# GA NEWS

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# **COURSE UPDATE**

## Course Report

September had 25mm of rain recorded, which sees the course in good order for this time of year. Soil temperatures are starting to increase (currently 17 degrees), which will encourage the growth of all turf varieties.

Mowing has started to take place as part of our aim to restore definition throughout the course over the next month.

Major works with coring and sand slitting have been a success, and with the soil temperatures rising, the couch will start to encroach on the sand slitting lines. Overall, we are in a very good position for the busy golfing calendar ahead.

#### Greens

Greens are currently cut at 3mm and rolled twice weekly, with grooming improving surface Coring. verti-draining, tightness. and topdressing (120m³ sand) have been completed alongside a full nutrient, fungicide, and insecticide program.

Surface density continues to improve, and Poa annua suppression is ongoing, with selective spraying planned as conditions allow.

#### Tees

Tees have recovered well through winter and are being cut at 10mm. Avoiding pre-emergent herbicide has maintained vigour, and Air2G2 aeration will assist recovery in high-traffic areas.

#### **Fairways**

Couch recovery is progressing well following calcium, fertiliser, and pest treatments. Three cuts at 12mm have been completed, and the reduction to 10mm will occur next month. Pigment and liquid fertiliser applications have maintained good colour through winter.

## Rough

Roughs are clean and well-presented following two glyphosate applications, improving overall playability.

#### **Bunkers**

Bunkers are maintained twice weekly, with sand redistributed to the base for consistency. With members now raking and replacing the rake at the base, maintenance has improved.

#### Tree Works & October Focus

Tree work has been completed around holes 2, 4, 14, 17, and behind 10.

Upcoming tasks include restoring turfing at the 12th carry and 10th dam due to excavator damage, removing vegetation near the 11th and 13/18 tees, laying Santa Ana around the practice green, and verti-draining the second half of the 8th fairway.



# FROM THE VICE CAPTAIN

### Golf Update

Hi everyone!

Hope you're all well and that your golf game is improving as we head into the warmer months!

## **Upcoming Events**

We've got a couple of exciting scratch events coming up:

## Matchplay Championship

- Men's Qualifying: Saturday, 8th November
- Women's Qualifying: Tuesday, 11th
   November

Registrations open as follows:

- Men's Matchplay registrations open on the 24<sup>th</sup> of October at 6pm.
- Women's Matchplay registrations open on the 27<sup>th</sup> of October at 6pm.

#### WJ Dawson Mixed Foursomes

- Date: Sunday, 9th November
- · Part of the afternoon shotgun field

Registrations open 25<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm.

#### WJ Dawson Mixed Foursomes – How to Enter

If you have a partner: Enter both names on the registration sheet.

If you don't have a partner yet, you have three options:

- 1. You can take a couple of weeks to find someone and then enter.
- 2. Enter your name on the designated line, and another member can add theirs to form a team.
- 3. Leave your name with the Golf Centre, and they'll help match you with a partner.

The event will conclude with a presentation at the dinner, and all are welcome to attend!

# Course Care - A Friendly Reminder

Let's all do our part to keep the course in great condition:

- Repair all divots and pitch marks, even if they're not yours. As the ground warms up, help keep the surfaces smooth and even.
- In bunkers: Rake carefully, then make your final pass by pushing the sand back toward the centre.

Every little bit helps, and it makes a big difference for everyone on the course!

Thanks for your support. We look forward to seeing you out there. Play well!

Vice Captain &
Chair of Golf Sub-Committee

# PENNANT CORNER

# Green Acres Chargers 2

#### Round 2 at Mt Derrimut

After an emphatic win in Round 1, the Green Acres 2 team headed across town to the scenic but challenging Mt Derrimut Golf Club with high hopes. From the first tee, we knew it was going to be a tough day, strong winds, water down the left, internal out-of-bounds on the right, and a daunting bunker smack in the middle of the fairway. But that didn't faze Joel and Sam, who both launched impressive opening drives over the hazards to get us underway in style.

The course was playing firm and fast, unsurprising, given Mt Derrimut had just hosted the first round of their club championships the day before. When we say fast, we mean Augusta National-level fast on the greens!

Ollie Cruickshank and Will Smith were next off and, despite playing excellent golf, found themselves 3 down after 9 holes. Both were giving away significant handicap shots and grappling with the tricky course conditions, a theme for much of the day.

