

The next game is at Trentham

54 Trentham Falls Rd, Trentham

Monday 3rd of May

07:00 Registration.

08:00 Tee off Shotgun start.

Trentham Pro Shop Tel 5424 1046



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Next Month Monday 7th of June at Mt. Derrimut

Captain's Report – Mandalay

Mandalay Golf Course was the venue for our April golf competition. Unseasonal weather saw 93 players tee off into a cold southerly wind. A few rain showers dampened the field with the odd patch of sunshine to keep our spirits up. Thanks to John, Kerry, Peter and Bill getting the members checked in and ready to play. With over half the entry payments made online the book-in procedure ran quite smoothly. The staff were helpful and attentive and provided a tasty meal. Kerry and Bill were able to process the cards and print a result in a timely manner, with the OneGolf System now in use. Shane's raffle proved popular once again. The excellent presentation of the course by the ground staff, reflected in the best score results this year. There were 21 players (22%) who had a score better than or equal to their handicap. The ball run down went to 35 points.

Now for the winners.

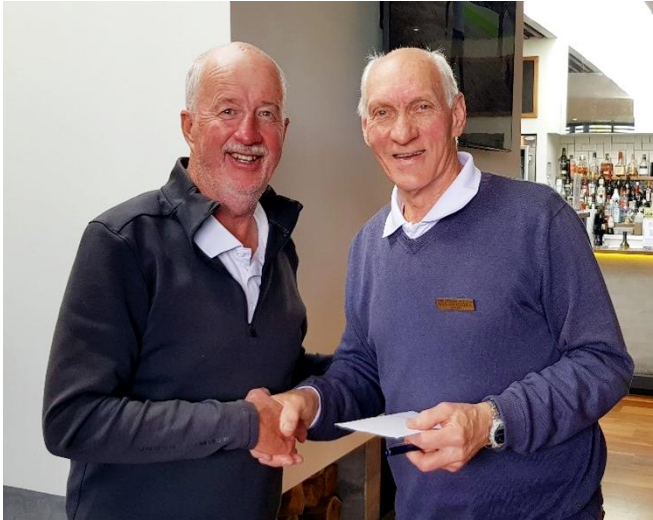
<u>Name</u>	<u>Handicap</u>	<u>Score</u>
<u>A grade winner:</u>		
Harry Johnson	10	37 points c/b
<u>A grade runner-up:</u>		
Bob Wilkinson	11	37 points
<u>B grade winner:</u>		
Trevor Corrie	19	39 points
<u>B grade runner-up:</u>		
Alan Kinnaird	19	38 points
<u>C grade winner:</u>		
Tony Barr	20	40 points
<u>C grade runner-up:</u>		
Kerry White	24	38 points
<u>D grade winner:</u>		
Guy Orrico	30	42 points
<u>D grade runner-up:</u>		
Bernie Handke	29	40 points c/b

Nearest the pin winners:

3 rd hole	Trevor Howe
7 th hole	Frank Cuthbertson
11 th hole	Brian Thompson
15 th hole	Bob Wilkinson

Congratulations to all winners and a great score of 42 points to Guy Orrico. The "raffallo" prize was won by Giuseppi Fisicaro and in the Birthday draw, a free game of golf to Frank Cuthbertson, at Trentham on 3rd May 21.

Gus Steegstra
Captain



A Grade winner Harry Johnson with Captain Gus Steegstra



D Grade winner Guy Orrico

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Birthdays for May

Guy	Orrico
Vince	Godino
Trevor	Howe
John	Hudson
Donald	Kennedy
Michael	Lynch
John	Middleton
Paul	Robinson
Richard	Te Whare
John	Todd
James	Fernandez



Vice President Shane Turner with B Grade winner Trevor Corrie



C Grade winner Tony Barr

Welfare Report

Peter Caple is the Welfare Officer. Please contact Peter at p.caple@bigpond.com if you know of any of our members who are ill.

Hideki Matsuyama's Masters triumph gave the golf-loving country of Japan its first-ever men's Major title.

Though Matsuyama has been one of the best players in the world for a while, becoming a Masters champion will vault him into higher echelons of the game. His father introduced him to the game at age 4 and golf was something Matsuyama quickly took to.

