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Golf Course

The course is magic at present and the Women's Championships enjoyed its great condition.

Women's Championships

After Round 2 the lead changed as in Division 1 Wendy Hewitt took the lead with Julie Bayles & Casey Phelan in pursuit. Division 2 is well contested also with Shirley Liersch in front of Beth Preston and Kaye Picken.

Scratch scores: Div 1- Wendy 181, Julie 183, Casey 189
 Div 2- Shirley 198, Beth 201, Kaye 206

Nett Scores: Div 1- Julie 145, Wendy 151, Janice Midgley & Marlene Pilmore on 154
 Div 2- Beth 143, Shirley 146, Kaye 150, Sue Krause 153, Mary Massey 155

The final round tested out the grit of the women golfers as weather conditions were damp & cold.



Congratulations to Wendy Hewitt [Division 1] & Shirley Liersch [Division 2] on their win in their respective Divisions. Wendy played steady golf to record an 86 while Shirley [97] also played well to maintain her 3 shot lead in Division 2 to win.



In Division 1, Casey Phelan was runner up, just warming up to the task, while Marlene Pilmore came in third.

Division 2 was a very tight as Shirley had to stave off a gallant Beth Preston who matched Shirley's good round of 97 while Kaye Picken held on to third from Sue Krause.

The handicap winners were Wendy Hewitt [Division 1] from Marlene Pilmore; Beth Preston won [Division 2] & runner up was Shirley Liersch.

Final scores:

Scratch scores: Div 1-Wendy 267, Casey 278, Marlene 282
 Div 2- Shirley 295, Beth 298, Kaye 311

Nett Scores: Div 1- Wendy 222, Marlene 154, Julie 229
 Div 2- Beth 211, Shirley 217, Kaye 227

Well done to the captain & her match committee on delivering a well contested Championship for the women.

The men's Championship program begins in July. There are four rounds available with 3 counting & the last round is compulsory [Sat Aug 3rd].

July 13th, 20th, 27th, Aug 3rd

Life Members

What a fabulous day!! Weather perfect and a fantastic field of 20 pair plus 14 men in the Stableford event. Many thanks to the Life Members who provide the trophies for the day and thanks to the golfers who supported the prestigious board event. Much fun was had on the way around with players enjoying a lovely afternoon tea.



Pictured L2R: Mick Marchment Life member, Vicki Hinkley & Ross Laycock Winners, Mary Massey, Max Woodward & Judy Mann Life members.

Results: Winners - Vicki Hinkley & Ross Laycock 73;
 2nd – Sue Krause & Wayne Gove 73;
 3rd – Beth Preston & Russell Blandthorn 74;
 4th – Julie Koschitzke & Ash Purdue 74.

It is appreciated the work to make the day a success so well done to those volunteers.



Winners: Vicki & Ross
 Runners up: Wayne & Sue



President David in the background was very pleased with the day's event. Obviously texting out the good news.

Shearwater Road to Port Fairy

The Women's Championships have boosted the points as Wendy Hewitt & Beth Preston make their way up through the ranks while the Men sees Danny Kearns just overtaking Derek Picken before the Men's Championship start on July 13th.

The first quarter has passed already so make sure golfers you don't leave it too late to be competitive. Come & join in this fabulous comp sponsored by Marie & John Aitken.

Women's section – Carolyn Morcom [27], Wendy Hewitt & Shirley Liersch [26], Janice Midgley, Beth Preston & Julie Bayles [23] rounding off the top six.

Men's section – Danny Kearns [26], Derek Picken [25], Brett Allott [23], Dave Flannery & Russell Blandthorn [19] while the terrific triple Gary Krahe, Dennis Murphy & Kym Stepney [18] are rounding off sixth position.

Support Package 500+ Business

The club is pleased to display the businesses who generously support our club through sponsorship &/or advertising. It is '500+ Business' as the businesses provide support to the value of \$500 or more to make our club viable and a valuable resource to our community. We appreciate their ongoing support and invite community members to come and visit our serene setting & facilities. Any businesses not displayed & should be, please contact David Baxter.



Bowls & golf are available at a most reasonable cost and our facilities are welcoming to community & private functions.

Practise Nets

The practise nets are now available for use. Many thanks to those who contributed to establishing them and it wouldn't have been possible without the Murra Warra grant program [2022] supporting the club's contribution. The main purpose was to have a facility that provided members & juniors the opportunity to practise their swing without needing to chase balls all over the countryside. Coaching is also a priority for our juniors.



It is being well used at present which is fabulous. Remember members it is a shared facility so please allow others the

opportunity to use it prior to competition especially.

Men's Pearson Singles Knockout

Recently the 8 best men's scores qualified to play in the Greg & Julie Pearson Knockout board event. Two fantastic scores have Bernard Lindsay [43] & Dave Flannery [40] as the favourites while good scores of 36 & 35 were had by

Wayne George, Richard Bett, Dennis Murphy, Brenton Cheney, Dave Trippett & David Baxter filled the other positions. So, **the matches to be played by the end of July** are – Bernard v David, Dave v Dave, Wayne v Brenton, Richard v Dennis. Good luck men!!

Catering Committee busy – thanks Shirley!

Our catering committee had a successful function recently & have another function on 17th July. Many thanks to those who organise & assist the catering group. Kaye Picken is now our contact while Shirley Liersch takes a well-earned rest after many years plus in the leadership role. Shirley has done a fabulous job for the club; she can now concentrate on her golf. Good to see Shirley already successful in Division 2 of the championships & challenging for the 'Road2PortFairy' Shearwater prize.

A Beautiful Sight

Life is good!! Walking down the tenth fairway with fellow golfers on a fine, sunny winter's afternoon making tracks on the dewy grass. Wayne Dovaston [left]; Tim Bryce [right] & Alan Habel [photographer] were out for the good of their mental & physical wellbeing recently on a Thursday playing in the Taylor's Palace Hotel 'Meal Run'. All three were pleased to be out enjoying the serenity of course & having the chance to socialise.



At present we are blessed with lovely rains which is fabulous for the condition of our course. Hence this day, a heavy fog and about 2:00pm in the day left dewy fairways.

Men's Pennant Apology

A whisper can be dangerous if you're half deaf & aged!! My apology to Kaniva who won the Men's Pennant final against Horsham 1. A nice achievement to take out the pennant & well done to the Wimmera Golf Association for getting the competition up & running.

Wood Raffles

Thursday/Friday July 25th & 26th - sheet in the clubhouse.

Upcoming events

July 13th, 20th, 27th, Aug 3rd – Men's Championships

Tournaments Upcoming

July 4 & 7th Natimuk; July 5-7th Rainbow
July 7th Wallaloo; July 12th & 14th Goroke, Grange
July 19th & 21st Edenhope, Rupanyup
July 26th & 28th Dimboola

** please look for flyers or online for more details

Our O'Connors Annual Tournament is to be held from **Thursday 28th August until Sunday 1st September.**