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Fore! RGC Newsletter Sept. 2016

ALLAN PEAKE - PRESIDENT

From our President

by Allan Peake

Greetings all,

It has been 25 days since the AGM and I am still finding my way.

I have been greeted warmly by everyone but have a long way to go meeting members especially those who play Saturday. It is my intention to get around and introduce myself but I would be happy if those members who do not know me take the effort to introduce themselves.

I have chaired my first committee meeting and I am suitably impressed by the commitment of all of those who give of their time and talents. Add to those the many volunteers whose efforts assist in maintaining the many aspects of our club we are in very good hands.

The recent Mixed Memorial Day event was very well arranged and a credit to the organisers. A full club house, a good luncheon and a celebratory drink to toast the winners, what more could you ask. Did I mention who won? Helen King and her partner!

So far so good, many thanks for your support.



Subscriptions are due by 1 November 2016

Any member who has not paid their subscription by this date will have their Golflink number deactivated in the MiClub system.

Entry into any Club competition will not be permitted until payment has been made.

Late payments will attract a \$30 administration fee.

2015/16 Bay levy

Please note that the 2015/16 bar levy runs out on 31 October 2016. The 2016/17 bar levy commences 1 November 2016 with the payment of your annual subscription

Ringwood Golf Club Committee

From our past President – Geoff Wallis

G'day fellow members

We held our AGM on Tuesday 6th of September and had our best turnout in numbers for many years. After six years as President and two years as Vice President previous to that, it was my last official duty.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all committee members and various helpers at Ringwood Golf Club who I have worked with during this time, great people who run a

Hylton's Heroes

By Robert Shaw

Hylton's Heroes has continually attracted a reasonable number of entrants over the winter months. We have not had to cancel any rounds of golf there has been light showers during the game but not drenching rain fortunately.

Our oldest member, Neil Affleck, is 92 years of age (!) he is a very fit man and he enjoys the 9-hole event regardless of the golf score.

Hylton's Heroes offers the older golfers an opportunity to play golf at their own speed and remain playing the main advantage is that they are socialising and getting a bit of fresh air.

Retirees on the ball

In the early 1990s a number of Club members were entering retirement and wanted to play mid-week golf. At the time the only Club options were Saturday golf or twilight golf during the daylight saving period played on a Thursday. great club.

To all members thank you for your support, I was awarded a Life Membership at the AGM, I will treasure it, together with the friendships that I have made in my 40 years as a member.

I wish our new President Allan Peake all the best. I am very confident that he will be an excellent leader.

Cheers, see you around the club.

Joffa



Back row (left to right): Neil Finger (dec.) Bill Rogers, Mal Reid, Graeme Miller, Len Maynes, John Oliver, Graeme Fairbairn, John Mulvogue, Graham Mullenger, Lynton Forster, Liladhar Jeraj, Jeff Garmston, John Montagnat, Steve Chao, Bob Elsum, Jack Bailey, Peter Mason, Tom Dodd, Ross Lang, John Donald, Rob Shaw, Tim Laver.

Front row (left to right): Ian Farrall, Des Blyth, Bruce Corrigan, Craig Charles, Wally Barnes, Frank Waites.

So eight members started playing 9-holes on a Thursday after the twilight season for the year ended. This expanded as more retirees joined.

When Michael Bourke retired and joined the group he was able to get large meat pies to be prizes. So a competition called 'Mick's Masters' commenced.

Mick had family commitments that took a lot of his time so Hylton, who shared the competition, took over the reins. This was mid 1990s and Hylton's Heroes became the group title.

The next year or so saw the numbers increase and it was then that Barry Dempsey and John Mulvogue saw the time was right to introduce an 18-hole competition on a Wednesday and later a Monday mixed competition.

From little things big things grow.

The 'Heroes' continued to expand in numbers. Handicaps, grading's and prizes and an annual Christmas lunch.

Hylton retired at the end of 2014 after 18 years at the helm - a monumental effort for a man 87 years young.

The last two years 2015-2016 saw a changing of the guard with Robert Shaw now convener of the group, hoping he can maintain the high standard set by Hylton.

News from the Captain

Competition prize payouts and redemption process

Thanks to all members for their support of the match committee in the implementation of the new Competition prize management system.

