

## SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2019



**FINE JAR 2019**

**\$501.85**

### FINE SYSTEM

Not driving ladies tees	\$5-00
Having an air swing	\$2-00
Having 4x putts	\$2-00
Throwing a club	\$2-00
Hitting across 2x fairways	\$2-00
Shank	\$2-00
Double Hit	\$2-00
Putting ball on, back off the green	\$2-00
Three Putt Monkey (18 <sup>th</sup> Hole)	\$2-00

Any other act performed on the course which is deemed to be deserving of a fine can be put to the group for a vote after the game. **\$2-00**

Maximum pay out is **\$10-00.**

## GOLF TRIP 2019 Howlong Golf Club



Please Note: We have booked the golf trip this year and we will be going to Howlong Golf course this year. The date of the golf trip will be **Friday 29th NOVEMBER to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2019. The Cost is \$330.00.** We have booked for 30 players (3 people per room).

Please Note: We are now calling for deposits.

All players who have not yet confirmed their status have been listed as a NO. They have had ample time to supply an answer.

### **CONFIRM YOUR STATUS FOR NEXT MONTH**

**NEXT MONTHS ROUND IS AT SPRING PARK GOLF COURSE ON SUNDAY 16th JUNE 900am.**  
Cost of the round will be **\$30.** Including BBQ after the golf.

Please confirm your status for Spring Park ASAP.

To notify us of your status click on one of the following links **YES** **or** **NO** **or email direct to**  
**[studaydream@gmail.com](mailto:studaydream@gmail.com)**

We will not prioritize old members over new members. Old members know the ropes and should be able to confirm their status by sending a reply ASAP to ensure a spot is saved for them. This month we had 29 players with a quite a few of the regulars missing, so be warned to get in early if you want to get a tee time.

# The monthly prize was sponsored by

## The House of Golf.

### Ringwood

Special thanks to our new golf specialty store **The House of Golf.** who joined as a Sunday Leave Pass Social club sponsor since the end of 2018. As part of the 2019 fixture we hope to be running a couple of social nights at the **The House of Golf.** in Ringwood using the virtual golf simulators. **The House of Golf.** generously donated some \$25 vouchers for the golf winners of each month, so please check out their website link from the SLP website and consider them for any golf purchases you make.

We have booked the first social night at the house of golf on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July. It will be a great social event and an ideal excuse to catch up and have a few drinks and swing the clubs without the pressure of playing for points and a chance to return some love back to our generous sponsor. We have booked for four hours, 630pm to 1030pm on a Friday night in a hope that we can get as many members to come as possible. The cost of the night is only \$20 per head which will include simulator usage for 4 hours, BBQ food and a free drink on arrival. We will also have prizes and competitions and lots of laughter so please make the effort to attend.

To notify us of your status click on one of the following links

[YES. I wanna party with the gang](#) **OR** [NO I am a party pooper and too stingy to come](#) **or email**  
**direct to** [studaydream@gmail.com](mailto:studaydream@gmail.com)

If you are not quite sure what to expect then click on the link to the results blurb from the last social night that we had in 2017

<https://www.sundayleavepass.com/download/x-golf-2017-results-july/>



## The House of Golf.

### Ringwood

## Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

630pm to 1030pm \$20 entry





## Devil Bend Golf Course Results May



SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2019



**30 Balls**

What a time to be playing off the Callaway handicapping system. This month at Devils Bend we had 3 new guys who are yet to qualify for an official Sunday Leave Pass golf handicap so they were given a daily played to Callaway Handicap, and with the help of some atrocious golf scores amongst the rest of the playing group these three players were all elevated to the top of the pack and all three of them were given a podium finish.

For those who have never read up on the Callaway Handicapping system. We will quickly explain how it works.

Score					Deduct	
68	69	70	71	72	0.0	Scratch, no adjustment
73	74	75			0.5	worst holes & adjustment
76	77	78	79	80	1.0	worst holes & adjustment
81	82	83	84	85	1.5	worst holes & adjustment
86	87	88	89	90	2.0	worst holes & adjustment
91	92	93	94	95	2.5	worst holes & adjustment
96	97	98	99	100	3.0	worst holes & adjustment
101	102	103	104	105	3.5	worst holes & adjustment
106	107	108	109	110	4.0	worst holes & adjustment
111	112	113	114	115	4.5	worst holes & adjustment
116	117	118	119	120	5.0	worst holes & adjustment
121	122	123	124	125	5.5	worst holes & adjustment
126	127	128	129	130	6.0	worst holes & adjustment

Adjustment					Add or Deduct from Handicap	
-2	-1	0	1	2		

This system is used for determining fair allowances for social golf events that attract novices or occasional golfers. A player's Callaway handicap is determined after each round by deducting from his/her 18-hole gross score the scores of the worst individual holes during the first 16 holes of the round.

In the computation of handicaps under this system:

- No hole may be scored at more than twice its par,
- half strokes count as a whole,
- the 17th and 18th holes are never deducted,

For example, if a player scores 99 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their (3 worst holes) +1

If a player scores 82 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their (1x worst + ½ the 2<sup>nd</sup> worst hole) -1

If a player scores 120 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their (five worst holes) +2

Below is the calculations sheet for both Matt Oakley and Brent Douglas. Matt was allocated a handicap of 15 strokes and Brent was gifted a handicap of 30 bolstered by a quite a few scores of 8.

Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	Adj	Hcp
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This section used to calculate handicap based on scores returned

**Matt Oakley Callaway Handicap Calculations.**

80	1.00	8					2	10
81	1.50	8	3				-2	9
82	1.50	8	3				-1	10
83	1.50	8	3				0	11
84	1.50	8	3				1	12
85	1.50	8	3				2	13
86	2.00	8	6				2	13
87	2.00	8	6				2	13
88	2.00	8	6				2	13
89	2.00	8	6				2	13
90	2.00	8	6				2	13
91	2.50	8	6	3			-2	15
92	2.50	8	6	3			-1	16
93	2.50	8	6	3			0	17

**Gross Score** 91

**Total Handicap is the sum of worst 2 holes plus 1/2 of 3rd worst hole plus adjustment value.** 15

Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	Adj	Hcp
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This section used to calculate handicap based on scores returned

**Brent Douglas Callaway Handicap Calculations**

92	2.50	8	8	4			-1	19
93	2.50	8	8	4			0	20
94	2.50	8	8	4			1	21
95	2.50	8	8	4			2	22
96	3.00	8	8	8			-2	22
97	3.00	8	8	8			-1	23
98	3.00	8	8	8			0	24
99	3.00	8	8	8			0	24
100	3.00	8	8	8			0	24
101	3.50	8	8	8			0	25
102	3.50	8	8	8	4		-1	27
103	3.50	8	8	8	4		0	28
104	3.50	8	8	8	4		1	29
105	3.5	8	8	8	4		2	30
106	4.00	8	8	8	7		-2	29

**Gross Score** 105

**Total Handicap is the sum of worst 3x holes plus 1/2 of the 4th worst hole plus adjustment value** 30

These handicaps are then taken off the players gross score for 18 holes to give a Nett score and therefore a place ranking just the same as we do with all members with an official Sunday Leave Pass handicap.

