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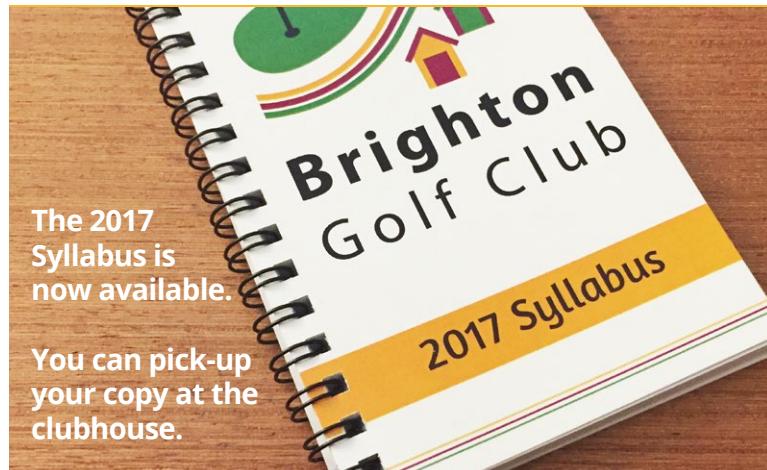
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The concept is that the competition mirrors in many ways the AFL Footy Season where teams compete against each other over several months for the ultimate Trophy.

Commencing on Saturday April 8th this year and concluding on Saturday August 13th there were 8 teams of 8 players competing almost every week. The best 3 scores from each team decided the winner of that match with an AFL styled ladder posted weekly on the club website for all to see showing the position of each team as the competition progressed.

As you might imagine there were many occasions when unexpected results occurred, just like in the AFL, but 1 team remained supreme throughout.

I say supreme but really it was "nip and tuck" for much of the season between at least 5 of the 8 teams. To give you an idea by the end of the regular season ie. before the finals there were only a few points and even less percentage separating those 5 teams.

By the time the best four teams were decided and the finals commenced ASADA Squad was on top with the Daybreakers second, Could A Beens third and Saints and Sinners fourth.

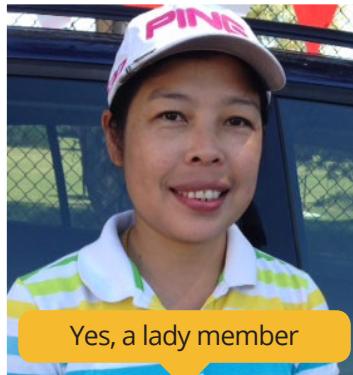
This is a remarkable result as none of these 4 teams featured in last years finals. In other words the competition was wide open and any team could have won.

The Finals were a mixed bag of lost opportunities and close finishes with the ultimate result being ASADA Squad prevailing to win the coveted BGC Winter Classic Competition for 2017.

The ASADA Team Squad



Who else but our Captain



Yes, a lady member



Colin McDonald



Karl Lindberg



Our most consistent player



Angelo Mercuri



Mark Oglethorpe



Who was battling ill-health all season

Bruce Drane (President)



Brighton Golf Course Newsletter

August 2017

Construction work is continuing to complete Council's \$2.95 million stormwater harvesting project at Brighton Golf Course. The dryer weather has enabled works to continue with minimal delays.

The work will see around 86 megalitres of water diverted from the stormwater system each year that will be naturally treated and used to water both the Brighton Golf Course and areas of Dendy Park.

Work to date

- The bulk earthworks and shaping for all the lakes is completed with topsoiling continuing.
- Gabion installation within the lakes is now completed.
- Rockwork beaching within the lakes is underway.
- The construction of the 2 rain gardens is nearing completion.
- The concrete pits at each end of the buffer storage are being manufactured and once installed, the site will be backfilled and the Practice fairway reshaped and grassed (during September)
- The pipeline to Dendy Park has been installed.
- The turtles temporary accommodation is being closely monitored.

Completion date

Council is continuing to work towards a completion date of the end of September 2017 (weather permitting)



Leisure Management Services update

The weather gods have continued to be good to us with the rain coming at night and we have enjoyed mainly dry days. There have been some chilly mornings this winter but this has not stopped the works continuing on full steam ahead. The new dam has been formed on the 11th which will lead to the hole being an enjoyable challenge and give that area of the course some real character in the future.

