

# WHISPERS

VOLUME 7, ISSUE 24

16TH DECEMBER 2011

## From the BOARD

by Wayne Byrne, President

### Resignations

The Board received and reluctantly accepted two resignations from positions within the club, and received advance notice of a third.

**Roger Chambers** has tendered his resignation from the Board effective 1st December 2011. Roger served the club for many years as a member of the Board and was formerly Club Captain. His experience will be missed at Board level and I wish him well in his less cluttered life.

After 21 years as an employee of the club, **Robyn Junker** (bar, kitchen and club administration, ...) has resigned effective 3rd February, 2012. Robyn has been successful in gaining a place in an Aged Care course in Geelong and after she completes her studies wants to work in the aged care industry. Robyn has been a stalwart of the club and has made many great friends among the members. It will be strange when she goes, not to have her smiling face and cheeky comments about the place.

The Board received advance notification that **Patricia Gras** will finish with the club in the first half of 2012. She wants to cut her hours and ease into retirement and will be on hand to assist any new appointee the board makes.

Pat's work on behalf of the club for the past 17 years cannot be underestimated. More will be said about Patricia nearer her final days at the club.

### More on the House Account:

The compulsory House Account of \$100 announced in the previous Whispers has been

generally well accepted. As some have put it, "...it is just one cup of tea a week, or one can of coke for 40 weeks, or 25 pots over the year, or.....".

The Board is investigating the installation of some form of coffee machine that will make cappuccinos and the availability of more food items on weekends. The intent is have these in place by the start of the next golf year.

Members are reminded that to access the house account and the recently introduced member's price for beer that they will be required to produce their golflink card. If any member cannot find their golflink card they must contact golflink individually to obtain a new card. **The club is unable to issue replacement golflink cards.**

### Green Fee Golf

The Board is pleased to report that November produced a record month for green fee payments.

The "After 4pm -\$20 all you can play golf" initiative is proving to be successful with a number of green fee place playing after 4pm on multiple occasions rather than once under the '9 holes for \$25' method.

### Soil Works

Our application (prepared by Botanical Traditions) has passed the first hurdle at Wyndham Council and notices announcing the works have been posted on the boundary fence near the practice bunker. If no objections are received then we expect the project to get the green light.



### INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Women's Golf Report	2
Artie Bugg trophy	2
Course and House Report	3
Eagles Nest	3
Golflink Cards	3
Winners are Grinners	4
Golf Clinics	4
From the Proshop	4
Golf Statistics	4



## Captain's Report

By Jenny Greaves



### Christmas Break-ups

The Saturday Christmas breakup saw the clubhouse bursting at the seams with around 150 Members in for lunch. A bit squashy, but it was really great to see Artie wandering around and catching up with Members he hadn't seen for a while. The weather unfortunately turned disastrous after lunch and the afternoon field were called off the course due to a thunderstorm and subsequently washed out. Despite the weather we hope everyone enjoyed the day.

Yesterday was the Mid Week Break up with 110 Members playing and then lunching in the clubhouse. As always on a Thursday, a big field and great camaraderie. I personally had a fabulous day and hope all who played did too. (Photos on p3)

### Rescheduling of the Anniversary Cup.

The Anniversary Cup will be held this Saturday. It was originally scheduled to be played on Saturday 26 November but had to be cancelled due to rain making the course unplayable on this day. Hopefully this weekends weather will be a little kinder to us.

### Thank you:

I would like to take a moment to say thank you to **Roger Chambers** who has this month resigned from the Board. Roger has always been in the background ready to provide advice and assistance whenever I needed it. Thank you Roger I do very much appreciate your guidance.

( Continued on Page 2)

## Captain's Report (continued)

### General reminders:

There have been far too many disqualifications of late. Please take a few moments at the end of your round to check your score and sign your card. It is a great habit to get into and only takes a minute.

As always please take care of our course. It is in absolutely fantastic condition. Please do your bit to keep it this way. Fill your divots, rake the bunkers, fix any pitch marks you see.



R: 'Santa' Christine on the second fairway

**Above:** Thursday winners with a best 3 of 4 stableford score of 130: (L to R) Bill Stewart, Ronnie Anderson, Shane Rouse and Des O'Shea

**Below R:** Wednesday winning group (L to R) Yvonne Collinder, Sally Milner, Sandra Lemmer and Kaye Dove

Also, a reminder that there are no restrictions on the use of carts in any club competition, including major events.

**I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Members, Staff and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Keep safe and enjoy.**

See you out there.



## Women's Golf Report

by Lynn Cornfield, Women's Captain [lynncornfield@gmail.com](mailto:lynncornfield@gmail.com)

### DECEMBER BROOCH

Congratulations to Maria Filardo, winner of the December Monthly Brooch with a nett score of 71.

