



The first game of the club championship at Koorungal on the 6th of October has been cancelled. At this stage it is proposed that the game at the Craigieburn Golf Club on Monday 8th of November will be the first round of the club championship.



There are no results for September as the game was not played.

Bob Hope Quotes

- "It's not hard to find Gerald Ford on a golf course — just follow the wounded."
- "President Eisenhower has given up golf for painting. It takes fewer strokes."
- "I'll shoot my age if I have to live to be 105."



PAMPLING ENDS 18-YEAR AUSSIE CHAMPIONS TOUR DROUGHT

Rod Pampling has become the first Australian winner on the PGA Tour Champions in 18 years by closing out a one-shot victory at the Boeing Classic in Washington.

The 51-year-old began the final round in a tie for 12th, four shots off the lead, but an equal-best Sunday round of 6-under 66 proved to be enough.

Pampling, playing five groups ahead of the final trio at Snoqualmie Ridge, set the clubhouse lead at 12-under 204 which proved good enough.

"There is so much pressure getting that first win and to finally get it done is great," Pampling told *Golf Channel* immediately after his win was confirmed.

"Obviously getting to Hawaii next year was one of the goals I set for myself and I'm looking forward to trying to get the Charles Schwab Cup now."

Jim Furyk and overnight leader Woody Austin both had a shot at forcing a playoff but failed to get up-and-down for birdie from greenside bunkers on the par-5 18th.



Pampling won three times on the PGA Tour, the last in 2017 in Las Vegas, and has two PGA Tour of Australasia wins including the 2008 Australian Masters.

His latest victory means Rodger Davis, at the 2003 Toshiba Senior Classic, is no longer the most recent Aussie victory in the men's senior ranks on US soil.

Peter Senior finished runner-up on five occasions including three times in 2011 alone. "It's fantastic," Pampling said. "You look at all the Hall of Famers are just phenomenal out here."

"There's so many and they still play really good golf, which people think they don't, but I'll tell you what, they play so good. It's just not quite as far off the tee anymore, but everything else is still really good."

"To get a win you've got to play good and thankfully I did today."

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Veteran
Golfers
Association

The V.V.G.A website is up and running and can be seen by going online to:
<https://www.vvga.org.au>.

The V.V.G.A. has announced that the Annual State Championships that were to be held at the Jubilee Golf Club on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th October 2021 have been cancelled due to the current ongoing Covid 19 situation.

The Annual Teams Championships scheduled for the 15th and 16th of November at the Yallourn Golf Club, for which we have selected two teams, are still on track to be played.

Details of the V.V.G.A.'s list of upcoming golfing events can be found on the website as well as veteran's golf news.

V.V.G.A. members also have the opportunity of playing in other states' District events and the Australian Veteran Golf Union's annual event.

Birthdays for September

Richard	Baird
Steve	Bilson
Ron	Damons
Tony	Farriciello
Joe	Jhoty
George	McLaughlin
Neville	Petrie
Fortunato	Rizzo
Paul	Robinson
Ronald	Wilson

Birthdays for October

Tony	Barr
Peter	Brideson
Paul	Collins
Peter	Denny
Alan	Gray
Terry	How
Harry	Johnson
Steve	Miles
Peter	Olthof
Vince	Rusciano
Peter	Turner



Mid-Week Special
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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.

Shaft technology



Steel shaft ready for assembly

What golf shaft flex is right for me?

Put simply, the flex determines a golf club shaft's ability to bend during a swing, affecting the distance and direction. Therefore, getting the right flex in your golf clubs is important.

Which flex rating you use will depend on the type of swing you have. For example, beginners and those with less powerful swings tend to use a shaft with greater flexibility to propel the ball more. On the other hand, if a player has a high and powerful swing speed, they will require a stiffer shaft with less flex.

There are a range of different types of flex ratings:

Extra stiff (XS)

Stiff (S)

Firm (F)

Regular (R)

Senior (S)

Amateur (A)

Ladies (L)

It is worth bearing in mind that different shaft manufacturers vary in their specifications of flex

– for example, one manufacturer's "regular flex" might be another's "firm flex". Furthermore, all shafts, no matter how stiff, exhibit flex in one way or another.

– Golf Shaft Flex Chart

Even though getting fitted for a specific shaft is

the best way to find the right shaft, this chart will give you some general guidelines that can help get you started in the right place:

Driver Carry Distance	Swing Speed	Flex
Under 200 yards	Under 75 mph	Ladies or senior
200 to 240 yards	75 to 95 mph	Regular
240 to 275 yards	92 to 110 mph	Stiff
Over 275 yards	over 110 mph	Stiff or Extra Stiff

– What is the kick point on a golf shaft?

The shaft kick-point – also known as flex-point – is the point where the shaft bends and affects the trajectory of the shot. Although the effect is only small, it is still measurable.

For clarity, a shaft with a high kick-point will often give a low shot trajectory and create the feel of a "one-piece". On the other hand, a low kick-point will usually give a high shot trajectory and a feeling of the shaft tip whipping the clubhead through.

– What is shaft torque?

Every shaft has a torque rating, which is measured in degrees, in order to determine how much the shaft will twist during a swing. Put simply, the higher the rating, the more the shaft is prone to twisting.

It is the torque that also determines how the shaft feels to every player, which means that the higher the rating, the softer the shaft will feel. A shaft with a 3-degree torque will feel much stiffer than a 5-degree torque, for example.