School is back for term 3 and the junior program is in full swing. Junior Tiger Clinics are run every day of the week after school and also on weekends, so there are options to cater for every busy family. There are still a few spots left in the program so take advantage of our term 3 special and bring the kids along to have a free trial class.

September is club fitting month at Brighton with 2 big club fitting/demo days. These events are free to attend so you can enjoy a day out trying the latest gear.

Cobra Golf Demo Day

Wednesday 13th September 12noon-4pm

Try out all the latest gear from Cobra golf including the new MAX range and the revolutionary one length irons. Bring your clubs along on the day and compare it to the latest equipment so you can justify any purchase.

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13/09/17	12:00PM-4:00PM
LOCATION:	
Brighton GC (Wednesday)	

Junior Club Fitting Day

Saturday 23rd 12noon-3pm

Why should the kids be left out?! This day is for the kids to try the latest junior equipment from all leading suppliers. They will be professionally fitted rather than just buying off the shelf. The day will also include a BBQ, long drive comp, putting comp, giveaways and just a fun day for all involved!





Brighton Golf Club

Spring Trivia Night

**Friday 6th October
at 7.30pm**



The next Brighton Golf Club Trivia Night is being organised to be held 6th October 2017.

Included in the entry fee is the provision of food throughout the evening.
So don't bother having dinner, there'll be plenty of quality food on-hand to go around.
Please dont bring food or drinks.

To be held at Brighton Golf Club at 99 Glencairn Ave, East Brighton.



TRIVIA NIGHT COST

Cost is **\$20.00 per head**

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BOOKINGS DETAILS

Book tables of eight by email

bgolf@bigpond.net.au or

Peter Jolly on 0428 201 207 or

David Heraud on 0409 160 130

Highlights of CoM Meeting - 8 August 2017

At 7.10pm ten CoM members approved the minutes from the July 11th meeting and received inwards and outwards correspondence from the Hon. Secretary, which included a VGL call for a compulsory meeting re "oneGolf" and 2019 Rules changes. Notice of increase in green fees (received from LMS), applicable after course works completed.

Treasurer provided written July 2017 brief report for each CoM member present. More detailed reports are available in office for those members requiring full details, as required by Rule 36 (a). He noted that total BGC income at this time is less than same period last year and compared to this year's budget. Bar income and subscriptions are below budget, fortunately expenses are also a little below budget.

Secretary provided written report: Membership applications are still very low, but three new members have accepted the CoM's special short term offer and were unanimously approved. A neighbour was accepted to park a caravan, at an agreed cost, on BGC land. Noted that nominations have been received from Keith Beggs for Hon. Treasurer and Sue Williams for Hon. Secretary for 2017-2019 and thus the urgency to investigate the future employment of a Club Manager, to handle "routine" work on behalf of Treasurer, Secretary, House Manager and Captain, has been deferred. The preparations for BGC future 5-year plan/s is to continue.

Captain provided written report:

- July had good number of men players, but less ladies, due to cold weather and BPGC temporary layout.
- The Fred Meehan (BGC Match Play Championship) Trophy, Round 4 must be played by August 26th.
- The modified course, 9-holes, played twice, is continuing at least until October.
- Member Barry Goring continues to officiate as Course Marshall, to assist all players.
- July/Aug Birdie Comp winner Peter Charlewood.
- Glen Martin Golf day (AFL Grand Final guest day) to be played Saturday 30th September.
- New members; M. Costigan, J. Butcher and P. Hennessy approved, letters to be sent 16th August.

Ladies sub-com President provided report:

The BGC cheque to Sandringham Hospital (BGC charity day) to be presented Aug 9th at BGC. A "complimentary" drink voucher, has been introduced to encourage "Public Lady players" to visit our club rooms. The Lady player numbers are still down, but with holidays over hope to improve soon.

Marketing sub-com report:

- Club promotional opportunities are being investigated, incl an event with LMS when 18-hole course is re-opened.
- "Sponsorship package" alternatives are being developed, which it is hoped will help keep existing members, and encourage new members to use our club house facilities more frequently.

The House sub-com report:

The Tuesday morning House maintenance group has finished the re-painting in The Ladies rest room areas. Repairs are required in specific roof area and will be investigated.