But as we always say: never give in.



Luke Newnham had a tight battle, with just one shot separating him and his opponent, while young Angus Wohlers was faced with a mountain of a challenge, giving away 20 shots. His wide-eyed look when this was revealed said it all. But Angus didn't flinch.

With some on-course maths support from his caddy (and dad), Mark, Angus showed maturity and focus beyond his years, cruising to a confident 4&3 win, our first for the day. Luke followed closely behind, wrapping up a strong 6&4 victory to put us in contention.

Joel, Sam, and Will unfortunately lost their matches despite solid efforts, leaving the result in Ollie's hands. Down 3 at the turn and giving up 12 shots to an opponent backed by his dad, a former Mt Derrimut club champion, the odds were steep.

Ollie fought back, birdieing two holes on the back nine to cut the deficit to just one. Ultimately, it wasn't quite enough, going down 2&1 in a gutsy effort.

So, the final score was a 4–2 loss, but as manager, I couldn't be prouder. The team showed great spirit, resilience, and sportsmanship on one of the most challenging setups we'll face this season.

This Sunday afternoon, we return home to Green Acres to take on the top side, and we're ready. Looking forward to seeing supporters, reporting a win (and, of course, having plenty of fun along the way)!

Team Manager - Paul Cruickshank

# **GOLF OPERATIONS**

## Family Trophy

The Family Trophy will be played this Sunday in conjunction with the daily 4BBB competition.

Registrations for those who have not already secured a tee time have now closed.

If you already have a booking on the daily timesheet and wish to play in the Family Trophy, please ensure you register at the Golf Centre before commencing play.

This year's field is the largest in recent history.

Last year saw just 28 pairs compete, while this year's entries have doubled that number.

As a result, extra tee times were added to accommodate those who missed out on an initial booking.

With the additional tee times and Junior Pennant hosting on Sunday, the pace of play is expected to be slow.

Our staff will do their best to marshal the field and keep the pace of play on schedule, but your assistance will help and make a more enjoyable day for all.

## Swap Days with Kew

Our swap days with Kew Golf Club will take place on Tuesday, 21st October and Wednesday, 22nd October.

The timesheet for Tuesday is now open, and Wednesday's timesheet will open today at the usual time of 6pm.

On Tuesday, the entire timesheet, including both competition and social play, will be held at Kew.

On Wednesday, all timesheet bookings up until 3:48pm will be at Kew, after which our normal Twilight 9 & Dine will follow the field at Green Acres.

Please note there will be no rock-ups on these days.

If you require a golf cart booking, please make it through the usual cart booking sheet.

All bookings for the swap days will close at 5 pm the night before (so they can be sent to Kew).

Any same-day cancellations will need to be made directly with Kew.

Tristan Cross



# MILESTONE & NEW MEMBER EVENT

#### 30-40-50-60-70 Year Celebration

The Club recently hosted the annual 30, 40, 50, 60, 70-Year and New Member Event on Sunday, October 12th, celebrating both new members and remarkable membership milestones.

It was a beautiful day for golf, with only a brief shower interrupting the Drop-Off Ambrose format, which all participants enjoyed. Congratulations to the winning team and our NTP prize winners for their excellent performances.

Following golf, members gathered in the Lounge for dinner, where Sarosh and his team served a delicious menu featuring Chargrilled Birchley Pork Loin and Pumpkin Pie.



J. Vidovic, H, Pride, G. Anderson & J. Zumbo





Club Captain Chris Bate, Club President Brian Wasley, and Club Vice Captain John Vidovic warmly welcomed new members and recognised those celebrating milestone anniversaries, with a special address from one of the milestone members.

A special thanks to Peter Hopper, who spoke on behalf of the milestone members and shared thoughtful reflections on his time at the Club.

The evening was filled with laughter, conversation, and shared stories, reflecting the strong friendships and community spirit that make Green Acres such a special place.

For more information and photos, click here.



Mathan Rus





# DINING

Sizzle & Savour

Join us Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> of October on the terrace for Sizzle & Savour, a gourmet BBQ dining event featuring culinary delights sure to savour and satisfy.

Book your table now for an evening of great food and atmosphere!

To book, click here.



