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Golf Course

The course is going well with the greens being in great order & the fairways ok. Super has been applied so a decent shower of rain would be great before Easter.

Green Taylor Partners Golf Day



Green Taylor Partners sponsored a 3person Ambrose event held on **Sunday 19th March** and it was a fantastic day. The weather was ideal, the company good & the locals

welcomed our supportive visitors from Murtoa, Rainbow, Wycheproof, Beulah & Horsham as well as local members. Afternoon tea was included in the \$20 entry fee while a BBQ was available from 11:30am at a small cost along with other food & drinks available throughout the day. There were forty-five players who strolled around the well-prepared course and the prizes were terrific. The margin between the top three teams was 3/6ths of a stroke.



The results were: Winning team: Wendy Hewitt, John Aitken & Zeb Ogilvie 59 & 2 sixths;
 Runner-up team: Ryan McKenzie, Ryan Smith & Brenton Cheney 59 & 4 sixths
 Third team was Max Woodward, Anthony Baxter & Ted Baxter with 59 & 5 sixths.
 Very close indeed!!



Novelty prizes were:

Straightest drive – Women: Leonie Atkin
 Men: Steve Greenwood
 Longest Drive – Div. 1 Women: Wendy Hewitt
 Men: Steve Greenwood
 Longest Drive – Div. 2 Women: Jenny Edelston
 Men: Paul Atkin
 Nearest the Pin: 5th Wendy Hewitt, John Jess
 7th Leonie Atkin, John Jess
 13th Wendy Hewitt, Kym Stepney

It was great fun & a very social round and the photos grabbed what these events are all about. Winners, mates & family having fun together. Winners Zeb Ogilvie & John Aitken, both great sponsors of the club too while the boys, Zane Jess, Dan McDonald, Ryan McKenzie, Dean Gunn & Ryan Smith are all mates who had a great day together. The last photo captures 4 generations out on course having fun with Life Member Max Woodward driving great-grandson Ezra, daughter, Kerrie Baxter, driving great-granddaughter Rosemary and grandson, Anthony walks alongside Max's cart.



Many thanks to GreenTaylor Partners for allowing the club the opportunity to put on a fabulous day.

Alex Ross Memorial

Saturday 18th March was the annual Alex Ross Memorial 9 holes of social golf [2 person Ambrose] which friends & family attend and show support for each other & remember the great memories they have of Alex. The weather was a little windy but fine & players enjoyed their hit. Music, BBQ & social interaction were the key to having a pleasant day while supporting the Golf Club as the chosen venue.

Winners: Ross Howlett & Peter Frecker
 Second: Zane Jess & Ryan Smith
 Third: Nic Germano & Ryan McKenzie
 Longest Drive: Siubhan Cheney & Ryan McKenzie
 Nearest the pin: Ross Howlett



Condolences

The club offers condolences to Peter & Debby Barling as Peter's mother passed away recently. Peter's father isn't well & Peter is awaiting hip surgery so our thoughts are with the family in getting through this time.

Health & well Being

We continue to offer support & encourage our members who are doing it tough at present. Dennis, Bruce, Bernie, Gary – to name a few. All the best & be in touch if you need a hand in any way.

Easter Golf Program

Easter is nearly upon us and we look forward to the town festival over Easter which is driven by the Warracknabeal Action Group. It is a fantastic celebration & we encourage town & district people to stay & experience the many activities being held over the weekend. It is a very family friendly experience.

Our golf club will have an event each day which provides the opportunity for members & visitors to enjoy our course & company at some stage over the Easter weekend. It is a fun, social & a healthy option for people. We encourage visitors & social golfers to come & join our members in having a hit one or more of the days. The Golf Club appreciates our sponsors of the prizes provided for each day & they are:

Warrack HOME Timber & Hardware

Royal Mail Hotel

Emmett's Warracknabeal

Drummond Golf Ballarat

Start times are:

Morning tees off **before** 9:30am & afternoon tees off **between** 12:00pm & 12:30pm

Box office will be attended by a member at 11:30am; morning golfers will have a sheet to place their name on & please use the Greens fee box to put your money in.

Event cost: \$15 per head [Light afternoon tea included]

Bar facilities will be:

Friday – open between 4:00 – 6:30+pm

Saturday, Sunday & Monday - open between 11:40am – 1:00pm & 4:00 – 7:00pm

** Pies, Pasties & Sausage rolls available at lunch time

Presentations at approximately 5:30pm

Men's Contact: Dennis Murphy 0439 195 462

Women's Captain: Carolyn Morcom 0427 982 106

Fixture Books 2023

Our fixture books are near print stage & will be available by the end of March. We appreciate the time & effort Venita Walder puts in to compile this valuable booklet. It is time consuming & Venita takes pride in it being accurate according to the information she is given.

The Captains & Match Committees also assisted and did the ground work so please use these fixture books throughout the year. The fixtures may vary as the year progresses due to unforeseen reasons but the fixture program is a fantastic guide re events, duties & sponsors.

Urgent!! 'House' position needs filling!!

It is a priority to find a volunteer who is willing to take on the position of 'House'. The clubhouse & bar are essential to our club staying viable, bringing in revenue through our bar committee & catering committee.

The House volunteer is responsible for coordinating our clubhouse maintenance when needed & bar rosters. This person communicates with the Bar Committee chair & Catering Committee chair making sure functions are well organised between the two.

Please consider taking on this position or even part of ie bar, clubhouse.

Remember it is our club and it is only as good as its active members who make it a great place to be.

Tap & Go!!

The club is providing access to the use of plastic money [bank card] for the convenience of not carrying cash which many citizens now do.

Customers may ask at the bar to use their card now & hopefully we will work the system correctly.

Strategic Plan

Chris Crabbe, Golf Australia, assisted the club to move forward to the next step in planning the Strategic Plan for the Warracknabeal Golf Club [golf & bowls].

So, make sure you are aware of what is in the plan & consider how you can assist as each section is developed.

We would be grateful of any assistance in developing each of the sections, so, if you have an interest in an area, you may offer your assistance & enthusiasm to develop that area with others interested in that part of the Strategic Plan. It will be our document which should guide our club into the future.

Well done to those in attendance & we look forward to taking the next step.

Great Work Shirley!

Shirley Liersch painted the cart sheds recently and they look terrific with a face lift. It is appreciated by the club &



the people who hire the cart sheds. Shirley is an active member who achieves completing tasks she tackles in a short time. Much appreciated Shirley.

Men's Pennant

Men's Pennant Golf is to begin on Sunday 3rd April with 3 groups of 4 teams competing in the Wimmera District Association. Warracknabeal Golf Club will have two teams involved with John Jess taking charge of the organisation of the 2 teams overall. There will be 4 Sundays & then the finals. The matches are handicap match play which allows more opportunity for smaller clubs to find a team. More information will come from John & it is on the Wimmera District website.