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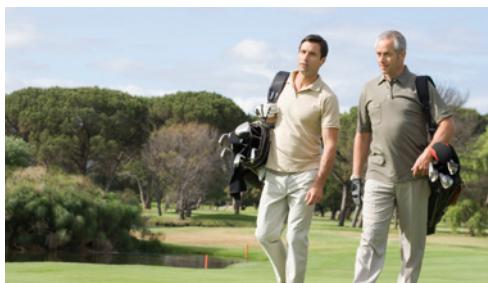
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Reminder: VGL Pennant starts February / March 2016



Feature

The most significant matter facing the future of the BGC

This issue of the condition of the Brighton Public Golf Course has been broadcast far and wide in BGC publications since middle of 2015. During that time the BGC Sub-Committee tasked with the problem has been having meetings with LMS and Bayside City Council (BCC) and other stakeholders to produce a strategy of revitalising a previous BCC allocation of moneys to install a water harvesting system where, when it rains, water is collected and stored and when it doesn't rain the stored water is used for the benefit of the local amenities including Dendy Park.

The sub-committee has been somewhat successful in having the storm water pump/sump unit adjacent to the small dam near Creswick St fixed and now when it rains water is being delivered to this storage facility. Adding to the potable (drinking) water that L.M.S. otherwise purchases for the watering of the golf course.

That's the short term fix. Dependant on rain the Creswick St water supply is not enough for the entire golf course and that is where our efforts are now being directed. We need to secure the allocation for a sustainable water supply to both amenities as suggested by the Bayside City Council. Money has been allocated and it needs to be secured and we are advised the best way to do that is with the petition system.

Acting on this suggestion by BCC a petition system was put into action and (at time of writing) there have been over 700 signatures collected from golfers and others who use the golf course.

Having almost exhausted this obtainability it was then decided to reach out to the wider community for additional signatures to try and achieve a proposed target of 2000 or more. So a meeting was held at the clubrooms on 21st January 2015 where a plan was implemented to canvass the local neighbourhood via a Door Knocking campaign.

To those who attended, I thank you. Clearly you understood the ramifications of the challenge that has presented itself to the Club and I applaud your decision to now be actively engaged in the difficult task of door knocking and other petition activities for the benefit of the BGC.

Help us turn this...



SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY FOR DENDY PARK & BRIGHTON PUBLIC GOLF COURSE

In 2011/2012 Bayside Council completed design and documentation of a stormwater harvesting system to service both Dendy Park and Brighton Public Golf Course.

This plan is based on using a large Melbourne water drain to supply stormwater into existing and expanded storages on the Brighton Golf Course.

The project did not proceed due to funding and drought relief in the form of rains in 2012.

"Ok....but what can I do?"

TAKE ACTION NOW!

SIGN OUR PETITION TO BAYSIDE CITY COUNCIL

PROVIDE A SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY TO REPLACE POTABLE (DRINKING) WATER USE ON THE GROUNDS OF DENDY PARK AND BRIGHTON PUBLIC GOLF COURSE TO SECURE THIS PROJECT FOR 2016/2017 AND YOUR COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR THE FUTURE

CLICK TO SIGN PETITION

Feature

The most significant matter facing the future of the BGC

Members, whether due to climate change or other factors, which are not clearly understood; the lack of a regular water supply will, I assure you, have a negative effect on the viability of this Club. So, if you have any love of this club at all then get behind this effort. We have until Mid-February to present the petition to Council. If door knocking isn't 'your thing' there are many other ways of contributing:

1. Ask members of your family, friends and workmates to sign
2. Ask your local retailer to place a petition form on their counter for customers to sign
3. Ask the local sporting club or service club to which you belong, to be actively engaged in the acquisition of signatures.
4. Canvass the local shopping centres. Petition forms and posters are available for this
5. If you are happy to door knock there are maps and a guide and clipboards etc. available to assist you in this.
6. Go to the new Brighton Golf Club Facebook page here: www.facebook.com/brightongolfclub and 'Like', 'Comment' or 'Share' the petition.
7. I would also encourage you to comment on the **Change.org petition** to show your support. By adding a comment at the bottom of this page you are demonstrating your support of this petition.
8. Talk to your local member for Goldstein, Andrew Robb, his contact details are:

Electorate Office:
368 Centre Road, Bentleigh VIC 3204
P 9557 4644 F 03 9557 2906
E: scott.mccloud@aph.gov.au

9. Talk to your local councillors - they are:

Alex del Porto - Councillor

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Bruce Lowe - Councillor

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Again, on behalf of the BGC Committee of Management, I appeal to all member to become engaged in this worthwhile endeavour.

