The next game is at Mt Derrimut 475 Mt Derrimut Rd, Derrimut
Monday 6th of June
07:30 Registration.
08:30 Tee off Shotgun start.
Mt Derrimut Pro Shop Tel 87379011


## Note to members:

If at all possible, please prepay your entry fee of $\$ 45$ for competitions as this makes it a lot easier for committee members when checking players in.
Electronic Payment details are:-
Bank: Westpac
BSB: 033118
Account: 344854
Put your surname in the reference section as well as your member number (if known).

Next Month 8.00am Wednesday 6th of July at Kooringal

## Captain's Report - Mandalay

A nice sunny morning saw 73 players tee off at Mandalay Golf Course for our May 22 competition. A pleasant change to the rainy starts which we encountered during the last few outings.

Thanks to John and Bill for getting the members checked in and to Peter for collecting fees.
We still have a lot of entry payments made on the day. Pre-payment online helps to reduce the queues and time to book in. Although there were a few hiccups with the processing, Bill and Mario were able to consolidate the results for presentation.
The staff were helpful and provided a tasty meal. Once again Shane's raffle was well received. The course was well presented by the ground staff, resulting in some good scores. There were 17 players (23\%) who had a score better than or equal to their handicap, the same percentage as last year.
We thank Lifestyle Communities for donating the grade winner prizes and nearest the pin golf balls on the day. Torrie Pratt was on hand to present the winners.

| Name $\quad$ H | Handicap | Score |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A grade winner: |  |  |
| John O'Neil | 12 | 39 points c/b |
| A grade runner-up: |  |  |
| Brian Smith | 15 | 39 points c/b |
| B grade winner: |  |  |
| Warren Streets | 16 | 39 points |
| B grade runner-up: |  |  |
| Laurie Craig | 20 | 36 points c/b |
| C grade winner: |  |  |
| Peter Caple | 25 | 39 points |
| C grade runner-up: |  |  |
| John Ferrante | 25 | 38 p |

## Nearest the Pin 3 Golf balls

| 3rd hole | Brian Smith |
| :--- | :--- |
| 7th hole | Warren Streets |
| 11th hole | Peter Brideson |
| 15th hole | Peter Brideson |

The ball run down went to 34 points, congratulations to all the winners.

The "raffallo" prize was won by Neil Cunningham and Mick Lynch won the Birthday draw for a free game of golf at Mt Derrimutt on 6th June 2022 (at 8.30 am ).

Gus Steegstra
Captain

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B Grade winner Warren Streets with Torrie Pratt


C Grade winner Peter Caple with Torrie Pratt

## Birthdays for June

| Pat | Collins |
| :--- | :--- |
| Neil | Fowler |
| Bernie | Handke |
| Wes | Jankiewicz |
| Pamela | Murphy |
| Brian | Smith |
| Warren | Streets |
| Ricki | White |
| George | Marino |

The winner of the free game at Mt. Derrimut is Michael Lynch.


## Welfare Report

Paul Collins has had triple bypass surgery recently and won't play for about three months.

Kerry White and Ron Damons had a buggy incident at Melton. Ron has recovered well but Kerry has a serious shoulder ligament tear and may be unable to play for a few months. We wish him a speedy recovery.

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.
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The result of the survey taken at Mandalay for the end of year raffle prize was a unanimous preference for an $\$ 800$ golf related prize. This will replace the Parmaker buggy.

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## VALE JACK NEWTON

## Australian golfing great Jack Newton, who passed away 72, is being hailed as a trailblazer and fearless competitor who leaves a lasting legacy on his sport.

Newton, the 1979 Australian Open champion, died due to health complications, according to his family.

Newton's Australian Open victory was one of three triumphs on the Australian Tour - he also won once on the PGA Tour and was a three-time winner on the European Tour.

His golfing career ended prematurely in July 1983 when, aged 33, he lost his right arm and eye after walking into a plane's spinning propeller.
"He was a fearless competitor and iconic Australian, blazing a formidable trail during his professional golfing career between 1971 and 1983," his family said.
"He fought back from tremendous adversity as only he could.
"He chose to selflessly invest his time, energy, and effort towards giving back to the community through his Jack Newton Junior Golf Foundation, sports commentary, golf course design, and raising significant funds for several charities, most notably, diabetes.

Newton is survived by his wife Jackie, daughter Kristie and son Clint. He has six grandchildren.


Newtown was the runner-up to Tom Watson after an 18-hole play-off at the 1975 Open Championship.

He was a giant of the game when tragedy struck just a year older than Adam Scott was when he won the Masters, and already runner-up at both Augusta National and The Open.

In fact, Newton would have raised the Claret Jug at Carnoustie in 1975 had Tom Watson not drained a 20 -foot birdie putt on the last hole to force an 18-hole playoff.
Watson then fortuitously chipped in for eagle on the 14th hole of the playoff to ultimately deny Newton by a shot and claim the first of his five Open trophies.

And it also took the wizardry of the great Seve Ballesteros to stop Newton from becoming the first Australian to don the green jacket at the 1980 Masters when the Australian finished tied for second place.

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## Certifiable facts about the Masters and Augusta National Golf Club

BY: Rick Grayson
In 1952, Hogan (circled) started the Champions Dinner tradition.


A picture from the 1958 Masters Champions Dinner. CBS began televising the Masters in 1956

Each year's Masters winner takes home his green jacket, but only for 12 months. Thereafter, the "club coat" stays on Augusta National property.

Jack Nicklaus won six green jackets (1963, '65, '66, '72, '75, '86) in three different decades. Snead and Gary Player (the winner in 1961, '74 and '78) were the first to compete in the Masters in five different decades.