### DECEMBER MEDAL & 35<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY TROPHY

The above events were played on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Congratulations to Judy Parr who won both the Monthly Medal and the Anniversary Trophy. Judy has been hot to trot lately as she also had an EAGLE on 12<sup>th</sup> hole on 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Well done Judy !!

### XMAS BREAK-UP - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

What a fun day this was! 33 very "Festively" dressed ladies entered this event. It was an individual Stableford game with a team Yellow Ball competition. The winners on the day were:

A Grade: Noeline Chalmers 38 pts

B Grade: Rita Greguric 41 pts

The Yellow Ball Competition Team of Kay Dove, Yvonne Collinder, Sandra Lemmer & Sally Milner with a yellow ball score of 33pts.

After the game we all had a lovely lunch of ham, turkey & salads at beautifully decorated tables, followed by some games accompanied by festive season music. The prize for the best dressed was won by Jill Penter in a lovely "Xmas tree skirt" ensemble with matching ears & shoes !! Santa arrived and everyone received a hug and a tree ornament nicely wrapped (all provided by the lady members) Prizes for

the event were sponsored by Noeline Chalmers. So many thanks Noeline.

The day was a lot of effort for quite a few people. I want to issue a big thank you on everyone's behalf to Thelma Cristo, Mary Maguire, Sandra Smith, Jenny Bateson, Christine Conley (Santa), Maree Billet, Robyn Junker, Patricia Gras, Danielle Greaves, Mark Millar & Cam and the ground staff for making the course so beautiful.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2012 - Womens Open

**As this will be the last "Whispers" before Christmas I would like to wish all our members a very "Merry Christmas" and a Happy, Healthy and Safe 2012**





**ARTIE BUGG TROPHY**

One of the feature events on our Thursday golf calendar is the Artie Bugg Trophy with the best 16 of 20 rounds counting.

The 2011 winner **Gus Starpins** is pictured with life member Artie. There is a perpetual Shield and a trophy for the winner each year. The Shield is engraved with the winners name and displayed in the clubhouse.

At the presentation this week Artie returned to his seat to the sound of a very loud chant of "ARTIE! ARTIE! ARTIE!"



Drilling at the 2nd fairway bunker.

**Monthly Medals, Thursday Cap and Saturday Brooch.**

Congratulations to the listed golfers for their achievements in December.

Men's Monthly Medal: **Feng Yi**

Women's Monthly Medal: **Judy Parr**

The December Medal sponsor is

**RODERICK INSURANCE BROKERS**

Saturday Brooch: **Maria Filardo**

Thursday Cap: **David Matthews**

**Course and House Report**

- The Gang mowers have been repaired and are being put to serious work. Golfers should see an improvement in non fairway areas as these mowers disperse the grass in plumes unlike the rough cutters as discussed in Issue 22.
- The list of priority tasks prepared by the Course Committee has been held over to the New Year due to the extraordinary growth in Spring and early Summer and the work this is generating for the work crew.
- Works to replace the steps at the 18<sup>th</sup> tee have been completed. The layer of final toppings that will be applied over the blue-metal stones will be done when the paths at the 4<sup>th</sup> tee and 17<sup>th</sup> tee are constructed. We cannot stock pile the topping as it goes hard.
- A quote of \$13000 has been submitted for an L-shaped concrete pad for the work yard. An alternative to this is to lay a paving like material (toppings) as we do for paths. The Board is looking into this option.
- The bunkers are systematically being drained (where required), cleaned out and new sand introduced. The work includes drilling up to 6 sump holes in the bunker. These are then filled with stones and sand and the covered by new bunker sand. Each bunker takes half a day to renovate depending on available manpower and other course maintenance tasks. To date this work has been completed at the 17<sup>th</sup> green, the 1<sup>st</sup> green (RH side), one fairway bunker on the 2nd, and at the 6<sup>th</sup> green.
- The gutters at the front of the clubhouse have been cleaned, the entrance driveway weeded and tidied up, the garden in front of the clubhouse weeded and mulched and the ball washer garden at the 1st tee weeded. The weeding and mulching is an ongoing

**REMEMBER to Present your Golf LINK Card**

As advised in the previous Whispers there has been a change in beverage prices.

Present your golf link card to qualify for the reduced member's price for beer.

Tea and Coffee is now \$2.00.

Replacement Golf Link cards can be obtained directly from Golf Link. The Club is no longer able to issue replacement cards.



From the Age: about 10th October 2011

Eagle's Nest sponsored by EAGLE FUELS (03) 9687 6929

Congratulations to **Judy Parr** who eagled the 12th hole on Wednesday 23rd November.