This poses the question as to what would happen if other players were issued a Callaway Handicap based on the daily performance instead of their proper handicap. Poor Matt Robinson for example has only just qualified for a formal handicap last month, so what would have happened to Matt (who we might mention will be dressed in the pink vest next month because he came convincingly last) if he was still playing under the Callaway handicapping system. Matts official handicap is currently 32, he had 130 strokes for the day on Sunday and unfortunately for him and fortunately for the rest of us, he finished in last place with a Nett score of 98.

If we ran Matt Robinsons round using the Callaway Handicapping system, he would then still have the same score of 130 strokes however his handicap would have been calculated as 53 and he would therefore have finished with a Nett Score of 77 and in 6<sup>th</sup> place overall.

This was a very interesting variation, so we then decided to run the calculations as if the entire field of 32 players didn't have official handicaps and we allocated everyone with a temporary daily handicap using the Callaway Handicapping system. So, what was the outcome:



# Callaway Comp

1	Wayne James	99	25	74
2	Gerard MacIsaac	89	14	75
3	Mick Harper	86	11	75
4	Mal Griffiths	111	36	75
5	Brent Douglas	105	30	75
6	Rick Turcinovic	118	42	76
7	Cam Douglas	109	33	76
8	Matt Oakley	91	15	76
9	Chris Sfiligoj	106	30	76
10	Phil Plane	106	30	76
11	Dale Robinson	93	17	76
12	Stuart Cooper	96	20	76
13	Tom Thorn	104	28	76
14	Adam Cooper	106	30	76
15	Mark Sfiligoj	100	24	76
16	Steve O'Sullivan	88	12	76

17	Todd Neilson	99	23	76
18	Shane Cumming	89	13	76
19	Leigh MacIsaac	100	23	77
20	Greg Parsons	125	48	77
21	Cameron Ross	105	28	77
22	Matt Robinson	130	53	77
23	Ben Nichol	107	30	77
24	Barry Hemsley	108	30	78
25	Steve Powne	104	26	78
26	Tony MacIsaac	113	34	79
27	Newell Richards	112	33	79
28	Ron Parsons	113	33	80
29	Mark Fitzpatrick	117	37	80
30	Tony Grasso	107	27	80
31	Andrew Clarke	106	25	81
32	Brendan MacIsaac	132	51	81

Wayne James was the big mover. He moved up from 20<sup>th</sup> place to first place.

Obviously, we cannot just spontaneously change the format of the competition, (unless it improves my position) so the points distribution for the month were still allocated using the normal Sunday Leave Pass formula, although it is interesting to compare the results.

Congratulations to our May winner. Brent Douglas has now already achieved in two rounds what it took Tony MacIsaac 132 rounds to do. Brent has won his first monthly title narrowly edging out his brother Cam by just one stroke.

**Results for Devils Bend were as follows:**

Ranking	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Player	Brent Douglas	Cam Douglas	Matt Oakley	Mark Sfiligoj	Dale Robinson	Phil Plane	Steve O'Sullivan	Mike Harper	Barry Hemsley
Score	105	109	91	100	93	106	88	86	108
Handicap	Callaway 30	Callaway 33	Callaway 15	24	16	28	10	8	29
Nett Score	75	76	76	76	77	78	78	78	79
Points	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7

<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Gerard MacIsaac</b>	<b>Cam Ross</b>	<b>Shane Cumming</b>	<b>Steve Powne</b>	<b>Stuart Cooper</b>	<b>Todd Neilson</b>	<b>Adam Cooper</b>	<b>Tom Kellythorn</b>	<b>Tony MacIsaac</b>	<b>Ben Nichol</b>
<b>89</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>79</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

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Ranking	30	31	32
Player	Mal Griffiths	Brendan MacIsaac	Matt Robinson
Score	111	132	130
Handicap	16	37	32
Nett Score	95	95	98
Points	1	1	1

Considering the good weather conditions, we were delivered at Devils Bend the scores were very brutal. This was only the 4<sup>th</sup> time in 15 outings at the poorly reputed Devils Bend course that we did not have to endure pouring rain and freezing conditions. Despite the horrendous weather forecast the day turned out to be quite reasonable, although the strong winds and lightning quick greens did play havoc in the scores.

Some players negotiated the greens very well. Steve O'Sullivan kept his use of the flat stick to a minimum. SOS had only 29 putts for the 18 holes and his only 3 putts occurred on the first green. The Supercoach (Mark Sfiligoj) was one of the only players to have a three-putt free round, he cruised around the course in just 30 putts including holing a long approach putt from the fringe of the green for a birdie on the 5<sup>th</sup> hole.

Mark Fitzpatrick also managed to avoid the burden of wearing the three putt monkey vest by never making a three putt, although the curse of the victors jacket got the better of him and he posted his second worst score ever and he only just stayed out of last place by a couple of strokes.

Rounds of golf are built around putting, so it was easy to see who the good putters were and who were the bad putters. Brendan MacIsaac had 6x 3putts and 1x 4putt and Tony Grasso three putt on average every 2.25<sup>th</sup> hole. Tony racked up 6x 3putts and 2x four Putts. Newell Richards had a 6xputt. Yes, that's correct six putts to get the ball into the hole and it should be noted that the last one only just lipped in the side of the cup. Shane Cumming, Andrew Clarke, Todd Neilson, Ron, Rick and Stu Coops were no better on the greens, Stu had 4x 3-putts and a 4-putt and the rest of the boys each had 5x turns at wearing the three-putt monkey vest.

On a day where every stroke count wasting your score with the putter has a massive impact on where you finished in the place rankings. Stu Coops had worked his way up into first position in the field when he arrived on the fifth tee, however he then dropped 4 shots on the easy par 5 with a score of nine, to make things worse he then four putt the next green to turn a birdie attempt into a double bogie, dropped further back in the place rankings by missing a 3meter birdie putt and of course the following par putt to give him his 4<sup>th</sup> 3 putt for the day and an untimely bogey. On the next hole, the second last hole for the day, Stu also missed a tap in par putt to relegate himself further down the leaderboard ladder. Too cap off the perfect and biggest choke since Greg Norman in the 1996 masters Stu finished his round with a double bogie, meaning he gave back 10 strokes to the field in the last 5 holes and dropped from 1<sup>st</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> place in the process.



