

## **Juniors**







Dustin Rigby (left) aged 11 years old and a student at Port Sorell Primary School along with Daniel Woods (right) aged 12 and a student at Latrobe High School are seen playing on Saturday, along with their fathers and have recently been winning trophies regularly. Daniel was the Saturday Medal winner on the 05/07/2025 with the best score of the day. His handicap was 25 and had a nett 64. His handicap is now 19.5, well done Daniel. Dustin won a single stableford event on the 26/06/2025 with 40 points and followed that with a win with his Dad in the 2 Ball Ambrose. It is a delight to see these boys playing and look forward to having them as part of our club for a long time.

## We Welcome These New Members

Full Members: Graham Bleakley, Michael Allison, Max Jago, Lachlan Hilton

Country Member: Ryan Sullivan

### From the President

### **Storage Container**

The committee has decided to purchase the storage container which was used to house Bobby Watt's golf buggy and gear. We have discussed possible uses which include storage for all our electrical tools and maybe looking at storing some push buggies as options. We are open to hearing any suggestions as to the best use for the container. Please contact any of the committee if you have suggestions.

#### Caretaker

The committee has formally accepted the appointment of Mike George as live-in caretaker, following a trial period over the last two months. Mike has been working on developing the role as a readily available handyman and his 24 hour presence has certainly improved club security. The position will be reviewed annually and we thank Mike for his efforts so far.

### **Drink Container Recycling**

We are currently monitoring the value of recycling our drink containers that have a 10 cent refund. Members can bring their recyclables to the club if you wish to donate them. Please drop them off on the landing near the large rubbish bins on a Wednesday or Saturday. It would be helpful if they are in a box / rubbish bag/ some form of container to make handling easier.

### **Bunker Rake Machine**

Our bunker rake machine has been deteriorating for some time and urgently needs repairs to keep it operational. The machine will undergo an engine replacement and mechanical adjustments which will bring it back to a reliable condition. This will enable the work crew to keep the bunkers in tip top condition. Members would be aware that our bunkers are in excellent condition, especially when compared with bunkers at other courses. Please help do your bit by entering bunkers from the lowest point, avoiding collapsing the bunker walls and always rake the bunker once you have played your shot(s).

Roger Eadie President

### **Vets Corner**

We have welcomed some new Vets members over the last two months and trust that this is a long association at Thirlstane for these members.

We acknowledge the hard work being done on our Course and compliment the volunteers who have the course in very good condition.

The unpredictable weather may call for changes on the day to our fixture, this allows for fairness and due respect to certain advertised competitions.

A few weeks ago we received a call from Gill Evans (far left) asking if members of the Launceston ladies Pennant teams could join the Vets group as part of their end of season trip.

June 18th, 17 ladies joined us on a beautiful clear day and had an absolute ball.

They were full of praise on the presentation of our course and have already indicated they would love to come back again next year.



### Women's News

### Tasmanian Senior Women's Golf

Ten Members went to Bridport to play Senior Women's and enjoyed an overnight stay. A beautiful sunny but a tad cold winters day welcomed us to the Bridport Golf Club. Stunning views were admired even if the golf was ordinary. Thirty three women played, and with our ten and eleven from Wynyard Golf Club, our North West nine hole clubs were well represented.



We came home with winners in several Age Divisions – Sarah Merrick, Wendy Smith, Karen Hall, Helen Richards and Liz Sumpton.

### **Mathew Consistency Award**

The Mathew Consistency Award is played over 3 rounds of 18 holes Stableford. In May 2013 Mary Mathew (past Lady Member and Lady President) provided \$500 for purchase of the Mathew Consistency trophy for the next ten years, commencing in 2014. \$50 a year was spent on a trophy. Mary is now 98 and she recently donated more money as she said in her email "I might live a little longer". Liz Sumpton was the 2025 winner.

#### Pennant Luncheon

A group of Lady Pennant players went to the NWGolf Luncheon held at the Penguin Golf Club. The meal was lovely and Devonport Country Club's professional Luke Hickman gave an interesting talk on his golf history and when he was on the Asian Tour.

Glenn Foster wanted feedback on the 2025 Pennant Roster. Thirlstane asked the question of perhaps having 6 teams in Division 2 and 3 as three teams x 2 and a bye in the two divisions was not satisfactory as we were playing against teams in the final we hadn't played against before. Glenn advised that the North West, North and South are getting together to discuss Pennant going forward as it is outdated and conditions haven't been changed since 2017.



#### **Barclay Shield**

The Barclay Shield is held each year and is a fixture of Golf Australia TAS to commemorate Misses G,L and E Barclay who gave so many years of service to Tasmanian golf.

The qualifying foursome was held recently and the pairs with the best two Stableford Foursome points are eligible to represent our club in a final teams event at a course nominated by Golf Australia Tasmania. Our representatives are Janelle Thompson, Katrina Mitchelson, Irene Page and Jill Murphy. They will play at Riverside Golf Club in September this year.

# **Vale Sheryl Rockliff**

On 14th June we lost a valued member of our golf club. Sheryl was a member for over 40 years and active until recent years serving time on committee and was women's President 1996 and 1997. Even when her health prevented her playing Sheryl still maintained her interest and involvement, organising our many years of lamington drives and generously sponsoring our Christmas Party Day every year.

We were delighted that she was able to join us at Bev Williams 90th lunch just a couple of weeks ago. Our condolences go out to Bill and the family.



# **Footy Margins**

Date	Name \$10	Name\$80	Name \$10	Margin	Serial No	Game
9/3/2025	N/A					
16/3/2025	NW Smith	S Vickers	D Hanson	63	334915	Adel v St K
23/3/2025	T Griffiths	M Lowe	J Crawford	19	334799	Bris v W Coast
30/3/2025	NW Smith	NW Smith	BA Hall	36	335999	Adel v N Melb
6/4/2025	C Hallam	A Johnstone	C Hinds	81	334911	GWS v W Coast
13/4/2025	AT Dick	NW Smith	D Hanson	61	327811	Rich v Frem
20/4/2025	T Ryan	M Turner	M Smith	8	327215	Syd v Port Ad
27/4/2025	M Smith	W Viney	NW Smith	38	327219	Gold C v Syd
4/5/2025	BA Hall	L Viney	AT Dick	14	326620	Syd v GWS
11/5/2025	D French	AT Dick	D French	2	327820	Rich v W Coast
18/5/2025	NW Smith	L Viney	M Turner	4	327218	Rich v N Melb
25/5/2025	BA Hall			66	327214	Adel v W Coast
1/6/2025		L Viney		28	326619	Melb v St K
8/6/2025	J Crawford		M Smith	10	327819	N Melb v W Coast
15/6/2025		C Hinds	BA Hall	25	327217	P/Adel v Melb
22/6/2025	BA Hall	M Smith	M Smith	7	326618	GWS v G Coast
29/6/2025				68	327213	Rich v Adel

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