Nicklaus' mother, Helen, attended his first Masters, in 1959, and didn't return again until 1986.

In 1986, at age 46, Nicklaus became the oldest golfer to win the Masters.

In 1997, at 21 years, 3 months and 14 days, Tiger Woods ('97, '01, '02, '05, '19) became the youngest Masters champion.

He is one of just three players - with Nicklaus and Nick Faldo - to have won in consecutive years.

For each of his back-to-back wins, Woods served up porterhouse steaks at the Champions Dinner.

Woods and Jordan Spieth, the 2015 champ, share the record for the lowest 72-hole score: 270.

The year Spieth won, he shot the lowest 36 -hole score, too: 130.

In 1990, working Nick Faldo's bag, Fanny Sunesson became the first and only female caddie to win at the Masters.


Nick Faldo and caddie Fanny Sunesson at the 1990 Masters.

In 1953, Augusta National built the Eisenhower Cabin for President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who took office in January of that year.

The cabin was designed, in part, by the Secret Service.

During his eight-year term, Ike visited ANGC 29 times and played 210 times.

Masters winners are welcome to return to Augusta National to play the course with a guest, but they still have to be joined by a member.

The initiation fee for members at the impossibly exclusive club is estimated to be an unexpectedly low \$40,000.

If you don't receive your bill at the end of the month, you know you are no longer a member.

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## Chipping Made Easy

By Sean Foley


Assuming you have a fairly consistent chipping stroke, you can simply alter your setup depending on shot length.

Here's how to do it: For a long chip, I address the ball with a slightly open stance and most of my weight on my left side (above, left). Even though the ball is in line with my back foot and the shaft is leaning toward the target, my head is behind the ball. This is crucial to hitting it crisp. From here, I swing the club back and through, and the ball comes off low and rolls a good distance.

When I need to hit a medium-length chip, I play the ball a little farther forward in my stance and lean the shaft a little less toward the target (above, middle). I'm still favouring my front foot, but my stance isn't as open because I don't need as much lower-body rotation to hit it the correct distance. It's also important to note that my head position hasn't changed.

For short chips, my weight distribution is 50-50, the shaft is perpendicular to the ground, and my hips are fairly square to the ball, which I'm playing off the heel of my front foot (above, right). This allows the natural loft of the club to pop the ball up, so it doesn't roll very far when it lands. Note: My head position is still the same.

## HOW TO FOCUS ON A GOAL

The key to executing any shot is commitment. By that, I mean your attention must match your intention. When hitting a putt, your intention is to get it in the hole or at least close enough for an easy two-putt. So, your attention should be devoted to the line and speed, not putting mechanics. If your intention were to improve your stroke, that's a case when your attention should be on mechanics. Remember, always match your attention to your intention.

SEAN FOLEY is a Golf Digest Teaching Professional


Contributed by Alan Kinnaird


The last thing Charlie needed was to be reminded of his case of the yips.

## GOLF MEMBERS - PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES

In order to try to reduce round times, members are requested to adhere to the following guidelines. First and foremost, it is expected that every group must keep up with the group in front. Always be aware of where the group in front of you is. If you fall behind it is the responsibility of everyone in your group to make an effort to speed up. Traditionally the lowest handicapper in the group takes responsibility for encouraging their playing partners to speed up if necessary, however anybody in the group can do this.

Suggestions for speeding up play include (but are not limited to):

1. Be ready when it is your turn to play. This is the single biggest factor in speeding up play. As far as possible, have yardage, club selection, shot selection etc decided upon (and your glove on!) while your playing partners are hitting. If you are to be the first in your group to play, then begin making these preparations while you are approaching your ball.
2. On the green, read the line of your putt and replace your ball while others are putting (if it is not distracting to them), rather than waiting until it's your turn to putt.
3. Leave the green (and its surrounds) immediately after the last player putts out. Do not mark your scorecard until you reach the next tee.
4. Don't delay teeing off by marking your scorecard. The player with the honour has ample time to mark their card while others in the group tee off. Too much time is wasted on the tees prior to players teeing off.
5. Shorter hitters in the group should play first if longer hitters need to wait for the group ahead to clear.
6. All players should go to their own ball. There is no need for everyone in the group to go to each other's ball. If somebody's ball cannot be found immediately, it is not necessary for everyone in the group to search simultaneously. If appropriate, play your shot while the others in the group are searching, then go and help.
7. When playing in a cart, do not put your club back in the bag until you arrive at your ball for your next shot. Especially with two players in a cart this practice saves a significant amount of time over the course of a round.
8. When sharing a cart, drive to the first player's ball and drop that player off. Then drive the cart to the other player's ball while the first player hits their shot.
9. Consider how long your pre-shot routine takes. Could it be shortened?
10. Leave carts beside the side of the green nearest the route to the next tee. You should never need to "backtrack" to get your clubs.
11. Play "ready golf" whenever appropriate (note that if all the previous guidelines are adhered to, then there should be little need for "ready golf").

If you still find that your group is falling behind and holding up the group(s) behind you, then etiquette dictates that you invite the group behind to play through. The benefits of every member's effort in speeding up play will be appreciated by all.

## 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
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 Golflink handicap.

Name in full (in block letters)
Polo Top Size


Address

Postcode
Email Address

Home Club Date of Birth

Home Telephone no Mobile $\qquad$
Emergency contact Name \& Phone No $\qquad$
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) $\qquad$

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 $\qquad$ ./. $\qquad$ ./..........

Signed $\qquad$

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