



Hi *|FNAME|*,

PRESIDENT'S NEWS

A reminder that the **Club's Annual General Meeting (AGM)** will be held on **Sunday 29 September 2019 @ 11:30am** in the Clubhouse. This year there will be **an election of Directors**, nominations have been called for and close on 24 August 2019.

The Development Application (DA) for the Club's two proposed capital works projects: Deck Extension and a New Golf Kart & Equipment Storage Shed, was recently **approved by Wollongong City Council**. The Club is applying for a number of Government Grants to assist with funding of these projects.

A few of our members have had some medical issues over the past few months, here's wishing them a speedy recovery and it would be great to see them back at the Club and on the course.

A warm welcome to members who have joined over the past recent months including Full Members, Social Members, Friday ladies converting to full playing members, plus Elissa Nikolich who was one of our star juniors now returning to the game. Also joining the club is Kevin Pallier and his daughter Olivia. Kevin is a panellist for both Australian Golf Digest and The Golf Course Guide.

CAPTAIN'S UPDATE

Wollongong City Council is currently undertaking maintenance on their course, with several tees out of play and turfing of a few areas. While this is inconvenient for members we all must accept that in order to preserve the quality of the course it requires constant refurbishment.

Council's green staff have had this work scheduled for some time, with completion due for early spring in order to enable the turf to take advantage of the growing season.

This happens on all golf courses, therefore it may require a few adjustments to your game for a short while, and we all look forward to the course returning to normal in due course.

MEMBER NEWS



Saturday 24th August is the inaugural Cadifern Cup. Club member Peter Reilly sponsors this event. Book now and stay for drinks after and hopefully we will be successful in having this **generous Irishman** here to present the trophy.



John Szczur presented with the trophy by Heather Lucas on the **Morrie Lucas Memorial Day**.



In freezing cold & strong windy conditions for the 2nd round on Sunday 11th August, Frazer & Jane Davey were successful in taking out the **Fairy Meadow Plumbing 2019 Mixed Foursomes Championships**. Lou & Trish Whant were nett winners over 36 holes. Congratulations.

CRAIG'S CORNER



This month the levelling of tees has come along nicely, with new organic soil being added to the profile to replace the turf grass. The Laser level has been booked and new turf will begin rolling in at the beginning of September. As the weather warms up, the start of Spring will ensure the course looks better than ever.

Some of our larger trees in front of the club house and carpark kept me extra busy when they were blown down in the recent strong winds. Please be mindful of any newer trees that have been planted over the winter months as we're trying to give them a good head start.

See you on the course!

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JUNIORS

2019 Spring School Holiday Junior Clinics:

Junior Golf Clinics are scheduled during the next school holidays: Wednesday 9 October and Thursday 10 October 2019 from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The clinics are free, please register using the form in the [Junior's section of the Club's website](#).

2019 Junior Matchplay Championship

Reminder that the 1st round of the Junior Matchplay Championship will be held on 21 September 2019 – nominations still open, see sheet on Juniors Noticeboard. Draw to occur at the end of August, there is a highly competitive field this year.

Juniors Performance:

A number of our Juniors have had some great results in Saturday comps over the past few months and recently **Tom Eagleton** was the net winner of the Mollymook Junior Open...as a famous person was quoted as saying: "**How good are The Vale Juniors!**"

VETERANS

Our **July Veterans Open Day** had relatively small numbers, however we welcomed golfers from Wollongong, Jamberoo and Port Kembla. Conditions were cool and fine with 40 points recorded by the Men and 34 points from the Women which contributed to a good days golfing. Our Sponsorship people are constantly in search of sponsors for this event in order to entice our members and other Veterans in the Illawarra.

Eight of the Vale Veterans are again contesting the next round of the **Trevor Bell Shield** on the 19th August 2019 at Wollongong. Hopefully we can progress up the table that will enable us to be in contention with the finalists.

A group of Veterans from the Club "Silver Stallions and Mares" played in the **Eurobodalla Veterans Week of Golf at Moruya and Catalina** earlier this month. Golf and socialising were the order of the week, however The Vale managed to take home some of the prizes including lots of wine which was presented to NTP winners and consumed promptly.

As a Club we are a member of the Illawarra Veterans Golfing Association and the Club strive to deliver programs that we think is the best outcome for our members overall. Lou Whant & Les Beauchamp are the Veterans representatives of the Club and would be happy to discuss issues or suggestions that you think can enhance our club and golfing operations. As you well know our Club is run by volunteers, so we need involvement from our members to make our Club progress into the future.

LADIES UPDATE



Congratulations to Joy Nelson and Alison Crossley on winning the ladies foursomes sponsored by **Better Business Accounting and Anthony Edmonds**. It was great to see so many play the 36 holes. However, if 36 holes seems daunting for some of our ladies, come along to the **Ladies AGM on Wednesday 18th September at 11am** and join in the discussion.

There will be a chicken and "bubbles" for lunch at \$5.00 per person with a sheet in the club house for those intending to stay for lunch.

Pink Day

MONDAY 2nd September is one of our major charity days. Donations of cakes, slices, wine etc for the raffle will be most welcome.

Barbara's cream horns, Sue's gluten free slice and hopefully some other goodies will be for sale.

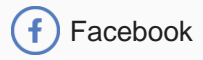
If you know of any business's that would like to donate voucher's or gifts to help make this a great day, let Carolyn or Pattie know.

ENTERTAINMENT

Not long to go now - Book now for our "Hot August Night" evening. Friday 23rd August commencing 6pm.
"Hot" music plus curries for dinner - just \$10 per head.
Bookings for dinner required.



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