



Club Captain's Newsletter August 2026

Dear Members,

I hope you're all well and enjoying the great weather we've been enjoying which has led to some great golf being played (I wish).

In last month's newsletter I advised we were going to do a presentation after the Monthly Medal competition on August 1. The evening proved to be a huge success with over 60 people in attendance- thank you all for your support.

The next event will again be on Monthly Medal Day which is September 5.

The member's badge draw wasn't won so it will jackpot for the next draw- remember you've got to be in attendance to win it.

HAPPY HOUR will once again run from 5:00pm-6:00pm with Schooners of beer & House Wine (Glass not Schooner) at \$6.

Congratulations to the August Monthly Medal Winners:

A Grade: John Tetley- Nett- 69.

B Grade: Peter Fallins- Nett- 69.

C Grade: Dave Simmons- Nett- 62.

Playing Numbers for July 2026 were:

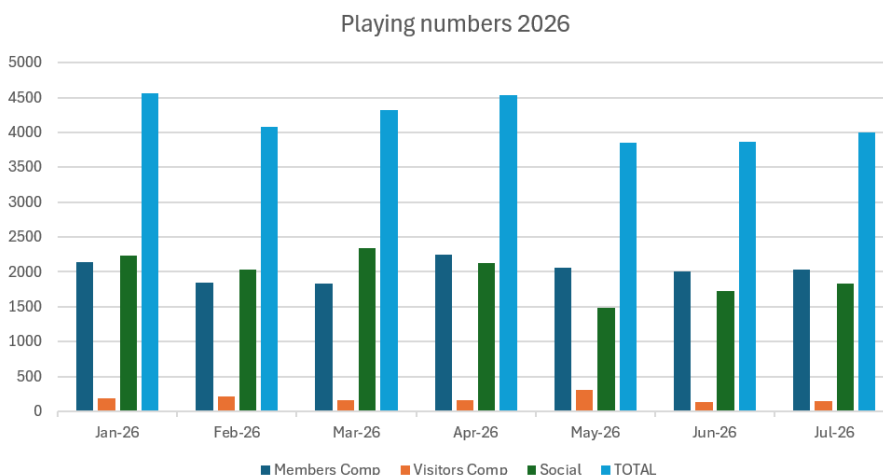
Members Comp (Including reciprocal clubs)- 2031

Visitors Comp- 141

Social- 1827

TOTAL- 3999

As you can see from this graph there was a slight increase from June.



2BBB Match Play Knockout

At the time of writing Graeme Murphy & Craig Ratcliff beat Geoff Ferderickson & Craig Handley 1 up in their semi-final.

The second semi is yet to be played with Justin Mangan & John McFarlane taking on Alan Davies & Gerard Day. Good Luck to all- I hope you've enjoyed the event.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

THE BAILEY BOTTLE SHOP- 3x3x3- 3 Parson Ambrose- A Fundraiser for the Cancer Council Longest Day

On Friday August 21 we'll be holding a 3 club, 3-person Ambrose, where the course will be set up as 18 par 3's. Be there at 11:00am ready for a shotgun start at 12noon.

Like any fundraiser we ask you to bring your cash as we'll be selling 100 club numbers. All funds raised will go towards The Cancer Council Longest Day.

THIS EVENT HAS SOLD OUT- thanks to Greg & the boys in the Proshop for their efforts. I'm sure it will be a fun day.

Men's Individual Matchplay Championship

This year we will be trialling an open registration for the individual handicap matchplay. There will be **NO QUALIFYING**. We are asking members to nominate to play & all nominees will be included in the field. That means you will go straight into the matchplay knockout phase.

Nominations close on 22nd August 2026. Remember you don't have to qualify for this event as in past years. After nominations close the draw will be conducted on the 23rd of August and first round matches need to be completed by 6th September. Each round thereafter needs to be completed within 2 weeks.

The draw will be published on the club website as well as being posted on the noticeboard inside the clubhouse.

You can nominate in the pro shop and pay a \$10 nomination fee. All nomination fees collected will be returned in prizes.

This is a great opportunity to play match play- it's a lot of fun. You might enjoy it so much that you may consider representing the club in next year's pennants. If you are interested in playing pennants have a chat to Lee Maddinson or myself.

OTHER EVENTS TO NOTE

- 3 x 3 x 3 Fundraiser for Cancer Council- Friday, August 21.
- Men's Handicap Singles Matchplay Draw – Sunday 23 August.
- Pink Up Berry Day- September 4.
- Cancer Care Centre Day- Oct 2.
- Summer Teams Commences- October 5
- The Cancer Council Longest Day- Monday, November 30.
- David Lamb Memorial Trophy (Saturday 5 December)
- Hambrose (Saturday 12 December)

FROM THE LADIES CAPTAIN

Women's Results: Congratulations to the following players.

July Monthly Medal:

Division 1 – Sharon McCarthy

Division 2 – Maggie Simmons

Division 3 – Julie Romanowski

August Monthly Medal:

Division 1 – Connie Parrish

Division 2 – Marie Miller

Division 3 – Ann Blyth

Foursomes' leader board after the first round:

Leading by 6 strokes – **Gail Pottenger & Tracey Casinelli** to **Gail Hughes & Marie Miller**. Followed very closely by **Julie Orton** & newcomer **Susan Rynsaardt** with **Loretta Green & Leanne McGrath** hot on their tails! There is only one stroke difference between 2nd and 4th place. Anything can happen in golf, but one thing for sure is, it will be an exciting contest for second place. Good luck to all players!

We are down to the final two players in **Match Play, Louise Stoddart and Tara Mackie**. The best of luck to both of you!

FROM THE COURSE SUPERINTENDANT

This will give you an idea of some of the work that Will & his team are doing around the course. Please note that the greens will be cored & therefore the course will be closed on September 14 & only 9 holes will be available on September 15. The full 18 holes will be available for the Wednesday Comp on September 16.

Greens

The greens are in great condition, with the cooler weather comes firmer and faster greens.

The greens have dusted and aerated with 8mm solid tines.

Tees:

The tees have recovered well- they are still being cut at 10mm and will remain at that height leading into spring.

Fairways & Surrounds:

The fairways are great. I have dropped the height down to 10mm. The areas on the 18th are slowly recovering but will take time.

Mowing Heights

Greens 3.3 mm

Tees 10mm

Fairways/Surrounds 10mm

Rough 50mm, will be dropped to 25-40mm, not sure when.

General

1. Greens renovations will be on the 14th and 15th of September. The course will be closed on Monday 14th and 9 holes will be open on the 15th for the comp. The whole course will be open on the 16th.
2. Harley Bird has started as an apprentice. He is fitting in well
3. A 3rd bollard will be put in at the 6th hole to stop vehicles from accessing the course. Access for those with carts will be made from behind the houses and past the back of the 1st tee.

See you round- Happy Golfing.

Colin Brown

Club Captain