Competition prizes are paid out at the after each competition following the announcement of the daily competition winners. In the case of the Saturday competition, this will be the following Saturday.

If a member doesn't collect their prize on the day, then the prizes are then accrued in the miClub system.

Want to know how many Balls or vouchers you have accrued? Just go into the comp room and have a look on the report on the wall just inside the door on the right side. This report is updated weekly.

Accrued Prizes can be collected on any competition day simply by filling in a prize redemption voucher [found on the wall in comp room under the Prizes Balances sign] and handing it to one of the authorised Match Committee members [see below] who will pay out the prizes.

Prize payouts and redemptions can only be done by the following RGC Match committee members:

Mens Captain & Mens Vice Captain,

Ladies Captain & Ladies Vice Captain,

Monday Competition Manager & Wednesday Competition Manager.

Men's Pennant 2016 wrap

Four men's teams competed in VGL Pennant in 2016. Thank you to all club members who gave their time for practice matches and the pennant rounds to represent the club.

I would also like to thank the Team Managers - Grant Stack, Chris Jones, Darren Walton, Andrew Austin, Richard Klos, and Frank Pickering along with our Senior coordinator Len Flaherty for their additional efforts in submitting scores etc.

Thanks also to Graeme Miller for his time and effort as our VGL Pennant convenor, the committee for their help behind the bar & Roger for his BBQ expertise!

Handicap:

The Handicap squad made it to the final but unfortunately didn't bring home the flag. A good learning experience for the newer looking handicap squad which had a 3 new members this season. The handicap team in the last 3 years has won a flag, stayed in Division 3 and were runners up this season.

Outstanding seasons for: Nathan Chua, first season in Handicap and no losses through home and away matches. Brian Cullen, back playing pennant after a significant break. Won all his home and way matches bar one. Solid performances by the rest of the squad which includes 3 junior members, Leigh Biggerstaff, Nathan Chua & Daniel Jelinek. Well done all. Great Caddy support from Bob Canet and Hubert Jelinek, thanks guys!

Scratch:

The Scratch squad made it to the final but unfortunately didn't bring home the flag either. Good efforts by the squad through the season with one new player Scott Penny playing all games and Andrew Ford filling in for two rounds and making a significant impact as only Fordy can! Great Caddying support throughout the season, with regular caddies, Tony Jewell, Stan Edwards, Geoff Ovens and Aarne providing great support to their players.

After a solid season our scratch side maintains its division 2 status and has opponents of Dorset, Brighton & East Malvern next year. Good luck to the squad in 2017.

Seniors

OSSIE PICKWORTH DIVISION Ringwood Blue

The Blue team had a very good season, 5 wins, 1 loss. Top of group.

They competed in the final at Kingston Links vs. Centenary Park, and were beaten by a very strong opposition. Over the years Centenary Park have been tough competitors of both Ringwood teams. Unfortunately, the Blue team couldn't get the final win but a great season never the less. Maurie Mawer was the player of the final with a 3&2 win.

KEL NAGLE DIVISION Ringwood Gold

The Gold team season didn't go according to plan, a couple of early season losses put them on the back foot however the remaining games saw the Gold team come the fore and were 1 winning game from being in the final, finishing 3rd on ladder.

Season's best performance – Eric Engelbogen with 4 wins, 1 half, 1 loss. Another good year for Eric.

Electronic Booking System

In the coming months, the Match Committee will be implementing an electronic booking system for all club competitions. The booking system is a function of the miClub system and by using this function the club will see some more return of the clubs investment in the miClub system and reduce the efforts of our volunteers. Keep an eye out around the club for information regarding the electronic booking system.

Darren Walton – Club Captain

Neil Walter Finger – 1937-2016



We Remember NEIL WALTER FINGER 12th April 1937 – 31st July 2016

Neil passed away on 31 July 2016 and our club will be a much sadder place with his loss.

Neil was a great friend of many and a well-liked man around the Club.

A true gentleman.

Rest in Peace Neil.

Joan Turner

Roy Turner – a long-time member of our club – sadly lost his lovely wife Joan on 12 September after a long illness.

Our thoughts are with you Roy.

