

## SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2022

The jackpot for making an ace builds up each month, as we withhold $\$ 1$ from the entry fees of each monthly participant and then use that money to make up the prize pool. Since February 2021, we have had over 341 competitors take to the fairways and since no one has managed to hole out yet, we have $\$ 341$ in the kitty.


Did you ever consider that even if you played every round for the year and paid the maximum fine (\$10) each time you played you would only be contributing only $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 0}$ for the year. That donation gets you four or five BBQ's during the year, drinks at social events and unlimited alcohol for 5 hours at the pub on the Saturday night of the golf trip.

This is a call out and a reminder to all of those guys with short arms and deep pockets that you need to contribute a bit of loose change to the fine jar to help to keep the club operational.

CONFIRM YOUR STATUS FOR NEXT MONTH
NEXT MONTHS ROUND IS AT SPRING PARK GOLF COURSE ON SUNDAY 15th MAY
Cost of the round will be $\$ 27.50$. Includes BBQ
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


Please Note: We have booked the golf trip and we will be going to Shepparton Golf course this year.
The date of the golf trip will be Friday 9th December to Sunday 11th December 2022. The Cost is approximately $\$ 350.00$. We have booked for 36 players so please book it into your calendar and let me know if you are a definite attendee ASAP.

YES, I want to take part in the golf trip this year

Please Note: We will be calling for deposits by February/March but the sooner we get expression of interest the better. Golf Trip bookings are on a first in first served basis. We cannot create extra beds so if you want to go this year then make sure you book your seat at the bar reserve your spot as early as possible.

YES, I want to take part in the golf trip this year
Please be aware that we will not hold spots for long serving players, the only way to guarantee a spot is to reply to correspondence requests and pay a $\$ 50$ deposit by March.

> Before you all send an email to say your handicap was wrong this month, I remind you that every month the handicaps are adjusted according to the slope handicap system. The harder the course, the higher your handicap in relation to your handicap index, also the lower your handicap will be when playing a course which is classified as easy, such is the course for Dorset. The changes to every player's handicaps are consistent based on the guidelines set out in the Golf Australia slope handicapping system.

So please don't send a message to say your handicap was Wrong.

## The Components of the World Handicap System (WHS)

## Part B

What are the changes for Australia?

Transfor of 0.93 Muitiplier (which creates a small change to the formulas for the GA Handicap and Daily Handicap)

- The 0.93 Muitiplier will be transferred out of the GA Handicap calculation and into the Daily Handicap calculation.
- As a result, a GA Handicap will be calculated simply by averaging the best 8 of a player's most recent 20 results.
- Note: Our statisticians confirn this change will have no overall impact on the handicaps players actualy play off (ie Dally Handicaps). This is because the slight increase it will cause to GA Handicaps (by being removed from that formula), will be exactly the same as the decrease it will cause to Daily Handicaps (by being transferred into this formula). As a result there will be no overall impact. [See below for the full new Daily Handicap formula.]
(13)

Adjustment to Daily Handicap formula when Scratch Rating is different to Par
-Why the change? Have you ever heard someone ask: "So, if I have 36 points, will that mean I've played to my handicap?' To which the answer is: 'well, it kind of depends on whether there's a difference between the Scratch Rating and the par......"? Well we've heard plenty of feedback that this is confusing ..... And the simple change happening under the WHS means 36 Stableford points wil become the universal measure of whether a player has played to their handicap. Regardless of the course or set of tees.
-What is another key benefit? Comparing results in multi-tee and mixed-gender competitions will be made simple - we've also heard the feedback on this and we know the current complexities are a barrier for many clubs. The change will hep to drive game participation and engagement initiatives. It will also make it easier for cluts to manage their legal risk around compliance with the 1984 Federal sex discrimination law (see the Australian Hurnan Pights Commission publcation titled 'Guidelines for the promotion of equal opportunity for women and gir's in golf' - www.golf.org.au/equality-guidelines).