Greg Norman the Greatest choke ever.



It is amazing what a couple of bad shots can do to your position in the field. We thought it would be interesting to look at the player position standings at Devils Bend at the end of each hole. It shows which players were in with a chance of victory and who crashed and burned early.

Below is schematic of each individual player position ranking from holes 1 through 18.

HOLE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Adam Cooper	16	18	18	13	13	24	16	11	8	16	16	18	20	20	22	18	18	16
Andrew Clarke	3	7	6	10	8	10	11	23	24	24	25	29	30	30	28	27	27	27
Barry Hemsley	28	27	19	23	17	18	17	16	17	17	15	12	14	13	8	8	12	9
Ben Nichol	29	19	20	17	15	16	13	10	18	19	18	20	19	22	19	20	19	19
Brendan MacIsaac	8	16	8	19	9	12	15	20	13	22	21	25	26	27	27	28	31	31
Brent Douglas	22	8	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1
Cam Douglas	19	6	5	12	16	14	20	17	16	15	10	14	12	9	3	1	1	2
Cameron Ross	1	1	1	7	10	21	22	18	15	10	9	8	10	4	5	5	9	11
Chris Sfiligoj	26	26	24	25	27	25	24	24	23	26	26	23	22	23	21	22	25	22
Dale Robinson	10	17	14	18	20	11	12	15	14	18	19	16	13	14	10	4	4	5
Gerard MacIsaac	13	15	22	14	19	17	18	19	20	9	11	11	11	11	7	12	11	10
Greg Parsons	23	29	25	27	30	29	29	29	29	27	28	27	28	31	31	31	30	28
Leigh MacIsaac	12	21	17	21	22	23	26	28	28	25	24	24	24	21	24	23	21	24
Mal Griffiths	27	28	26	22	23	26	27	26	26	29	29	30	29	28	30	29	28	30
Mark Fitzpatrick	17	14	31	32	31	32	30	30	30	30	30	31	31	29	29	30	29	29
Mark Sfiligoj	6	13	10	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	1	3	5	4
Matt Oakley	2	5	11	8	5	4	6	5	7	5	3	2	3	2	9	9	3	3
Matt Robinson	32	32	32	31	29	31	31	31	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
Mick Harper	5	11	12	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	4	5	9	5	13	10	6	8
Newell Richards	7	20	21	26	25	22	23	25	19	20	22	21	23	19	20	24	24	26
Phil Plane	24	22	16	15	21	19	19	12	10	14	12	6	7	8	11	11	7	6
Rick Turcinovic	20	30	30	30	32	30	32	32	31	31	31	28	27	26	25	25	22	21
Ron Parsons	15	12	27	28	26	28	28	27	27	28	27	26	25	25	26	26	26	23
Shane Cumming	4	4	4	6	7	7	7	6	3	7	7	10	6	6	6	6	10	12
Steve OSullivan	14	3	15	9	6	6	5	4	5	4	5	7	8	12	12	7	8	7
Steve Powne	25	24	13	16	14	9	9	14	12	12	13	19	16	18	16	16	16	13
Stuart Cooper	11	2	3	1	11	13	10	9	11	11	17	9	5	10	14	14	14	14
Todd Neilson	9	10	9	11	12	8	8	7	6	8	6	4	4	7	4	13	13	15
Tom Thorn	30	31	29	29	28	27	25	21	22	21	14	17	18	15	15	15	15	17
Tony Grasso	18	9	7	5	4	5	3	8	9	6	8	13	17	16	18	19	20	25
Tony MacIsaac	21	25	28	24	24	20	14	13	21	13	20	15	15	17	17	17	17	18
Wayne James	31	23	23	20	18	15	21	22	25	23	23	22	21	24	23	21	23	20

There is something quite satisfying about knowing and seeing it visually represented that the Supercoach was on the leader's podium for 8 of the holes but when it came to the final siren, he only managed to finish in 4<sup>th</sup> place. We look forward to hearing the whining and complaining about how he was robbed by the scoring system, his handicap, his playing partners, or all of the above.

It should be noted that Mark only finished just one stroke behind the winning score, yet his round consisted of an 11 including three balls straight into the lake on the 12<sup>th</sup> hole. The 12<sup>th</sup> hole at Devils Bend is a cursed hole for the Sfiligoj family, it was this exact same hole which brought his brother unstuck back in 2016 when Chris walked off the hole with a 13. To his credit, this year Chris managed to get redemption and he now believes that he's broken the voodoo. Chris actually managed to birdie the 12<sup>th</sup> hole on Sunday which saw him rewarded with 5 stableford points and with that rare feat, he also won a 5 skins jackpot in the process.

Chris only took 3 strokes to complete the 12<sup>th</sup> hole, however Mark hit 3 balls in the water, threw three clubs and was heard using three different profanities that we dare not repeat. Andrew Clark suffered a similar fate on this beautiful signature hole. Andrew kept on reloading golf balls from the tee as he took pot shots at the boat in the middle of the lake. Perhaps it would have been a bit wiser to drop a ball and play it from point of entry rather than to continue to reload from the top of the tee and repeat the same outcome time and time again. It certainly was not a good outcome for the two boy's scorecards however Greg Parsons was the lucky recipient of the biggest belly laugh that he has ever had while he was watching them both sink balls into the lake and hearing them carrying on like little babies.



Don't forget the rules when it comes to being in a lake or hazard.

### Water Hazards

- **Note:** According to the Rules, a "water hazard" can be a sea, lake, pond, river, creek, ditch or similar waterway, whether or not it contains water, that lies on the golf course. Regular water hazards are marked with yellow stakes and / or outlines, and anything within the boundary (including ground and the stakes / lines themselves) is part of the hazard.

#### lateral water hazard

- Drop as close as possible to the spot where he played the previous shot.
- Drop behind the water hazard, keeping the point where the ball last crossed the hazard directly between the hole and the drop spot. The player can go back as far as he likes on this line.
- Drops within two club-lengths, but no nearer the hole, of the spot where the ball crossed into the hazard, or
- Drops at a spot on the opposite side of the hazard equidistant from the hole.
- Proceed according to the steps in Rule 26-1, with a one-stroke penalty, or
- Go back to the tee or the spot through the green from which he initially hit into the hazard, with a one-stroke penalty.
- Drops and plays another shot from the hazard, as close as possible to the point of the previous shot.
- Adds another penalty stroke and proceeds under the steps in Rule 26.
- Adds another penalty stroke, then goes back and plays from the tee or the spot through the green from which he initially hit into the hazard.



