

Coming up next The game is at Goonawarra Thursday 1st of September at 8am. It is the first round of the club championship.



Entries are now open. Mario Caruso will be coordinating this event.

#### Course map

Provided at the back of this document.

Next month Thursday 6th of October at Goonawarra. Championship Round 2.

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#### Captain's Report Bacchus Marsh 1<sup>st</sup> of August 2022

A beautiful sunny morning greeted the players for our competition at Bacchus Marsh Golf Club on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August 22. However, half an hour into our game strong northerly winds blew up and made for some challenging conditions, exacerbated by fast greens.

The course was in good shape with some run on most fairways.

Thanks to the course and restaurant staff for their efforts on the day.

A few problems were encountered by some using MiScore and those using cards due to the temporary course rating, but in the end were sorted out for presentation.

Thanks to committee members for their efforts in starting the field and coordinating results and presentations.

The blustery conditions made for a tough day as of the 66 players participating, only 2 played to or better than their handicap.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Handicap</u>	<u>Points</u>
<u>A grade winner:</u> Frank Tadic <u>A grade runner-up:</u> Frank Cuthbertson	13 8	35 34 c/b
<u>B grade winner:</u> Pamela Murphy <u>B grade runner-up:</u> Trevor Corrie	20 18	34 c/b 34
<u>C grade winner:</u> Terry Howe <u>C grade runner-up:</u> Fort Rizzo	21 22	38 36

#### Nearest the Pin 3 Golf balls

3rd hole	Ken Smithson
5th hole	Ray Davidson
12th hole	Colin Braithwaite
16th hole	Frank Cuthbertson

Congratulations to all the winners with the ball competition going to 28 points on a count back.

The "raffallo" prize was won by Patrick Moynahan, with golf balls to Shane Turner, Alan Ogston and Richard Baird.

Winner of the Birthday draw was Ray Pentony , a free golf game at Goonawarra on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> of September 22.

Gus Steegstra Captain



President Alan Kinnaird with A Grade winner Frank Tadic



President Alan Kinnaird with C Grade winner Terry Howe

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President Alan Kinnaird with B Grade winner Pamela Murphy



All members that introduce two new members will receive a free entry to one of our events.

Once the new member has paid their membership you will be listed on the next event as paid.

Lady golfers are welcome to join.

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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.

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# <u>Annual Over 55 John Feehan</u> <u>Perpetual Tournament</u>

After a 2-year absence we are pleased to announce the return of our annual Over 55's Tournament at Trentham on the 28<sup>th</sup> of October and the event is open to both members and non-members with an official handicap (restricted to a maximum of 80 entrants).

Additionally, after seeking sponsorship for the event, Darren Thorpe from APR Plastics (Sister Company of Australian Paper Recovery) has come forward with financial assistance towards the major prizes for this event. We thank Darren for his support.

We are all aware of the importance of helping to achieve a more sustainable environment and APR Plastics was formed in an endeavour to address and deliver a long-awaited solution and through innovative technology and recycling solutions that enable the processing of soft plastics waste to oil for reuse.



For more information on APR Plastics operation check out <u>www.aprplastics.com.au</u>

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A Scottish woman goes to the local newspaper office to see that the obituary for her recently deceased husband is published.

The obit editor informs her that there a charge of fifty cents per word. She pauses, reflects and then she says. Well

then let it read "Angus MacPherson died."

Amused at the woman's thrift, the editor tells her that there is a seven-word minimum for all obituaries.

She thinks it over and, in a few seconds says, in that case let it read.....

"Angus MacPherson died. Golf clubs for sale."

Do you have any golf clubs for sale?

Advertise them in the newsletter.

Hume Vets Newsletter will have a section advertising golf equipment for sale or to swap.

Send details and a photo to Arnold at: <u>arnold@messias.net</u>



Angus MacPherson's golf clubs

### Consumers warned about fake investment opportunities as losses top \$20m

Losses to imposter bond investment scams have nearly tripled in the first half of this year with consumers losing over \$20 million to these sophisticated scams.

Imposter bond scams usually impersonate real financial companies or banks and claim to offer government/Treasury bonds or fixed term deposits.

People often fall victim to them after searching online for investment opportunities and completing enquiry forms via fake third-party comparison sites.

The latest Scamwatch data reveals there were 228 reports of imposter bond scams between January and June, compared with 82 reports in the first half of last year.

Losses suffered by Australian victims of imposter bond scams increased by 265 per cent in the first half of the year, compared to the same period last year. However, the true losses to these scams are likely to be much higher, as research shows that only around 13 per cent of scam victims report their losses to Scamwatch.

