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Club News

A new member's access gate has been installed on the eastern side of the Clubhouse and replaces the old gate that many members have found too heavy and cumbersome to open. The new gate is made of aluminium and allows the wind to pass through easily meaning much less effort is required to operate it. We hope that you notice the difference.

Our chef has amended the menu for the colder months ahead, with more homemade soups being prepared daily as well as many more changes. Menus are located on the tables so please take the time to try a few new things, you may even take any of these home for a hearty home-cooked meal that has been prepared just for you.

Following a recent information email members are reminded about slow play, which is a rule of golf that can be enforced for repeat offenders. Please be aware of the time that it takes your group, and if you are holding up the group behind simply call them through straight away or at the next tee.

It is also very important that Westward Ho members cancel bookings if you cannot make it to the tee on the day. We expect a lot from the pro shop and they in turn expect us to cancel if we are not going to play. If you can't play please phone the pro shop and advise them as soon as you know. When setting up your playing partners, please do not use a member's details without their knowledge as it becomes awkward for all concerned.

The Club has managed to secure a huge function which will be in the Clubhouse between 8-14th July with over 150 people a day coming in for evening meals. Please be aware that members will be asked to use the Sprig Bar for a lot of that time and that we appreciate your understanding.

Pennant Team News

The Men's Pennant Competition commenced on Sunday 15th May with Westward Ho Golf Club fielding a team in the Golf SA B2 Division. We have started the competition with a strong 5 wins to 2 losses over Stirling and a tight 2 wins and 4 losses with one match squared against one of the stronger teams- Thaxted Park.

Despite several players being unavailable due to injury or illness and other commitments, the players who have represented the Club have competed strongly and shown fighting qualities in each match.

We would like thank Mick Wilhelm for his ongoing sponsorship of the team and Club President Peter O'Malley for his assistance each week.

We look forward to further success for the remainder of the pennant season.

-Darryl Freer- Pennant Manager

Ladies' Events

Our second Westfield, West Lakes Fashion Parade held on 2nd May was once again a very enjoyable day. The staff at Westfield organised very generous prizes for our competition winners. Our experienced models – Kath Burr, Lee Baker, Robyn Sigal and Ros Hirth spent time with Lauren the Westfield Stylist organising their outfits. On the day they showed us the latest in fashions as well as how outfits can be changed with the additions of scarves, jackets, hats and jewellery. Lauren gave us fashion hints and talked about dressing for your body shape. Thank you Kath, Lee, Robyn and Ros as well as Kat and Lauren from Westfield.

Sue Watson was the sponsor of Breast Cancer Day on 23rd May and did a magnificent job organising giveaways from the Breast Cancer Foundation, adorning nearest the pins with decorated bras and supplying the competition prizes. Vicki Meeke won two nearest the pins, her grade, as well as the 'pinkest person' on the course. Pete Ormsby from the Pro Shop donated pink golf towels for participating golfers as a fundraiser for Breast Cancer and the amount of \$588.00 was raised. Our thanks to Sue and Pete for their generous contributions as well as our members for donating to such a worthy cause. The animated tone of the day was evident in the photo of everyone on the bridge waving their pink towels.

- Louise Cornelius- Ladies' Chairperson

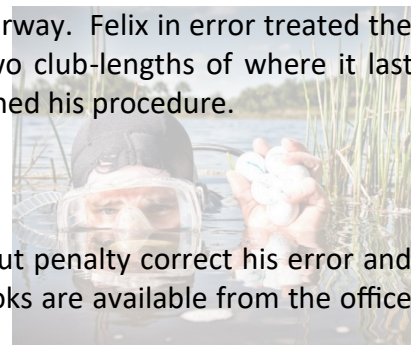


Brian Limb's "Know Your Rules" Section

Felix played a stroke into the water hazard on the right down the 4th Fairway. Felix in error treated the water hazard as a lateral water hazard and dropped the ball within two club-lengths of where it last crossed the hazard margin. At this point his playing partner Fido questioned his procedure.