## What is new for Australia?

Soft Cap of 3 strokes
(to operate in conjunction with the Hard Cap - see Part A)

- A GA Hancicap will continue to increase at the current rate of $100 \%$ of the ' 8 of 20 scores' calculation UNTIL it reaches 3 strokes above its best point from the previous 12 months. Once in this new Solt Cap zone, a player's GA Handicap will only be allowed to increase by $50 \%$ of the calculated amount.


## Example

A player's ' 8 of 20 scores' calaulation is 172 , but their best GA Handicap from the previous 12 months is 11.2 , which is 6 strokes less.
Their GA Handicap calculation becomes
$11.2+3+(50 \%$ of 3$)$ to equal 15.7.

- Statistical modelling indicates that the Soft Cap will impact up to 20\% of the total number of handicap calculations performed by GOUF Link each year. The introduction of the Soft Cap wit reduce the percentage of players impacted by the Hard Cap from $5 \%$ down to less than $1.5 \%$.
- GA has been aware for some time that our pre-WHS handicap system produces a competitive advantage to the inconsistent player over the consistent player and we have been looking for a way to soften this outcome. The Soft Cap will improve this stuation and will improve the equity of Australian handicapping.
- Do you need to remember how all of this is done?

Nol Because it wil al be done for you by the computers and the Daily Handicap Look-up Charts.

- New daily handicap formula $=($ GA Handicap $\times$ (Siope Rating $\div 113$ ) + (Scratch Rating minus Par) $\times 0.93$.

Example

The WHS Daily Handicap is:
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So if the player has 36 points off 17 .
they have played to their handicap.

Dnily rating system - PCC

- The WHS will feature a statistical daly rating system. It will be called PCC (Playing Conditions Caiculation).
- The WHS daliy rating formulas and regulations have been in full effect in Australia since May 2019.
- When the WHS comes info eflect, the PCC will be displayed on your handicap record as an adjustment value (eg ' +2 ' or ' -1 ') rather than a value such as '68' or '72' as happens pre-WHS under the Austraian DSR system.
- PCCs are permitted to range anywhere between -1 (ie easier conditions) and +3 (harder conditions).
Maximum handicaps
- The maximum GA Handicap under the WHS is 54.0 for both

Bonus reduction for exceptional net score

- GOLF Link will apply an automatic additional reduction to a player's GA Handicap if they have an 'exceptional score'.
- It the player's score is 7.0-9.9 strokes better than what their GA Handicap was at the time the round was played then GOLF Link wil apply an automatic addtional reduction of 1.0 strokes to their GA Handicap. If the player's score is at least 10.0 strokes better than what their GA Handicap was at the time the round was played, then GOLF Link will apply an autcmatic additional reduction of 2.0 strokes to their GA Handicap.
- To establish whether a score is exceptional, GOLF Link will compare the player's GA Handicap at the time the round was played with the number in the 'Sloped Played To' column for that round. (The 'Sloped Played To' column is one of the columns that is displayed in a player's handicap record on www.golf.arg.au.)


## Dorset Golf Course Results

The weatherperson delivered Sunday Leave Pass Social Club yet another spectacular day for golf. We have been lucky with the weather this year and for the last 4 or 5 years to tell the truth. Despite the blue skies and sunshine, the field size for Dorset was down significantly on previous years. A small field as a positive, as it means there are fewer people to beat.

The competitive juices started flowing very early on Sunday. In fact, my only achievement was beating Tom Kellythorn to the golf course and therefore finding a carpark. Driving down Mt Dandenong Road, a white Volkswagon zipped passed me at the lights and took off with haste. The fact that the driver was wearing his Blue Sunday Leave Pass shirt with dark aviator Sunglasses caught my attention. I knew that parking is always a challenge at Dorset, and with a 10 am hit off it was going to be even more limited than normal, so there was no way I was going to run the risk of letting the Pommie get the first look at the carpark and possibly steal the last space. Over the next 2 km I ran two red lights, flashed past a speed camera and managed to overtake the unsuspecting English boatperson just before the turn off into Trawalla Road. As it happens, it was the best decision I made for the day. While I was able to drive straight into a parking space at the bottom section at the Dorset Golf Course driveway, Tom ran 2 x laps of the carpark before driving back out of the golf course and parking his car in the side street while I was unloading the Honda.

