

THIRLSTANE
GOLF CLUB

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Club Champions 2020

Men's Champion

Ladies Champion



Congratulations to Tim Maxwell and Katrina Mitchelson for winning their respective Club Championships. The Men's championship was reduced to 36 holes over 2 rounds due to the third and final day being washed out making the greens unplayable. Tim had a winning score of 152 off the stick.

The Ladies championships on the other hand went the full 54 holes over three rounds and Katrina Mitchelson top scored with 270 off the stick. She also won the A grade nett with 231.

Sadly not much can be done about the weather but there was no doubt that the course was presented at its absolute best. A real credit to Rodger and the volunteer ground staff who did a superb job. The course has never looked better.

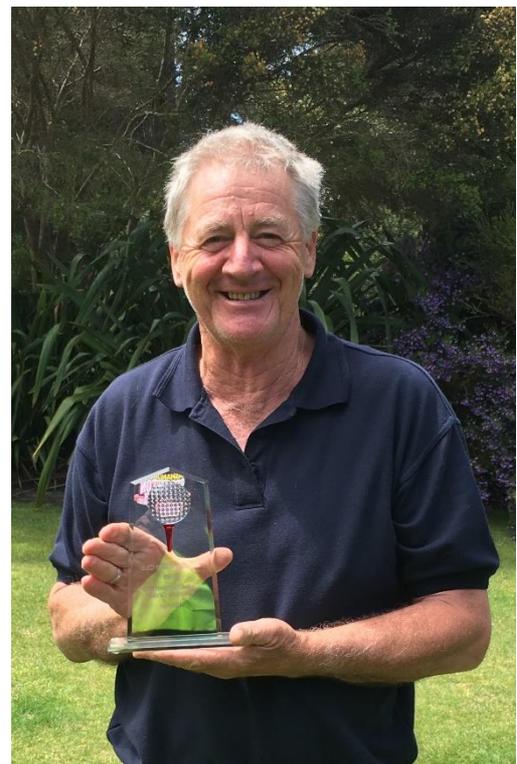
Championship Grade Winners - Ladies



Greta Mitchell won the Ladies B Grade gross and nett with 292/232 and Wendy Smith took out the Ladies C Grade gross and nett with 305/221 which was the best nett score of the championship.

Congratulations ladies.

Men



Kodie Clarke

Allan Sing

Roger Eadie

Congratulations also go to: Kodie Clarke for winning the best nett in A grade with 141; Allan Sing who won the B grade gross and nett with a 171/141; Roger Eadie who won C grade



gross with a score of 193 and Tony Ryan who won C grade Nett with 147. Congratulations also to Hayden Richardson who again took out the Junior champion title as the only competitor in that category. Hayden had a very respectable 172 gross.



Come and Try Day

The Thirlstane Golf Club ran a very successful 'Come and Try' day golf clinic at the Club a couple of weeks ago with a number of ladies and a few children braving the cool windy conditions to see how they went.



Lorraine Smith said

Sunday 11th our Club held a Beginners Clinic - Greg Boyd ran the day and we had 12 Adults and 3 Juniors - A brief run down on how the clinic was to go and all went out to try their hand at putting - most went really well and felt that Golf was not too bad - then it was over to the Practice area - sadly not our normal practice area because of being water sodden so

onto the roadside area - it was onto Driving with those big woods and the challenge was on - they all had their good and bad equally the same as they went down to the 7/8 club and then to finish was the pitching club - after an hour and half of battling those clubs it was into the Club House and a welcome lunch and coffee - it was then that the senior golfers divided up amongst them and off they went to play 3 or 4 holes - some very interesting shots were played but thoroughly enjoyed by each and everyone. This could not have



ran so smoothly without the help of Bev and

Charlie Sienesi, Liz Sumpton, Margaret Brown, Neville Smith and of course our instructor Greg Boyd - we are hoping that we will eventually get a couple to join our great club - cannot close off without saying huge Thankyou also for the slices and sandwiches provided from our ladies and thanks to Gina for helping me put the plates together.

Thirlstane - Port Sorell Ladies challenge



The challenge between the Thirlstane and Port Sorell ladies was held recently at the Thirlstane Golf Club with 8 ladies from Port Sorell competing. The weather was perfect.

The Thirlstane ladies won the shield and they are looking forward to the return visit to Port Sorell next year.

Pam Tampalini from Port Sorell is pictured presenting the shield to the Thirlstane ladies captain, Lorraine Smith.

2020 Thirlstane Golf Club Quiz Night



About 40 members and guests turned out for the annual quiz night at the Club which was organized by Lynne Dutton who once again, did a fantastic job in putting it all together with some brain teasers and hands-on games that boggled the mind. Some interesting objects had to be identified in glove bags where

participants had to feel what the item was but could not see it. The items included condoms and g-strings amongst others. When Bevis was sent on the errand to buy the objects he was given more than a few curious looks from the girls in the stores.