Alan Trengove

Sadly Joan Trengove's husband Alan passed away on Thursday 8th September.

Our wishes are with Roy and Joan Trengove.

Joffa puts the spotlight on our new President, Allan Peake

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| Born: | 3rd August 1948 |
| Place of birth | Cheshire England |
| Siblings: | Brother - Cyril |
| Schooling: | Ashwood High/Various marketing courses |
| Family: | Wife, Kerrilyn. Son, Callan. Daughters, Ashur (dec) & Lainie (dec) |
| Nickname: | Iceman |
| Employment: | Retired |
| First Job: | Retail - Myer 1966 |
| When and where did you start playing golf: | East Malvern, now Malvern Valley 1958 |
| Joined Ringwood Golf Club: | 2009 |
| Golfing Achievements: | Life member Hawthorn Social Golf Club |
| Best golf handicap: | 14 |
| Sports played and achievments | Baseball, Athletics, Cricket, Football, Tennis, Basketball & Golf. Various B&F's premierships etc. |
| Footy Team: | Hawthorn |
| Favourite music: | Anything by Joe Cocker |
| Favourite Band: | Queen |
| Favourite Food: | Anything except seafood |
| Favourite Drink: | A good Shiraz |
| Idols when growing up: | Muhammed Ali & Billy Graham |
| If Allan had 3 wishes: What would you change if | Go back to school and start again. Be 6 inches taller. Have my daughters back. |
| you could: | The way people act to those who are not so well off. |
| Allan's selected dinner party guests: | Anyone who could not afford a meal. |
| Hobbies: | Guitar & antiques. |
| Likes: | Making a contribution |
| Dislikes: Some things we don't know about Allan: | people who use age as an excuse not to do something I don't like spiders. I assist with music for a group of intellectually disabled adults. Council Chairman of our local church. |

Geoff Wallis (Joffa)

Ladies@Ringwood

Memorial Day Thursday 15 September 2016 – Mixed 4BBB stableford

What an absolutely wonderful day we had. We had 62 players, which is pretty amazing as the course may have been a 'little' muddy. The weather was kind, with the rain waiting until we were all safely indoors and tucking into a wonderful feast of chicken, potatoes and salad (not forgetting desserts). Many thanks to all the ladies who helped on the day, you did a fantastic job, without you we would never be able to run such a successful event.



Ladies AGM

The Ladies AGM was held on Thursday 29 September and was well attended. A lovely morning tea was put – many thanks to all those who brought along food and to those who set up the room.

The new committee is made up of:

Back row: Julie Challen (Secretary) Sandra Luby (gen. committee) Maria Kohut (Vice-Captain) Pam Hegarty (trophies) Sharon Cousins (handicapper), Anne Timms (gen. committee), Glenys Harrison



(Treasurer), Front row: Trish Perry (Vice President), Judy Sheehan (President), Pam Happ Captain), and Jo Lee (catering).

Ringwood Dorset Challenge 3 October 2016

Newsflash! Ringwood 203 beats Dorset 185







Upcoming events

Our annual guest day on the 10th October (don't forget to bring a guest along) and our Bowl Day is being held on the 28th of October.

Anne Timms

Barbara Blount's Italian journey

Italy, what a beautiful country! After three weeks of organising our own walking and sightseeing of the Amalfi Coast, Cinque Terra, Lucca (an incredible walled city), Lake Como and Verona - an even more amazing city, we had a wonderful organised week of walking in the Dolomites. We booked with HF Holidays and stayed in Selva Di Val Gardena, South Tyrol in a delightful 3 star Chalet.

The scenery in this area is unique, with sheer limestone cliffs towering above green valleys with alpine wild flowers, cowbells etc. Gondolas and chair lifts allows everyone to enjoy walks in the high meadows and mountains. A truly memorable holiday.



Seventeen brave souls (pictured) headed off to play three days of golf at Moonah Links, Bayview and St Andrews.

I say brave because on two of the three days we had the most atrocious conditions to battle but, being golfing stalwarts, we played through it all without complaint? I'm sure if you believe that then you really must believe in fairies!

Our daily comp. winners were: Corinne Dyer at Moonah, Jo Logan at Bayview and Maryisa Paszkiewicz at St Andrews. Mei won the inaugural Kerry Kennett cup (pictured). The KK cup was held because Kerry was unable to attend due to an accident that has her lazing around a hospital bed being pampered. Get well soon Kez.