"We are seeing an alarming increase in imposter bond scams, so we are urging Australians to be very cautious when presented with investment opportunities," ACCC Deputy Chair Delia Rickard said.

"As interest rates rise, people looking to invest in bonds are falling victim to these scams after searching online for investment opportunities. This is often after they complete enquiry forms on fake third-party comparison websites."

"These comparison sites can appear very convincing, and people are providing their details under the impression that these are legitimate Australian sites comparing real financial services," Ms. Rickard said.

"Convinced they are making a long-term, legitimate investment, it's common for victims to deposit larger sums upfront and not check their account for months before realizing they were scammed."

More than half of those who reported losses to imposter bond scams were first contacted by phone, accounting for \$11 million in losses. "It's critical to independently verify the financial institution or bank issuing the bonds by calling the bank or financial service directly, using details you have sourced yourself - rather than using any phone numbers or links provided. If you seem to have been dealing with someone from the institution, ask to speak to them." Ms. Rickard said.

"Investment opportunities that promise a high return with little to no risk are likely to be a scam."

Victims of imposter bond scams are usually directed to transfer funds into a bank account, which are sometimes based in Australia. "If you have reason to believe you have been scammed, contact your bank or financial institution as soon as possible as they may be able to find where the money went, block scam accounts and help others to avoid sending money to scammers," Ms. Rickard said.

If you have given away personal information, as most victims have, then also contact <u>IDCARE</u> as soon as possible.

More information about scams can be found in the ACCC's latest <u>Targeting Scams report</u>.

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#### **Birthdays for September**

Richard	Baird
Ron	Damons
Tony	Farriciello
Joe	Jhoty
Neville	Petrie
Fortunato	Rizzo
Paul	Robinson

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Duffers who consistently shank their balls are urged to buy and study

'Shanks – No Thanks' by R.K. Hoffman, or in extreme cases, M.S. Howard's excellent 'Tennis for Beginners.'

Henry Beard American humorist

### PRES. COLLECTS BIG PRIZE AT KOORINGAL.



It was standing room only and a packed clubhouse awaited the Friday Night Draw.

There were six draws scheduled but it only took two draws to find a winner.

Congratulations to our member Alan Kinnaird who was enjoying dinner in the restaurant when his name came out.



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### 23 Weird Golf Facts You Probably Didn't Know

You never know what's going to happen out on the golf course!

Every shot is different which is what makes golf so unpredictable and addictive.

- 1. Only 20% of golfers can break the score of 90 on the course.
- 2. The chances of making two holes in ones in the same round is one in 67 million!

- 125,000 golf balls are hit into the water on the famous #17 island green hole at TPC Sawgrass each year.
- 4. The rarest score of all (the condor) is when a golfer makes a hole in one on a par 5. This score is so unique, it has only been recorded 4 times!
- 5. Golf is one of two sports played on the moon. The other being a javelin throw.
- 6. The longest putt verified by the Guinness Book of World Records is 395 feet.
- 7. The most golf holes played in a single year is 11,000 by Richard Lewis in 2010.
- 8. Las Vegas's Shadow Creek golf course is the most expensive course to play at \$500 for 18 holes.
- 9. If you choose to walk for 18 holes, you will walk roughly 4 miles and burn around 2,000 calories!
- 10. Tiger Woods made his first one in one at the age of 8.
- 11. Golf was invented in 1457 in Scotland.
- 12. The term "birdie" came from golf Ab Smith who used to call the score, "a bird of a shot".
- 13. Lightning has struck Lee Trevino... Twice!
- 14. The ideal golf ball has between 380 and 460 dimples.
- 15.23% of all golfers are women.
- 16. The most massive golfing green is 28,000 square feet at the International Golf Club in Massachusetts.
- 17. The highest golf course in the world 14,335 feet above sea level and is in Morococha, Peru.
- 18. The longest hole in the world a 964-yard par 7 located in Sano, Japan.
- The driver swing speed of an average woman golfer is 62mph and 96mph for an average LPGA professional. Average male golfer 84mph and 108mph for an average PGA Tour player. 148-152mph for a national long drive champion.
- 20. Phil Mickelson is right-handed but learned to play left-handed by mirroring his dad as a child.
- 21. Golfers used to use mounds of sand to tee up the ball before golf tees were used in the 1920's.
- 22. The first golf balls were made of feathers and leather.
- 23. A study done in 2015 found that there are 34,011 golf courses in the world





## 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.....

Golf Link Number
Address
Postcode
Email Address
Home Club Date of Birth
Home Telephone no
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.....



Goonawarra Golf Course