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Should we be proud of those members and their success on our behalves – You betcha we should!!

So here is where YOU come in!!

For the past few months, since before Christmas last year, the members who have volunteered to act as Pennant Captains of the various teams representing our club during this pennant season have been asking "Who would like to be part of this legend?"

Well, it is time to stand up and be counted. Yes, YOU are invited to choose the team and do your thing for our club.

OK, so what happens when you make that decision?

Firstly, you will be part of a **team** of club member players in your chosen grade of Pennant either Male or Female.

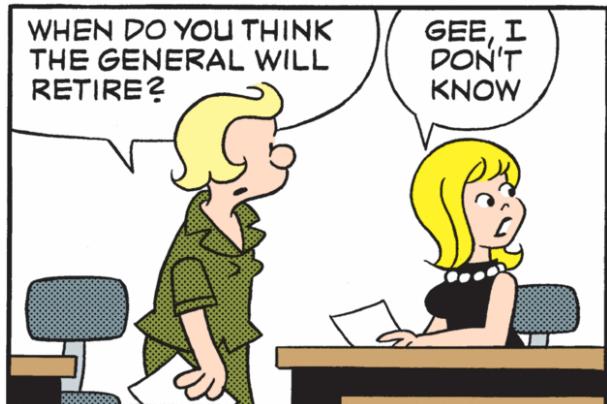
Secondly, you are committing yourself to play for the season, usually, a weekly comp played over several weeks. It doesn't go forever!! See Pennant Draw for Men and Women elsewhere in this edition.

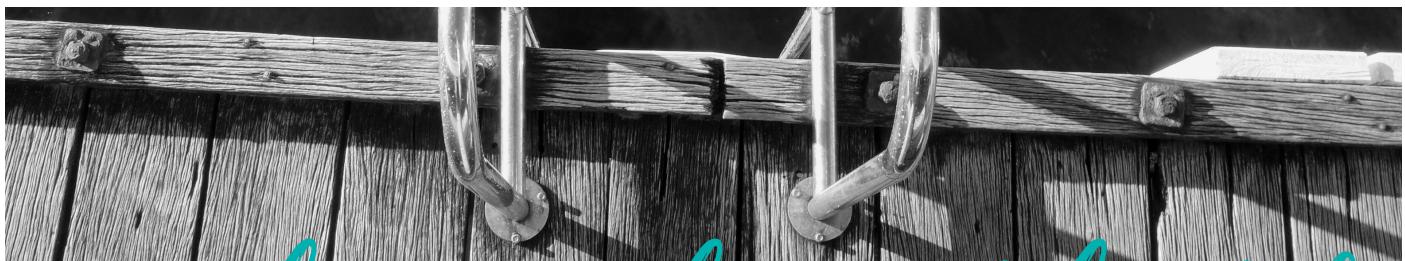
Thirdly, you get to play with this **team** on the same course at the same time against players from another club. This means you not only meet a whole bunch of new players but you also get to play on a variety of courses you may not otherwise play. Yeah, yeah but how much does it cost?

Our club picks up the costs of entry, green fees, etc. All you need to do is organize to get there in your own car or carpool with other members of your **team**. Remember you play our own course as well, so you are not travelling every week. You are fed and watered as well, How Good Is That?!?!

You could always caddie for one of our players if you don't get a spot in one of our teams this season. This would be a good way to get yourself ready for next season.

So "What do you think?". It's worth a shot - you never know YOU could be a star!! Talk to your **TeamCaptain**, surprise yourself and make us all PROUD.





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Dad Jokes

Here are a couple of Dad Jokes that you might like to use...



Knock, knock
Who's there?
Jean!
Jean who?
Jeanius – you just don't recognize it!!

What did the apple say to the banana?
Nothing - apples don't talk

I told you they were "Dad Jokes"!!

If you have a goodie send it to The Ed BGC News bgolf@bigpond.net.au



Don't Tell Me You Missed the February Trivia Night??