What is the ruling?

Answer - Felix has dropped a ball in the wrong place but he may without penalty correct his error and drop a ball correctly in accordance with Water Hazards Rule 26 (rule books are available from the office free of charge!)



Welcome New Club Members...

John Morton
Mark Rodger
John Gilbert
Pamela Lloyd

Bob Geekie
Marg Campbell
Kosta Amanatidis
Joel Amanatidis

David Hughes
Chris Cox
Paul Deslandes
Drew Grieve
Adam Dennis

Mildura Golf Tour by Members of Westward Ho!

They say that the families who "play together, stay together" and the same goes for our club members who took the opportunity to go to Mildura for nearly a weeks' holiday, golf and frivolity.

For the second time in two years John and Robyn Sigal organised a fabulous golf tour. Obviously, the news of the success of the first trip last year to the Riverland had got around because the numbers rose from 32 last year to 36 this year. Most of the group stayed at the Mildura Golf Resort at very reasonable group rates organised by John. Two groups took the opportunity to air their caravans and therefore stayed at a caravan park nearby.



It's hard to put in a nutshell the great times we had but briefly - there were 4 games of golf at three different courses, Mildura, Riverside and Coomealla. A major plus for a group like this is playing in a different mix every time, therefore getting to know more members of our great club. There were regular briefings and debriefing times all in the Banquet Room at the Mildura Golf Resort where winners were applauded and draws sorted for the next day and any other news that had to be relayed including the odd joke or two. Also, we had an 'honour swear box' where in excess of \$100 was raised for Breast Cancer. Robyn Sigal is on a 'Girls Night In' committee who raise funds every year for this very worthy cause.

But it wasn't all about golf! It was about dining out, socialising and exploring. We had a great river cruise from the Mildura Wharf to Gol Gol where we had lunch and a game of cricket. We had one night which was themed as our favourite sports person OR villain which saw lots of effort put into great fancy dress! This was followed by dinner at the Thai restaurant (one of our sponsors). We went to the Workers Bowling Club where we were shown true local hospitality with an amazing BBQ tea followed by a great game of bowls for everyone even if you'd never played before! They even provided prizes at the end of the evening and to top it off we ended up getting a mention in the local newspaper, the Sunraysia Daily.

John had been busy for weeks probably months before the trip not only organising the accommodation, the golf, discounts on the golf, places to eat out at but also the very necessary sponsorship of our games. We need to thank our main sponsors, The Mildura Golf Resort, X Golf Simulator at Marion, Peter Ormsby, Drummond Golf and Sawasadee Thai Orchid Restaurant in Mildura. We were lucky to have daily prizes as well as overall prizes and I believe in the end everyone was a winner one way or another.



The overall winners based on Stableford points over the 4 rounds of golf were:

Ladies: - 1st Leila Auld, 2nd Robyn Sigal and 3rd Brionne Vorwerk.

Men: - 1st Colin Rawlings, 2nd John Cunningham and 3rd Darryl (Guest).

Question: How do you get Stableford points out of a game of Ambrose? Ask John!!!!

Biggest question: Where will the Sigals take us next year?

- Brionne Vorwerk, Club Member

If you have a story or information you would like to share with other Westward Ho members, please speak to Mel in the office or send us an email.

Has your phone number changed or is it not included in the program book? Please let us know if you need us to make any changes.



Hole in One!

Congratulations to Bob Baker who on 31st May had a "hole in one" on the 2nd hole using an 8 iron. Bob and his wife Helen have been Club members for almost 20 years. Well done Bob!

Join us for the Westward Ho Golf Club

Quiz Night!

7pm Friday 16 June

Tables of 10 people or
we can find a table
for you to join.
Non members welcome.

\$10 per person

Tickets from Marcia or Bar Staff
Fantastic prizes, great fun and a fund raiser for the Club

