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Golf Rules Trivia - Friday 5th December

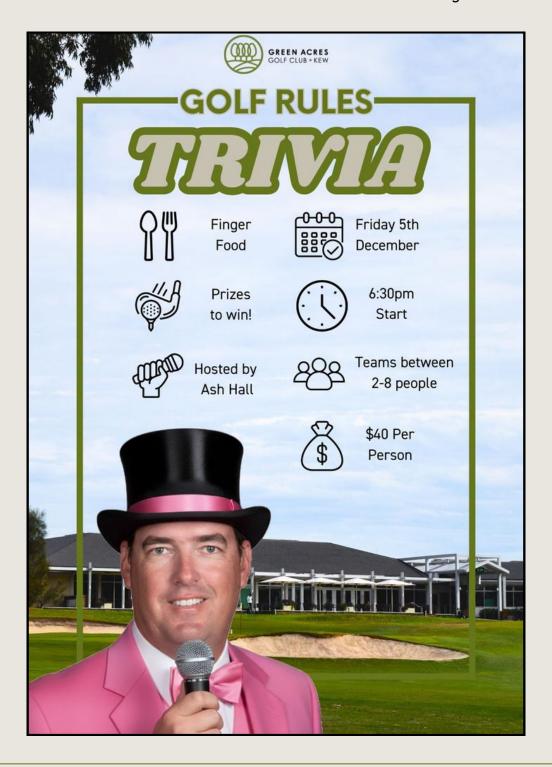
Think you know the rules of golf better than your playing partners? It's time to put that knowledge to the test!

Join us for a fun night, where trivia meets the fairways. Hosted by our own Ash Hall, the night promises plenty of laughs, finger food, competition, and some great prizes up for grabs too!

Gather your team of 2–8 and get ready to show off how well you really know the Rules of Golf and the game we all love.

Spots are limited, so book here and get ready for a great night at the Club!

P.S. - The pink suit may not be on show unless there is overwhelming demand!



Seeing Double

Something very special happened in Wednesday afternoon's Medley Competition. Martin Sheahan, playing with his marker Travis Cox and partners Myles Connell and Peter Koutsantonis, produced a moment to remember on the 11th hole.

The previous evening, while playing a social nine holes, Martin had picked up a stray Mizuno tour ball marked with a blue line that was left behind on the first tee, knowing that it belonged to 20-time (yes, 20-time!) club champion John Mansfield.

He planned to return it but forgot, and at the start of his round the next day, he pulled it from his pocket and joked that maybe it would bring him some luck before teeing it up. That luck appeared quickly. Standing 124 metres from the pin on the 11th, Martin struck a pure 8 iron that landed perfectly online with the pin, pitching just short, and then it disappeared!

On reaching the green, the group found the ball in the bottom of the cup. Remarkably, this was Martin's second hole-in-one on the 11th in just six weeks! With the previous one coming when the hole was playing two clubs longer.

Congratulations to Martin on this outstanding achievement. It might be time to stock up on Mizuno balls, or perhaps get John to purchase them first!



Martin after his Hole-in-One Wednesday 26th November



Martin after his Hole-in-One Thursday 16th October

Junior Girls Scholarships - Applications Now Open

If you know someone who might be interested, let us know!

Green Acres has recently obtained funding from The Australian Golf Foundation (AGF) to support six lucky teenage girls in pursuing their golf.

The Scholarship program is part of a national campaign to encourage more girls to play golf.

Green Acres will work closely with golf's national body, Golf Australia, throughout 2026.

This is a terrific opportunity for girls aged 10 to 16 who will receive.

- 15 clinics with Janette Borgolotto
- A one-year junior cadet Club membership
- Participation in club competitions
- And obtain a handicap

A total of six scholarships will be available for 2026.

For more information on how to apply, please email Head Teaching Professional – Mark Varela, here.



5 of the 2025/26 Girls Scholarship class

Green Acres Masters Results

Steady morning rain threatened to dampen the 2025 Green Acres Masters, but conditions improved by afternoon, and the event was played in what turned into a lovely day.