Keith Beggs
President

The House of Golf.



THE NEW S5 WEDGE

SPIN A LITTLE
BLUE MAGIC

#NOTHINGFEELS LIKEAMIZUNO





Highlights of CoM Meeting - 12 January 2016

FINANCIAL REPORT

Hon. Treasurer KB provided brief EOM December 2015 Financial Report for each CoM member and spoke to each section highlighting specific areas and answered questions. He further advised that financial reporting will be simplified to highlight changes to budget and detailed monthly reports will be replaced by quarterly reports. Full reports will be available in office for those requiring details, as required by Rule 36 (a).

SECRETARY

KL (new sec) advised that club admin is being dealt with in line with current requirements.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT

- M (JMcC) S (BD) that four new member applications from: G McIntosh, T Golias, S Millington and S Redenbach, be accepted. Carried.
- December Birdie Comp Winner – Mark Slatter (was drawn Saturday 16/1/16)

LADIES SUB COMMITTEE REPORT

Ladies still doing "summer golf" until February.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Insurance**
Offer from PSC/Sportscouer. KL reported KB/KL had discussed with PSC agent at length and recommend acceptance. M(KL) S (CY) and after discussion put to vote. Carried.
- **Social Media**
Offer from Collective Loop to set up a Social Media presence for BGC, M (KL) S (KBrn) discussed along KB's written social memo section of Treasurer's GB report.

After full discussion put to a vote. Carried. M (BD) S (KAS) to send bulk e-mail to all members asking for support with water harvesting petition. Carried. Further progress information to be available at February CoM meeting
- **Red Cross Day planning**
JMcC will prepare details for volunteers, raffle ticket paper and booklet preparation and price baskets will need volunteers. CY offered to manage basket preparation for raffle. KB will print tickets.

• Water Harvesting Petition

BGC Course Condition Project. CoM volunteers requested to manage street allocations. About 35 persons are required to cover 35 street maps prepared by KB. Special meeting arranged via bulk e-mail (see above) for Thursday 21/1/16 at 8pm to follow up. Refer to separate minutes.

• Pennant Season Launch

A Special Day for female and male pennant teams has been arranged at our clubhouse on Sunday February 21st.

An official stroke competition is available from 8.30 am, at normal green fee price and BGC score card to be collected before the game.

This day will conclude with a light lunch and talks by Pennant managers and the Club President.

• Pennant Golf Practice

Golf practice for all Pennant players has also been arranged for 5.30 to 6.30 pm on Wednesdays 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th in February with Professional Travis Harrison available for swing advice.

Cost for practice range sessions is \$5 per player to offset the cost of ball collection.

• 2015 Christmas Raffle

It was noted that winners of Christmas raffle not advised in latest club newsletter, but was announced in commercial newspaper. KB will include in next club newsletter. Refer Page 9 for results.

NEW BGC MEMBERS

The following membership applicants were recently accepted unanimously by the Committee of Management into the Brighton Golf Club.



Stephen
Redenbach



Theo
Golias



Graham
McIntosh

We wish these new Members many years of happy golfing at BGC.



How Social Media can help our petition & membership

Introduction

Businesses, government groups, clubs and charities all use Social Media to connect with existing customers and to attract new customers. Social Media is a powerful, cost-effective and well-established promotional tool.

The BGC now has a plan to attract new members to the club by using Social Media. The club needs your help though, as it's only through the support of all members that this plan will achieve this important goal.