Bayside Hockey Club (BHC) recently held their CoM meeting, and an evening of cards in the club rooms and now have "special" key access to the club house.

General Business

M S and carried that Rule 18(b), joining fees be altered by Motion at AGM to allow CoM to vary the joining fees, as and when required, to remain competitive with other clubs. Model Rules and advise from CAV to be obtained. M S and carried that current annual fees remain for 2017-18 financial year. M S and carried that funds be approved for obtaining lounge, chairs and coffee tables to improve the amenity and atmosphere in club rooms. M S and carried that new hard drive and virus protection be obtained to safe guard our member and accounting information. A debate considering subscribing to Foxtel Sport, to encourage members to use club rooms more, was adjourned to a later date.

New BGC Members

The following membership applicants were recently accepted unanimously by the CoM into the Brighton Golf Club.

M. Costigan

J. Butcher

P. Hennessy

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



Peter Charlewood
Jul/Aug Birdie Comp Winner



Brighton Golf Club



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Captain's Report

Throughout July the Men have continued having a good number playing on Saturdays and Wednesdays despite the indifferent weather conditions. The Ladies on the other hand have been light on in numbers. Hopefully, when the weather picks up we will see more of them back playing.

Men's Club Championships 2017 Postponed

Due to the construction works on the Brighton Golf Course not finishing until early October, the Men's Club Championships will be postponed by one month and now commence on Saturday, 11th November. The 18 hole course should be back in play by then and the Grades and GA Handicap Ranges will be as follows:

GRADE	GA HANDICAP RANGE
Open	0 - 10.4
A	10.5 - 16.3
B	16.4 - 22.3
C	22.4 - 36.4

The lowest gross score, for the 3 rounds in each grade, will be the winners. To be eligible players in the Open Grade must have returned a minimum of 3 individual Brighton competition score cards since last years Club Championships. In all other Grades the players must have returned a minimum of 6 individual score cards since last years Club Championships to be eligible.

Men's Par 4BBBB Club Championship

A reminder to the Men that the Par 4BBBB Club Championship is to be played over two rounds on September 16th and September 23rd. Pick your partner early.

These two rounds will also be the qualifying rounds for the Match Play Championship. Pairs must nominate and play together in order to qualify. Pairs who wish to play in the Match Play Championship must write the letter 'Q' on their scorecards. You only have to play in one of the qualifying rounds to be eligible and the top 16 pairs will advance to the knockout rounds.

As previously in pairs events with the Leader Board System, each player will obtain their own score card and will nominate their playing partner when scanning the card after their round. The Leader Board will then calculate the final score of each pair.

Ladies Foursomes Championship

A reminder to the Ladies that the Club Championship for Foursomes is to be played over two rounds on September 20th and September 27th. This is a major trophy event so select your partner early before someone else grabs her.

Brighton vs Victorian Veterans G. C.

The annual challenge match between the Victorian Veterans Golf Club and the Brighton Golf Club is to be held on Monday, September 25th at the Brighton Golf Course. If you would like to play please write your name on the list displayed on the scoreboard in the Club House before Saturday, September 16th. A timesheet with the starting order will be displayed on Saturday, September 23rd. The first tee time will be 6.30am. The competition is Stableford and will be followed by lunch at the Club House. Cost per player is \$ 40.00. Platinum Card holders \$ 17.00.

Glenn Martin Memorial Golf Day (AFL Grand Final)

The competition on Saturday, September 30th is to be a team event in Stroke Ambrose. This is to be a Guest Day, so invite your friends along. Teams can be all men, all women or mixed. All players need to have a Golflink accredited GA Handicap. The competition will be a SHOT GUN START at 7.30 am, so everyone can then do their own thing afterwards as far as the football is concerned. Due to the course still being 9 holes there will be limited playing spots, so book early at the Club House.

ENTRIES & PAYMENT MUST BE DONE THROUGH THE CLUB, by Wednesday, 20th September, so that the draw for starting holes can be arranged at least a week before the event.

The Club will be running a raffle on the day. Tickets will be sold and the winner announced in the Club House directly after the morning's golf.