**The other option if you can find your ball in the hazard and it is still possible to make a swing at it, you can always play it as it lies with no penalty.**

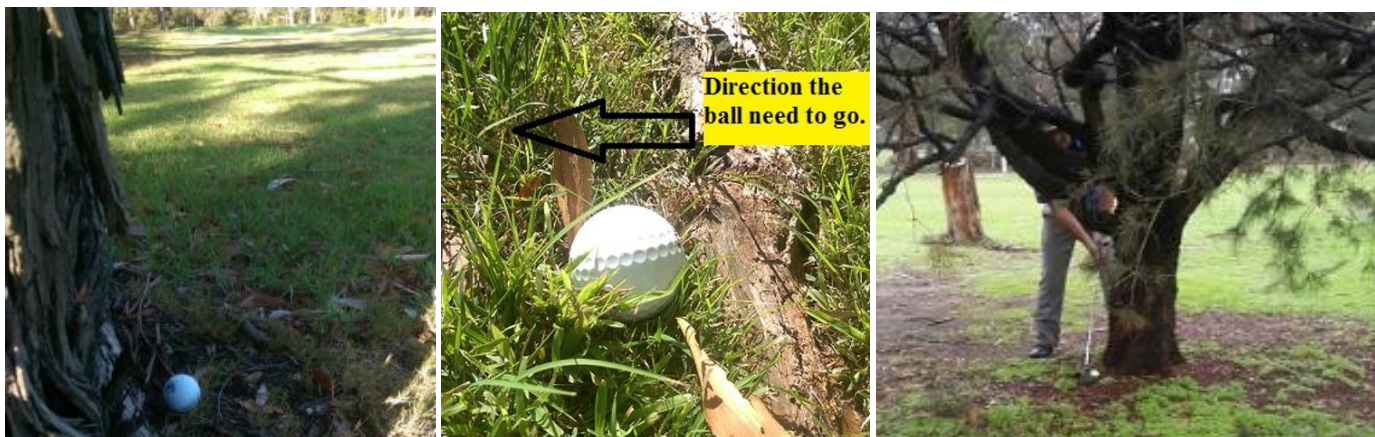
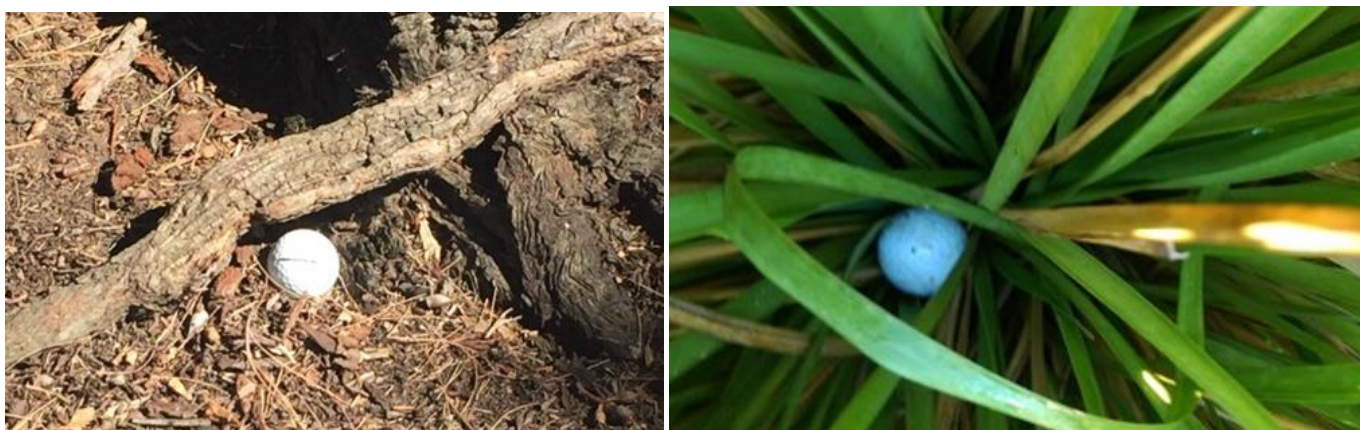
**However, you may pay the ultimate prize if you stuff it up again as you are an extra shot down plus any new penalties will apply.**

You would have thought he would have learned after making a 13 at Dorset after trying to play a ball out of the lake, yet Stu Coops still managed to destroy his round again when he played his 2<sup>nd</sup> stroke from inside the hazard bank on the 5<sup>th</sup> hole. Stu attempted to hit his ball out of the mud back out into the fairway however his ball went 35 meters forward, hit a tree trunk and rolled back 35 meters to come to rest almost in the same divot it had just been played from. Stu pretty much didn't have to move, to play his next shot and needless to say this was the start of his massive choke. He walked off the 5<sup>th</sup> green with a 9 on his scorecard and things got progressively worse from there.





Difficult lies were the order of the day. Although the fairways at Devils Bend are quite wide if you got into the tree-line or in the rough it was usually very difficult to get a good swing at the ball. Some golfers had good success extricating the ball out from the trees and there were other players who were not so lucky. These difficult ball positions were often the foundation for some the 13 Newell's (Score of 10 or more) that made an appearance on the scorecards during the course of the day.



Two of our newcomers, Cam Douglas and Brent Douglas both managed to get themselves into some very unusual places on the golf course. Luckily for them however the rules of golf gave them opportunity to take relief in the form of a free drop. Incredibly in the first five holes between the two of them they managed to hit their ball so that it stopped and finished on a designated path or road, not once, not twice but four times. Cam also had his ball land on the ground staff vehicle path on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole so between



them they had a total of 5 drops off a path in 18 holes which is unprecedented. By the end of the day their playing partner Cider was stuck with a tune in his head, he was singing the Willie Nelson hit song “On the road again.” all of the way home.

