

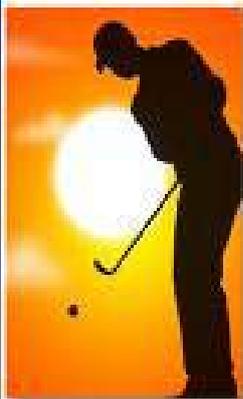


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Message from the President



MPVGA President

Bill Peachey

We're half way through the year and the games have been ticking along without too many hitches.

This Association's numbers are down as compared with last year (at the same time) and I hope that we can all try and get the numbers back to 400 members as per 2010.

Our Vice President, Ken McNamara has been very busy with the 2012 AVGU event to be held in November 2012. Ken has written an article about this major event. (see Page 3).

Please help your Association by volunteering for this event. Mark November 2012 in your diary now.

The MPVGA is in a sound financial position and the Committee have had to deal with some different and challenging decisions. So Committee Meetings have been more involved than in prior years. However we are seeking

advice from the VVGA to help us with these situations, and I believe all is well.

The MPVGA badges and shirts are still available, so don't forget to put your order in with your Delegate.

We are getting a new handicap system in September and this is meant to help the lower handicap members. I am not sure that this is the case, as it is to reduce the longer handicapper and mean that they do not win as many events as they have in the past ! Personally, I go from 10 to 7 !

Finally, a reminder to write on your golf card , the name of your golf club and your full and correct Golflink number. This has improved immensely from the start of this year, however everybody needs to ensure that they do the right thing for the person who inputs the data into Golflink.

Make sure you enjoy these golf games and remember to play READY golf .

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MPVGA VICE CAPTAIN TONY CLARKE'S RULES CORNER



Don't hit the wrong ball

A wrong ball is defined as any ball other than your :

- ball in play
- provisional ball or
- second ball if being played under rules permitting this and includes:
 - another player's ball
 - an abandoned ball

Original ball no longer in play

Your ball is no longer in play if it has been holed, lost out of bounds or lifted or another ball has been substituted.

Penalty - stroke play: (rule 15-3b) 2 stroke penalty. You must also correct your mistake by playing the correct ball or proceeding under the rules.

Examples of this are:

- if your original ball is lost or out of bounds, you must proceed under Rule 27-1 by playing from where the original ball was last played.
- If your original ball is in a water hazard, by dropping a ball under water hazard procedures (Rule 26).
- If your ball is near an immovable obstruction or interference is being caused by dropping the ball under Rule 24-1.
- If your ball is in an abnormal ground condition such as GUR or casual water, by dropping the ball under Rule 25-1.

You must correct the mistake of playing the wrong ball before you play from the next tee. Please note that any strokes you make with the wrong ball don't count on your score.

Penalty - Match play (Rule 15-3a) loss of hole.

So, having said all this, I would strongly advise that you always follow Rule 6-5 which states: "the responsibility for playing the proper ball rests with the player. Each player should put an identification mark on his ball."



MPVGA CAPTAIN'S REPORT



IAN PURCHASE

Although the idea of having a Group Leader in each group is in its infancy, the results so far have been very promising. However, we need to maintain our efforts in reducing rounds to an acceptable level. Forget the honour system - 'Ready Golf' is the only way to go!

The Teams event notice is out and players interested in competing should write their name and handicap on the form provided. This event will be played at the Castlemaine course on 12-13 September. Delegates are reminded that 22 July is the closing date. The final state-wide event for Veterans will be the State Championships which will be played at the Port Fairy course on October 3 & 4.

For the record, 2012 events will be played at Corowa, Portland, Mildura and Phillip Island.

Two important reminders:

(1) that the 4th round of the Association Championships will be played at The Dunes course on August 9 and Carrington Park will host the September 12 event in place of Flinders who are

having their greens cored and sanded.

(2) please continue to put your golf link number and club name on your scorecard.

Towards the end of next month, Tony Clarke and I will start preparing the 2012 program. Despite our best efforts, we were still unable to avoid clashing with other 2011 district events – not necessarily PDGA events. If you are aware of annual events that are likely to clash with our program, please let me know asp.

