



CHALAMBAR

Golf & Bowls Club Ararat

October Newsletter

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Memberships

2011-12 Membership fees are now overdue.

Fees not received by 30 November will result in de-registration.

Please contact the staff to arrange payment.

Dress Code

A reminder for all members with the warm weather approaching the dress code must be followed. The main areas which are regular points of attention are thongs and t/shirts. Whilst there has been some discussion regarding changes to our code, thongs and t/shirts are not permissible on the golf course, bowls green or in the clubhouse. All other clothing and footwear must be clean, neat and tidy, eg. no muddy work boots, clothes.

Hospital Charity Day

The Annual Ararat Hospital Charity Day was a very successful day with in excess of \$3800 raised. The interest created by having the Holden Cruze (sponsored by Ararat Motor Group) for a hole in one certainly assisted in having a full field of 99 players by the Wednesday prior. Winners for the day were:

<u>Handicap Winners</u>	<u>Handicap R/Up</u>	<u>Corporate Winners</u>	<u>Corporate R/Up</u>	<u>Ladies Winners</u>
Matt Collins	Sue Leeke	Bill Cairns	Matt Dalton	Rene Hamilton
Peter Walker	Marg Carter	Craig Lennie	Gaye Collins	Rosemary Graham
Scott Cattell	Jim Leeke	Robert Harricks	John Lock	Trish Heard

A job well done to the Organising Committee, Pete Hawkins running the 'punt' on the 18th, Ian Tucker with the spinning wheels, Ian, Pete Gemmola and John Shaw for coordinating the entries and results, and the volunteers running the drinks cart and booth on the course.

Committee News

Some of the key items from the October General Committee Meeting:

- As of January 1st 2012 National OH&S Laws will come into play resulting in a heightened scrutiny on workplaces in particular the responsibilities of Committees / Boards to comply. The Committee are working on this issue to ensure we are not at risk
- We have also implemented a much broader reporting process from the Manager to the Committee which fulfils a number of compliance responsibilities including OH&S, Gaming and Liquor Licensing, Financial Management and other risk areas.
- The Gaming Transition continues to move along with the goal posts at Tabcorp being very mobile. We are in the process of purchasing 3 new machines in November and 3 rebuilt machines prior to end of 2011. We believe that Tabcorp will make known the numbers of surplus machines they have available shortly also which will assist with some longer term planning prior to August 2012.

New Members

The club welcomes the following new members approved at the October Committee meeting:

Craig Dunford - Summer

Chris Jerram - Junior

David Ryan - Bowls

Kim Ryan - Social

Silas Stephens - Provisional



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Golf News

Around the Grounds

The chemical sprayed to remove the kikuyu and poa grasses from the fairways failed to treat the poa for reasons unknown to the suppliers of the product. We have now re-sprayed with another replacement batch and appears to have been successful this time. Hopefully the weather improves so that the fairways are 'clean' prior to scarifying later in November.

As mentioned earlier if you would like to collect some couch sprigs and propagate a lawn at home you will need to undertake the following process :

- Spray the area with round up.
- Either rotary hoe and then rake to level the area or cover with approximately 30mm of top soil.
- Bring trailer / ute to golf club on 27th November and collect sprigs
- Spread evenly over area
- Keep moist for around 4 weeks until roots have grown down

The 'Chalkies' have been toiling away with the regeneration of the garden beds alongside the clubhouse in particular the removal of the rocks was a great help. Shortly we will be planting some new shrubs to brighten up the area.



The major change on the course recently was the removal of the three large pine trees on the right hand side of the 6th fairway. This will now allow more sunshine onto the new turf. The excellent response from members with the \$20 donation has certainly assisted in being able to implement the tree removal / replacement program.

Captains Corner

Welcome to my first report as Captain for 2011. I would firstly like thank everyone for their support and well wishes as I try to learn what a captains role actually is but with a great committee and sub committees behind me I'm sure this will become easier as I go.

What a start to being captain with our Tournament first cab off the rank it was a busy time, with some disappointing numbers actually attending our Tournament I'm sure you all will agree with me that with such a great golf course we should be attracting a lot more visitors and this is something that i will be trying to address in the future.