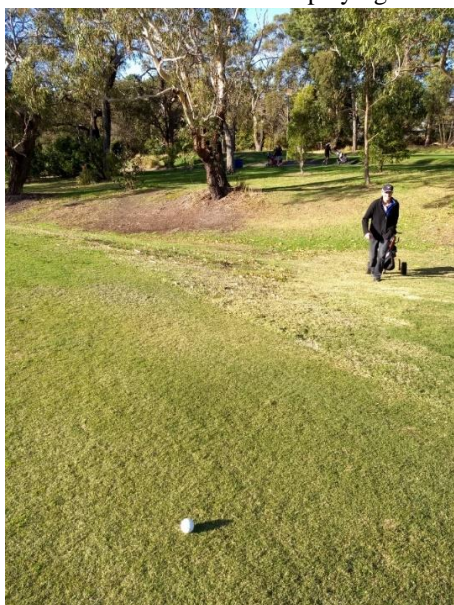
Mark Fitzpatrick would have been forgiven if he was caught singing “Like a bridge over troubled waters” by Simon and Garfunkel early in his round, especially after he bladed his second shot on the 10<sup>th</sup> hole and his golf ball skimmed 5 times across the lake surface and then smashed into the steep bank on the other side. Everyone watching this terrible shot was expecting the ball to stop on the bank and roll back into the water, but it didn’t. Instead the ball bounced up high in the air, cleared the steep bank and finished on the fringe of the fairway rough on the good side of the lake. As it happens, Fitzzy used up all of his good luck on the first hole of the day using the bridge over troubled waters and it appears as though the curse of the monthly title has struck again, and it quickly got the better of him. Mark battled his way around Devils Bend finishing just 3 strokes and 2 places ahead of the beer wench vest which has haunted the last two monthly title winners.

Time will tell if the curse continues for the next monthly title holder. Brent Douglas will be tested at Spring Park. He showed some very promising form this month at Devils Bend and was a deserved winner, however he did have a bit of difficulty keeping his golf cart upright at times. Hopefully Brent manages to buck the trend and the wheels don’t come off when he tee’s up on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June at Spring Park as the reigning title holder.



Brendan MacIsaac had buggy troubles of his own to deal with. The red motorized racing golf cart was not running properly, and it kept cutting out on him. The buggy was cutting out so regularly that Brendan only got 6 holes into his round before he was left with no other option other than to leave the buggy at the proshop and resort to a pull cart for the remaining 12 holes. Given that Brendan managed to crash his golf cart while driving it up the loading ramps last month at Dorset there is a high chance that he may have disconnected some of the cables and plugs or even short circuited the wiring when he dropped the undercarriage onto the metal ramps, so a trip to the auto electricians might be on the cards.

Brendan hasn’t learnt much about his aim and direction, whether it is driving a golf cart or driving a golf ball. His tee shot on the 14<sup>th</sup> hole was so far off target that he landed on the 16<sup>th</sup> green and he needed directions from Greg Parsons on how to get back to the hole he was meant to be playing on.





One player who always has trouble keeping the ball moving towards the target is Stu Cooper. Sunday was no different, on the 155 meter Par 3 thirteenth hole, Stu hit an errant block which saw his ball flying out onto the 12<sup>th</sup> hole, sending Newell, Leigh, Brendan and Ben diving for cover when the globally renown call of “Fore” echoed across the golf course. Interestingly Stu’s second shot was played from 175 meters from the green so technically he had hit his tee shot 20 meters further away from the green than he was when he started the hole.



Chris Sfiligoj played a very interesting tee shot, which didn’t even count as a stroke. Chris was standing on the 3rd tee making a few practice swings when he accidentally hit the ball in his down swing. His playing partners say it was the best contact that he made on the ball all day, however he was entitled to reply the ball without penalty as he clearly did not make a genuine attempt to strike it at the time and the ball was not yet in play. A few people have asked why Chris had to pay the \$5 fine for not hitting past the ladies tees yet he didn’t have to add the shot to his score, so we thought we would supply the definition of the rule.

#### A Golf Ball on a Tee Is Not Yet 'In Play'

Here's the explanation: A ball is not considered *in play* until a stroke has been made from the teeing ground. Therefore, when the golf ball is still sitting on the tee, it is not yet in play.

A waggle of the club, or shaky hands, or any similar move that results in bumping the ball off the tee with your driver or other club in the tee box is *not* a stroke. In the definition of a stroke, intent is the key— remember, a swing is only a stroke if it is the *intent* of the golfer to hit the ball (this is also the key question in determining whether a whiff counts as a stroke).

There is no penalty, it does not count as a stroke, and the ball is re-teed and played.

Just remember, this "it's not a stroke because the ball is not in play" explanation applies only on the teeing ground. Once you have made a stroke at the ball, the ball *is* "in play." Once a ball is in play on a hole, accidentally making contact with the ball usually incurs a penalty.

One of the most famous incidents of this happening was when Zach Johnson did it a few months ago in a tournament.



<https://twitter.com/i/status/1116756810818576390>

This you would hardly call a long drive, more so an unusual one, which is exactly what Wayne James and Andrew Clarke had to endure as they sat in the back of the Newell wagon. By the time they had arrived at the Peninsula link turnoff, Newell had cut off

a fire engine with lights flashing, hit a speed hump so hard that Wayne's head hit the roof of the car and he'd gone through a roundabout the wrong way. The boys were forced to go for the sick bags that were coincidentally stowed in the back-seat storage compartment, although once they hit the freeway the ride got smoother and the obstacles were less confronting and therefore Andrew quickly assumed his regular position.



It was great to see Ronnie back in the game and sporting his Champion of Champions jacket. Ronnie is slowly working through his list of pundits and he hopes to have tapped everybody on the shoulder to get his free drink before his time runs out in November.



Name	Rounds	Name	Rounds
Jamie Brunton		Wayne James	
Chris Sfilgoj		Mick Harper	
Greg Parsons	PAID	Leigh Macisaac	
Andrew Clarke		Todd Neilson	
John Mea		Newell Richards	
Brendan Macisaac		Ben Nichol	
Brendan Seagrave		Tom Thorn	
Steve Powne	PAID	Gerard Macisaac	
Glenn Douglas		Shane Cumming	
Dale Robinson		Mark Sfilgoj	PAID
Damien Vanterpool		Barry Hemsley	
Warren Perrett		Steve Osullivan	
		Mai Griffiths	
Robert Underwood		Tony Macisaac	
Mark Fitzpatrick		Stuart Cooper	PAID
Greg Breasley		Cliff Rowe	
David Burns		Colin Ewart	PAID
Nathan Griffiths		Cameron Ross	
Steve Hoffman		Phil Plane	
Geoff Cooper		Rick Turcinovic	
Nick Fritsch		Tony Grasso	

For those players not familiar with the scoring process, listed below is the format we use in Sunday Leave Pass competitions.

Once all of the players are ranked then the Seasons Championship points are allocated according to the position in the field.

