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Another month gone already?
Seems like only last week we were opening presents, and gorging ourselves mad on a variety of food seldom seen at other times of the year!

I can only suggest more golf as a means of walking off some of the excess, should anyone be carrying any – I know I am!

Catering

Unfortunately, our arrangement with Cooper's Catering became unsustainable earlier this year, and they no longer will be providing the restaurant and catering facilities at GGC.

While the Board acted quickly in securing a replacement, those providers too have unfortunately withdrawn from a formal commitment with GGC.

Booked functions will continue to be provided at the club, and intensive negotiations and advertising, if required, will soon be under way.

Sincere apologies are offered for this inconvenience, which we all hope will only be very temporary.

Vouchers

A recent club audit of un-presented vouchers reveals some \$5,000 in vouchers outstanding. This represents a "book" liability for the club, and golfing members are requested to check firstly at the bar perhaps, then in wallets and purses, and behind magnets on the fridge even, for any unredeemed vouchers.

They do have an expiry date, which is exactly twelve months after they are won, so if they have expired, they will not be recognised. Golfing members are reminded that vouchers are only able to be redeemed at the bar, in the restaurant, or in the Pro-Shop. They are not redeemable for cash, or to pay match or membership fees.

(See Rules of Golf / Rules of Amateur Status)

Rule Books *(Nice segue!!)*

New Rule Books, for the 2012 – 2015 quadrennial are now available from cartons in the Starter's Room. There are quite a number available - We do seem to have been provided with a goodly number, so please help yourself!

Check out this website: www.goulburngolfshop.com.au, and follow the prompts to the Store Locator for great Golf Equipment Specials, available through our Pro-Shop.

Pro-Shop Specials

Marg and Graeme advise that though not all the providers are on board yet (in an electronic sense), some great bargains can be had through Goulburn Pro-Shop's links to the Leading Edge buying group. Pop in to the Pro-Shop today, and discuss your needs with Graeme. A link to their site has been included at the bottom of these pages. Why not copy that link in to your browser, and take a look at some great golfing bargains and deals.

In other Pro-Shop news, patrons are reminded that the popular **Adult and Junior Clinics tee off on Friday Feb 3rd**. Adults from 11:00 (\$10), and kids from 4:30pm (\$5).

All equipment is provided, as well as an hour's instruction from our own qualified PGA professional.

Ball Credits

Please be reminded that the maximum ball credits you can accrue is twelve (12), and some golfers are way past that number. Please do what you can as soon as you can to reduce that number.

Graeme also advises us that a dozen balls (eg) can be redeemed in the Pro-Shop for goods to the value of \$30, excluding sale or special items.

Hydration

Another reminder for summer, this time about potential fluid loss and replacement.

The weather we are having lately lends itself to fluid loss, and it is a good idea to begin your round well-hydrated, and take steps during your round to replace, or top-up.

Sorry guys, it's not beer!!!

Best fluid replacement is simple old water, especially, if, like me you are not into ionic and non-ionic solutions, and electrolytes and all that jazz – and you need between one and two litres on a typically hot summer's day of golf – dinkum!

Social Event, Sunday, 22JAN12

This novel idea, conceived and delivered courtesy of Ann Ridley, saw around 68 golfers arrive and partner up for nine holes of foursomes, and nine of 2-person Ambrose. Results are listed below for you.

POS	NAMES	NETT
1	Steve Bricknell & Luke Sturgiss	68
2	Tom Day & Geoff Rath	69
3	Marg Webb & Perry Webb	70*
4	Chris Hobbs & Ian Croker	70*
5	Wendy Stewart & Paul Falk	70¼

Comments following the event were very positive and encouraging. Thanks very much to Ann Ridley for arranging a great day out.

Course Maintenance

Golfing members are again requested to carry a sand-bucket during *ANY* round of golf (including practice-rounds particularly), and repair *ANY* divots, holes and plug-marks encountered as part of that round. Doing this will greatly assist our grounds-staff in maintaining the course in reasonable shape for all golfers to continue to enjoy. **Thanks.**

A reminder too, that on-course practice is limited to two (2) balls per practicing golfer.

Well done, too, Dick Mackenzie, who has been patiently nurturing the garden-bed adjacent to the fire escape stairs. Starting to look very nice indeed. Thanks, Dick. We are still looking for volunteers for watering – please see David or Robbie to discover what’s involved, and have an orientation session.