David Dunham put together a music segment and boldly stated that if any team obtained top marks for his section he would shout that team



a round of drinks. Sadly, no-one achieved a perfect score to claim that prize.

Pictures of some very strange and interesting objects were displayed for contestants to guess what they were. The calf weaning nose ring brought tears to one's eyes.



Supper was served during a break in proceedings.

A good night was had by all who attended and once again, Rodger Eadie's team (pictured above) came home with the bacon.



40th Anniversary Celebrations 21 & 22 November 2020

Just in case you haven't seen the story in the latest Latrobe Council newsletter about our upcoming 40th Anniversary celebrations, here it is. (*written by Greg Boyd*).

Celebrations for the 40th Anniversary of the Thirlstane Golf Club will be held over the weekend of 21-22 November.

Originally formed on 21 November 1980 as the Shearwater Golf Club, they changed their name to Thirlstane Golf Club in 1997. The 106 acre site was purchased from Don and Audrey Mitchelson and was mostly bush however members had a vision of a beautiful golf course and came from near and far with all sorts of equipment to transform it into one of the best nine hole golf courses in Tasmania.

Designed by the Tasmanian Champion golfer Peter Toogood, an extra four alternate tee beds were added in 2016.

The course is a credit to the volunteers, led by the course superintendent Rodger Paice, who prepare it for competitions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays and social golf at other times.

An invitation is extended to all past and present members to held celebrate this fantastic celebration milestone.

A key event will be an afternoon tea at the clubrooms on Sunday 22 November from 2.30 pm where memorabilia will be shared and many memories recalled from the past 40 years. Due to Covid-19 capacity limitations, RSVP's are essential and should be forwarded to Jan Richardson (0409 804 799) or Lorraine Smith (0408 140 187) by 13 November.

New Trophy to Mark Anniversary Event

Before the afternoon tea mentioned above, the day of celebration will commence with an 18-hole Mixed Canadian Foursome – 10 am shotgun start.

This will become an annual event known as the Thea and Barrie Iles Perpetual Trophy. Barrie and Thea's daughter Wendy Iles, who lives in Paris, France has kindly sourced and donated the perpetual trophy which looks magnificent and is gold leaf infused. The trophy is unique and has been hand made especially for this event. Here is a sneak peek.



The perpetual trophy



One to take home for the winners

Upcoming Special Events

Sunday 8 November

2020 Mixed Foursomes Championships – 27 holes

Thursday 12 November

Farmer's Day – All welcome \$25 per head, single stableford.

Sunday 22 November

Mixed Canadian Foursome – Anniversary Event, Thea & Barry Iles Trophy, 10am shotgun start.

Ham & Turkey Board

In case you hadn't noticed, it's less than 8 weeks till Christmas and the Ham and Turkey boards are up and running again in the clubhouse. This year, instead of a whole turkey, there will be two turkey rolls including a breast and thigh roll.

Club Receives Government Grant for Hand Dryers

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The Club was successful in its application for a special Covid-19 Tasmanian Government Grant being offered to NFP businesses. The grants were for up to \$3000.00 to assist with expenditure for extra personal hygiene and cleaning equipment.

The Club applied for funding to purchase two Dyson Air Blade hand dryers, one each for the ladies and men's amenities blocks to assist in reducing the expenditure of paper towels. The dryers will be obtained and installed very soon.

New Members

Full Member

Sam Hobson from Ulverstone

Full Member

John Kneebone from Devonport

Summer Member

Kaye Dixon Previously Full Member

Summer Member

Terry Reeves Previously Full Member

Summer Member

Elaine Kullenberg Previously Full Member

Laugh For The Month

Mick and Pat are standing on the 18th tee at their Irish Country Club.

They are the final twosome in the Irish County Club Championship and are tied for the lead.

The 18th hole is a beautiful par four with a deep valley, descending down to a dogleg right.

Both Mick and Pat hit long, straight tee shots which disappear down into the valley.

A short time later, the fore caddie appears at the top of the hill and announces that both balls are within 6 inches of each other but there's a problem.

Both of the golf balls are Titleist # 4s.

Mick and Pat look at each other and realize that they had not informed each other as to what kind of ball they were playing, nor its number.

They quickly descend into the valley and, sure enough, their two Titleist golf balls are right next to each at the bottom of the valley in the middle of the fairway.

Patrick looks at Mick and says, "We had better get a ruling from a tournament official to straighten this out. This is the Irish County Club Championships and we don't want to be disqualified for making a mistake and hitting the wrong ball. After all, we are tied for the lead."

Soon after, a rules official appears and examines the two # 4 Titleist golf balls.

He then looks up at Mick and Pat and says, "Which one of you is playing the orange ball?"