Benefits of Social Media

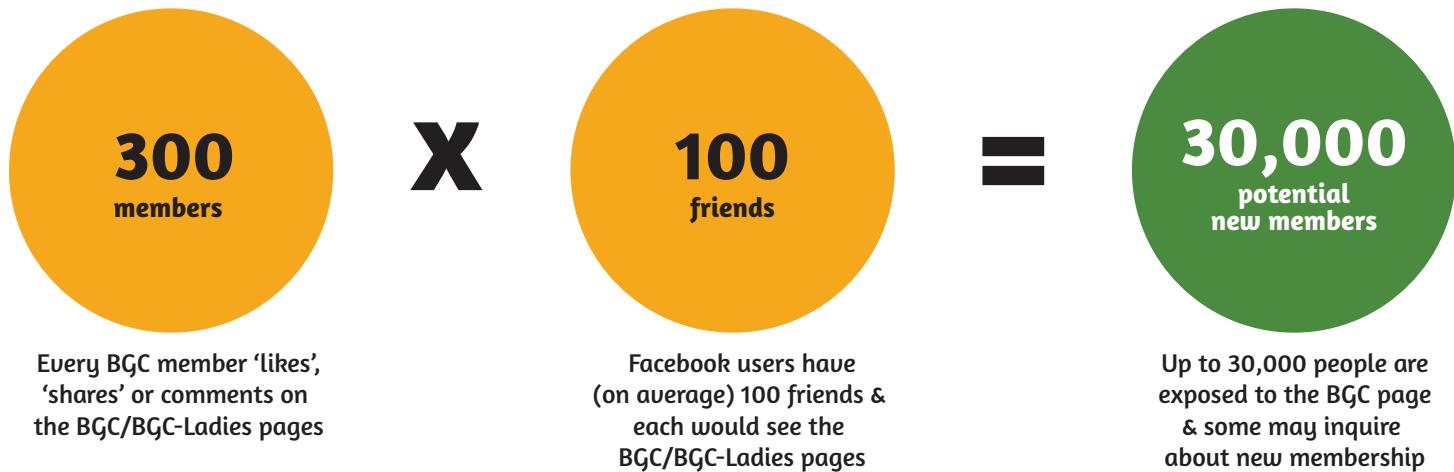


How do Likes, Shares & Comments help?

Facebook 'likes', 'shares' and comments all help to advertise the BGC to people other than members. If a member 'likes' the BGC/BGC - Ladies Facebook page, they will receive all updates that are posted to the page.

If any member 'shares' or comments about something on the BGC/BGC - Ladies Facebook page, this will appear to their Facebook friends. This helps create exposure for the club and creates opportunities to attract new members.

An example of how to promote the BGC on Social Media



So what can I do to help?

1. Visit either **Brighton Golf Club** or **Brighton Golf Club - Ladies** Facebook pages and 'like' the page
2. 'Share' or comment on the pages so that people beyond our membership group can learn about us



BGC Ladies Activities

By Rose-Marie Hogan (Ladies President)

LADIES - WELCOME TO GOLFING IN 2016!

Hoping that your Christmas and New Year celebrations were wonderful.

Summer is such a great time – swimming, balmy nights spent eating and drinking outdoors, festivals and sun-bleached Sundays. All such a part of our Aussie culture.

While kickstarting the year afresh and feeling excited about what might lie ahead remains a positive feeling in our psyche in the first few weeks of each new year, finding your ‘back-to-golf’ motivation to revive your routine can sometimes require a little more effort.

As we all multi-task, the void left when our golf is taken out of the equation in the holiday season soon fills with other activities.

Some of our Lady members have played in our ‘Summer Golf’ competition early each Wednesday morning during January. It has been most enjoyable with a little less pressure on ourselves to produce a ‘purple patch’ which we strive for during the year. Our special thanks to Jan Kirsch and Avis McKenzie to their assistance in the running of this competition.

Jan organised a Luncheon at Molina’s in Brighton for the girls who participated (and those who could not). We anticipated only a small attendance but were overwhelmed with the number of ladies who attended. Great food, great company, a great day!

Looking forward to seeing you back at Brighton.