Congratulations to all the winners throughout the tournament, also my congratulations to the eclectic winners Des Hull (Handicap) and Michael Harricks (Scratch). The four man multiplication tournament that stretched over 4 months has also recently finished with the winners being Duane Stapleton, Mike Smith, Shane MacFarlane and David Jennings winning quite comfortably.

Another great effort from our current club champion Michael Harricks representing Chalambar in the Ballarat Country week team again going undefeated in Matchplay and bringing home the shield. Well done mate!

Finally the course is looking in great shape with the first 6 fairways getting better every day, if we all keep taking sand buckets and replacing divots and some bare patches they will be perfect in a couple of months.

Thanks

Mat Collins - Captain

AVOID SLOW PLAY BY KEEPING UP WITH THE GROUP IN FRONT OF YOU

Our Sponsors for November

Thank you for your ongoing support

Ararat Energy

Cameron Family

Ian Tucker & Pete Gemmola

Upcoming Golf Events

November 5 - Monthly Medal

November 12 - Stroke

November 13 - Chaplaincy Day - 4 Person Ambrose

November 19 - Scott Cameron 3 Person Agg. S'ford

November 26 - 4 Ball Stableford Multiplication



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Ladies Golf News

From the Ladies Captain

Maree Dalglish once again managed an impressive win to earn the brooch in October. As so many golfers are interested in playing at the WGV Spring Tournaments, and this tends to clash with when Captain's Trophy is contested, it has been decided to include the October Brooch winner in the next year's Captain's Trophy Competition.

The ladies who participated in the Spring Tournament at both Barwon Heads and Lonsdale appreciated the challenge of the different courses. Marilyn Brady, Marg Brehaut, Penny Brown, Jenny Conboy, Lyn Faneco, Ruth Gellert, Margot Green, Trish Heard, Lee-Ann Moana, Nola Pugh, and Elaine Richie braved some fairly blustery conditions. Lee-Ann came in third overall, and proved herself to be quite a clever 500 player as well as golfer!

Margie Kilpatrick, Maree Dalglish, Lois Dunne, Kaye Powell, Lyn Faneco, Joyce Shearer, Joy Cronin and Ruth Gellert (who was fortunate enough to be a runner-up with Brenda Richardson), all played in beautiful conditions at the Lake Bolac Tournament.

The system of signing in and out for our new club vests when playing away is working very well.

A decision has been made to regularly play Stableford for our Saturday Competitions. This will prove much less confusing for all concerned, and should ladies wish to play in any mixed events that occur simultaneously, they just won't be part of the Ladies Competition.

Golf Lady members are currently helping out the Lady Bowlers by assisting with lunch, when they are playing pennant at home. Thanks to all who are prepared to do this.

Quite a few ladies took the opportunity to support EGHS, by playing in their annual golf event. Rene Hamilton only just missed out on winning the car that was on offer, when her ball veered off line at the last minute! It was great to see a full clubhouse, and congratulations to the winning ladies team of Trish Heard, Rene Hamilton and Rosemary Graham.

We would also like to express our condolences to Heather, and all wish her and the family the best.

Ruth Gellert

Presentation Day 2011

Congratulations to the Winners on Presentation Day:

CAPTAINS TROPHY: Ruth Brain

ECLECTIC HANDICAP: Ruth Brain

AGGREGATE HANDICAP: Ruth Gellert

B GRADE Marg Peoples

AGGREGATE SCRATCH: Ruth Brain

BIRDIES: Margot Green

AGGREGATE STABLEFORD: Rosemary Graham

GOBBLERS: Margot Green

BEST NETT SCORE: Maree Dalglish

PARS: Maree Dalglish & Marilyn Brady

BEST SCRATCH SCORE: Ruth Brain

PUTTING AGGREGATE: Joy Cronin

ECLECTIC SCRATCH A GRADE: Ruth Brain

NINE HOLES COMPETITION: Marg Lardner

B GRADE Marg Peoples, & Maree Dalglish

FOURSOMES KNOCKOUT: Tracey English & Marilyn Brady

Ladies AGM 2011-12

The following Ladies were elected for the next 12 months.