After registering and enjoying lunch, the 90player field set off in a 12:30 pm shotgun start supported by generous sponsors who helped make the day a success.

Strong scoring created suspense as players waited to see who would claim the green jacket, and David Smith emerged as the champion with an impressive 42 points.

For more details, click here.



Winner - Dave Smith (R)

Men's & Women's Matchplay Championship Results

The 2025 Men's and Women's Matchplay Finals were played in ideal spring weather, and both produced gripping contests.

In the Women's Final, Linda Li and former champion Deb Guilmartin traded narrow leads before Deb prevailed on the 19th to reclaim the title.

In the Men's Final, momentum swung repeatedly as Paul Thaw's early advantage was steadily reeled in by Jack Allan, who recovered from a wayward tee shot on the last hole to secure victory by two and claim his fourth consecutive championship and fifth overall.

For more details, click here.

Sunday 7th December- No Rockups

On Sunday, the 7th of December, there will be no morning rock-ups available due to the club hosting the Longest Day as well as a separate member Christmas function.

Tee times will be extremely limited, so please book promptly when the timesheet opens.

It would be appreciated if members allow participants in the 72-hole challenge to play through so they can finish before sunset.

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Golf Operations Manager

WOMEN'S GOLF

Christmas Fun Day

With excitement building, our Christmas Fun Day is shaping up to be one of the highlights of the year. We've now reached 120 bookings, with 24 places still up for grabs for those keen to join the fun.

If you haven't secured your spot yet, now's the time to gather your team and start planning an outfit that brings a touch of Christmas cheer and maybe even a hint of pink!





The day begins with a 7:45am briefing ahead of the 8am shotgun start. 'Lunch Only' bookings remain available as well, so even if you're not playing, you're very welcome to join us for the festive celebrations.

To book, simply follow the links below for golf and/or lunch.

For golf, click here. Lunch only, click here.





Women's Sub Committee



DINING EVENTS

Green Acres Christmas Dinner

Bring family and friends to enjoy the yuletide spirit at the Club!

Bookings for this festive event are available by clicking the link here.



PHOTO'S OF THE WEEK

Hole-in-One

Ross Alexander celebrated a hole-in-one at Yarrawonga Golf Club on Sunday this week. He was on the 2nd at the Lakes Course. Ian Thomson witnessed the shot, and several other GA members congratulated him at the end of the round. His Ambrose partner also enjoyed the spoils of a hole-in-one on his card, too!

Wildlife Watch

Over the past few weeks, we've been treated to some wonderful wildlife moments around the course. A mother duck was spotted keeping her ducklings warm beneath her wings on a cold morning, a cheeky flock of cockatoos gathered around the flag as if they owned the place, and a kangaroo enjoyed a laid-back rest!

It's been a lovely reminder of the fauna we share our surroundings with.





Photo - David Ellett



Photo - Steuart Meers



Photo - Robyn Darby



Membership & Comms

GOLF CENTRE

New Arrival: TaylorMade Putters

The brand new TaylorMade 5K ZT putters have arrived at The Golf Centre and are ready for purchase.

These putters combine premium materials, advanced weighting and a clean visual design to give golfers greater stability, improved roll and a more consistent strike.

The 5K ZT range includes options for different stroke types and visual preferences, making it easy to find a model that feels comfortable and inspires confidence on the greens.

Visit The Golf Centre to try the new TaylorMade 5K ZT putters and speak with our team about selecting the right one for your game!



Odyssey Putter - Fitting Day

Your putter is the most used club in the bag, so having one that matches your stroke is essential. Odyssey offers a wide range of designs from stable mallets to classic blades, each suited to different stroke types. Golfers with a straight back and through motion tend to benefit from face balanced models, while those with a natural arc usually perform better with toe hang putters.

A proper fitting also ensures the right length, lie angle and grip, helping you set up comfortably and strike the ball more consistently.

Odyssey's technology shines brightest when the putter is tailored to your posture and stroke, giving you better speed control, alignment and confidence on the greens.

Odyssey Putter Fitting Day is Wednesday, 17th December.