Rose-Marie Hogan
Ladies President

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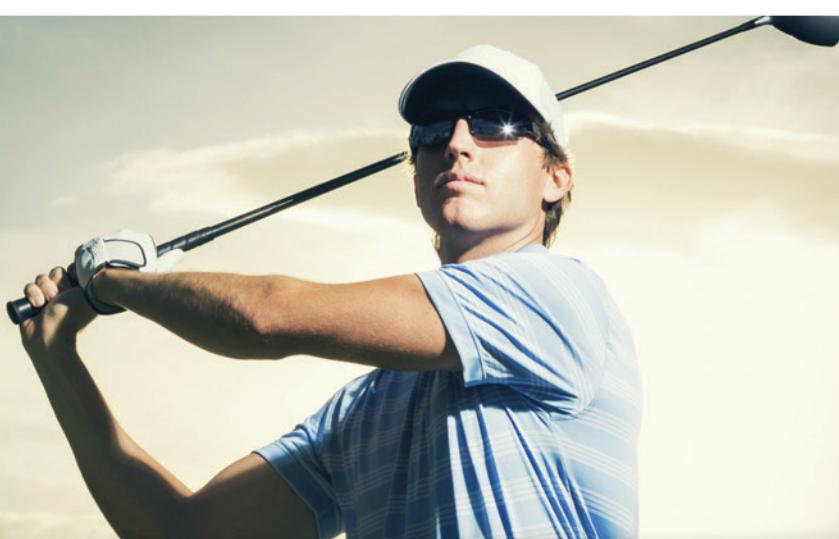
BALLAN BOUNCES BACK

VIC OPEN PRIZE SURGE

MYGOLF SPORTING SCHOOL

Mark Slatter
December Birdie Comp Winner

**KEEP
CALM
AND
SINK
THE
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46th ANNUAL RED CROSS OPEN CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday 12th March

On Saturday, 12th March 2016 we will again be hosting the annual Red Cross Open Charity Golf Tournament.

The Australian Red Cross is the major charity that our Club collects for and a special effort from all our Members will make the day a success.

The golf course management, Leisure Management Services, is once again supporting this event by allowing a SHOT-GUN START utilizing the complete course for the morning. This will allow players to attend the Club House for the fundraising activities at the same time.

This is a guest day and non-handicap golfers are welcome to participate, under the Callaway scoring system. The field will be limited so book early when the official entry forms are issued.

Additionally, the Club House activities will include the traditional spinning wheel.

Donations of items suitable for this purpose would be greatly appreciated.



RAFFLE TICKETS HELP OUR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

Fundraising is the main aim of this day, and in order to maximise our efforts we have organised a major raffle giving ALL Club Members the opportunity to participate, not only those in attendance on the day.

A book of eight raffle tickets has been mailed to all Members.

Tickets are \$2.50 each, so please try to sell them. All proceeds of the raffle go to the Australian Red Cross.



Pennant 2016 Season Launch

By John McCreery (Club Captain)

The Pennant season for the inter club match play competitions for 2016 commence in early March. In an endeavour to improve our performance this year there will be the opportunity for all Pennant players to practice on the four Wednesdays in February between 5.30 to 6.30 pm.

The Course Professional, Travis Harrison, will be available to give any advice that you may require to improve your swing. There will be a cost of \$5.00 per player.

Both Men and Lady Pennant players are welcome to attend these practice sessions. If you do intend to come along would you please write your name on the list on the notice board and tick the dates that you will be available.

Also, the Club will have a Season Launch Day on Sunday, 21st February. An official Stroke competition will be available and players must obtain a score card from the Club House before going to the course.

A number of time slots will be reserved with the Pro Shop from 8.30 am. Green fees will be required to be payed by all players, Platinum Card holders exempted.

All Members are welcome to play in the competition or attend the function in the afternoon. Family and friends are also welcome to attend.

The day will conclude at the Club House where a light lunch will be provided with inspirational speeches by the Pennant Managers and the Club President.

Anyone wishing to play or attend the Club afterwards must write your name on the list on the notice board and specify if you are to play, attend for lunch and how many extras.

John McCreery
Club Captain



Handicap Pennant Captain's Report

By Mark Oglethorpe (Handicap Pennant Captain)

During April and May, the Brighton Golf Club will compete for the Handicap Pennant flag.

We play Camberwell, Mount Martha and Riverview. There are 8 members of Brighton representing their club each week for 3 home and 3 away games plus a final provided we finish top 2.

It would be great to achieve success this year by winning a flag and get straight back up where we belong in Division 1 next year.

Travis, is giving \$5 per head tips and analysis in February and March on the practise fairway for all members of the Handicap players, caddies and support squad.