Scheduled start time was 7.30pm but by 7.15pm the clubrooms were "jumping". Such was the excited anticipation of attendees. We finished up with nine (9) tables and 75 people in total. Two (2) tables were taken up with Bayside Hockey Club members and friends.

House Manager David Heraud and wife Robyn were ably assisted by Yvonne, Brianna and Katie, our former Bar Steward who went to NZ but on a flying trip over here came back just to see us all again.

Our MC was the "Whizz of Quiz" the one and only Peter Jolly who did a great job with fascinating questions that tested your memory but were not ridiculously difficult. Safe to say a fun night of great food, reasonably priced drinks and lots of banter meant that all who attended enjoyed themselves immensely.

Each table had a team name so the idea was to score more points than the other tables/teams. Traditional winners led by Alex Johnson were outclassed on this occasion by "The Lattes" although the points difference was quite close.

So, if you missed this one be sure NOT to miss the next one on Friday May 25th- put that date in your diary right now!! It could be soooo popular that it might be Sold Out.



David and his helpers



Happy Little Quizters



Alex and formidable team



Friends of Club Members join in the fun

Don't Tell Me You Missed the February Trivia Night??



Here the girls out number the boys



Fun for the Young and the Young at Heart



and the winner is The Lattes



The Whizz of Quiz

Club Member Input

The recent attempt to gain input from club members via the clipboards on tables in the clubrooms is designed to do two (2) things.

Firstly, to give every member the opportunity of providing their personal thoughts and secondly, to indicate that your club management is truly interested in both your thoughts and our collective effort to improve your golfing experience.

When your concerns are known and addressed then YOU are playing an important role in the improvement process. Without your thoughts, yours is a "voice in the wilderness". Make your thoughts known so that they count!!

Remember: There is both GOOD and bad in everything. So lets' hear what you like as well as what you think could be improved.





Stormwater project enters final stages

Monday, February 5, 2018

After many months of work Council's \$2.95 million stormwater harvesting project at Brighton Public Golf Course is now in the final phase of cleaning up and systems testing underway.

Construction had been scheduled to be finalised at the end of December '17 however wet weather before Christmas meant that construction of the Melbourne Water Drain diversion structure and pump installations components could not be completed. Further January '18 rains caused additional delays.

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

Work completed over the last two months includes:

- Additional rockwork beaching within the lakes for erosion control
- Mulching and shrub planting is completed
- Construction of the Melbourne Water diversion is completed
- Works on both pump stations are now completed
- The turtles have been relocated back into the lakes
- Systems testing of the new equipment is underway
- An audit and repairs to the completed irrigation system is in progress

All construction works and tidy up is now scheduled to be completed by the 2 March 2018. This pic and information comes to us from the Bayside City Council



"Eighteen holes of Match Play will teach you more about your foe than 19 years of dealing with him across a desk".

Grantland Rice – Sportwriter



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Visit www.brightongolfclub.com.au for more info



Toss The Goss!

We have started this segment to give members an opportunity to stay in touch and be aware of member activities which may or may not relate to golf but would be of interest to other members.

A little birdie told me:

During the Christmas New Year break BGC Ladies golfer extraordinaire Robyn Napolitano flew all the way to the US of A to visit her grandson. I hope he was pleased to see her because her arms must have been very tired after flying so far!!

Club Captain John McCreery is recuperating after a knee reconstruction. It might be a few weeks yet before we see him back on the course. He is then going to have the other one done. At that rate he will "hardly have a leg to stand on"- boom boom.

Rumour has it that most of the large scale works on the course should be completed by early March and water should be available to maintain the playing surface, tees, fairways and greens. It should be "smooth sailing" from now on?! See story elsewhere in this edition.

Ian Gibb is due home from hossy by about now and is recuperating well. This is a good result for someone of his tender years!?

Holes in One are not the rarity that you and I, who have yet to enjoy our first, may think. See Captain's Report for the most recent two, yes 2. With one of them he didn't even see the ball go in the hole!!

