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## **Goulburn Golf Club Ltd**

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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

From the Club's perspective, it has been pleasing to see the improved number of players taking to the course this year, especially of late when the weather has been rather cold. On latest figures for the current calendar year, the course and competition numbers are up 33% on the corresponding period last year. Quite obviously, the course condition has been one reason for the improved numbers and we have to be thankful to our course staff and volunteers for their work and efforts.

At the July meeting, your Board of Directors has approved the purchase of the MiClub golf management system that will replace the Slice (MSL) system. A new and better system has been advocated for some time by our members and MiClub is the largest golf system provider in Australia.

It is easy to use with an online time sheet system, scoring app, competition management module and provides other efficiencies like online member payments or direct debit payments. The Club management is planning for the implementation of MiClub towards the end of this year.

The Club has enjoyed a solid trading period over recent months and some of the positives for the club include:

- Another successful Motor Neurone Disease (MND) day organised by the Ladies Committee with in excess of \$3,700 raised
- Successful music evenings with Us Too Duo Saturday 29/7 and Jamie Agius 15/7 the fortnight previous coupled with separate functions
- Technology update with new office hardware, new laptop for the bar area and updates for the handicapping office and scorecard entry screen. The installation of this is scheduled for this week.

- Work on the re-construction of the men's 4<sup>th</sup> tee is well advanced with the turfing now complete. Hopefully, the new tee will be ready for a springtime opening.
- Members will have noticed the work being done on the right of the 6<sup>th</sup> fairway with the piles of woodchips having been taken away and the old tyres are stacked ready for removal.
- Popularity and the success of the Putt 4 Cash initiative. The Board and management have agreed with a Match Committee recommendation to putt the revenue raised from the Putt 4 Cash towards covering part of the annual MiClub system costs.
- Championships Sponsor – this year the Mens and Womens Championships are being sponsored by Form & Pour who are a concreting and excavation business.



You will have noticed the work done on the Men's 4<sup>th</sup> tee.

It's looking good and we look forward to the move back to the new tee.

Barry Christoff

### **FROM THE MANAGER**

Just a reminder that membership renewals were due on 31 July and if we haven't received your payment, you will no longer be able to play until payment is received and your membership updated.

If your membership remains unpaid as at Friday 11/8/23 you will be non financial in our system and will no longer have a golfing membership.

Don't forget to collect your membership card at the bar once you have paid and the office has updated.

Some new entertainment is coming next month to the Club. Starting on Thursday 24 August will be Quiz Xpress Trivia. The game is electronic and interactive with mobile devices and on a weekly basis. It's FREE to play with plenty of prizes. The game will commence at 7:00pm and conclude at 9:00pm. So, get your team together (no limit on numbers).

Come and have dinner in The Bistro before we play.

Some more changes are on the way so watch this space.

Good golfing

Joanne

### **NEWS FROM THE LAND MANAGERS**

On Wednesday 26 July Matt Casey and Captain, Scott Nolan met, on course, with Scott Gatenby from Apex Tree and Garden Experts who was appointed by the Loss Adjuster handling our most recent claim for flood damage. He identified between 20 and 30 trees that were dead or dying as a result of the roots suffocating in the waterlogged ground.

He will seek approval for a further full day on the Course to specifically identify and mark trees that will need to be entirely removed and replaced. Once that is done, we will establish the scope of works and obtain quotes for removal and replacement of the trees.

## **CAPTAIN'S REPORT**

We had 16 pairs enter in the Keno mixed 2 person Ambrose event on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> July, Congratulations goes to Sharon & Scott for securing their spot in the regional finals.

Our men's Keno 2 person Ambrose will be held on Saturday 12 August. Entry is an extra \$2.50. The daily event will be a 2 person Ambrose for those not wanting to join in on the Keno Comp. If we get over 21 pairs in the Keno, we are able to send the top two to the regional finals, so start organising your partner for the event.

The new 6 hole junior competition started on Sunday 30 July. We had 7 eager players out on the Orange course, all ranging in ages. They all had a great day and we had a 3 way tie for the winner on 35. One of our new junior members, Lachlan, won the day on a countback. Congratulations Lachlan!

If your kids are interested in golf, this comp is the perfect starter for them, a fun day out and this will teach them many things like the etiquette on the course, how to play in a comp and how to score and just having fun.

We are looking into a new format for our Goulburn Cup this year. We will keep you posted on the event details.

### **Upcoming events:**

26<sup>th</sup> August - Men's 4bbb

1<sup>st</sup> September - Top gun starts - details to be confirmed.

23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September - Goulburn Cup

30<sup>th</sup> September Medley 4 person Ambrose.

As of this Saturday 5 August, preferred lies are changed to one card length through the general area.

Top Gun will start again in September. This year the cost will be \$30. This covers you for entry and all competition rounds from 1 September to 30 November. More details to come in the coming weeks.

*Scott Nolan, Captain*

## **NEWS FROM THE PRO SHOP**

The New Club Logo shirts and Jumpers Have started to arrive in the Pro shop.

Our scramble events are on soon so make sure you register your team online at [thescramble.com.au](http://thescramble.com.au)

Just a reminder to all the members who like to play golf later in the afternoons can you please make sure you still book in on our online tee time sheet.

### **Pro Tip**

When putting, make sure your eyes are over the ball.

You can check this by having two golf balls one on the putting green and the other between your eyes.

You then drop the golf ball from between eyes and it should land on top of the one on the green and if hits the ball on the green then your eyes are in the correct position.

GOOD GOLFING! Andrew

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Sunday 1 October (the Long Weekend) - Lilac Golf 4 person Ambrose. We had a good roll up last year for the inaugural event so we're hoping to build on this by giving people plenty of time to put it in their schedules for this year.

More great music nights have been enjoyed at the Club with Jamie Agius and Us Two Duo – is wonderful to see so many people having fun times and filling the Club with great vibes. Jamie will be back in November and more interesting nights are in the pipeline.

Of particular note is Thursday Trivia starting on 24<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm – get yourselves a group and enjoy a new way of doing trivia – electronically, multiple choice, loads of fun.

From 1<sup>st</sup> September a new Members Draw will be starting and jackpot by \$10 each week till claimed.

If you haven't tried out for Putt for Cash yet, it is a lot of fun and good money to be won. Held each Friday night in conjunction with the popular Meat Raffles and monthly lucky raffle ticket draw.

Lots happening in your Club with more to come so come on over and enjoy what your Club is offering.

*(Thanks - Marilyn Manfred)*

## **ACTVETS**

Goulburn Golf Club will be hosting the ACTVETS Golf on Monday 4 September.

Current members can refer to the ACTVETS website for information re booking online. If in doubt you can call me on 0407432218.

Refer to last month's FORE for info re this year's AVGU National Championships in Canberra.

A reminder that ACTVETS membership and weekly events are open to women and men.

Goulburn GC members interested in joining ACTVETS can visit the website:

[ACTRVGA](#)

<https://www.actvetgolf.org>

Daryl



**"...and lead me not into temptation, the rough or bunkers, but deliver me from evil and water traps..."**