2012 Pennants

Good luck to all teams taking part in this year’s pennants events. The Men’s A Grade side will be defending the Championship Trophy they collected last year. See GGC Calendar for dates. To see just how busy **all** GGC Pennants sides will become in the next two months, see the calendar.

Welcome Rob Kennedy

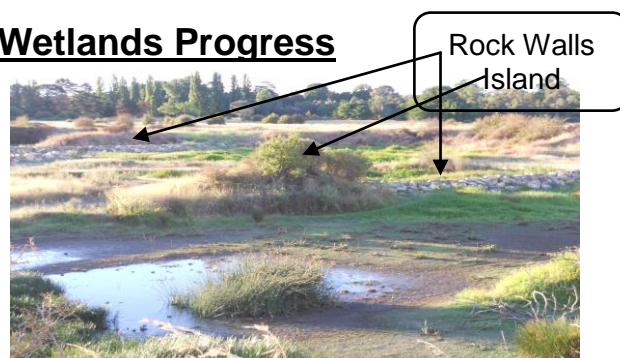
I’m sure members would join in welcoming Rob in to his new and quite demanding role of club Secretary Manager combined with his bar work. Rob is warming to the task, and already showing some good form in terms of decision-making and leadership.

Long Reef visit at Long Reef

Planning is already under way for the annual visit to Long Reef, the main event being on Sunday 22nd April.

Paul Falk is planning accommodation, so if you are planning on taking part in the weekend, and don’t mind sharing with a couple of other sober, polite, non-flatulent types, then please contact **Paul (“Boomerang”) Falk on 0409203355** to arrange your room reservation. Paul is planning to confirm reservations within the coming month, so get yours in early.

Wetlands Progress



See more photos and text at:

<http://www.goulburngroup.com.au/>

From the Ladies Locker-Room

On Feb 22nd we will be holding an American Foursomes for Patron's Day. The ladies are hoping that Club Patron Ray Leeson will be well enough to attend to present his trophy. Our ladies pennant season starts on Feb 12th, and for the first time in many years we are able to field a team in the Bruce Cup.

We would like to welcome new playing member Angie Nance to our club.

Congratulations to Chris Hobbs on reaching that elusive single-figure handicap on Jan 21st.

January Medallists

The newsletter recognises the January Monthly Medallists:

Ladies: Not contested

Men's: Jono Gann, 64 N (C/B)

Feb 2012 Ladies Calendar

DAY	DATE	EVENT
WED	01FEB	R1 Rose Bowl
SAT	04FEB	R1 Rose Bowl
SUN	05FEB	Abbeyfield Ambrose
WED	08FEB	Stableford
SAT	11FEB	Stableford
SUN	12FEB	ALBION PK SGC, Enc & H'cap Penn
WED	15FEB	GNSW & Club Medal Round
SAT	18FEB	GNSW & Club Medal Round

WED	22FEB	AMER FOURS
FRI	24FEB	GGC "INVITATIONAL"
SAT	25FEB	Stableford
FRI	02MAR	RTA Corp Day
SAT	03MAR	GNSW & Club Medal Round

Feb 2012 Gent's Calendar

***Note:** GWC and RSL Social GCs play early each Sunday morning unless otherwise indicated in program*

DAY	DATE	EVENT
THU	02FEB	Sing Stab, & 2BBB
SAT	04FEB	Stroke - <u>MEDAL</u>
SUN	05FEB	Abbeyfield Ambrose
THU	09FEB	Sing Stab, & 2BBB
SAT	11FEB	Single Stab
SUN	12FEB	ALBION PK SGC, Enc & H'cap Penn
MON	13FEB	ACT VETS
THU	16FEB	Sing Stab, & 2BBB
SAT	18FEB	2BBB S'ford
SUN	19FEB	A RES PENN
THU	23FEB	Sing Stab, & 2BBB
SAT	25FEB	Single Stab
FRI	24FEB	GGC "INVITATIONAL"
SUN	26FEB	GWC CORP DAY, + A, B & H'CAP PENN
THU	01MAR	Sing Stab, & 2BBB
FRI	02MAR	RTA Corp Day
SAT	03MAR	Stroke - <u>MEDAL</u>

Well, that's it for another month – more news in four around weeks.

Michael Deegan, Editor.