

THIRLSTANE
GOLF CLUB
ON PAR
Ladies Club Championship



Club Champion Katrina Mitchelson with ladies vice president Cheryl Sutcliffe



B Grade Champion and 54 hole nett winner Liz Sumpton



C Grade Champion Irene Page



D Grade Champion Olivia Williams

Foundation Cup



Foundation Cup winner Tristan Rayner with foundation member Peter Bonney

Mens Foursomes



Foursomes champions Matt and Kodie Clarke



Nett winners Tristan Rayner and Mark Hayes

Spring Cup



Jill Murphy presenting Liz Sumpton with the Spring Cup

Gala Day



North West Golf Tasmania Gala Day was played at Port Sorell this year. Irene Page was our clubs Spoon winner in the Silver spoon playoff. Thirlstane were well represented in the winning circle, Liz Sumpton winning Division 1, Angela Meagher winning Division 2, Karen MacDonald 2nd and Irene Page 3rd.

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Repair Pitch Marks

No cigarette Butts on the Course

From the President

Golfink Changes

Golf Australia has advised that it will no longer be using Golfink as the service to provide handicap support and database for all Australian golfers. In the next few months, a company called Golf Connect will take over the role of handicap and Australian database provision. The changeover was originally scheduled for the first week in December but this has now been deferred until a new changeover has been scheduled. Golf Australia has advised that during the changeover there will be a few days when handicap information will not be available, but the hope is that it will not interfere with scheduled competitions. Members are advised that a valid email is essential for the new system to be effective, so please advise the Secretary or Treasurer if you have changed emails recently.

Golf Etiquette

From time to time, we are advised of issues which some members may not be aware of. Please be aware and do your best to comply with situations which are designed to help people enjoy their round of golf.

Practice

Members are reminded that when playing a practice round, you are limited to playing two balls on the course. We have adequate practice facilities so please use them and avoid unnecessary damage to the course.

Slow Play

Members are asked to be aware of slow play and find ways to keep as close as possible to the group in front of you. Under the rules of golf, you are allowed 3 minutes to search for a lost ball then you must declare it lost. Playing a provisional ball helps reduce time, as does being ready to play your shot without delay. Ready golf is adopted throughout all our competitions and hopefully all members are aware of the need to keep moving.

Shed Update

The buggy shed is moving forward, with council approval now completed and the site has been cleared in preparation for the slab. A big thank you to Chris McKendrick (The Stump Muncher) for donating his services to clear the stumps in the proposed shed site. Hopefully work on the slab will start soon.



Site for the new buggy shed

Life Membership



Phil Walden receiving his life membership photo from Roger Eadie

AVGU National Championships



Scott Westlake played in the AVGU National Championships held in the Riverland District of SA .

He surprised himself by winning the "C" Grade Net Championship.

The Tournament was played over 5 days on courses at Berri ,Loxton and Barmera.

He's Still Got It



Vets member Kevin Keep has recently exchanged his golf clubs for a different weapon, and he's been moving noticeably faster than he does on the golf course.

In October he represented Australia in the Masters Hockey World Cup in Cape Town, South Africa (over 75 men), showing great form as the team made it through to the final against England.

In the group matches Australia drew 1-1 against England and won all their other games 5-1 against Germany, 7-0 against Southern Cross, 4-0 against South Africa and 7-0 against Wales. Heading into the final Kevin was equal with an English player as tournament's leading goal scorer with 8.

Kevin represented Tasmania numerous times in senior hockey in his younger days, and is still running around in the local NW Tas comp back home with youngsters a quarter his age. And while the Masters final didn't go to plan, with a 0-3 loss to England, he's obviously seeing the ball very well.

A stationary golf ball should be a simple matter when he returns, but we won't see Kevin back at Thirlstane for a while; he's now visiting family in New York, with a ringside seat in another fascinating contest - the US presidential election.

We Welcome these New Members

Full Membership - Murray Archer Terry Reeves

Full Intermediate - Kayden Randall

Summer Membership - Lucie Bramich, Derek Winzenberg , Andrew Murfet , Jason McLaughlan

Junior Membership - Bohan Hardy, Jake Timmerman.

Returning Members - Full David Keygan, Kevin Pearce, Terry Reeves, Darren Chilcott, Justin Clarke, James Smith.

