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Message from the President



MPVGA President
Bill Peachey

With such a mild summer, there has been a solid start to 2011. We have had 90+ members playing at each of the four events held to date. This year's program looks terrific and we are going back to Eagle Ridge later in April.

Before the MPVGA AGM held at the Rosebud Country Club, the Canadian Foursomes event was attended by nearly 120 members. We again enjoyed a delicious meal put on by the Club.

Iwould like to thank all of the Office Bearers and Club Delegates for their support throughout 2010. There are always challenges throughout the year, however financially, the Association is in great financial shape and we appreciate the Sponsorship from the Bendigo Bank, Half A Sec, Hastings Hobbies and Byte this Computer.

Iwas sorry to accept the resignation of Alan Bennett who had done a marvellous job as our Secretary for the past 5 or so years. I am grateful for Kevin White to take over the reins from Alan and welcome Kevin to this important position of Association Secretary.

The 2012 AVGU event to be held in November 2012 is coming together nicely and Ken McNamara is working wonders for this event. We have sponsorship from the Mornington Peninsula Tourism and the Bendigo Bank. We are seeking one more sponsor and are also hoping to get the Victorian Major Events on side. More to follow later.

Finally, I would like to wish all members good golfing in 2011 and remember, to play **READY GOLF, PUT YOUR GOLF LINK NUMBER and CLUB** on each scorecard, as this will help everybody to enjoy the day.

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MPVGA VICE CAPTAIN TONY CLARKE'S RULES CORNER



Obstructions are described as anything artificial or man made being either movable, immovable or temporary immovable obstructions. They are treated differently to loose impediments, which we discussed in a recent issue, these being natural objects.



Movable obstructions which are covered under Rule 24-1, are deemed 'movable' if they may be moved without unreasonable effort, unduly delaying play or without causing damage. Examples are:

- Rakes, tin cans, abandoned golf ball, a bottle, and/or a stone broken away from a retaining wall.

If a ball moves as a direct result of removing the obstruction, there is no penalty and the ball must be replaced.

If the ball is on top of the obstruction, the ball may be lifted and the obstruction removed. The ball must then be dropped (or placed on the putting green) as near as possible to where it originally lay. The ball may be cleaned when lifted under this rule.

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Immovable obstructions which are covered under Rule 24-2 examples are: Artificially surfaced roads and cart paths (unless declared an integral part of the course such as the road hole at St. Andrews, Scotland), Sprinkler heads, buildings, irrigation control boxes, stakes, fences and walls which don't define the course boundary.

Interference occurs when the obstruction interferes with the lie of the ball, your stance or the area of your intended swing.

No relief if the ball is in a water hazard or if the obstruction is in your line of play.

Relief taken is a drop within one club length of the nearest point of relief no nearer the hole.



Temporary immovable obstructions which are covered under Rule appendix 1.7, are non-permanent artificial objects erected in conjunction with a competition.

Example are:

Tents, scoreboards, grandstands, TV towers etc. Line of sight relief is granted if the temporary immovable object intervenes between the ball and the hole in addition to relief from interference.

A local rule for the competition must be in force.

MPVGA CAPTAIN'S REPORT



IAN PURCHASE

The year has commenced well with very good attendances at the following venues: Devilbend (98), Flinders (111), Rosebud Country Club (118), Carrington Park (94) and Cape Schanck (91). Settlers Run registrations at 65 are well down on previous years.

I have contacted St Andrews Beach concerning a 2012 booking. They are very keen to join our program. Further details when a date is confirmed.

The Victorian state-wide Vets had their Four Ball stroke event at Heywood on 22-23 March. Heywood course is an interesting track with kikuyu grass and tree-lined fairways. One bunker only! Kevin Wilson and John Addicoat won the net trophy with 120 points.

Eddie Saunders, yours truly, Gordon Warren and Allan Bellamy scored well, whilst Trevor Bishop secured a NTP and the raffle! Devilbend to the fore once again.

Members are reminded that the VVGA Teams event and State Championships will be held in September and October. Those interested are requested to contact me well before these events.

As Flinders Golf Club will be coring and sanding their greens during the week commencing September 12, I have cancelled this event. The committee will decide an alternative venue at the April Committee meeting.

LOGO'D POLO SHIRTS - NOW AVAILABLE

The MPVGA has commissioned the production of 'club' shirts for those who would like to show their colours.

The shirts are available in 3 sizes from your club delegate for the sum of \$30 including GST.



ST. BEDES SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLBOY GOLF CHALLENGE - RAFFLE RESULTS.

The Year 11 & 12 boys representing Australia in this tournament will be heading off to Cape Town to play against teams from Scotland, New Zealand and South Africa by the time this issue is published in early April.

The organizers of the event wish to thank the MPVGA members and the Mornington Golf Club's British Open players, who supported them by participating in the recent raffle and the golf clubs who donated many of the auction items and raffle prizes.

Also a very big thank-you to Mike Henry the MPVGA Safety Beach delegate who MC'd the very successful Trivia and Auction Night which raised almost \$4000 to cover the boys golf fees and transport within South Africa.

The raffle was drawn during the evening and the winners are:

- 1st Prize - Golf game 4 people at Metroplitan GC valued @ \$800 to: Nick Williams of Highett
- 2nd Prize - Golf game for 4 people with cart at Keysborough GC valued @ \$400 to: Patricia Duryea of Mornington.
- 3rd Prize - Prosimmon Magician Putter donated by Tich Carter valued @ \$140 to: Brian Robertson of Devilbend GC.
- 4th Prize - Henry Buck's Polo Shirt donated by Jon Cecil valued @ \$100 to: Kaitlin Ives.