President Margot Green

Vice President Rene Hamilton

Secretary Trish Heard

Treasurer Joy Cronin

Captain Ruth Gellert Vice Captain Marg Peoples

Committee Leanne Moana, Kaye Powell,

Maree Dalglish, Nola Pugh

Upcoming Golf Events

November 9 - Par 3 Open Day

November 13 - Chaplaincy Day 4 Person Ambrose

November 16 - 4 Ball Stableford Multiplication

November 23 - Stroke

November 30 - Brooch - Stroke

Chalambar Veterans

Chalambar Golf News

A Message from President Geoff

This month the Vets have replaced the small trees killed by the frost. Also helped turn and clean up the fires by the 6th fairway. Thanks to those people.

The Vets plus Bill & Peter had a full morning last week helping the grounds staff with the greens coring. I know the club appreciates our efforts. That also goes for our Captain Clyde who prefers to go unnoticed.

This year we didn't provide the lunch for the Hospital Day but we are all set to go for the Wimmera Vets day this Monday.

Veterans Report

The touring Vets ventured to Edenhope on October 17 with seven Chally starters, Clyde, Merv, Noel, Tony, Garth, Bob and Des. Clyde won 'A' Grade while Bob and Noel won balls. A week later at Warracknabeal saw Garth, Bob, Tony, Clyde and Noel the starters, with Tony, Garth and Noel runners up in the team event and Bob and Clyde ball winners.

November the 3rd at Mt Xavier saw 8 Chalambar Vets - Des, Roy, Tony, John Pola, Arthur Mahoney, Rick Thomas, Vern Poole and Noel teeing up. Roy was runner in C Grade and Rick won a ball.

Monday 7th November is the Wimmera Vets day at Chalambar and as many locals as possible are encouraged to play the stableford event starting at 9.00am.



Good luck with this shot Tony

Women's Tee...

... It was a sunny Saturday morning on the course and I was beginning my pre-shot routine, visualizing my upcoming shot, when a voice came over the clubhouse loudspeaker.

"Would the gentleman on the woman's tee back up to the men's tee please!!"

I was still deep in my routine, seemingly impervious to the interruption.

Again the announcement, "Would the MAN on the WOMEN'S tee kindly back up to the men's tee." I simply ignored the guy and kept concentrating.

Once more the man yelled, "Would the man on the woman's tee back up to the men's tee, PLEASE!" I finally stopped, turned, looked through the clubhouse window directly at the person with the mike and shouted back,

"Would the person in the clubhouse kindly shut the hell up and let me play my second shot?"



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Bowls News

GBD Midweek Ladder Round 4			Points	Shots
Stawell Blue			36	105
Ararat Blue			30	65
Stawell Golf Blue			28	58
Ararat Gold			28	23.50
Stawell Golf Gold			26	67
VRI Gold			24	34
Chalambar Blue			24	15.75
Stawell Gold			22	78
Lake Bolac			22	-14
VRI Blue			16	-32
Chalambar Gold			14	15.75
Landsborough			4	-117
Aradale			4	-164
Willaura			2	-135

Division 1			Division 2		
LADDER - Round 3	POINTS	SHOTS	LADDER - Round 3	POINTS	SHOTS
Ararat	43	+ 110	Ararat Gold	32	+ 56
Aradale	40	+ 79	Stawell golf Blue	27	+ 54
Stawell Golf	35	+ 55	Ararat Green	26	+ 32
Chalambar	33	+ 61	Aradale	25	+ 27
Stawell	19	- 29	Stawell Gold	20	+ 31
Ararat VRI	14	- 15	Stawell Golf Gold	20	+ 20
Landsborough	6	- 133	Ararat V.R.I	20	- 26
Lake Bolac	2	- 128	Stawell Blue	18	+ 22
			Chalambar	16	- 19
			Lake Bolac	10	- 33
			Landsborough	2	- 75
			Willaura	0	- 89

Anniversary Celebrations

Chalambar Bowls Club is 50

Congratulations to the Chalambar Bowls Club who will celebrate their 50th Anniversary this year. Make sure you keep

Sunday 20th November free to be part of the festivities.