Dorset has always been a course that has delivered extraordinarily low scores, however it seems the new handicap adjustments are working and justified because the winner of this months round, carded a score of 69 instead of 62 or lower which was often the case at Dorset in the past.

It should be said that there were many golfers who looked like they were going to tear the course apart, however on most occasions the round came unstuck by a silly shot, which usually resulted in a blowout hole which ultimately cost that player a chance at victory. Brent Douglas coasted around the front 9 , he shot 39 up to the halfway mark, however for some reason he lost the plot after the turn and played 11 shots worse heading back in towards the club house.


Jamie Brunton and the Supercoach played on Friday as a catch up round. They sent us a photo to confirm their attendance and interestingly, we noticed an anomaly in the background of their selfie.

If you look in the background of the photo, the guy on the putting green was wearing a Sunday Leave Pass shirt and there is only one golfer in the entire world who has a putting stance like that bloke.

Evidently Clarkey had snuck out for a practice round before Sunday's game, but unfortunately for him, he got caught out by Jamie and the Supercoach.

Andrew ended up deciding to pull out of the round on Sunday for fear of being called a leather wedge, although he used family commitments as an excuse for not being able to play. Clarkey should have gone out and played his round with the boys as they had perfect playing conditions.

Both Jamie and Mark were in a comfortable position when they stopped in at the proshop to buy a pie and drinks before hitting the $10^{\text {th }}$ tee. Fil also parred the $10^{\text {th }}$ hole and then had the audacity to send a message to his Sunday Leave pass peers about how good he was playing. That was where it all started to go wrong!!

With 6 pars and 5 bogies he was on a tear, until suddenly his round became unravelled on the 11th hole. Over two holes (the 11th \& 12th) Fil racked up more strokes than he had made while playing the previous 5 holes. Fil amassed 19 shots in the next two. He had an 8 on the Par 3, eleventh hole and then he cracked the 5\#!7s on the twelfth hole
which only saw his game go totally to crap. Fil was just short of the bunker on the Par 3 eleventh hole but butchered his next 6 shots and putted in for a quintuple bogey.

The difference between the great golfers and those who fall short of that distinction is often the ability to forget and move on from a bad shot or a terrible break immediately after it occurs. Clearly the supercoach does not fit this mould, because after his blowout on the par 3 hole he absolutely cracked it. Based on the theory of $\$ 2$ for throwing a club, Fil racked up $\$ 28$ worth of fines because he threw every single club in his bag. And things got worse from there.

Of all the holes that you need to hit the ball passed the ladies tees at Dorset, the 12th hole is the most important one. With a head full of steam, Fil teed up his ball and swung at it as hard and angry as the three times crowned Angry man can swing. Unfortunately, the energy did not convert to velocity. He nudged his ball off the tee and it trickled 3 meters and fell gently into the lake in front of the tee. 10 minutes later Fil 3-putted the 12th green for a Newell plus 1 (score of 10 or more (11). He had had 19 shots in 2 holes and the 3 -putt was the final straw that broke the camels back, according to Jamie, Fil went berserk in an intensive explosion of anger and destruction. He smashed his putter into the flag and hole over and over again. By the time we arrived at the $12^{\text {th }}$ green it had more dints in it than a piece of swiss cheese and the hole had literally doubled in size.


