

LAKES ENTRANCE GOLF CLUB

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ELECTION FOR PRESIDENT: The election for President resulted in a narrow win for Les Beattie. Congratulations Les.

NEW OFFICE BEARERS: Marjie Milne is Vice President and Sponsorship Co-Ordinator, Reg Kennedy is Captain and helping out in many areas such as Sponsorship, House, Course and Catering. Steve Smith is Vice Captain and new Course Director. Tony McManus retained Social and the new duty of Volunteer Co-ordinator. Peter Dixon took on the big job of House Director. Peter Flahive continues with his excellent work as Treasurer. Trish Frost takes over Membership. As mentioned Les Beattie is President and the Ladies Representative is yet to be decided.

GOLDEN JUBILEE: There are still some bottles of port and booklets left over. They are available from the office or bar.

MONDAY STABLEFORD COMP: Due to lack of support, the Monday Stableford is no more. It was tried for 4 weeks but we did not make the compulsory 9 starters. At \$15, \$8 comp entry and \$7 green fee, we only had one visitor in that time. We divided the spoils in the form of Pro Shop goods. I would like to thank all those who supported this event in any way over the last 12 months. Tony McManus.

FIRST TEE: There have been incidents where players have accidentally been hit up on because you cannot see them behind the trees. The Match and Play will investigate removing some foliage in the interests of safety.

STEPS: After a fall on the men' s14th steps some frictional material was applied. The steps on the 17th are due to be replaced so please be careful. Shane Sproule has offered to supply the timber for any projects on our course. Shane has been upgrading the tee seats and he brings along his own material. Thank you Shane.

VANDALISM: Among acts our tip truck had the windows smashed, greens damaged and dirt put in the fuel tank of the tractor. Any members who have a view of the course, if you see trespassers could you ring a director or in the case of blatant acts, the police. New security doors for the front entrance are on the way as the old ones are in need of replacement.

EMAIL ADDRESSES: Is yours current? Are you missing out on the latest news? Have you given an up to date email address to the Club. If not please send an email to info@lakesentrancegolf.com.au. Your address will only be used for Golf Club information and will not be disclosed to any party outside the business of the Lakes Entrance Golf Club.

TIMESHEET: Once again do not put your whole group down if you are not sure they will be here next week etc. at any time, but particularly at Holiday or Long Weekends. That space could be filled by a green fee paying visitor. Members who sometimes have their name down, and don't front, will be asked to discuss the matter with the Captain. Please report to the Pro Shop before hitting off and no one is to start on the 13th Tee.

CARPARK: Volunteers needed to paint, sweep and remove sand and gravel from sections of the carpark. Paint and brushes are in the shed. See Mark or bring along your own broom, bucket and shovel. We don't expect one person to do the lot but if 20 members did one section each, the job is small and the carpark would not be such a mess. Leave it to everyone else then..... Peter Flahive advised that to seal the upper gravel section of the carpark would cost about \$60 000.

COURSE VOLUNTEERING: You may wish to help on the course but how do you go about it? Do not go straight out on the course and start working, please contact Steve Smith or Tony McManus or go to the shed and see Mark. He will explain the safety aspect or train you on a machine or other equipment. You may wish to bring along your own. There is a volunteers book in the shed and you name, task and times must be entered to qualify for insurance. You would be most welcome to put

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name on "Adopt a Hole". See sheet in Spike Bar. No one is to use "Roundup" anywhere on the course without seeing Mark first. If you are unsure where to drive on the course see Mark. As little vehicle traffic as possible is best and it's no good if you cause more damage than your task. Please drive with headlights and hazards on and keep an eye out for sprinkler boxes and flying golf balls. Keep to the rough where ever possible. Brian Bennet, Paul Mifsud, Wayne Dellar and Geoff Haberfield have been mowing and slashing. They are among many others. They have a hard act to follow in Vic Flower and Garry Jeal.

BAR VOLUNTEERING: More names are needed for the bar roster over the holiday period. After an introduction to the till it is a simple task. Most volunteer days are packaged drinks, such as cans and stubbies. Lady members who may not be able to work on the course may like to help out in the bar. See Michelle, Tony McManus, Peter Dixon or put your name on the roster.

SPONSORS: If you would like to be a Club Sponsor or know of any sponsors we could get please contact Marjie Milne. Don't forget if you win a sponsored event please try to thank the sponsor. Sometimes in all the hustle and bustle of a Golf Club a Sponsor is unintentionally offended. If you know of any incidents let Marjie know and she will endeavour to right the mishap.

FINANCE: We are trading in the "Black" but that is no cause for complacency. Many items in the Club are due for replacement and repair but we battle on. Michael, Michelle and her husband, Terry, put in much time above and beyond their call of duty. This is in particular to Functions, the profit of which helps pay for our Golf. Instead of being thankful some members expect it. Bar sales to members are down but functions bar sales are up.

NEW WORKER: We presently have a new part time worker on the course. He is steady but very thorough. If you see "Ron" on the Course say hello and tell him what a good job he's doing.

WINNERS ADOPT A HOLE: The winners of the adopt a hole competition were....The team of Bruce Whilmhurst, George Tewerik, Arthur New and Harry Reeve for the 10th and 11th. Close runners up were the 5th hole team of Bill Daniel, David Griffiths, Trevor Renfree and Bob McNeil, which wasn't bad for a team of ex school teachers. Well done to all others. They win a kiss of approval from the Club. I've given it to some of the wives and they said they would pass it on. You may not know it but Bob goes around every Monday morning and fills the divot holes with sand and seed.

9 HOLE EVENT: After the holiday period we will start a Friday 9 hole competition and try to get something going in the Clubhouse afterwards. Keep your eye out for the time sheet or an announcement.

LANG LANG AND BALLARAT RECIPROCAL: We have decided to take up the offer of Lang Lang Golf Club for reciprocal rights at half green fees. Also now full reciprocal with Ballarat, a great course.

VOLUNTEERS: Members are asked to treat all volunteers (naturally all staff and members also) on duty with respect. No abuse or bad language will be tolerated. Some members expect to be waited on or have the course prepared by another member of the Club. A little thanks goes a long way. At the finish of their work volunteers are entitled to a Board Member approved free drink. There is now a special button on the till so this will help with stocktake.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY GOLFING NEW YEAR