Matsuyama won the Asia-Pacific Amateur in 2010 to earn an invitation to the Masters. "I was very happy to be here, to play four rounds here at Augusta," Matsuyama said. Later that year, Matsuyama became the first golfer to repeat as Asia-Pacific Amateur champion.

The same course where he won the Asia-Pacific Amateur in 2010, Kasumigaseki Country Club, is the host venue for golf in the 2021 Summer Olympics.

Nick Faldo even speculated that Matsuyama would be a torchbearer for his home country. When Matsuyama was asked after his Masters win, he said: "It'd be quite an honour if I am in Japan when that happens, and they ask me."



Hideki won his first Japan Golf Tour title as an amateur in 2011. In just his second start as a pro in 2013, he won his second title on his home tour, and by the end of that year

he would win three more times to become the tour's first rookie to be its leading money winner. All told, he's won eight Japan Golf Tour titles, including the 2016 Japan Open.



Matsuyama is a very quiet superstar. Even among the Japanese golf media, who follow his every move, the common refrain is that though Hideki doesn't speak much English, he speaks even less Japanese. Matsuyama is so reserved that he did not reveal to the public that he was married until he announced the birth of his daughter, Kanna, in 2017. Matsuyama's first PGA Tour win came in Phoenix in 2015, and he had won five times in the US prior to the Masters. He is just the seventh player in Masters history to earn leading-amateur honours and win the green jacket.



Hideki Matsuyama received the trophy for leading amateur from then-Augusta chairman Billy Payne at the 2011 Masters.



He joins Jack Nicklaus, Cary Middlecoff, Ben Crenshaw, Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Sergio Garcia in achieving the double.

Hideki hired a swing instructor for the first time in his career in December. He started working with Hidenori Mezawa, and among the things he's working on with Hideki is getting away from that pause at the top of his swing.

Though putting has always been his weakness, he ranked in the top 15 for strokes gained/putting at Augusta National in 2021 – helping him to victory. The Japanese star is said to live humbly – driving a minivan at his US base in Windermere, Florida. At age 29, Matsuyama has made more than \$US33 million in on-course earnings, but apparently likes to spend his money in other ways.

As far as Champions Dinner menus might go for next year, Matsuyama is apparently a huge sushi fan.

Webb Simpson, who dines frequently with Matsuyama said "We always get sushi. He loves sushi. When I played in the Dunlop Phoenix tournament in Tokyo, he invited me to dinner, and the restaurant shut down for him. He ordered for me. Yeah, that was a little more like kind of the raw sushi, like the stuff was living, and then it was killed, and we ate it right away."

ESPN's Andy North estimated that Matsuyama's win could be worth close to \$1 billion in secondary income.

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Sponsorship and Golf Balls

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- Bob Hope

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The schoolteacher was taking
her first golf lesson.

"Is the word spelled p-u-t or
p-u-t-t?" She asked the
instructor.

"P-u-t-t is correct," he replied.

"Put means to place a thing
where you want it. Putt means
merely a vain attempt to do
the same thing."

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Jokes contributed by Mario Caruso

Life starts at 40 for triumphant Jones

by Mark Hayes



Matt Jones hoists the Honda Classic trophy, the third Aussie to get his hands on the trophy after Stuart Appleby and Adam Scott.

Matt Jones has more than a hint of Benjamin Button about him – and he's now got fuel for his belief that his golfing career is only just getting warmed up.

The Sydneysider has twice won the Australian Open since he turned 35, and now at 40 and on the back of his dominant Honda Classic victory in Florida, he thinks the best is still ahead.

"I've spoken to (fellow 40-year-old) Adam Scott about this," Jones revealed after his record-equaling five-shot victory on the PGA National's Champion Course, regarded as one of the toughest on the PGA Tour.

"We figure that we've got five really good hard years ahead of us, where we think we can do something special and I think this sets me on a path where I could."

That path will immediately turn to Augusta National after Jones booked his second Masters ticket by following up his course-record opening 61 with rounds of 70-69-68.

At Jones' first Masters appearance, he arrived tired and possibly still in disbelief at his only other PGA Tour win, courtesy of a

chip-in on the first playoff hole of the 2014 Houston Open.

Jones admitted he was that tired seven years ago that he barely recollects the famous Augusta National layout. This time, though, he's sure his new-found belief will have him in better stead.