The player in 1<sup>st</sup> place gets 15 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> place 14 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> place 13 points, etc etc. Any player who completes the round however finishes ranked outside the top 14 and is placed between 15<sup>th</sup> spot to BeerWench then they are all allocated 1 championship point for attending.

For the benefit of the newcomers or the uneducated we thought it would be a good opportunity to go through the player rankings and point scoring system again.

Sunday Leave Pass competitions are run using Stroke, so you need to count every shot that you play, and you need to finish every hole. Each players Nett total score is then calculated by deducting the players handicap from the Gross score. If a player doesn't have an official Sunday Leave Pass handicap, then a temporary played to handicap is allocated on the day using the Callaway handicapping system.



Once the players Nett score is calculated they are ranked from lowest score to highest score. (BeerWench) Where more than one player has the same Nett Score (such as in the example below from Gardiners Run last year then the place allocations are decided based on a countback system.

The count back system is formulated as the following.

\*Total number of stableford points scored on the back nine holes.

\*In the event that both players have the same stableford score on the back nine it then reverts to the number of stableford points scored on the eighteenth hole. If this is the same then it goes to the 17<sup>th</sup> hole, sixteenth hole, fifteenth hole until a player has a better hole and therefore has a higher stableford score than the other.

Mick Harper	Mark Sfiligoj
stableford	Stableford
+3	+3
+1	+1
+1	+3
+3	+1
+2	+3
+3	+0
+2	+3
+3	+1
+1	+3
+2	+2
Mick Harper	Mark Sfiligoj
+19	+20
+18	+17
+37	+37

In this instance from Dorset last month both Mick and Supercoach had Nett 66 after their handicap was deducted from the Gross Scores. So, we go back to a countback.

In this example Mick wins and gets the higher place finish. Mick had 18 points on the back nine compared to Fil who could only conjure up a disappointing 17 stableford points on the back nine and was therefore relegated down a place. SOS also had a score of Nett 66 but that composed of only 15 points on the back nine, so he finished behind the Supercoach.

If in the event that the countback then identifies that both players have had the same stableford points score on the back nine then we go back to the individual holes starting from the 18<sup>th</sup> hole and compare results until a player had a standout result. In the example shown on the right from both Rick and Barry at Dorset last month, each of them had 18 Stableford points. Since Barry had a bogey for 2 points whereas poor Rick only had a score of 6 for 1 points on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole therefore Barry wins the countback and Rick is relegated back to a lower place ranking. If both scores are equal then we go back to the 17<sup>th</sup> hole, then the 16<sup>th</sup>, etc etc.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COUNT BACK IS ON HOLES 10-18** irrespective of whether it is a two-tee start, a normal hit off from the first hole or as in the case of Warburton or Devils Bend where we hit off the 10<sup>th</sup> hole and the 1<sup>st</sup> hole. It is always the 10<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> holes and if one person starts on the 10<sup>th</sup> hole and the other hits off the first hole then it still remains exactly the same formula.

Rick Turcinovic	Barry Hemsley
Stableford	Stableford
+2	+1
+4	+2
+3	+0
+3	+3
+1	+1
+1	+3
+2	+1
+0	+3
+3	+3
+1	+2
Rick	Barry
+18	+18
+18	+18
+36	+36

The player with the most points at the end of the year is crowned the Points champion irrespective of how many rounds a person has played. If one person plays 13 rounds for the year and the person in 2<sup>nd</sup> place has only played 10 rounds but is close to the same score, then that is bad luck to the person in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. All players are invited to play the entire fixture. We reward participation rather than perfection and performance so if you play more often you will end up with more points.

## Place Standings for 2019:

Name	Total	Played	Rank	Name	Total	Played	Rank
Todd Neilson	44	5	1	Matt Oakley	13	1	24
Steve O'Sullivan	42	5	2	Chris Sfiligoj	13	5	24
Mick Harper	41	5	3	Rob Underwood	13	1	24
Stuart Cooper	32	5	4	Mal Griffiths	12	5	27
Steve Powne	32	5	4	Phil Plane	12	3	27
Tom Kellythorn	28	5	6	Leigh MacIsaac	10	5	29
Cam Douglas	25	2	7	Colin Ewart	6	4	30
Mark Sfiligoj	24	4	8	Ron Parsons	6	3	30
Dale Robinson	24	5	8	David Burns	5	1	32
Barry Hemsley	24	5	8	Newell Richards	4	4	33
Andrew Clarke	22	3	11	Adam Cooper	3	2	34
Wayne James	22	5	11	Warren Perrett	3	3	34
Matt Robinson	21	5	13	Tony Grasso	2	2	36
Gerard MacIsaac	21	3	13	Geoff Cooper	2	1	36
Cliff Rowe	20	3	15	Jamie Brunton	2	2	36
Brendan MacIsaac	19	5	16	Greg Breasley	1	1	39
Tony MacIsaac	18	5	17	John Mea	1	1	39
Cameron Ross	16	3	18	Jaxon Fitzpatrick	1	1	39
Mark Fitzpatrick	16	2	18	Jason Mladenis	1	1	39
Brent Douglas	16	2	18	Greg Parsons	1	1	39
Glenn Douglas	15	3	21	Ben Nichol	1	1	39
Shane Cumming	15	3	21	YET TO PLAY			
Rick Turcinovic	15	4	21				

Nearest to the pin prizes were won by:

3rd Hole                      Andrew Clarke  
8th Hole                      Mick Harper  
11th Hole                     Matt Oakley  
13th Hole                     Chris Sfiligoj  
Longest Drive                Matt Oakley

### Reminder

The ball must be clearly on the CUT surface of the green or fairway to win NTP or longest drive. If it is not on the fairway it doesn't count.

Each player won 1 ball each.

### Golf Balls are owed to the following people:

Brent Douglas                      \$25 House of golf voucher  
Jason Mladenis                    x1      NTP 11<sup>th</sup> Hole Dorset  
Warren Perrett                    x1      NTP 11<sup>th</sup> Hole Gardiners Run

**PLEASE NOTE:** This year the monthly winner has the option of exchanging the number of balls owed to Raffle tickets for the end of year prize draw.

Just a reminder that for every round you play you are awarded a raffle ticket to go towards the end of year raffle, then extra tickets are issued if you wear the official club shirt plus extra tickets can also be won by winning a hole in the monthly skin's competition.

"SKINS" were distributed to those players good enough to win a hole outright. If more than 1 player got the lowest score on a hole it is Jackpotted until an outright winner occurs.