Every shaft – whether it be graphite or steel – has a certain amount of torque. You won't be able to get rid of torque completely, but it is worth remembering that the lower the torque, the lower the trajectory will be.

– Golf club shaft length

Once the shaft is installed onto your golf club, you must determine the right length for you. But how important is shaft length, we hear you say?

Well, the importance of length, according to research, is extreme. For instance, ball impact that is 0.5 inches off-centre equates to a 7% loss of carry distance, and an impact that is 1 inch off-centre equates to a 14% loss of carry distance. So, the key to choosing the right shaft is finding the correct length that provides a repeating, solid hit each time.

– How to measure the length of a golf club shaft?

In order to determine the length of your club, stand tall and get someone to measure from the crease where your wrist and hand meet to the floor. Do this with both hands and take an average of the two measurements.

The following lists what length of shafts you should consider for certain heights. If the crease where your wrist and hand meet to the floor is:

29 to 32 inches = irons should be based on a 5-iron of 37 inches

33 to 34 inches = irons should be based on a 5-iron of 37 1/2 inches

35 to 36 inches = irons should be based on a 5-iron of 38 inches

37 to 38 inches = irons should be based on a 5-iron of 38 1/2 inches

39 to 40 inches = irons should be based on a 5-iron of 39 inches

41 or more inches = irons should be based on a 5-iron of 39 1/2 inches

How to know if you have picked the wrong shaft?

If you have picked the wrong shaft, you will immediately know. When you go to swing the club, you will find that the ball won't go as far as it should, and you may hit the ball off-centre. You may also find that the club may feel "dead" if the shaft is too heavy or stiff, or alternatively it can feel too soft and weak – both can significantly impact your game.

Therefore, if you don't know what to do, don't guess, because you may end up with the wrong shaft for you and it can be costly to rectify if you have to buy more shafts or new golf equipment. If you don't know, don't guess – get custom fitted.

Custom fitting – which was once reserved only for Tour players and the best amateurs – is now available to any golfer who's willing to spend the time and money to get a properly fitted set of clubs.

With today's technology and vast number of

products to examine, an experienced club fitter can help anyone find the right club shaft for their golf club. Custom fitting can be done with woods, irons, wedges and even putters from most manufacturers, and professional fitters will work with you to decide the custom fit lie angles, face angles, lofts, lengths, swing weights and other options.

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Sponsorship and Golf Balls

The Golf Balls for the Ball run are now the Optima XSF golf balls. A much better ball than the current CS ball.

They have donated four Golf Bags to be awarded for each grade at the age tournament.

We thank Walkinshaw Sports for their generosity and encourage our members to support PGF golf products when they can.

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The Gospel According to St. Titleist

If it is almost impossible to remember how tragic a
place the world is when one is playing golf. --
Robert Lynd

If profanity had any influence on the flight of the
ball, the game of golf would be played far better
than it is. -- *Horace G. Hutchinson*

They say golf is like life, but don't believe
them. Golf is more complicated than that. --
Gardner Dickinson

If a lot of people gripped a knife and fork as
poorly as they do a golf club, they'd starve to
death. -- *Sam Snead*

If you drink, don't drive. Don't even putt. -- *Dean
Martin*

If you are going to throw a club, it is important to
throw it ahead of you, down the fairway, so you
don't have to waste energy going back to pick it
up. -- *Tommy Bolt*

Man blames fate for all other accidents but feels
personally responsible when he makes a hole-in-
one. -- *Bishop Sheen*

I don't say my golf game is bad, but if I grew
tomatoes, they'd come up sliced. -- *Arnold
Palmer*

My handicap? Woods and irons. -- *Chris
Codioli*

The ardent golfer would play Mount Everest if
somebody would put a flag stick on top. -- *Pete
Dye*

I'm hitting the woods just great; but having a
terrible time getting out of them! -- *Buddy
Hackett*

The only time my prayers are never answered is
playing golf. -- *Billy Graham*

If you think it's hard to meet new people, try
picking up the wrong golf ball. -- *Jack Lemmon*

It's good sportsmanship to not pick up lost golf
balls while they are still rolling. -- *Mark Twain*

Don't play too much golf. Two rounds a day are
plenty. -- *Harry Vardon*

May thy ball lie in green pastures, and not in still
waters. -- *Ben Hogan*

If I hit it right, it's a slice. If I hit it left, it's a
hook. If I hit it straight, it's a miracle. -- *Anon*

Golf is a game invented by the same people
who think music comes out of a bagpipe. -- *Lee
Trevino*

Finally:

The No:1 Golf rule you MUST follow:
Always take the car keys out of your golf bag
before you throw it into the creek.

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2021 Tour Championship: FedEx Cup prize money

- 1: \$15,000,000 — Patrick Cantlay
- 2: \$5,000,000 — Jon Rahm
- 3: \$4,000,000 — Kevin Na
- 4: \$3,000,000 — Justin Thomas
- T5: \$2,500,000 — Xander Schauffele, Viktor
Hovland (\$2.2 million each)
- 6: \$1,900,000
- 7: \$1,300,000 — Bryson DeChambeau
- 8: \$1,100,000 — Dustin Johnson
- T9: \$950,000 — Abraham Ancer, Billy Horschel
(\$890,000 each)
- 10: \$830,000
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- 30: \$395,000 — Brooks Koepka
(Withdrawn due to injury)

Hume Veterans Golf Club Inc.

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Application for Membership

Membership Secretary,

Hume Veterans Golf Club Inc.

Mario Caruso 21 Liquidamber Way Sunbury 3429

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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.....

Seconder (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.....