# TO SHARE

PEAR SALAD - roquette, pear, balsamic, olive oil, pine nuts, parmesan - 18

CAPRESE SALAD - tomato, basil, mozzarella, oregano - 18

ARANCINI TARTUFO - porcini, truffle oil, parmesan (5 pcs) - 18

OLIVES - warm kalamata olives, chilli oil, bread - 12

BRUSCHETTA - toasted bread, basil pesto, bocconcini, anchovies (2 pcs) - 16

# PIZZA

BIANCA GAMBERI - parmesan sauce, marinated prawns,
roasted fennel, qarlic oil - 29

MALALINA - pomodoro sauce, mozzarella, ham, salami, pork sausaqe,
chili flakes, parsley - 28

PATATINA - herb roasted potatoes, roquette, lemon, basil,
zucchini, basil pesto, truffle oil - 25

SALUME - pomodoro sauce, olives, spicy salami,
chili flakes, mozzarella, roquette - 28

MARGHERITA - pomodoro sauce, basil, mozzarella - 25

# FROM THE GRILL

Your choice of PORK - 35, CHICKEN - 32, PORTERHOUSE - 42, FISH - 35 from the chargrill served with accompaniments

DESSERT SWEET SELECTIONS - 12 CHEESE BOARD - crackers, dried fruit - 18

# WOMEN'S GOLF

# Challenge Bowls

Victoria GC Bowl was held on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> October, with our team of Heather Judd, Heather Anderson and Nicky Smith enjoying their day.

Our team for the Kew GC Bowl, played yesterday, was Penny McMahon, Kate Motteram, Robyn Angus and Genevieve Moss.

They had a fabulous day out and recommend trying a bowl if you haven't before!

## **Upcoming Bowls**

The National Goblet: Mon 17<sup>th</sup> November, is now listed for bookings. Timesheet Bookings / Other Bookings / Women's Bowls.

In March 2026, the National GC is holding their 'National Invitational' event. Refer to the detailed flyer in the Women's locker room if interested in forming your own team.

Please note registration opens on 1<sup>st</sup> November at 7 pm.

Please email wsc@greenacresgolf.com.au if planning to participate.



Penny McMahon, Genevieve Moss, Robyn Angus & Kate Motteram

# WOMEN'S GOLF

#### YouMatter

Please find below a message from the CEO of our nominated charity, YouMatter.

YouMatter are seeking small modern and contemporary style dining tables and chairs urgently, petite 6-seater sets or smaller, near new or gently loved.

These items help create safe, welcoming homes for women and children rebuilding their lives after family violence.

#### How You Can Help

Email donategoods@youmatter.org.au with a short description, approximate dimensions, location, and a photo of the items.

# **Donation Details & Logistics**

We can often arrange pickup, so include your suburb in the email for our team to confirm. - A single photo attached to the email speeds up matching and collection.

Your support helps create safe, welcoming homes and makes a real difference. We deeply appreciate every donation.

Kindest

Deborah de Rossi Chief Executive Officer

To learn more about what YouMatter do. please click the link here.







# **MVP GOLF TOURS**

## Women's Gateway to Golf Clinics

Do you have friends or family interested in taking up golf? Our Women's Gateway to Golf Clinics are the perfect introduction!

#### **Program**

- Small group sessions (6 participants) for personalised learning
- Focused coaching to develop skills and confidence

#### **Details**

- Coach: Janette Borgolotto
- Location: Green Acres Golf Club
- Format: 5 sessions, 45 minutes each
- Cost: \$200 per person
- Bring clubs or we can provide

# Week Commencing

- Sunday Nov 9 4:00pm-4:45pm
- Sunday Nov 9 5:00pm-5:45pm
- Monday Nov 10 5:00pm-5:45pm
- Monday Nov 10 4:00pm-4:45pm



Click here to book!



# **GOLF CENTRE**

## Too Many Putts?

Tired of having too many putts in a round? Did you know that the balance of your putter can make a big difference to the consistency of your face angle at impact? Have you heard about face-balanced and toe-balanced putters and wondered why there are so many different types on the market?

Maybe it's time to retire that old putter to stake the tomato plant in your veggie patch and upgrade to a new one from the Golf Centre! For a limited time, until close of business on Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> October, the Golf Centre is offering 30% off\* all floor stock putters!

That's serious savings for your wallet and your scorecard.

Speak to one of our friendly Golf Centre staff who can help you select the best putter for your game.

\*Excludes customer orders.







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