Summer - Keith Donnelly

Junior - Oliver Burbury

Footy Margins 2024

Date	Name \$10	Name\$80	Name \$10	Margin	Serial No	Game
9/3/2023	C Hinds	W Viney	C Hinds	32	331798	GWS v Coll
17/3/2024	M Smith	B Hall	C Hinds	45	333114	Melb v Foots
24/3/2024	BA Hall	S Revell	N Smith	48	336000	Foots v GC
31/3/2024	W Viney	Pa Baggott	M Smith	76	334199	Foots v WC
7/4/2024	D Hansen	M Smith	Pa Baggott	28	333599	GCoast v GWS
14/4/2024	S Gardam	M Smith	B Smith	75	332997	Geel v Nth
21/4/2024	B Harvey	B Hall	C Sienesi	53	332397	Syd v GC
28/4/2024	B Harvey	AT Dick	C Hinds	37	331797	GC v W C
5/5/2024	M Smith	A Spencer	AT Dick	54	331200	Rich v Frem
12/5/2024	M Alison	C Hinds	M Smith	66	335400	Coll v WC
19/5/2024	C Hinds	G Sward	C Hinds	40	331800	Ess v North
26/5/2024	S Vickers	AT Dick	M Smith	25	330600	Haw v Bris
2/6/2024	W Viney	B Hall	B Clarke	92	332999	Melb v Frem
9/6/2024	NW Smith	B Hall	M Smith	30	332399	Syd v Geel
16/6/2024	ATDick	B Harvey	P Kuipers	1	333000	Nth v Coll
23/6/2024	ATDick	M Smith	AT Dick	30	331799	Ess v W/Coast
30/6/2024	BA Hall	S Vickers	BA Hall	2	331197	StK v P/Adel
14/7/2024	W Viney	BA Hall	D Hanson	14	331199	GC v P/Adel
28/7/2024	KJ Jones	M Lowe	S Vickers	26	334800	Rich v Coll
4/8/2024	C Hinds	AT Dick	D Hanson	2	333600	GWS v Haw
11/8/2024	W Viney	B Clarke		74	330599	Cal v Haw
18/8/2024	NW Smith	C Hinds	M Smith	96	334200	Foots v N Melb
25/8/2024	L Sumpton	B Smith	M Smith	37	332400	Foots v GWS
14/9/2024	M Smith	S Vickers	S Vickers	5	335399	Bris v GWS
21/9/2024	W Viney	J Crawford	B Smith	10	332396	Geel v Bris
28/9/2024	W Viney	G Osbourne	M Smith	60	334339	Syd v Bris

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2024 wasn't a particularly nice year for the football margin ticket balance as we lost three games to the horrible, rotten not very nice weather.

It was nice to see that the tickets were as popular as ever and always seemed to go quickly.

This fund raiser commenced in 2007 and in that time, we have raised \$40,600 for the club and paid out \$45,000 in prize money to members.

A special thanks to Brett, Tony, Wazza and Chris for their assistance in selling the tickets, and a very big thanks to the members who have purchased tickets over the years and have helped boost the club's coffers by the \$46,000 mentioned above.

See you all next year and hopefully you will be able to win some cash(if still available).

Special Guest



Pictured are former Ulverstone product and the current Captain of the Fremantle Dockers Alex Pearce with Carlton Tragic K J Jones.

Alex is home for his early Xmas break before resuming full preseason training and just loved our course and promises to be back.

Rule 18.3

There has been some confusion regarding rule 18.3 particularly on the 6th/15th. A provisional ball may be played if a ball might be lost OUTSIDE a penalty [water hazard]area.

In other words you can't play a provisional if you think your ball is in or out of the hazard.

You can play a provisional however if you think it may be lost outside. If it is subsequently found inside you can proceed under rule 17.

Poser for the month

If you tee off the 12th your ball hits a tree (how often does that happen?) and lands back in the teeing area. You tee it up again and hit it. What is the ruling?

Answers next issue; first to get it right before then K K will come and mow your lawn!

A Difficult Lie

Unfortunately Allan Sing didn't have a tree wood in his bag otherwise he would have played the ball as it lies. This is where his tee shot ended up on the 7th hole recently. As you can see he is weighing up his options. He earned himself a pink ball for the most difficult lie.



Beginners



Weather has been a bit grey, windy and rain stopped play one Wednesday evening. There has been a 5 hole competition for the more experienced and plenty of practice balls hit by those still trying to master how to get that ball to fly through the air.