Whilst I understand that injury, illness or otherwise can result in a member not being available for a particular event, I do not think it is too much to ask that a phone call be made either to me (which many do) or to the venue early on the day. Such an oversight can have serious consequences for those members trying to organise the field. Certain players are slowly gaining a 'reputation' for not ringing in on the day or earlier.



Some logo'd shirts – 5 XL and 2 L are still available for sale. Please see your Delegate if one is required.

2012 VETERANS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Mornington Peninsula District Veteran Golfers Association will next year play host to the major event in Australian veterans golf. The 2012 AVGU National Championships will be held in our district from 11th to 16th November 2012. The annual championships are held on an eight year rotation of the States and Territories so Victoria, which last staged the event at Mildura in 2004, becomes the host State in 2012. Your committee have been working towards this for almost 4 years now, as it was first requested of them to consider running the championships back in 2007. Remarkably it has taken that time to gain consensus on many fronts, from the clubs to be involved, the involvement of local Council and Mornington Peninsula Tourism, the risks and benefits to our own association, and the very important role of sponsorship. We are pleased to announce that the event will be known as **the Regis 2012 AVGU National Championships,**

with the **Regis Group** coming on board as the naming rights sponsor. The Regis Group are a national organization, who own and manage in excess of 40 Aged Care facilities, locally they have properties at Rosebud and Frankston. (see following advertisement)

So most of the organizational work is now complete and our entry form plus tourism and accommodation information will be distributed commencing at this year's championships in Hobart from 23rd to 28th October. Once we get into early 2012 and start looking at the operational aspects there will be a call on our local members for those willing to act as volunteers during the event, anything from registering participants, to on-course spotting and score recording. It is a very big event and will require quite a workforce.

The courses to be played during the six day tournament will be Rosebud Country Club, The Dunes Golf Links, The Legends Course at Moonah Links and The Ocean Course at The National Club.

The final night presentation dinner will be at the Mornington Racing Club.

A detailed program will be in future newsletters. For any information or to express an interest in volunteer work please contact : Ken McNamara, phone 0400 799 852 or email farmrite@bigpond.com



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Photo Roundup from this Quarter's Events



RANDOM PICS FROM EAGLE RIDGE, ROSEBUD CC, PORTSEA & THE CAPE

PHOTOGRAPHER TREVOR BISHOP



MPVGA Events Results

Settlers' Run - April 11 Results

Quite a small field competed at Settlers' Run however course preparation was good and players enjoyed a fine day of challenging golf. Some say, perhaps a little too challenging? 37 Points won the day but only 4 players achieved 30 points or more!

STABLEFORD WINNERS:

"A" Grade:
Jeffrey Clough (CS) 12 31 pts
"B" Grade:
Roger Hutton (MM) 22 37pts

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:
Tim Sanders (CP) 14 30pts
"B" Grade:
Ian Purchase (DB) 23 30pts

NEAREST THE PINS:

2nd Hole: Mike Dale (DB)
8th Hole: Terry Tregillis (CP)
11th Hole: Bruce Nicol (M)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky: Roger Hutton (MM)

Eagle Ridge - April 26 Results

It was good to be back at the Ridge after quite a break and the course provided plenty of challenges with only 37 points being the best recorded score of the day.

Everyone appreciated the course's beautiful condition and the preparation could not be faulted.

Congratulations to Trevor Male of Mt.Martha who did particularly well, taking out both A Grade and best score of the day as well as two NTP's.

STABLEFORD WINNERS:

"A" Grade:
Trevor Male (MM) 8 37pts
"B" Grade:
Peter Burgess (CS) 31 34 pts

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:
Ken McNamara (N) 3 35pts
"B" Grade:
Graham Beaton (DB) 28 32pts
John Hunter (MM) 18 32pts

NEAREST THE PINS:

6th Hole: Trevor Male (MM)
8th Hole: Trevor Male (MM)
11th Hole: Paul McCarthy (SB)
17th Hole: Stan Eddy (N)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky: Nick Sayle (RCC)



2nd Quarter 2011

Rosebud Country Club - May 9 Results

Great course in beautiful condition - say no more!