"I can't remember much about that week; it was all a blur. So I'm looking forward to getting some preparation on the course this year.

"It really should suit me. I was planning on taking three weeks off, but now that's changed, so I'm going to take two weeks off and then go to Augusta."

Jones' win moved him to world No.49, although it came too late for him to make the WGC World Match Play Championship. It's the second time he's been in the top 50 – previously after his Houston triumph.

It automatically earns him entry to the US PGA Championship and 2022 Players Championship, among a host of other starts.

More, though, it gives him a card for two-plus years on his home tour after a seemingly endless battle since 2017 for that security, despite his successes on home soil.

"It means the world. It's been a battle and I've had ups, I've had downs," he said.

"But to win a second time in the USA on this golf course in these conditions that we faced all week is, it's phenomenal and hopefully it's something I can build on for the rest of the year.

"I've lost my card, had to go to Q-School. It's just a tough job. But, no, I'll always play as long as I can. I enjoy it out here, I like competition and I like challenging myself.

"I've probably under-achieved, in my opinion, for what I could have done.

"But I've got some time left. I feel like my game's getting better as I get older. I'm hitting it better, I'm hitting it longer, so there's nothing to say ongoing improvement won't happen.

"There's those exceptional golfers that you see on TV a lot and then there's ... I don't know how many of us out here that are really, really good golfers and people don't understand, but it's just not that easy to win out here.

"And there are great golfers everywhere. I was just lucky enough to get it done today and hopefully it leads to more."

As ever, Jones paid tribute to his long-time coach Gary Barter at The Australian in Sydney.

They've got a great system of "FaceTime coaching" going on in the past year, so Jones says as much as he'd like to see his mentor at Augusta, he's not sure it will happen. "I would love that and hopefully he can. But that two-week quarantine in a hotel, I can't really justify doing it – it's not really fair on him or his family.

"It's worked out pretty well so far so we'll see what we come up with.

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An avid golfer goes to see a fortune-teller to enquire if there are any golf courses in heaven. "I have good news and bad news," she tells the golfer. "What's the good news?" asks the golfer "The good news sir is that the courses in heaven are spectacular, without doubt better than anything you have ever seen on earth." "What's the bad news then?" he asks, "You have a tee time at 8:30 tomorrow morning."

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A priest is playing a round of golf at the local public course when he arrives at the 15th tee. This hole is a 160-yard par three with a lake in the front of the green. It is also the padre's nemesis, no matter how well or how poorly he is playing.

Upon arriving at the tee, the priest tees up his ball, gets ready to hit and, at the last minute, looks toward the heavens and says, "God, I have been a good and decent man. Please, just this once, let me hit a shot which will carry the lake and get onto the green."

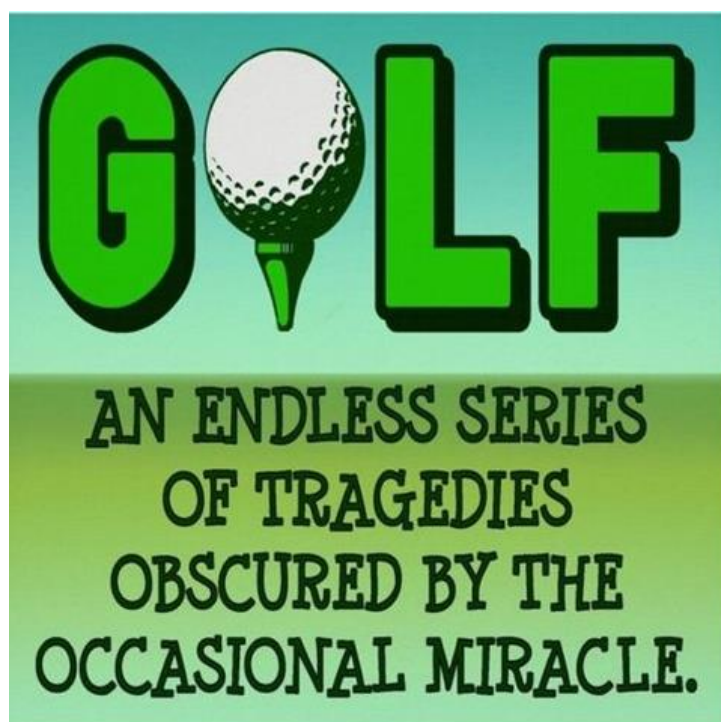
As he is about to swing, a loud, deep voice booms from the heavens and says, "Use a new ball, they go farther."