This guy is not only a Gun golfer but also an Ace tennis player so you can imagine how he is loving being laid up with a knee operation?? See you soon Kev. Best wishes for a full recovery.

Two of our lady golfers are heading off to Sri Lanka on a golfing holiday. Wow! the lengths some people will go to just for a golf game!!

If you are aware of a member update or a note worthy short article that should be here then send an email and pic to the editor at bgolf@bigpond.net.au



Robyn Napolitano



John McCreery



Karl Lindberg



Craig Davis



Ian Gibb



Kevin Nicholls

BGC Mens 2018 - Pennant Season Draw

Date	Round	Team	Division	Match	Time
Mar 8 th	Rd 1	Senior	Ferrier	Brighton v East Malvern	T 9.30
Mar 15 th	Rd 2	Senior	Ferrier	Forest Hills v Brighton	Away
Mar 22 nd	Rd 3	Senior	Ferrier	Brighton v Lakeside Swans	T 9.30
Mar 25 th	Rd 1	Scratch	Div 1	Brighton v Growling Frog	T 8.30
Mar 25 th	Rd 1	Handicap	Div 4	East Malvern v Brighton	Away
Apr 5 th	Rd 4	Senior	Ferrier	East Malvern v Brighton	Away
Apr 8 th	Rd 2	Scratch	Div 1	Lakeside v Brighton	Away
Apr 8 th	Rd 2	Handicap	Div 4	Brighton v Olinda	T.8.30
Apr 12 th	Rd 5	Senior	Ferrier	Brighton v Forest Hills	T 9.30
Apr 15 th	Rd 3	Scratch	Div 1	Centenary Park v Brighton	Away
Apr 15 th	Rd 3	Handicap	Div 4	Brighton v Craigieburn W'mott	T 8.30
Apr 19 th	Rd 6	Senior	Ferrier	Lakeside Swans v Brighton	Away
Apr 22 nd	Rd 4	Scratch	Div 1	Growling Frog v Brighton	Away
Apr 22 nd	Rd 4	Handicap	Div 4	Brighton v East Malvern	T 8.30
Apr 26 th	Final	Senior	Ferrier	Kingston Links G. C.	TBA
Apr 29 th	Rd 5	Scratch	Div 1	Brighton v Lakeside	T 8.30
Apr 29 th	Rd 5	Handicap	Div 4	Olinda v Brighton	Away
May 6 th	Rd 6	Scratch	Div 1	Brighton v Centenary Park	T 8.30
May 6 th	Rd 6	Handicap	Div 4	Craigieburn W'mott v Brighton	Away
May 20 th	Final	Handicap	Div 4	Werribee Park G. C.	TBA
May 27 th	Final	Scratch	Div 1	Werribee Park G. C.	TBA



Highlights of CoM Meeting - 13 February 2018

Date: Tuesday 13th February, 2018

Present: James McAlpine, Giles Toler, John McCreery, Sue Williams, Keith Beggs, David Heraud, Rosemary Fry, Trevor George, Virginia Gattuso, Doris Klein (arrived 7:35pm)

Apologies: Pamela Jones, Robyn Napolitano

Motion Acceptance of Previous Committee Meeting 9/1/2018 Minutes: Motion to accept the 9/1/2018 Brighton Golf Club Committee of Management Minutes as a true and accurate record of the Meeting. (M) JMc (S) KB MOTION PASSED

BIRDIE WINNER: John Quinn

Motion Acceptance: Motion to accept as Members of the Brighton Golf Club, Drew Morrow, Barbara Phelan, Helen Horsfield, James Smith. (M) JMc (S) KB PASSED

Motion: Motion for DH to make enquiries for the installation of a reverse cycle air-conditioner for the BGC Meeting Room, for approximately \$3000. (M) TG (S) DH PASSED

Motion Acceptance: Motion to accept all the tabled Reports. (M) GT (S) KB PASSED

February Trivia Night: DH to be the contact person for the Trivia Night Fundraiser. DH has requested that there is to be a maximum of eight per table. \$25 tickets (\$10 retained by BGC and \$15 to go to DH)

Practice Net: The erection of the practice net, for BGC Club Members to use at any time, is planned for March 2018.