Jamie was a little more controlled and less destructive when he blew his round on the $16^{\text {th }}$ hole. Even whilst, having 4 x three-putts during the round, Jamie was on the home straight and despite having to maintain his composure amongst the "2022 Angry man's" antics, he was still looking good for a finish at the pointy end of the leaderboard. As Jamie stood on the tee of hole 16, he was only 3 holes away from breaking 90 for the first time in his Sunday Leave Pass career. In front of him was a 50 -meter carry to clear the grassy water hazard and keep the golf ball in play. It took 3 hits and 5 shots to achieve this feat, so by the time Jamie finished the 355 -meter journey down the fairway he had notched up his first Newell for the season and wiped his chances of shooting sub 90 . It was a devastating outcome especially since Jamie finished the 18 holes with a score of 95 and his previous career best round (91) was achieved at Dorset in 2008 and he could have easily beaten it, if only he had got his first drive away.

For the second month in a row, Stu Coops ditched his chances of a high top 10 finish by choking on the last couple of holes. Stu made a quadruple bogie on the par 3 seventeenth hole and then secured the three putt monkey vest and completed his choke, by three putting the $18^{\text {th }}$ green for double bogie.

Rick Turcinovic and Jaxon Fitzpatrick never got their rounds going at all. After a run of good form over the past few rounds, the "ic" brothers were competing for their chance to wear the pink vest. Rick signed off for a score of 119 and thought he was a sure thing for last place, that was until Jaxon dragged himself back into the car park looking a tired and dejected mess. Jaxon posted his career worst score, he was responsible for $50 \%$ of the fields total number of Newell's and with a score of 124, Nett 101, he was clearly the beer wench for the April round.

Rick was the only player other than the three Newell's made by Jaxon, to submit a score of 10 or more on Sunday, the other two Newell's were achieved by Jamie and the Supercoach during their make-up round on Friday.
"A Newell," is a golfing term defined as "A score of 10 or more shots on a single hole."
This month there was 4 new names to add to the "Newell wall of shame." Jaxon had the trifecta and was credited for having the most Newell's for the round. Mark Sfiligoj had the biggest Newell with his score of 11 (Newell plus one) on the $12^{\text {th }}$ hole. Rick reached double figures on the $7^{\text {th }}$ hole, although he and Anthony Emmerson, and Steve Powne also all came within one shot of making a Newell while hacking their way along the $1^{\text {st }}$ hole for the day.


If you want to check out who else has made a Newell, then you can click on the link to go to the honour board on the website Newell's - Sunday Leave Pass

## We mentioned the penalty rules last month however it is worth repeating it again just to make sure everyone is following the same playbook when it comes to penalties.

MLR E-5 DIAGRAM 1: BALL NOT FOUND


PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE. STROKE PLAY = Two Strokes Penalty

Model Local Rule E-5
"When a player's ball has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows rather than proceeding under stroke and distance.

For two penalty strokes, the player may take relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this relief area (see Rule 14.3):

Two Estimated Reference Points:
(a). Ball Reference Point: The point where the original ball is estimated to have:

- Come to rest on the course, or
- Last crossed the edge of the course boundary to go out of bounds.
(b). Fairway Reference Point: The point of fairway of the hole being played that is nearest to the ball reference point, but is not nearer the hole than the ball reference point.

For purposes of this Local Rule, "fairway" means any area of grass in the general area that is cut to fairway height or less.

The only variation on the stroke event to normal club competition is that in the event when a ball is deemed lost, rather than walk back to the tee to play another shot or be disqualified by DNF, the player can take a penalty of stroke plus distance and drop the ball in the area where the ball was last seen or at the location where it was thought to be lost. (For example after a lost tee shot the player will drop a ball where the ball was deemed lost and they will be hitting their 4th shot from there.).

This rule often leads to a great deal of confusion within the Sunday Leave Pass Social club, so it might be an opportune time to clarify our expected format for when you lose your ball or hit it out of bounds but don't have the energy to walk all of the way back to the tee or back to where you played your shot from. As a
matter of consistency we will refer back to the policy we created to combat this regular situation. The R\&A rules of golf relating to a lost ball is Rule 27-1 "stroke plus distance penalty for a lost ball." Meaning you should count the stroke you played, add a one shot penalty and play your next shot from the same spot you hit from.