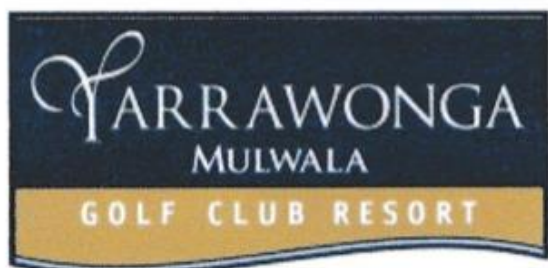
The preacher steps back, thinks about the heavenly advice and goes to his bag and gets a brand-new ball. He takes his stance and once again the heavenly voice booms, "Take a practice swing first."

The preacher is now awestruck by the heavenly advice, so he steps back from the ball and takes a practice swing.

He takes his stance and gets ready to hit and the heavenly voice booms, "Use the old ball."

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To all Members of the Australian Veterans Golf Association,

It gives me great pleasure to announce that the 2021 Australian Veterans Championships is going ahead and will take place at the Black Bull Golf Course and the Yarrowonga Mulwala Golf Resort from Monday the 29th of November to Friday the 3rd of December 2021. Registration will be on Sunday the 28th of November at the Yarrowonga Mulwala Golf Resort from 1pm to 5pm.

As we are all aware Covid has had a huge impact on this event. With the roll out of the vaccine we are confident that we can successfully run this years event with a limited number of restrictions. The current changes are to reduce possible costs incurred for all parties in the case we are forced into another last-minute lock down scenario or other limitations.

Due to the current Covid 19 Pandemic, the field size has been reduced to 400 players. Existing entrants from 2020 who have paid a deposit will be entered automatically.

The price for the 2021 Championship has been reduced to \$330.00. A deposit of \$100 (fully refundable for cancellations up to 31 August) is payable on entry and the balance payable on 1 September.

This includes:

- Four rounds of golf
- Gift Pack

The Cocktail party and Championship Dinner are now an extra cost options:



- Cocktail Party \$50.00 - Monday 29th November from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm at the Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Resort.
- Championship Dinner \$120.00 - Friday 3rd of December 7.00pm to 10.00pm at the Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Resort.

Tournament Shirts \$50.00 can be ordered at the Event.

All Tours and Social activities for non-golfers will be up to each person to organise individually. Information on tours and sightseeing for our local area will be part of the welcome packs. For more information you can contact our local tourism office at www.yarrawongamulwala.com.au or phone 03-57441989.

To access the new entry form please use the following link which will be available from 6 April:

<https://www.silverwoodsyarrawonga.com.au/black-bull-golf-course/golf-events/>

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at the Black Bull Golf Course on 0357440044

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Application for Membership

Membership Secretary,
Hume Veterans Golf Club Inc.
Mario Caruso 21 Liquidamber Way Sunbury 3429 info@humevetsgc.com.au

Sir,

I hereby apply for membership of the Hume Veterans Golf Club and if elected, agree to abide by the Articles of Association, By-Laws of the Club and Committee rulings. I have obtained the age of 55 years I am a financial member of a Golf Club affiliated with the Australian Golf Union and have a current handicap recognized by the Australian Golf Club Union or have a current Golfink handicap.

Name in full (in block letters) Polo Top Size.....

Golf Link Number

Address.....

..... Postcode.....

Email Address.....

Home Club..... Date of Birth.....

Home Telephone no..... Mobile.....

Emergency contact Name & Phone No.....

Signature.....

The above-mentioned candidate is personally known to us and we believe him to be a suitable person to be elected a Member of the Hume Veterans Golf Club.

Proposer (in block letters)

Signature.....

Secondor (in block letters)

Signature.....

Membership fees can be paid via direct debit to Hume Vets Golf Club

BSB: 033-118 Account Number: 344854

Provided that the Directors shall not be bound to accept the application for Membership of any person, also provided any inaccuracy or misrepresentation in the particulars relating to the applicant or his description shall render his election voidable at any time at the discretion of the Club.

Date received by the Membership Secretary...../...../.....

Signed.....



Before the tee off at Mandalay



Trentham Golf Course