Many thanks to Jo Logan for organising the weekend – great fun was had by all and, as we all know, what happened in Rosebud, stays in Rosebud!





Ringwood Golf Club Team: Ann Keegan, Mary Day, Judy Sheehan, Glenys Harrison, Di Bradley, Pan Hegarty, Helen Alford, Pauline Dorizzi, Sharon Cousins, Corinne Dyer, Annie Jayasinga and Anne Grant (absent). Workers: Food: Jo Lee and Handicappers: Maria Kohut (Vice-Captain) and Pam Happ



Dorset Golf Club team members

















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Des and Corinne's Spanish adventure

Des and I fulfilled one of our bucket list items earlier this year by heading off to Spain to walk the last two sections of the Camino Frances, the most popular of all the Camino routes to Santiago de Compostela in northwest Spain. This Camino starts in St Jean Pied de Port on the French side of the Pyrenees and finishes about 900km later in Santiago.

We walked the last 311km of the French Way from the city of León to the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela, following the ancient pilgrim's route of the Camino de Santiago through the villages, towns and cities of Galicia. It was hard work at times and I must admit to wondering how my beaten and battered body would be transported home – almost sure I was going to die – and at times I thought it would be preferable to die rather than have to climb yet another mountain peak!

The people we met were amazing, one young couple having it tougher than most, she was blind and he had to lead her through treacherous river beds and rocky mountain tops – they made it, and all with a smile and a laugh – shared suffering does tend to make you a little 'strange'.

We had our routines when we arrived at each village – arrive, soak feet in cold water, lay down for ½ an hour to recuperate, check out the town, head off to the nearest bar, drink local beer, eat a pilgrim's meal (usually costing around 12 euros for three courses and a bottle of wine), go back to the hotel, collapse into bed, sleep the sleep of the dead and start all over again the next day!

Here are a few snaps (some of VERY many) of our walk – some decidedly odd, others picturesque, other, hopefully, will give you an idea of the varied and beautiful terrain!











Social@Ringwood

Trivia Night.

Our Trivia night has been run and won with the theme being "Colour". There was a great turnout made up of six brightly

coloured tables with 55 attendees, with some going to great efforts to brighten up the night.

The runaway winners on the night were the "Green Table". The Green table was made up of- Grant Stack, Jo Logan, Glen & Jen Forster, Celia McKeon, Michael Forster, Peter Ross, Sue Gregory and George & Robyn Weaver. All received Mr Fox vouchers for their efforts.

A great and fun filled night was had by all.

2016 Numurkah Weekend away.

Our Golfing weekend away is being held at Numurkah Golf club (just the other side of Shepparton) from Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd October 2016. Spots are still available. So put your name down for a great weekend away. Golfing weekends away are always a great social catch-up, whilst playing on some different courses around Victoria.

2017 weekend away

We have booked for Howlong Golf Course from Friday 20th to Sunday 22nd October 2017 - So put the date in your diary More information to follow.

RGC Presentation Night.

The Ringwood Golf Clubs Presentation Night is being held on Saturday 26th of November. So keep an eye out for more information on the social notice board.

And please support all Social events.

Cheers Nick Plant

News from David Knaggs

I was playing at a Country Club yesterday (near Tampa, Florida) and I couldn't believe all the bloody rocking chairs they had out the front! So I thought I'd send a picture of it back to the club. Maybe we could put some rocking chairs in our proposed clubhouse addition outside? (Totally kidding!)



Plus I've included a little pic from the fairway (showing a bit of nice summer weather!).



RGC Marketplace FOR SALE (as is) Grasshopper Golf Cart and Trailer \$2500 ONO

Reliable, lovable and safe – I'm selling my cart because I've moved on to a new phase in my life and regular golfing is not on the agenda. You've seen me scooting about and know it's easy to manage and reliable. John Donald and Harvey Roberts can vouch for that. It shows a few signs of wear and tear which makes no difference to its function or performance. The trailer has been purpose designed making it easy to load on and off and travel securely. Call me if you have any questions.

Wendy Todd 0414 363868



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