Honour Boards:

Motion: Motion to purchase a new BGC honour board from Lifetime Trophies. (M) JMc (S) KB FOR: JMc, KB, SW, VG AGAINST: GT, DH, TG, RF ABSTAINED: DK PRESIDENT JMc: FOR PASSED

BGC Illuminated Sign: Committee Members to research illuminated signs and forward gathered information to SW. KB to contact Bayside City Council.

Junior Membership: GT to look at developing a BGC Junior Membership program.

Red Cross Day Sub-Committee Update: DH reported the Red Cross Sub- Committee is to be David Heraud (Convenor) and Al Abraham.

New Member Promotion: VG reported on the success of the membership drive at the recently held BPGC Golf Event.

Pennant Lunch: JMc reported that some Clubs are now choosing not to provide lunches after their Men's pennant matches. J McC encouraged BGC to continue to do so.

New Men's Club Medal: JMc showed the Committee of Management the new Men's Club medal.

Syllabus Contacts: RF reported the BGC Ladies would like to have a list of Lady Member names and phone numbers to distribute to any Ladies, if required. SW to organise the printing of this list for the Ladies.

New Dim Sim Cooker:

Motion: Motion for DH to spend up to \$350 on the purchase of a new commercial quality dim sim steamer. (M) DH (S) GT PASSED



John Quinn
Jan Birdie Winner

One of the old pro's, when asked why he hardly ever took a practice swing before hitting his drives or long approaches, is reported to have said : "I don't want to waste it 'cause it might be the good one".



48th Annual Red Cross Golf Charity Day

A FUN DAY of GOLF, PRIZES and GOOD FOOD!!

On Saturday 17th March 2018, Brighton Golf Club will be hosting it's 48th Annual Red Cross Charity Day. The Australian Red Cross (ARC) is the major charity of our Club.

Leisure Management Services (LMS), are once again supporting this event by allowing an 8.00 am SHOTGUN START utilising the complete course for the morning, which will allow all players to attend the Club House afterwards for drinks, lunch and fundraising activities.

A BBQ lunch will be available, which is part of the full entry package. You are welcome to attend the lunch and/or afternoon activities with your fellow Club Members even if you cannot play in the golf competition.

The Charity Day fundraising activities will be supported by a spinning wheel, a golf auction donated by LMS and a major BGC Red Cross Charity Day raffle.

A book of EIGHT raffle tickets will be mailed to all Members, at \$2.50 per ticket. All proceeds of the raffle go to the Australian Red Cross. Raffle books and money raised to be returned

to the Club by 6:00 pm on Wednesday 14th March.

Raffle Details

- 1st Prize:** Harvey Norman Voucher (\$500)
- 2nd Prize:** HEAD Tennis Racquet (\$330)
- 3rd Prize:** Gift Voucher of choice (\$200)

Event Prices (including donation to ARC)

- Full package: **\$55.00** (Green Fee & Lunch)
- Platinum Player: **\$32.00** (Lunch)
- Golf only: **\$40.00** (Green Fee)
- Club House Lunch Only: **\$20.00**
- Platinum Player: **\$17.00**

Entries for the Golf Charity Day close on Wednesday 7th March, 2018 and is open to both handicap and non-handicap players.

All green fees are required to be paid in advance.

BOOKINGS & FURTHER INFORMATION

John McCreery M: 0415 504 066 E: johnmccreery@bigpond.com
David Heraud M: 0409 160 130 E: dheraud@bigpond.net.au

Captain's Report

Highlights

Following on from last month's Hole in One we have got one better this month. On Saturday, 27 January, Craig Davis hit the perfect shot on the 6th hole and then on Wednesday, 7th February, Karl Lindberg followed up on the 13th hole. Karl was playing early, and hitting into the sun he did not see the ball go into the hole, so was a bit annoyed that he could not see his ball on the green or in the bunkers. The hole was the last place he looked.

