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A MESSAGE TO ALL WHO INTEND TO COME TO THE GOLF CLUB FACILITIES!!

Double Vaccination is a MUST for any person coming onto the grounds of the Warracknabeal Golf Club.

Double vaccination and proving you are is important to you and others using the facility and our community.

Please do not be offended by those who need to ask the question, 'May I see your proof of double vaccination please?' It is the Government's rules.

If you need friendship or support, remember you have golfing mates who you can call for a chat or use your IT to make contact.

Please read the posters at the clubhouse & on our social media sites. The Golf Australia website is worth a visit.

Golf Course

The course continues to be a pleasure to walk around despite the score. It is a credit to Nigel and the volunteers, and we know visitors will enjoy their game on our beautiful little bush course.

Course Maintenance

A huge thank you to the many volunteers who assisted with the scarifying of the fairways recently. It has taken three days to complete the job over 2-3 weeks. We expect this will make a big difference to our fairways by the end of the summer as it allows the water to penetrate as well as giving the couch a chance to run.

We welcome Leo Casey to the Bunker team!! Leo has been around the bunker edges trimming the longer grass. Thank you for your contribution, Leo!

Annual General Meeting 2021

Our Annual Meeting was held on Monday 22nd November, and we appreciate the attendance of those who made the time to come. It was decided to leave all fees the same as 2020 as a token of thanks to members for their support through COVID-19 restrictions.

Committee elections were held for half of the positions.

- Remaining on for the second year of their term are: Peter Barling [House], Women's positions of President, Carolyn Morcom & Captain, Wendy Hewitt, Shirley Liersch [Catering & Bowls]
- Elected were: David Baxter [Pres for a 2nd term], Bernie Naylor [Secretary], David Kranz [Men's Capt], Wayne George [Grounds], Allan Ross [Independent]
- Independent, Dennis Murphy has been elected to this position & he will assist the new Men's Captain and the Grounds Committee.

- Dianne Marchment & Associates remain as the club's Treasurer.
- Reports were tabled and some committee members spoke to their portfolio and those present were able to receive a copy.
- Membership Fees were ratified.

General business included information re our future programs such as cart shed, cart paths and volunteers who are active & positive contributors.

Committee: President – David Baxter; Secretary – Bernie Naylor; Treasurer: Dianne Marchment & Associates; Women's President – Carolyn Morcom; Women's Captain – Wendy Hewitt; Men's Captain – David Kranz; House – Peter Barling; Grounds – Wayne George; Catering – Shirley Liersch; Bowls – Shirley Liersch; Independent x2 – Allan Ross; Dennis Murphy.

Bowls Christmas Break-up

There is a Bowls break-up to be held on Saturday 18th December. It will be a pleasant social afternoon so come along bowlers & enjoy.

Life Membership

Congratulations to Judy Mann on becoming a Life Member. Judy has been involved with the club for 65 years in covering many aspects the club has to offer. Her role behind the bar, checking green fees & competition fees over the past 12 years has been a fabulous assistance to the members & the captains. Pictured at the meeting were Life Members Mick Marchment, Max Woodward and Mary Massey while David Kranz & Wayne Gove represented their families. Also pictured is the on-going President, David Baxter, who is delighted with Judy's contribution to the club as a trusted & consistent volunteer. Well-deserved Judy!!



Wimmera VETS



Monday 22nd November, we hosted the Wimmera Vets. They had a magnificent morning weather wise and enjoyed the course. Thank you to the catering group who supplied snacks as well as a meal at the end. It was also their AGM. There is concern on the numbers

dropping over the past five years so if you are 55+ you can join for \$10 & visit the Wimmera courses as the fixtures are set over the twelve months. They play on a Monday & for further info talk to John Barbetti, Brian Scott, Stan Ryan, or John Peters who are members and often play.

G&J Pearson Men's Singles KO Board Event

Congratulations to Dave Trippett who defeated Russell Schultz in the final, 2up. Dave defeated Alan Habel 6&5 and Russell defeated Greg Pearson 5&3 in the semi-finals to set up a great match between them.

Thank you to Greg & Julie Pearson for their generous support in this keenly sought-after match play event.

Posties Board Event

The annual Posties Match play knockout board event has begun with members qualifying for the event last week. Many thanks to Gary Krahe & Alec Tosic for their sponsorship of this prestigious event.

The pairs who are at semi-final stage are Russell & Sandon Schultz who defeated Darrell MacKay & Kevin Newell while Danny Kearns & Brenton Cheney wait for the winner of the match David & Lachie Stewart/Ryan McKenzie & Ryan Smith. Good luck men!

Sander Resurrected!!

Our sander has been out of action for a long time but thanks to Wayne George and Peter Schilling, they were able to breathe life back into the machine. At this stage what exact use it will be will be determined by Groundsman Nigel as he intends to try it out. Also, great to see our nursery coming along with Santa Anna grass taking off.



Women's End of Season Report

While the usual golf season for ladies spans from April to October, the season this year was extended by four weeks in order to complete several events that were cancelled during covid lockdowns. So, this year the season ended on November 24th, in warmer weather than usual. It was great to have a good turnout of ladies, both players and non-players, coming to support the day.