As it is my first year as manager, I have called on Alex (Johnson) to help me with all the practicalities of the job at hand regarding all official deeds that need to be performed.

Squad for season 2016 is: S.Barclay, J.Mills, C.Mills, M.Poulter, B.Munro, J.Collins, C.Someruelle, P.Walton, G.Thomas, G.Gaud and M.Oglethorpe(c), J.Gardiner, A.Fish, G.Murrels and B.Youl and P.Jolly.

16 members who can all contribute to on day performances.

Good Golfing

Mark Oglethorpe





Scratch Pennant Captain's Report

By Chris Meehan (Scratch Manager)

After the relegation of Brighton to Div 3 VGL at the end of last season a committee was formed for the purpose of identifying why the Club finds itself in Div 3 for the first time in over 30 years. The club has enjoyed success in Div 1 to the tune of 6 premierships since 1990 and only twice had been relegated – once we lost all our season points when the captain of the club did not provide mandatory paperwork in time and in 2014 we lost the last game of the season by $\frac{1}{2}$ a match which would have meant not only surviving relegation but also qualifying for the final.

The pressing issue identified by the committee was a lack of quality scratch players from which to choose a team. Immediately we set out to entice new quality golfers to the club and I am delighted to say that we have three new members who "fit the bill"

We welcome Brad Carter, Anthony Millard and Shane Pallant to our squad and with handicaps of 5 and below expect them to play key roles this season and beyond. They join Ryan Radford, Chris Tesoriero, Simon Meehan, Alistair Salmon, Marc Robinson, Gary Murrells and myself as the basis of the scratch team for 2016.

Of course success is not guaranteed so hard work from the players and support from all members form the basis of a winning culture, one that the club has experienced often in the past.

To all members I ask for support in the form of attending games, offering to caddie or just simple enquiries into how the team is travelling throughout the season. Our club fixture book provides details of when and where games are to be played. It is a real boost to see a member out there during pennant – our President Keith Beggs was out there many times last year, even at Growling Frog some 60 km from home.

To this end the Club has organised a Sunday comp and lunch afterwards on 21/2/16, specifically to bring all teams (scratch, handicap, ladies & seniors) together and for interested members to come and play alongside those who will be representing the Club this year. Please don't hesitate to put your name up to play on what should be a great day.

Finally a special thanks to the Committee of Management for their support of pennant – it is great to know they are all there for us.

Anyone wishing to speak to me regarding anything to do with scratch pennant please feel free to contact me on 0413051249.

Regards
Chris Meehan



LORRAINE FARRELL (1933 - 2016)

All at Brighton Golf Club send our thoughts and sincere condolences to the Farrell family on the passing of Lorraine Farrell wife of much loved BGC Life Member Denis Farrell who passed away in 2014.





2016 Pennant Program

DATE	ROUND	TEAM	DIVISION	MATCH	TIME
Mar 3rd	1	Seniors	David Graham	Lakeside v Brighton	Away
Mar 6th	1	Scratch	Div 3	Brighton v Westgate	8:30
Mar 10th	2	Seniors	David Graham	Brighton v Camberwell	9:30
Mar 17th	3	Seniors	David Graham	Altona Lakes v Brighton	Away
Mar 20th	2	Scratch	Div 3	Bye	
Mar 31st	4	Seniors	David Graham	Brighton v Lakeside	9:30
Apr 3rd	3	Scratch	Div 3	Brighton v Sandringham	8:30
Apr 7th	5	Seniors	David Graham	Camberwell v Brighton	Away
Apr 10th	4	Scratch	Div 3	Burnley v Brighton	Away
Apr 10th	1	Handicap	Div 2	Brighton v Camberwell	8:30
Apr 14th	6	Seniors	David Graham	Brighton v Altona Lakes	9:30
Apr 17th	5	Scratch	Div 3	Brighton v C'burn Willmott	8:30
Apr 17th	2	Handicap	Div 2	Mt Martha v Brighton	Away
Apr 21st	Final	Seniors	David Graham	Amstel Park	
Apr 24th	6	Scratch	Div 3	Westgate v Brighton	Away
Apr 24th	3	Handicap	Div 2	Brighton v Riverview	8:30
May 1st	7	Scratch	Div 3	Bye	
May 1st	4	Handicap	Div 2	Camberwell v Brighton	Away
May 15th	8	Scratch	Div 3	Sandringham v Brighton	Away
May 15th	5	Handicap	Div 2	Brighton v Mt Martha	8:30
May 22nd	9	Scratch	Div 3	Brighton v Burnley	8:30
May 22nd	6	Handicap	Div 2	Riverview v Brighton	Away
May 29th	10	Scratch	Div 3	C'burn Willmott v Brighton	Away
Mat 29th	Final	Handicap	Div 2	Werribee Park	
Jun 5th	Final	Scratch	Div 3	Werribee Park	