In 2019 the rules commity created the option to drop where the ball was last known to enter or where you think it should be, inorder to save time and allow you to play your next shot from where the ball went out of bounds or where you think the ball was lost. However in doing this, you need to actually add two (2) penalty strokes to your score not just one. The reason it is a two shot penalty is because you are counting the distance that you have gained by moving forward, as an extra shot.

There is a significant difference between taking a one shot penalty and taking the required stroke plus distance penalty.

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If you are in doubt whether the ball will be inbounds or if it is likely to be found, then it is usually best practice to play a provisional ball from the same spot you last played a shot from, before going forward to search for your ball. You can play your provisional ball as many times as is necessary to get it to where the first ball is thought to be located, the score on the provisional ball only comes in to play once it is confirmed that the first ball is definitely lost.

If the ball is known to have entered a hazard marked by red or yellow stakes, then a player can drop the ball at the point of entry where the ball crossed the hazard and a new ball can be dropped with a penalty of just one stroke.

Some important things you might need to know about a penalty area (hazard):

- You may stand in a penalty area to play a ball that is outside the penalty area, including after taking relief from the penalty area.
- Your ball is in a penalty area when any part of it lies on or touches the ground or anything else inside the edge of the penalty area, or is above the edge or any other part of the penalty area.
- You may either play the ball as it lies without penalty (and there are no special Rules limiting how a ball may be played from a penalty area) or play from outside the penalty area after taking penalty relief.
- If your ball has not been found and it is known or virtually certain that it came to rest in a penalty area you may take penalty relief under this Rule.
- But if it is not known or virtually certain that your ball came to rest in a penalty area and the ball is lost, you must take stroke-and-distance relief


When it is known or virtually certain that a ball is in ared penalty area and the player wishes to take relief, the player has three options, each for one penalty stroke:
(1) The player may take stroke-and-dstance relief (see point (1) in Diagram $\$ 1$ 17.1d).
(2) The player may take back-on-the--line relief (see point (2) in Diagram $\$ 1$ 17.1d).
(3) The player may take lateral relief (red penality area only). The reference point for taking lateral relief is point X .

| Reference Point | Size of Relief Area | Limits on Relief Area |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| The estimated <br> point where the <br> original ball last <br> crossed the edge <br> of the red penaity <br> area (point $X$ ) | Two club-lengths from the <br> reference point | The relief area <br> - Must not be neares the <br> hole than the reference <br> point, and <br> - May be in any area of <br> the couse ecept the <br> same penalty area |

If you find your ball and it is in the bushes and you can't readily play the ball as it lies, then you do have the option of taking an unplayable lie. This gives you 2 club lengths relief from where the ball sits, dropping in any direction so long as it is dropped no closer to the hole, or your other relief option is by going back in line with the ball and the flag as far back as you choose. An unplayable lie also results in a one stroke penalty added to the score.


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## (2) The player may take back-on-the-line relief by dropping the original boll or another ball in a relief area based on a relerence line going straight back from the hole through the spot of the criginal ball.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A point on the course chosen by the player that is on the reference line and is farther from the hole than the spot of the original ball (with mo limit on how far back on the line) | One club-length from the relecence point | The relief area: <br> - Muat not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and <br> - May be in any arra of the course |

Player Notes:
In choosing this reference point, you should indicate the point by using an object buch as a tee).
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Mark Sfiligoj the twice crowned leather wedge winner proved he doesn't always cheat. This month he called an unplayable lie on himself after he hit is ball into a part of the golf course that not even the wildlife are willing to go. The question is, was it a smart decision or should he have tried to play the ball as it was. We are running a competition to guess what his score was after driving his ball into the scrub and then taking a penalty? To win a SLP stubby holder you need to email your answer. First in with the right one gets the prize.