Sponsors for the Multiple Stableford event were Leonie Atkin and Life Member, Mary Massey. This pairs event multiplies the stableford scores for each of the 18 holes. Winners of the event, Kaye Picken and Carolyn Morcom, scored an impressive 66 points. Runners Up were Leonie Atkin and Wendy Hewitt with 58 points, and in third place were Cindy Marsh and Diane Roberts, 56. The Shirley Liersch Nine In winners were Vicki Hinkley and Maree Heenan, 26 points, and Isobel Davison and Karen Germano won the Nine Out with 35 points.

Nearest to the Pin prizes were won by Wendy Hewitt (Warrack Hotbread 5th), Julie Bayles (Café Pharmacino 7th), Karen Germano (RNH/Yarri Yak 13th) and Leonie Atkin (Sue Krause 2nd shot on 9th)

End Of Season Presentations

As their final duty on Ladies Day, Lady Captain, Wendy Hewitt, and Lady President, Carolyn Morcom, welcomed the ladies to the End of Season presentations. A special

welcome was extended to the newest Life Member of the club, Judy Mann.

All members were thanked for their support during a very up and down year due to covid restrictions and requirements. Who would have thought terms like social distancing, masks, sanitiser and QR codes would be part of everyday golf? However, despite the restrictions, we were able to play golf most of the season, sometimes only socially, but it was still very enjoyable.

Wendy thanked her match committee of Carolyn Morcom, Debby Barling, Leonie Atkin, Judi Armstrong and Venita Walder for their valued assistance with weekly golf, special events, tournaments and seeking out our valued sponsors. Also, a big thank you to handicapper, Charmaine Wilson.

Carolyn thanked members for their support for many tasks beyond golf, all of which help to make the golfing environment more enjoyable and our club sustainable. These tasks include catering, garden working bees, club room maintenance and improvements, raffles, social events, spinning wheel and coaching clinics for women and juniors.



After a delicious lunch presentation for the season were made. Pictured: Carolyn Morcom, Vicki Hinkley & Karen Germano. Division 1 Eclectic

Score: Wendy Hewitt (67)

Division 2 Eclectic Score: Shirley Liersch (76)

Best 5 Monthly Medal Nett Scores: Vicki Hinkley (371)

Div. 1 Most Pars: Wendy Hewitt (82)

Div. 2 Most Pars: Isobel Davison (20)

Div. 1 Most Birdies: Wendy Hewitt (7)

Div. 2 Most Birdies: Shirley Liersch (1)

Most Ferrets: Vicki Hinkley (3)

Summer Golf

Summer golf starts on Wednesday December 1. The usual starting time will be 8:15am for 8:30am hit off, but may vary with the weather forecast. Players will be notified by text, but it's still a good idea to personally check times when in doubt. Players wishing to play at a different time must contact Captain Wendy Hewitt.

During summer golf, the first week of each month will be a Versus Par event and other weeks will be a Stableford event. Sponsors for December will be Wendy Hewitt and Carolyn Hewitt.



Annual Membership Fees



2022

EFFECTIVE 1st January, 2022 to
31st December, 2022

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

Ordinary [May be paid in two instalments]	\$500
Ordinary- 1 st year ever member of WGC [May be paid in two instalments]	\$400
Country Outer Radius - over 40km	\$355
Country Outer Radius - over 100km	\$160
Senior – 70+years of age; last 10 years consecutive membership	\$400
Student (Full Time) [Up to age of 25 years]	\$65
Summer - (Must be a member of another golf club)	\$150
Social	\$ 10
Bowls	\$ 90
Cart/Buggy Shed	\$ 90
Hand Buggy Shed/Locker Room	\$ 30

NEW MEMBERS are eligible for pro-rata fee after the 31st March. Pro-rata may be granted to members and past members under “special circumstances” on written request to the committee.

1st January to 31st March -	full fee
1st April to 30th June -	75% of full fee
1st July to 30th September -	50% of full fee
1st October to 31st December -	25% of full fee

Green Fees

Bulk Green Fees [6 months from payment date] – any interested person	\$165
Adults 18 Holes	\$ 20
9 Holes	\$ 10
Attending Secondary School	\$ 10
Attending Primary, SDS School (Must be accompanied by an adult)	\$Free
Daylight Saving Special after 6.00pm	\$ 10

**All players please read notice boards, heat policy & courtesy information. Thank you.*

** Grounds staff have right of way*

Christmas Spirit!!



Our clubhouse has the Christmas Spirit thanks to the Women’s President Carolyn Morcom & Women’s Captain Wendy Hewitt. It was nice to greet the Wimmera Vets with the Christmas feel as they battled our lovely course.

Monthly Working Bee

It is good fun and a great social outing which usually is rewarding in getting the jobs done.

Next is on Sunday 4th December 9:00-11:00am.

Upcoming events:

Competition is back on and hopefully a return to our fixture program will continue on without interruption.

Women: Wendy Hewitt 0427 332 193

Men: Dennis Murphy 0439 195 462

Wimmera Golf Academy

Sunday 12th December our club will be hosting the Wimmera Golf Academy from around 10:00am onwards. Around thirty players, coaches & parents are expected to play including some of our juniors.

High School visit

It is great to have some of the Warracknabeal Secondary students out on Tuesday 14th 10:30am to have a hit. I am sure they will have some fun to finish up their year.