*"If you watch a game,
it's fun. If you play it,
it's recreation. If you
work at it, it's golf."*

Bob Hope
Comedian



General Updates

VALE - Bettine Piper



The Club was saddened on 8th August to learn of the death of Bettine, a loyal and respected member for 29 years.

Bettine joined the Club in 1988, after a 30-year career with Victoria Police, attaining the rank of Sen. Sgt. Her golfing ability was evident, and she quickly became a member of the Ladies Pennant Team, playing A Grade for many years as Pennant Captain, with the A Grade team becoming VGLA Champions in 1994.

Bettine became Ladies Club President in 1994 but relinquished this role to transfer to Ladies Club Captain in 1995 and 1996, at a time when there had been no nominations for the captaincy. With unanimous approval, Bettine resumed the role of Lady President for 1997 and 1998.

Whichever position Bettine held, she was a great leader, with great rapport with all the members. She inspired the Pennant Teams with her weekly humorous dialogues, and supported the Ladies Committee members in their various duties.

In 2006, in appreciation and recognition of the years of loyal service to the Club, the Brighton Golf Club Committee of Management, by unanimous decision, awarded Life Membership to Bettine.

Ill-health had prevented Bettine from playing golf for the past few years, but those who knew her will share many memories of a generous, warm and caring friend.

Bettine's funeral was held on Wednesday August 23rd.

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BGC Member Profiles



BERNIE COYLE

Bernie is a retired bureaucrat, living in Frankston (not exactly around the corner), married to Anne with nine children and 14 grandchildren. Wow!! How does he find time to play golf each week?

Workwise Bernie assisted the R.A.N. (Royal Australian Navy) as a Logistian, Business Manager and Project Director for the Minehunter Project valued at circa \$1.2Bln.

A BGC member for 16 years Bernie joined originally to play golf but found the good friends he made and his improving ability as a golfer led him to win the W. Lydster Memorial Trophy (Individual Matchplay) and Harry Pugh Trophy with partner Bill Dooley. Bernie is an important leader in the Vets Competition which involves a number of members from many different clubs.

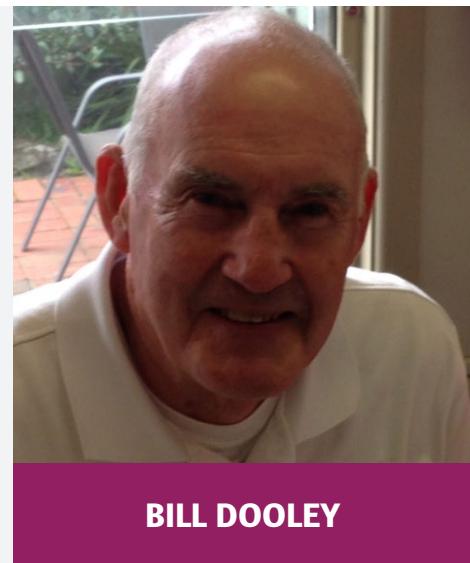
Bernie likes Golf (obviously) his wife Anne, their 9 children and 14 grandchildren. He would love to win the Lottery (wouldn't we all) and staying well.

Bill Dooley is a retired Wholesale Paper Merchant, married to Janis and together they have four children Sharyn, Bill, Paul and Leigh. They are also the doting grandparents of 6 grandchildren.

A BGC member for 16 years Bill considers one of his greatest achievements has been to raise a family and be a supportive grandfather to 6 grandchildren.

Bill has served our club and members on the Club Committee, as Assistant Captain, Joint architect of the BGC Winter Classic Competition and been on the Match Committee for a number of years.

He has opened up the Clubrooms each Saturday morning for many years and even cleaned the Men's bathroom to make our club a clean and comfortable environment for members.



BILL DOOLEY



RUSSELL MONTGOMERY

Russell is married to Helen and together they have three (3) children.

Following many years in the Pub business Russell felt the need to find new friends and play a competitive sport which required pitting himself against himself – not another opponent like footy, tennis or squash etc.

After 18 months as a member of the BGC Russell finds that we tick all the boxes in that he has met new friends, enjoys playing with fellow club members, loves a social drink after the game and is looking forward to the improved course as a result of the works that are about to begin.

All this as a result of our Committee of Management taking the initiative to encourage the Council to actually do something constructive for all concerned..



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