Brighton Golf Course Construction Works.

Please note that an information sheet on how the construction works effect each of the 18 holes is available near where you get your scorecard. This sheet gives you the current Temporary Local Rules for playing each hole. These Rules will change as the construction works to wind down and new notices will be displayed in the Club House.

The rain gardens on the 10th fairway now have red stakes around them and are now lateral water hazards. Players must not enter any areas within the dam walls to retrieve a ball. Anyone doing so will be disqualified from that day's competition. The tops of the dam walls have been planted to reduce erosion and the soil is still very loose.

Red Cross Charity Day

Our annual Red Cross Charity Golf Tournament is on Saturday, 17th March 2018. This is one of the major charity events for the Club to help the wider community by providing funds for the Red Cross to continue their good work. Apart from playing on the day we desperately need donations of quality items, large or small, for the spinning wheel to be run in the Club House after the golf tournament.

All bookings must be made at the Club House and all payment of green fees, Red Cross donation and lunch if required, must be made at the Club bar.

Bookings should be made early as tee allocations will fill up fast. The draw showing your tee allocation will be displayed on Saturday, 10th March. There will be extra nearest the pin holes and longest drives as well as a putting competition organized by the Pro Shop. Every Member will receive a book of raffle tickets in the mail with tickets at \$2.50 each, they should be easy to sell.

2018 Pennant Season

As mentioned in last month's report the Pennant Season starts at the end of this month. The Ladies Pennant Manager will be Rosemary Fry. The Scratch Team Manager will be Chris Meehan, Handicap Team Manager, Peter Nowak and the Senior Team Manager, Peter Bimbi. All teams would welcome any players interested in playing golf in this team environment of Pennant golf. Please contact the team managers

Tow of the Best

You will recall that in last months BGC News we learned that Jess (our Bar Steward) was leaving us and going to do a course of study at the WA Academy of Performing Arts.

Before leaving Jess organized a friend of hers to take over as our part time Bar Steward. So, our New Bar Steward from February is Yvonne. Here is a pic of Jess (on the right) and Yvonne doing their thing behind the bar. Are we the lucky ones or what...? We wish Jess all the best in her studies and a warm welcome to Yvonne.



Yvonne and Jess - BGC Bar Steward

"In golf driving is a game of free swinging muscle control, while putting is something like performing eye surgery and using a bread knife for the scalpel".

Tommy Bolt –Professional golfer

Ladies Activities

Having been on their Summer Golf Program since late last year the BGC Ladies have only just returned for this year's activities. Hot weather and strong winds have combined to affect the ability of the ladies to resume their normal competitions so at the time of writing there is not a lot to report.

Activities of a number of individual ladies are reported in our Toss the Goss segment, so take a look there.

In the meantime, we look forward to reporting on the ladies activities both on our course and in their pennant matches next month.

The BGC Ladies are fielding one (1) team this Pennant season which includes:

Sue Bamberry, Rosemary Fry (Captain), Marilyn Jamieson, Jenny Bahramis, Jan Mayberry. Emergencies are Rosa Baernreuther, Virginia Gattuso, Jan Smallman, Barb Leech, Maryanne Corke, and Doris Klein.

We are in B grade and Pennant starts Monday 26th February.

Go Girls!!

Victorian Golf League Womens 2018 - Pennant Draw

B Grade	
Zone 1	Zone 2
Burnley (1)	Greowling Frog Ladies
Brighton	Mentone
East Bentleigh YWCA	Morack (1)
Yarra Bend (1)	Nepean