Photo Roundup from this Quarter's Events



RANDOM PICS FROM FLINDERS, CARRINGTON PARK & CAPE SCHANCK

PHOTOGRAPHER TREVOR BISHOP



MPVGA Events Results

Devilbend - January 17 Results

Great opening day event with the Devilbend track in fine condition and a good representation with 97 golfers participating. Devilbend members were particularly strong on the day, showing the advantage of local knowledge.

STABLEFORD EVENT WINNERS

"A" Grade:
Robert Searl (DB) 18 42pts

"B" Grade:
Colin Pitcher (DB) 30 39pts cb

RUNNERS UP

"A" Grade:
Allan Findlay (DB) 15 40pts

"B" Grade:
Graeme Easton (MM) 25 39pts
Noel Baker (C) 23 39pts

NEAREST THE PIN:

3rd Hole: Trevor Bishop (DB)
8th Hole: Don Dempster (M)
11th Hole: Tony Clarke (RCC)
13th Hole: Geoff Menlove (DB)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky:
Jeff Slocombe (C)

Flinders - February 7 Results

After some confusion due to double booking by the course (not our fault to be reiterated), the 4-ball match was played out with 2 sets of starting times incorporating 111 players. Flinders presented itself in very good condition despite flooding rains a few days earlier. Some very good scoring was recorded with a in-form team from Mt Martha taking out the event.

4BBB STABLEFORD

WINNERS:
Bruce Parish (MM) 28 53pts
Barry Steggall (MM) 24

RUNNERS UP:

Alex Shaw (DB) 28 51pts
Alan Blight (DB) 29

NEAREST THE PIN:

9th Hole: Chris Lee-Brown (M)
12th Hole: Alan Blight (DB)
14th Hole: Denis Eisenbise (CS)
17th Hole: Bill Mansell (CP)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky:
Shayne Romani - The Dunes



1st Quarter 2011

Rosebud Country Club - February 21 Results

The day started with early rain but cleared as the day progressed. You can see why this course is such a favourite and numbers proved the point with 118 players on the day. Again a strong showing by Devilbend members however scores generally were good with the ball run-down stopping at net 72..

CANADIAN FOURSOMES WINNERS:

Kevin Etherton (DB) 4 Net 64
Allan Findlay (DB) 14

RUNNERS UP:

Ian Patterson (CS) 15 Net 65
Eddie Saunders (DB) 25

NEAREST THE PIN:

4th Hole: Mike Henry (SB)
7th Hole: Stan Eddy (NAT)
11th Hole: Terry Williamson (RCC)
13th Hole: Geoff Booth (DB)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky:
Gordon Groves (DB)



Carrington Park - March 7 Results

The weather gods provided a return to summer for the field at Carrington Park this beautiful Monday morning. The course is in magnificent shape and a good day was had by most.

STABLEFORD

WINNERS:
"A" Grade:
Bill Mansell (CP) 11 43pts

"B" Grade:
Ian Wylie (CS) 24 43pts

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:
Denis Eisenbise (CS) 17 38pts
Allan Findlay (DB) 14 38pts

"B" Grade:

Max McEvoy (C) 22 40pts
Bill Jamison (M) 22 40pts

NEAREST THE PIN:

3rd Hole: Shayne Romani (D)
6th Hole: Bill King (CP)
15th Hole: Geoff Neems (MM)
17th Hole: Bill Mansell (CP)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky:
Michael Alexander (D)



1st Quarter 2011 Results (continued)

Cape Schanck - March 29 Results

A magnificent Autumn day on a magnificently prepared course which says much for the careful and ongoing stewardship of the RACV. Some very good scores were recorded, as we were fortunately playing from the blue markers and not the deadly 'blacks'.

STABLEFORD

WINNERS:

"A" Grade:

Noel Frame (CS) 10 40pts

"B" Grade:

Vic Rodwell (DB) 22 43pts

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:

Andrew Graham (M) 15 39pts

"B" Grade:

Mike Dale (DB) 18 41pts

NEAREST THE PIN:

3rd Hole: Bruce Dawson (MM)

7th Hole: Colin Lambert (DB)

14th Hole: Adrian Holton-Picard (RCC)

16th Hole: Brian Thomas (M)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky:

Tim Sanders (CP)

Scottish Golf Club Sign

This is an actual sign posted in the Carnoustie Golf Club house:

The 10 Rules of Etiquette

1. Back straight, knees bent and feet should be shoulder width apart.
 2. Form a loose grip
 3. Keep your head down
 4. Avoid a quick back swing
 5. Stay out of the water
 6. Try not to hit anyone
 7. If you are taking too long, let others go ahead of you.
 8. Don't stand directly behind others
 9. Quiet please while others are preparing
 10. Don't take extra strokes.
- Well done, now flush the urinal and go outside and tee off.

COMING EVENTS 2nd QUARTER 2011

- Settlers Run - Tuesday April 12 - Stableford
- Eagle Ridge - Tuesday April 26 - Par
- Rosebud Country Club - Monday May 9 - 1st Round Championships- Stableford
- Portsea - Monday May 23 - 2nd Round Championships - Stableford
- The National (Ocean)- Monday June 6 - Stableford
- Cape Schanck Monday June 27 - 3rd Round Championships - Stableford

FINAL THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Having read the definitions of 'loose impediments' and 'obstacles' in Tony Clarke's Rules Corner, what is the following:

