

Green Acres Classic

Composite Course

Thank A Super Day

# GA NEWS

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# GOLF OPERATIONS

## Pace of Play Update

We are pleased to report an improvement in the pace of play since the introduction of the stricter Pace of Play Course Marshall guidelines on 1st July, with a 17% increase in rounds completed under 4 hours and 10 minutes.

This is an excellent outcome over the past two months, particularly given that preferred lies have been in place.

So, keep up the good work and continue to stay up with the group in front!



## Grandfather's Trophy

A bitterly cold and sometimes wet day greeted the players competing in the 2025 Grandfather's Trophy. It was a day for patience and smart play.

Our winner, Rod Phillips, displayed both of those fine qualities in a very impressive round of golf. Playing off a handicap of 14, Rod only had 1 blemish of a pickup hole on the 14th, with the highlight of the day being a great birdie on the 18th hole!

Congratulations Rod!



# GOLF OPERATIONS

## Saturday Guest Day – 12<sup>th</sup> September

Bookings for the upcoming Saturday Guest Day are now open and can be made [here](#).

- Members intending to bring a guest must book on the front 9 and then contact the Golf Centre with their guest's GolfLink number. Please note that if guest details are not provided, the reserved spot will be removed three days prior to the event.
- Bookings for members who are not bringing a guest will open from the 10th tee at the normal time, five days prior, at 6:00pm.

## Green Acres Classic

The 12:30pm shotgun start booking sheet for this year's Green Acres Classic is now open. Book your starting hole and enjoy a round of Gentsomes Ambrose with your favourite playing group. Please note the afternoon shotgun is strictly for Classic participants, and the \$65 entry fee will be charged to member accounts.

Gentsomes is a four-player team format. Everyone tees off, the best drive is selected, and all then play their own ball from that spot. Scoring is Stableford, with the two best scores counting each hole. Each player must contribute a minimum of three and a maximum of six drives.

Following golf, members will enjoy a two-course dinner and prize presentations. Awards will be given for the best men's, women's and mixed teams, plus nearest to pins.

To book, click [here](#).

## 2025 Anniversary Cup

The 2025 Anniversary Cup will be contested at Patterson River Golf Club on Sunday, the 26th of October, for a special day of golf and dinner celebrating our clubs' shared history since 1948.

The event will begin with arrival at 12:00pm, followed by a 1:00pm shotgun start, with golf concluding at 5:30pm and dinner and presentations starting at 6:00pm.

For more information, please click [here](#).



Tristan Cross



Golf Operations Manager

# BASS STRAIT TROPHY

## Bass Strait Trophy

The Bass Strait Trophy is one of the most enduring traditions between Green Acres Golf Club and Riverside Golf Club. Since 1962, the two clubs have faced off each year, alternating as host, in an event built on camaraderie, friendship and a healthy dose of competition. It is also a wonderful opportunity for new members to meet and bond with long-time members while sharing in the history and traditions of the event.

Across the 60 contests played, the record now stands at Riverside 33 victories, Green Acres 27, with Green Acres claiming the 2024 edition. The very first challenge took place on 1st November 1962, when 35 Green Acres members chartered an Ansett ANA flight to Launceston to take on Riverside. That match, won by Riverside, was a stroke event, and since then the format has evolved into mostly 4BBB Stableford. Green Acres generously provided the trophy itself, which remains the prize competed for today.

Other memorable chapters in the event's history include:

- 1975 – A washout at Green Acres forced the match to Peninsula GC, where Riverside claimed their first win on Victorian soil.
- 2012 – The 50th anniversary was celebrated at Riverside with a special dinner that honoured the friendships and traditions built over five decades.
- 2022 – A thrilling contest at Green Acres saw the home team edge out Riverside by just two points, thanks to a superb 50-point round from Travis Cox and Brian Wasley!

Now, attention turns to 2025, when the Bass Strait Trophy returns to Riverside Golf Club, Launceston, on Saturday, the 1st and Sunday, the 2nd of November.

## Pre-Bass Strait Trophy

As has become tradition, the weekend will be preceded by golf at Barnbougale and Lost Farm, limited to 28 players only:

- Thursday 30th October – Lost Farm, teeing off at 1.00 pm (accommodation booked for 30/10 at Lost Farm in twin share rooms with dinner at the Lost Farm Restaurant from 7.30 pm)
- Friday 31st October – Barnbougale Dunes, teeing off at 9.00 am

## Accommodation - Riverside

Accommodation has been secured for 24 players at the Riverside Hotel/Motel (Friday to Sunday nights). Rooms are payable on arrival, though players are welcome to make their own arrangements.

## Numbers and Traditions

The field will be capped at 32 players per team (64 total), with priority entry for past participants. Currently, only 8 spots remain, so it will be first in, best dressed!

All players are encouraged to gather for Welcome Drinks at Riverside GC on Friday 31st October at 5.30 pm. This is a tradition we are proud to continue as it sets the tone for the weekend ahead.



# BASS STRAIT TROPHY

## Next Steps

To help finalise bookings for golf, accommodation and transport, please confirm your attendance and preferences as soon as possible:

1. Bass Strait Trophy only
2. Bass Strait Trophy and Barnboughe/Lost Farm
3. Staying at Riverside Motel
4. Staying elsewhere

To secure your spot, please contact Cam MacSween on 0419 501 025 or [cam@camswindowcleaning.com.au](mailto:cam@camswindowcleaning.com.au)

The Bass Strait Trophy remains a highlight of our golfing calendar. It is a chance to honour tradition, enjoy great company and test ourselves against Riverside once again!





# KEW/GA COMPOSITE DAY

## Composite Course Day

Green Acres and Kew Golf Clubs will again join forces on Sunday, 21st September for this unique event, raising funds for Camcare, a local organisation providing food relief, referrals and counselling services.

The course layout begins at Kew 10 (composite 1), continues through Kew 11-12, then moves to Green Acres 4-9 and 1-3, before finishing back at Kew 13-18. Please see the map below for the full routing.

### Event Details:

- \$60 per player
- Gourmet BBQ lunch\*
- Prizes for 1st-3rd plus Nearest the Pin
- 7:45am Shotgun start

\*Lunch is served at the club you start your round at.

Bookings open today at 6pm.

For more information, please refer to the website post by clicking [here](#).



# THANK YOU TO OUR COURSE TEAM

## International Thank a Superintendent Day

September 10th marks "International Thank a Superintendent Day", and we'd like to say a special thank you, not only to our Course Superintendent, James Stewart, but also to the whole team, who work tirelessly behind the scenes to which we are incredibly grateful for.

James leads our ground staff team with great dedication, making sure the course is always in fantastic condition for members and guests to enjoy.

If you're out on the course next week, take a moment to say hi and show your appreciation.

It would mean the world to them!



*Nathan Rees*



Membership & Comms



# WOMEN'S GOLF

## Yarrawonga Getaway

Our golf trip to Yarrawonga was the perfect excuse to pack the clubs, escape the chaos, carpool and let your hair down, literally!!

With the gorgeous fairways of the Lakes Course and the stunning Murray as our backdrop, we swung, sipped and ate cheese through three days of questionable golf and many belly laughs.

Great friends, a great cause raising money for You Matter, and plenty of silliness in our PJ's (sorry, no photos!), what more could you want?!

Thanks to all who made it possible, and we can't wait to do it again!



## Women's 5-Month Program

The 5-Month Women's Program has officially begun, aiming to welcome more women into the Green Acres community. This introductory program is designed to encourage participation, build confidence, and help new members feel at home on the course.

After last year's huge success, we're excited to see new and happy faces, with plenty of opportunities for learning, socialising, and enjoying the game.

We encourage all members to give our program participants a warm welcome if you see them around the club. A friendly "hi" or a helping hand can make a big difference in helping them feel part of the Green Acres family.

Let's work together to make this year's program just as successful and inclusive as last year!

*Women's Sub Committee*





# DINING

## Pizza & Pasta Night

Join us on Friday, 19th September, for Pizza & Pasta Night, a cosy evening filled with comfort food favourites.

Enjoy a menu featuring freshly made pizzas and hearty pasta dishes, perfect for sharing with friends and family!

Bookings can be made by clicking [here](#).

## PIZZA & PASTA NIGHT

## MENU

### TO SHARE

- CURRY PUFFS** – Sweet potato puffs, tomato relish (5 pcs) – 15  
**CALAMARI** – Semolina crusted, rocket leaves, chipotle – 18  
**SARDINES** – Grilled brioche, crumbed sardines, parmesan custard – 18  
**ARANCINI** – Pumpkin and parmesan, white bean puree (5pcs) – 15  
**BOCCONCINI** – Roquette leaves, tomatoes, torn basil, olive oil, balsamic – 16

### PASTA

- POTATO GNOCCHI** – Pumpkin puree, salted pinenuts, Meredith goats' feta, fried sage – 28  
**LINGUINE** – Mussels, pippies, squid, shrimp, white wine, cherry tomato, parsley, garlic, parmesan – 34  
**PENNE** – Tomato sugo, basil oil, bacon, chargrilled eggplant, baby spinach, parmesan, capers, olives – 26  
**VEAL TORTELLINI** – Medley of mushrooms, white wine, garlic, cream, parmesan, truffle oil – 26

### PIZZA

- MARGHERITA** – Tomato sugo, mozzarella, basil leaves – 22  
**PORK SAUSAGE** – Fennel, rosemary potato, parmesan sauce – 26  
**PEPPERONI** – Calabrese salami, tomato sugo, chili flakes, olives, parmesan – 25  
**MUSHROOM** – Forest mushroom ragout, parmesan sauce, caramelized onion – 25  
**TANDOORI CHICKEN** – Tandoori chicken, cucumber yogurt, coriander, shallots – 26

### SWEETS

- BOMBOLONE** – Italian fried donuts, Nutella filling, cinnamon sugar – 15  
**AFFOGATO** – Vanilla ice cream, espresso – 15  
**ZABAGLIONE** – Zabaglione custard, Marsala, sponge finger biscuits – 15  
**CHEESE TRIO** – Brie, tasty, blue, crackers, dried apricots – 22

Friday 19th September – Book now via the website



# GOLF CENTRE

## Father's Day Gift Packs

This is your last chance to get dad the gift he really wants!

Choose from 1 x FJ/Ping Green Acres logo polo, 1 x Green Acres logo beanie/cap, 1 x Green Acres logo glove, all for \$149.

Or maybe it's balls and a hat! Choose any Callaway Chrome Tour or Chrome Soft Dozen with any Callaway hat, for just \$95!





# GOLF CENTRE

## Ping Fitting Day

PING is returning to Green Acres for another Fitting Day on Friday, 12th September, giving members the chance to get professionally fitted for the latest equipment, including the impressive G440 range.

Whether you're after more distance, better accuracy or just curious about what the right fit could do for your game, this is a great opportunity to test the full lineup with expert guidance.

To book, click [here](#).



## Callaway Opus Wedges Clearance

Looking to hit high, soft flop shots and stop the ball close to the pin?

Now's your chance to pick up a brand new Callaway Opus 60° wedge at a sizzling price of just \$239! That's a massive \$80 saving off the regular price.

Featuring precision-milled grooves and tour inspired shaping, the Opus 60° is designed for maximum spin and control around the greens. Perfect for players seeking to refine their short game.

Strictly floor stock only. Drop in soon to secure the best bounce option to suit your swing and turf conditions.



*Ash, Alana & Brian*

Golf Centre Team





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