IMPORTANT UPDATE

DUE TO THE WITHDRAWAL OF SANDRINGHAM, AN UPDATED PROGRAM WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE FEBRUARY EDITION OF BGC NEWS



Rules of Golf

By John McCreery (Club Captain)

RELIEF FROM 'STAKED TREES'

It may be of interest to all readers that there is no Rule that covers this aspect of a golf course. Local Rules are the prerogative of each Golf Committee to write for the protection of their own courses and can be read in conjunction with the R & A Rules of Golf. Have YOU collected and read your copy of the latest edition, January 2016, from the Match Committee. An example which may interest you is the penalty one would incur if they fail to take relief from a tree root on the closely mown area!!!!

Meanwhile, I have been used to rulings at other courses that allow relief from any staked tree. At Brighton, there is no such ruling so the ball in the picture would have to be played as it is unless the stake actually affects the swing or intended stance. There is a Rule for relief from a stake but relief from trees or shrubs is restricted to those under 2 club lengths in height.

Good luck, have a happy New Golf Year and read your Local Rules Sheets that are available from the clipboard inside the Clubroom's door.



2015 Christmas Raffle Results

Prize #1

Rose-Marie Hogan with Ticket # 0195

Prize #2

Kate Tester with Ticket # 0989

Prize #3

Daryl Carter with Ticket # 0632

Total Funds Raised: \$2380.00

Total Cost: \$515.50

Net: \$1864.50

Congratulations to the winners.

The BGC Committee of Management extends its thanks and appreciation to all of those who contributed in either a material or voluntary capacity to this BGC fund raising effort.



New Arrival – Elle Hua Beggs

As can be seen, baby Elle born on 4th December 2015 at 4:30 am is in fine condition as now are her parents, Thomas Beggs (past BGC Member) and wife Hua, whose lives are now getting back to some normalcy....sleeping, eating, going to work etc..

SURVIVE THE HEAT

Heat kills more Australians than any other natural disaster



DRINK WATER

Even if you don't feel thirsty, drink water. Take a bottle with you always.



HOT CARS KILL

Never leave kids, adults or pets in hot cars. The temperature inside a parked car can double within minutes.



KEEP COOL

Seek out air-conditioned buildings, draw your blinds, use a fan, take cool showers and dress in light and loose clothing made from natural fabrics.



PLAN AHEAD

Schedule activities in the coolest part of the day and avoid exercising in the heat. If you must go out, wear a hat and sunscreen and take a bottle of water with you.



HELP OTHERS

Look after those most at risk in the heat – your neighbour living alone, the elderly, the young, people with a medical condition and don't forget your pets.

SURVIVE THE HEAT
Visit betterhealth.vic.gov.au

For more information visit the Better Health Channel.
Call NURSE-ON-CALL on 1300 60 60 24
or see your doctor if you are unwell.
In an emergency, call 000.