Skins at **Devil Bend** were won by:

1                      Jackpot  
2                      **Cameron Ross**  
3                      Jackpot  
4                      Jackpot  
5                      **Mark Sfiligoj**  
6                      Jackpot  
7                      **Adam Cooper**  
8                      Jackpot  
9                      Jackpot  
10                     Jackpot  
11                     Jackpot  
12                     **Chris Sfiligoj**  
13                     Jackpot  
14                     Jackpot  
15                     Jackpot  
16                     **Adam Cooper**  
17                     Jackpot  
18                     Jackpot

### Number of skins won

Adam Cooper                      x6  
Chris Sfiligoj                      x5  
Mark Sfiligoj                      x3  
Can Ross                          x2

## HANDICAPS

The changes to player's handicaps are as follows:

**BOLD RED NUMBERS**- refer to players whose handicap has gone out

**BOLD GREEN NUMBERS**- refer to players whose handicap has come in

**BOLD BLACK NUMBERS**- refer to players whose handicap has remained unchanged

**NON-BOLD NUMBERS**- refer to players who didn't play this month, so handicap has not changed

Player:	New Handicap	Was		Player:	New Handicap	Was
Adam Cooper	<b>23.9</b>	23.9		Mal Griffiths	<b>15.9</b>	15.5
Andrew Clarke	<b>13.8</b>	13.7		Mark Fitzpatrick	<b>21.6</b>	21.5
Barry Hemsley	<b>29.7</b>	29.4		Mark Sfiligoj	<b>17.5</b>	17.3
Ben Nichol	<b>23.4</b>	23.4		Matt Robinson	<b>30.6</b>	<b>New Slope H/Cap</b>
Brendan MacIsaac	<b>36.7</b>	36.7		Mick Harper	<b>7.7</b>	7.7
Brent Douglas	<b>Callaway 30</b>	<b>1 game R'qd</b>		Newell Richards	<b>22.5</b>	22.5
Cam Douglas	<b>Callaway 33</b>	<b>1 game R'qd</b>		Phil Plane	<b>28.1</b>	28.1
Cam Ross	<b>25.5</b>	25.5		Rick Turcinovic	<b>31.5</b>	31.5
Chris Sfiligoj	<b>20.8</b>	20.3		Rob Underwood	<b>35.3</b>	35.3
Cliff Rowe	12.2	12.2		Ron Parsons	<b>25.8</b>	25.8
Colin Ewart	27.4	27.4		Shane Cummings	<b>9.0</b>	9.0



Dale Robinson	<b>16.6</b>	16.0		Steve O'Sullivan	<b>10.4</b>	10.4
David Burns	25.8	25.8		Steve Powne	<b>23.1</b>	22.6
Geoff Cooper	28.8	28.8		Stuart Cooper	<b>15.9</b>	14.8
Gerard MacIsaac	<b>9.9</b>	9.9		Todd Neilsen	<b>17.7</b>	17.7
Glenn Douglas	13.2	13.2		Tom Kellythorn	<b>21.1</b>	21.1
Greg Breasley	33.0	33.0		Tony Grasso	<b>20.5</b>	19.6
Greg Parsons	<b>30.5</b>	29.7		Tony MacIsaac	<b>30.3</b>	30.3
Jamie Brunton	24.9	24.9		Warren Perrett	18.6	18.6
John Mea	24.2	24.2		Wayne James	<b>14.7</b>	14.4
Leigh MacIsaac	<b>13.3</b>	13.3				

As a new member of the Social Club the Callaway Handicapping system is used to give the player a daily played to handicap for the first couple of rounds. Once they have played 3 rounds, they are given a temporary club handicap using the original AGU handicapping system. After 5 rounds they are then switched across to the current slope handicapping system.

For those people interested in the mechanics of the handicapping system it can be best explained as the following.

#### How to calculate a GA Handicap

#### To calculate a player's GA Handicap:

- you must firstly identify the player's most recent 20 scores,
- you then determine the 'Played To' value for each of these scores,
- you average the best 8 'Played To' values,
- and finally you multiply this average by 0.93. The resultant figure (to one decimal place) is the player's GA Handicap.

\* If a player's handicap record contains a lesser number than 20 scores, the number of scores used to calculate the player's handicap is as listed in the table below.

\* There is no requirement for a player's most recent 20 scores to have been returned within a specific timeframe. For example, the most recent 20 scores may span a period of three years or they may span a period of three months.

\* Once a player's handicap record contains 20 scores, the next score they return will result in the oldest of the existing 20 scores being removed (to be replaced by the new score).

#### Full Technical Procedure for Calculating a GA Handicap

STEP 1 – Use the table below to determine the number of scores to be included in the GA Handicap calculation:

#### Number of Scores in Player's Handicap Scores to be Used in the Record Calculation

5 to 6	Best/Lowest 1
7 or 8	Best/Lowest 2
9 or 10	Best/Lowest 3
11 or 12	Best/Lowest 4
13 or 14	Best/Lowest 5
15 or 16	Best/Lowest 6
17 or 18	Best/Lowest 7
19 or 20	Best/Lowest 8

Note: When the handicap record contains more than 20 scores, the GA Handicap calculation uses the best 8 of the player's most recent 20 scores.

PLAYER		Course Name	Adjusted	Course P	Course R	Slope Rat	Score Differential						
Warren Perrett	18.6								Equitable Stroke Control				
									7				
1		Dorset	96	69	72.2	113	27		Handicap Index				
2		Warburton	109	69	72.2	113	40		18.6				
3		Gardiners Run	108	72	72.2	113	36						
4		Morack	107	70	72.2	113	37						
5		Ringwood	111	70	72.2	113	40		Average S	20	# Rounds	2	
6		Werribee Park	110	72	72.2	113	38		Rounds E	Differentia	Rounds	Average Differential	
7		Beacon Hills - Hills 20	106	71	72.2	113	35		5	1 lowest	1	13	
8		Dorset	82	69	72.2	113	13		6	1 lowest	1	13	
9					72.2	113			7	2 lowest	2	20	
10					72.2	113			8	2 lowest	2	20	
11					72.2	113			9	3 lowest	3	25	
12					72.2	113			10	3 lowest	3	25	
13					72.2	113			11	4 lowest	4	27.75	
14					72.2	113			12	4 lowest	4	27.75	
15					72.2	113			13	5 lowest	5	29.6	
16					72.2	113			14	5 lowest	5	29.6	
17					72.2	113			15	6 lowest	6	31	
18					72.2	113			16	6 lowest	6	31	
19					72.2	113			17	7 lowest	7	32.2857	
20					72.2	113			18	7 lowest	7	32.2857	
		No# of rounds	8						19	8 lowest	8	33.25	
Course Ratings & Slope Look-up: <a href="http://www.usga.org/playing/handicaps/course_ratings/course_rating_lookup.asp">http://www.usga.org/playing/handicaps/course_ratings/course_rating_lookup.asp</a>									20	8 lowest	8	#NUM!	
									20+	10 lowest			

Take Warren Perrett for Instance. He has now played 8 rounds with the club and his Best round was 13 over par and his next best round once again at Dorset is 27 over par or better described as a combined score differential of 40. When this value is divided by 2 and is then multiplied by 0.93 his official handicap is 18.6 which was rounded to 19.0. If he had actually played 20 rounds and the scores listed above were his best 6 scores, then his handicap would actually be 33.25. or rounded back to 33.3.