Eagle's Nest sponsored by EAGLE FUELS (03) 9687 6929

Werribee Park Golf Club Newsletter

350 K Road,  
Werribee South 3030  
Ph 9742 1397

E-mail: admin@werribeeParkgolf.com.au  
editor@werribeeParkgolf.com.au

**WHISPERS  
PUBLICATION  
DATES FOR THE  
NEXT TWO ISSUES  
THE FIRST IN 2012**

*Friday January 20th*

*Friday February 2nd*

Copy for publication is required by 5pm on the Wednesday prior to publication.

# Winners are Grinners

## Saturday 3rd December

### Stroke

### Medal Day

### Gross

A:	Derrick Head	75
B:	Neil Thompson	82
C:	Dennis Styne	87
D:	Feng Yi	88

### Nett

A:	Brandon Fredrickson	67
B:	Ian Hunt (c/b)	67
C:	Barry Doyle (c/b)	68
D:	Feng Yi	66
Ladies:	Maria Filardo	71
NTP:	3rd Joe Camilleri	
	8th Luke McGuane (vis)	
	15th Graeme Box	
	17th Paul Hallinan	

## Sunday 4th December

### Stableford

Douglas Mitchell	42
NTP:	15 Brett Nicol

## Tuesday 6th December

### Stableford

Graeme Jess	43
NTP:	3rd John Lavan

15th Graeme Johnston

## Wednesday 7th December

### Women Stroke

### Medal

A:	Judy Parr	68
B:	Moona Chang	70
NTP:		
8th:	Rita Greguric	
15th:	Jenny Kenny	

## Thursday 8th December

### Stroke

A:	John Hennessy	68
B:	David Mathews	65
NTP:	3rd Cam Mernone	
	8th George Burhop	
	15th Graham Smithwick	
	17th Graeme Johnston	

## Saturday 10th December

### Ambrose Stableford

Winning Team: Cam Mernone, J Mernone, Luke Fitzpatrick, Bruce McFadden 55.75

NTP:	3rd Ron Wilson
	8th Rob Tindall
	15th Ken Swan
Ladies	15th Jill Penther
	17th Bruce McFadden

## Sunday 11th December

### Stableford

Christine Pearson	40
NTP:	15th Joe Camilleri

## Tuesday 13th December

### Stableford

John Lavan	41
NTP:	3rd Peter Brogden
	15th Kevin Leece

## Wednesday 14th December

### Women Stableford

A:	Noeline Chalmers	38
B:	Rita Greguric	41
NTP:	15th Kaye Dove	

## Thursday 15th December

### Stableford

Ind:	Geoff Cooke (c/b)	41
Team: (Best 3 of 4)	Shane Rouse, Bill Stewart, Des O'Shea, Ronnie Anderson	130
NTP:	3rd Geoff Cooke	
	8th Graeme Anderson	
	15th Gary Simons	
	17th Ric Goldberg	

## Golf Clinics

Toby Box one of our Golf Professionals is offering two SHORT GAME CLINICS

- It is only \$20 for a one hour clinic. (and well worth it—take it from someone who attended Toby's previous clinic)
- Toby needs a minimum of 6 to sign up with him in the Proshop.
- Short game clinics will be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and the 30<sup>th</sup> December depending on interest. See Toby in the pro shop if you are interested
- Long game clinics will follow next month.

The Short Game is a crucial aspect of the game of golf but many golfers lack feel and touch around the greens. Feel and touch is something gained through experience and practice which most players show a blind eye. Join Toby to learn the fundamentals of the short game and learn an easy way to lower your scores on each hole and lower your handicap. The clinics will run for 60 minutes and will assist you to gain that much needed touch and feel around the greens.

Clinic includes

- Range balls
- Tuition
- Practice methods
- Teaching equipment
- Skill assessment



### Golf Statistics you can be proud of.

A recent study found the average golfer travels about 1450 km a year around their favourite golf courses.

Another study found that golfers drink on average about 186 litres of their favourite alcohol per year.

That means on average, golfers get about 12.83 litres per 100 km.

Makes you proud to be more efficient than a hybrid car!!!

*WHISPERS is taking a break  
Thanks to everyone who has  
contributed this year.*

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
HAPPY  
NEW YEAR  
GOOD  
GOLFING



## From Marke Miller in The Proshop

- Xmas gift vouchers – Lesson Packages
- Up grade your buggy to a Smoothy Micro suspension for only \$330 members price !
- Cleveland drivers – Seniors flex were \$399 now \$229 less on course discounts.
- New Taylor Made and Callaway products arriving in February , get fitted for your new clubs.
- Hot Product – BUSHNELL NEO GPS \$169 less 5% on course discount

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thanks for your support.**