Home teams are listed first

Zone 1			
Feb 26	Burnley (1)	versus	East Bentleigh YWCA
	Yarra Bend (1)	versus	Brighton
March 5	Burnley (1)	versus	Yarra Bend (1)
	Brighton	versus	East Bentleigh YWCA
March 19	Brighton	versus	Burnley (1)
	East Bentleigh YWCA	versus	Yarra Bend (1)
March 26	East Bentleigh YWCA	versus	Burnley (1)
	Brighton	versus	Yarra Bend (1)
April 9	Yarra Bend (1)	versus	Burnley (1)
	East Bentleigh YWCA	versus	Brighton
April 16	Burnley (1)	versus	Brighton
	Yarra Bend (1)	versus	East Bentleigh YWCA

BGC Member Profiles



DAVID HERAUD

David Heraud is our BGC House Manager. He and wife Robyn do most of the catering at our club for both club and outside organizations who hire our clubrooms.

Prior to joining the BGC David was a 30-year self-employed Furniture Agent. During that time David never once received a wage he survived on his entrepreneurial skills. It is these skills that David is employing to grow the income received by our club from outside sources rather than just the members.

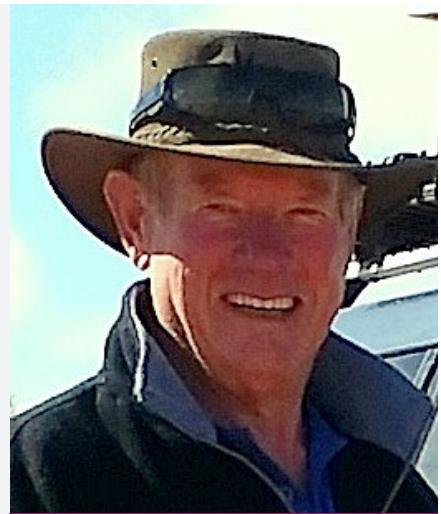
A 9 year-old club member David originally joined because we are close to home, he wanted to take up the game of golf and saw the need for a Country Club style of operation in a metropolitan setting. "We are on the way but there is still work to be done" he says. Keep up the good work David, we are delighted in our progress to date.

Gary Troeth has been a BGC club member for 10 years, has two children and is a retired Sales Manager in the Steel Industry. Having almost always been in a people-oriented business Gary, a Fitter & Turner by trade, at one time had his own retail hardware store.

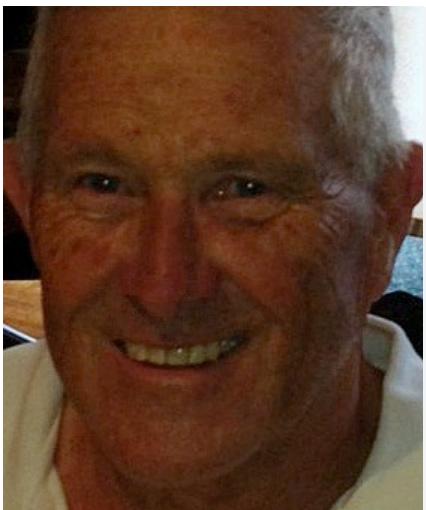
A couple of years ago it was Gary who rebuilt the decking where the beer deliveries occur at the side of our clubrooms, so he is a pretty handy man to have around the house/club.

An avid four-wheel drive rough country traveler Gary has driven on many outback tracks and could tell a story or two about his exploits. He has played the longest golf course in the world across the Nullarbor Plain.

He joined because of the friendships and challenge of golf but would love a "better paddock to play on" which is a big call after the Nullarbor!!



GARY TROETH



PETER WOLFE

Peter and Joan Wolfe have been married for 45 years, have a son, a daughter and two grandchildren.

Prior to retirement, Peter was a banker with Westpac for 35 years. He played footy and cricket for local teams in the Hampton area and was a member of Torquay Golf Club before the RACV took it over and developed a huge new complex there. Whilst those renovations were taking place Peter enjoyed 5 years of free membership.

Having been a member of the Kevin "Tubby" Pearce group of friends for many years when Kevin introduced the group to our club Peter was happy to join and play in our weekly comps. Speaking of which since joining a few years ago he has been able to lower his handicap from 21 to 16. So playing regularly with the BGC has been a good move



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