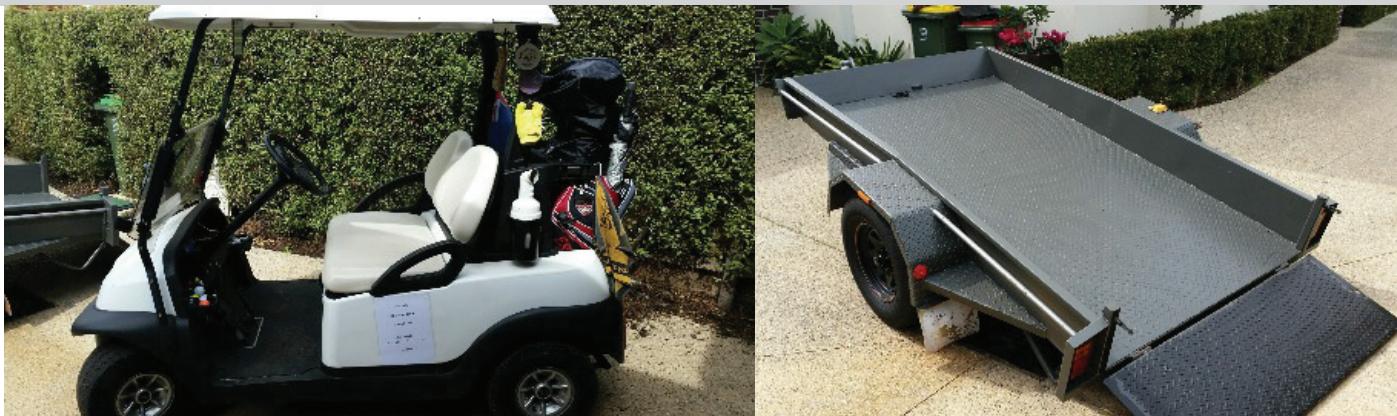
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Members Classified Page

Contact Keith Beggs to have your information included

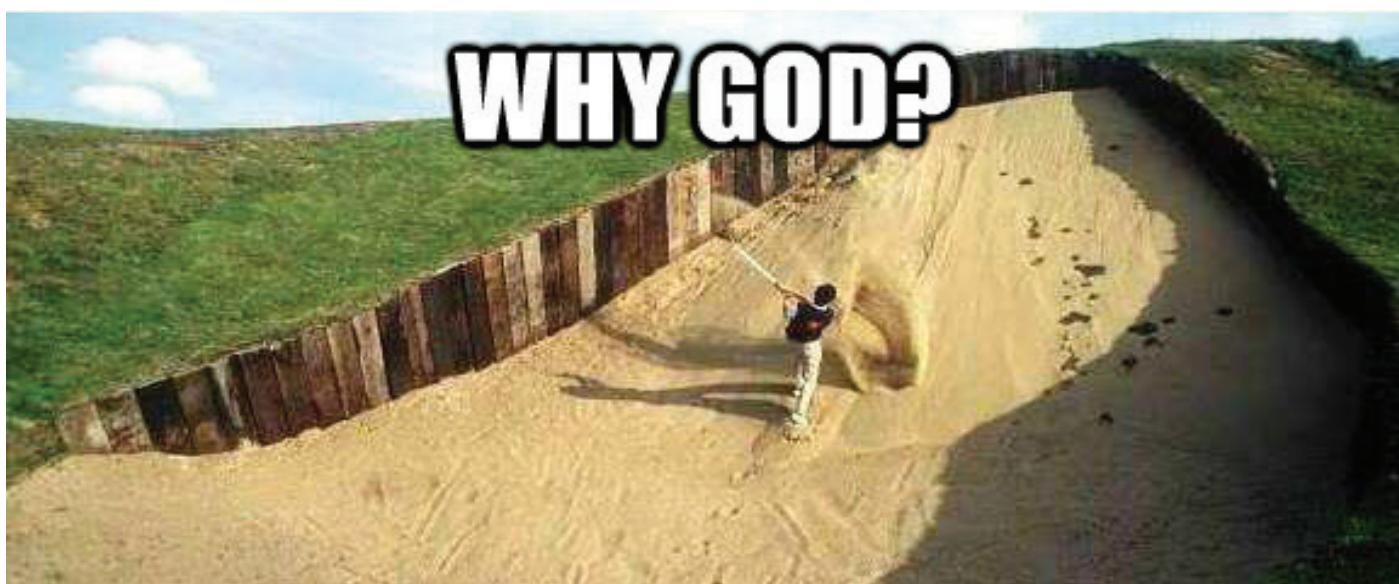
Items For Sale



Club Member Gary Troeth is offering for sale (as a set) a Golf Cart (2008) and single bogey trailer (Registered 2010). As can be seen in the photo the goods being offered for sale are in excellent condition with new batteries being fitted to the cart in 2013. Inspection available by appointment.

Price: BGC Members - \$5000. Non Members - \$6000

Enquiries: Gary Troeth. P: 95792613 M:0400781259 E:wps956@gmail.com





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