Boyd, Cam "Whats the colour of a 2 cent piece" Constable, and Grant "I got nuthin on him" Stack.

RGC have the right of course choice. Royal Ringwood has been requested, but due to particularly inclement weather forecast and the shallow banks of Dandenong Creek about to burst, their default course of Oyster Bay is expected.



On the outside courts playing the age old traditional 9 hole format, fighting for third and fourth place will be Kayser and Badger, both teams looking to finish on a high.

Good Luck Legends

The next season is scheduled to start first week of May. I am already have new teams wanting to fill any withdrawals. I need to know this week what your plans are for next season. If I haven't hit you up yet, be ready (Club Hotel, Faders and Pots).

Grant Stack

Have you moved house? Changed your phone number? Changed your email address?

Then you need to log on to MiClub at ringwood.miclub.com.au and make your changes. Your user name is your membership number i.e. 123 or 9999, your password is the day and month of your birth i.e. 0110 (1 October).

Make your changes now to help us get our database right.

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Have you been away somewhere fantastic and what to share your experiences? Do you have any interesting facts and figures you just know everyone will want to hear about?

Let me know and I will make sure your story and pictures get into the next edition of Fore!

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