STABLEFORD WINNERS:

"A" Grade:
Rob Grant (DB) 12 38pts
"B" Grade:
Ian Purchase (DB) 23 40pts

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:
Arthur Holmes (RCC) 8 37pts
Adrian Holton-Picard (RCC) 15 37pts
Terry Tregillis (CP) 12 37pts
Michael Palmer (DB) 14 37pts
"B" Grade:
Eddie Saunders (DB) 26 37pts
Brian Thomas (M) 23 37pts

NEAREST THE PINS:

4th Hole: Brian Thomas (M)
7th Hole: Terry Tregillis (CP)
12th Hole: Arthur Holmes (RCC)
14th Hole: Keith Younger (RCC)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky: Terry Tregillis (CP)



Portsea - May 23 Results

Some very good scores were recorded for 9 holes however only a few highly skilled players put together a consistent full game (so I was told). As seems to be the usual situation at Portsea over the last couple of years the last few groups were blown home by strong southerly winds and a few, with wet backs. Fortunately it didn't hail on us this time which was a nice change. Great course but we need to book for better conditions next year.

STABLEFORD WINNERS:

"A" Grade:
Len Woolhouse (National) 17 41pts
"B" Grade:
Allan Bellamy (DB) 20 38pts

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:
Bill Peachey (RCC) 9 36pts
"B" Grade:
Charles Milligan (DB) 21 37pts
Noel Baker (C) 19 37pts
John Morgan (M) 22 37pts

NEAREST THE PINS:

3rd Hole: D Oliver (Dunes)
7th Hole: Barry Strachan (RCC)
12th Hole: Phillip Graham (SB)
16th Hole: Bill Peachey (RCC)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky: Geoff Smith (C)



2nd Quarter 2011 Results (continued)

The National (Ocean Course) - June 6 Results

Very tough weather conditions faced the field of 37 players who competed in this event at one of the Peninsula's most prestigious but challenging golf courses.

They faced blustery winds, rain and hail and as evidence of the difficulty only two members, both 'A' Graders, actually played to their handicaps.

STABLEFORD

WINNERS:

"A" Grade:

Len Woolhouse (National) 16 38pts cb

"B" Grade:

John Hunter (MM) 19 35pts cb

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:

John Raymond (RCC) 15 38pts

"B" Grade:

Graham Beaton (DB) 27 35pts

NEAREST THE PINS:

3rd Hole: Allan Findlay (DB)

9th Hole: Alan Bellamy (DB)

11th Hole: Ken McNamara (National)

14th Hole: Neville Swinnerton (Dunes)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky: Phillip Graham (SB)

Cape Schanck - June 27 Results

A very cold start turned into a full Mornington Peninsula day. The course was well presented although the greens were as unreadable as always. Although some of us weren't particularly skilful a few very good 'Plus 40' scores were recorded. Carrington Park members dominated the accuracy stakes taking out most of the NTP's.

STABLEFORD

WINNERS:

"A" Grade:

Arthur Holmes (RCC) 10 40pts

"B" Grade:

Derick West (DB) 27 42pts

RUNNERS UP:

"A" Grade:

Ken Walker (C) 10 38pts

Paul Swinnerton (D) 10 38pts

"B" Grade:

Stan Eddy (N) 23 41pts

Graeme Littlejohn (M) 20 41pts

NEAREST THE PINS:

3rd Hole: Terry Tregillis (CP)

7th Hole: Terry Tregillis (CP)

14th Hole: Bob Brown (CP)

16th Hole: Peter Warwick (DB)

ENTRY PRIZE WINNER:

Bottle of Whisky: John Wylie (C)



COMING EVENTS 3rd QUARTER 2011

- Moonah Links (Legends) - Monday July 11 - 4BBB Stableford
- Sorrento - Thursday July 28 - Par
- The Dunes - Tuesday August 9 - Stableford
- Portsea - Monday August 29 - Stableford
- Carrington Park - Monday September 12 - Stableford - 4th Round Championships
- Cerberus - Monday September 26 - Russian Roulette Stableford

SENIORS WEEK TOURNAMENT - OCTOBER 2011

Seniors Week two day tournament to be held at Rosebud Park (Carrington Park) October 17 & 18. Contact Nick Sayle on 59861813.