Book your session and discover how the right putter can quickly improve your putting and lower your scores. Click here to book.

Ash, Alana & Brian

Golf Centre Team





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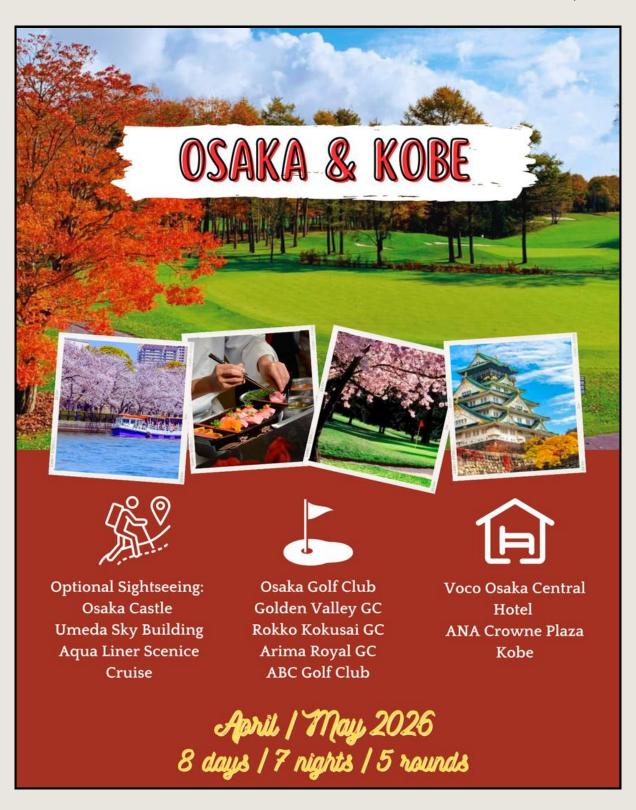
Osaka & Kobe - Japan

Our first overseas golf tour for 2026 has launched, offering an unforgettable journey through Osaka and Kobe in Japan.

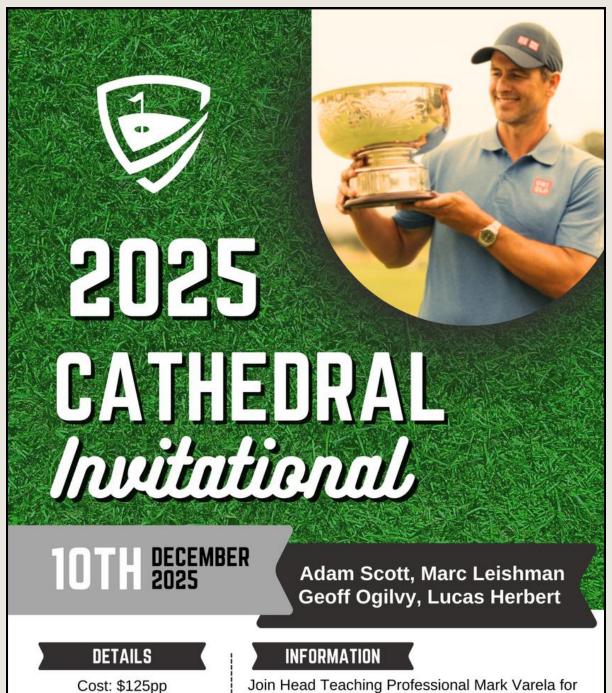
Join us for 5 rounds of golf at some of Japan's best-kept courses while immersing yourself in the local culture.

Enjoy a rest day for sightseeing, with options including Osaka Castle, the Umeda Sky Building, or a relaxing Aqua Liner cruise through Osaka's scenic waterways.

Register your interest here to receive more details from Head Professional, Mark Varela.



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Cost: \$125pp 8am Departure Cathedral Lodge Day Pass Ticket Private Transfers

Join Head Teaching Professional Mark Varela for an exclusive day trip to get up close and personal with some of golf's superstars as you watch them compete in the Cathedral Invitational. A private bus will depart from Green Acres, ensuring a seamless and memorable experience.



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