The more rounds a member plays the more reflective the handicap becomes of their skill level. Once a player has played 20 or more rounds each month the 20<sup>th</sup> round is dropped off and replaced with a new score. This is the point where a score inside the top 8 might drop off and be replaced by a higher score meaning the handicap goes up even though the player carded a decent performance.

The handicapper was in a very generous mood this month. Not one player managed to play to par or post a significant flag round so all players kept the same handicap or were gifted a little bit extra when the handicaps went out.

PLEASE NOTE we have more people expressing interest than we have tee times booked. Please ensure you reply as early as possible as I cannot guarantee extra tee times. There is no priority to long term members, places are allocated on first in first served. Everyone has the opportunity to reply to correspondence sent to them to secure a place in the field.

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## BOOKINGS CONFIRMATION

Spring Park Sunday 16th May **Cost is \$30**

Player	Status	Paid		Player	Status	Paid	
Adam Cooper	Unknown			Mal Griffiths	Unknown		
Andrew Clarke	Unknown			Mark Fitzpatrick	Unknown		
Barry Hemsley	Unknown			Mark Sfiligoj	Unknown		
Ben Nichol	Unknown			Matt Robinson	Unknown		
Brendan MacIsaac	Unknown			Mick Harper	Unknown		
Chris Sfiligoj	Unknown			Newell Richards	Confirmed		
Cliff Rowe	Unknown			Phil Plane	Unknown		
Colin Ewart	Unknown			Rick Turcinovic	Unknown		
Dale Robinson	Unknown			Ron Parsons	Unknown		
David Burns	Unknown			Shane Cummings	Unknown		
Geoff Cooper	Unknown			Steve O'Sullivan	Unknown		
Gerard MacIsaac	Unknown			Steve Powne	Unknown		

	Glen Douglas	Unknown			Stuart Cooper	Confirmed		
	Greg Breasley	Unknown			Todd Neilson	Unknown		
	Greg Parsons	Unknown			Tom Thorn	Unknown		
	Jamie Brunton	Unknown			Tony Grasso	Unknown		
	John Mea	Unknown			Tony MacIsaac	Unknown		
	Leigh MacIsaac	Unknown			Wayne James	Unknown		
					Rob Underwood	Confirmed		

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### Remaining games on 2019 Fixture

Golf Course & How to get there Directions	Date	Melways Ref	Website links
<a href="#"><u>Spring Park</u></a> –include BBQ	16 <sup>th</sup> June 900am	88 H7	<a href="http://www.springparkgolf.com.au"><u>www.springparkgolf.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Bayview</u></a> (Rosebud Public)	30 <sup>th</sup> June 8-45am		<a href="http://www.bayviewsgolf.com.au"><u>www.bayviewsgolf.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Eyensbury</u></a>	28 <sup>th</sup> July 8-45am	220 G9 / 226 H1	<a href="http://www.eynesburygolf.com.au"><u>www.eynesburygolf.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Werribee Park</u></a>	25 <sup>th</sup> August 9-00am	259 B4	<a href="http://www.werribeepark.com.au"><u>www.werribeepark.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Ringwood</u></a>	22 <sup>nd</sup> September 9-00am	63 F2	<a href="http://www.ringwoodgolfclub.com.au"><u>www.ringwoodgolfclub.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Yarrambat</u></a>	13 <sup>st</sup> October 8-37am	184 D5	<a href="http://www.yarrambatgolf.com.au"><u>www.yarrambatgolf.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Marysville</u></a>	27 <sup>th</sup> October 9-00am		<a href="http://www.marysvillegolfandbowls.com.au"><u>www.marysvillegolfandbowls.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Morack</u></a> –includes BBQ	17 <sup>th</sup> November 9-07am	63 C5	<a href="http://www.morackgolf.com.au"><u>www.morackgolf.com.au</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Howlong Golf Club</u></a>	29 <sup>th</sup> November -30 <sup>th</sup> December - Cost \$330		<a href="http://www.howlonggolf.com.au"><u>www.howlonggolf.com.au</u></a>

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The monthly prize was sponsored by

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Special thanks to our new golf specialty store **The House of Golf.** who joined as a Sunday Leave Pass Social club sponsor at the end of 2018. We look forward to a good working relationship with them. As part of the 2019 fixture we hope to be running a couple of social nights at the **The House of Golf.** in Ringwood using the virtual golf simulators. **The House of Golf.** generously donated some great prizes for the golf trip and raffle, so please check out their website link from the SLP website and consider them for any golf purchases you make.





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Remember that any printing job ordered through **DNR print** via the social club, Dale will donate 5% of the proceeds directly back to social club which offers us the opportunity to provide better prizes for everyone and it is good to keep your business opportunities within the network if it is possible. Wood Tech, my previous company Hudson Bond and even the Super-coach (believe it or not) have actually used Dale's business and everyone that had done so speaks very highly of the service and work that he produces.



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For those who were not aware of the "hole in one prize", any player who scores a hole in one or an Albatross during a Sunday Leave Pass event will win a complimentary Chauffeur Driven Winery Tour for 2x people through the Yarra Valley, courtesy of Evergreen Winery Tours. So start aiming at the hole we want to give it away this year there was a few close calls over the years but we are still yet to achieve the perfect shot despite more than 12000 attempts since 2004.

(In 1999, *Golf Digest* reported, "One insurance company puts a PGA Tour pro's chances at 1 in 3,756 and an amateur's at 1 in 12,750.")  
The *Golf Digest* study even breaking the odds down by quality of play:

- Professional Tour player making an ace: 3,000 to 1
- Low-handicapper making an ace: 5,000 to 1
- Average player making an ace: 12,000 to 1

Based on this information we are due any time so make sure you turn up to play as it may just be you that claims the ultimate prize.