## Competition time!!

## WIN A SLP STUBBY HOLDER FOR FIRST PERSON IN WITH CORRECT ANSWER.

## Options

A) Eagle
B) Birdie
C) Par
D) Bogie
E) Double Bogie
F) Triple Bogie
G) Newell


## Supercoach found his golf ball in this difficult position. He opted to take an unplayable lie.

What did score did he finish up with for the hole?



Click here to see the video

Brent Douglas found himself facing an unplayable lie for a left hander, His ball landed on the lip of the bunker on the second hole. When he tried to stand in his normal address position, he was faced with a baseball style swing almost from above his head in an unbalanced stance. There were no guarantees he could even make contact with the ball because the ball was recessed in the rough at the lip of the bunker. So he had the choice of risking having an air-swing and copping a $\$ 2$ fine, otherwise the other option was to take a drop and add a penalty to the score or manufacture some sort of miracle shot out of the difficult circumstances. Ever the cheapskate, Brent opted for the free option, he
took up a right-handed stance, turned the golf club over backwards and bunted the ball forwards as if he had been playing his entire golfing career playing as a "Righty". Click on the image above or the video link to see his shot.

## Video of Brents right handed shot

By not taking the penalty Brent was able to minimize the damage and he made a bogey 5 on the $2^{\text {nd }}$ hole and went on to finish the front nine in just 39 strokes.

Remember to always capture any photos or take video footage of anything funny or unusual that you see out on the golf course that you think might be worth sharing with the group.

It would have been great if we had caught a video of Mick Harper on the $11^{\text {th }}$ hole. Mick had sprayed his ball from the tee shot and was trying to chip his ball onto the green unsuccessfully. Chris Sfiligoj (The good brother) had chipped in for a Birdie 2 on the $8^{\text {th }}$ hole and he was standing over his chipper on the $11^{\text {th }}$ when he called out. "That's a poor shot Mick, I will show you how to do it." Who would believe you could chip in twice in the same round, but that is exactly what Chris did, he holed his ball for a par with zero putts. To make the scene all the more entertaining, Mick ran up the hill with Wedge and putter in hand to watch the chip go in, but he tripped over his clubs, and fell flat on his face. Mick then proceeded to do "the worm" as if to make out like he was falling with style, he then did a Commando roll and got up laughing at his own performance, although deep down he was a bit embarrassed as his pride had been dented, especially when Chris had proved himself to be a better chipper than the lowest handicapped golfer in the club and to make things even worse, Mick went on to Bogey the hole whereas Chris was able to mark himself down for a lazy par.

With two chipins and 3 x one putt greens, Chris was able to negotiate the Dorset course in just 33 putts, there were only a few golfers better than him with the flat stick, namely Tim Emmerson who started his day with a chip in and then he backed it up with a one putt on the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ holes. Even with a 4 putt on the $15^{\text {th }}$ green, Tim was crowned the best putter on the day, only using the flat stick 28 times over the 18 holes. Were it not for Egg three putting the very last hole and taking it off him, Tim may have ended up being the three putt monkey despite his prowess with the shortest club in his bag.

Ron Parsons finished the day as Tim started his. Over the last three holes, Ronnie had a chip in and 2 one puts, giving him an impressive 2 putts over three holes. Ronnie finished his day as the $2^{\text {nd }}$ ranked putter with only 30 hits on the green and of those only 13 were done from holes ten through eighteen.

The Dorset greens proved difficult for most, especially the pin positions cut for the $13^{\text {th }}, 14^{\text {th }}, 15^{\text {th }}$ and $16^{\text {th }}$ holes. It seemed the pins were cut on a ridge and there was no way of stopping the ball if you were putting from above the pin. Jake spence was fined $\$ 2$ for putting from on the green to off the green.

The usual suspects had their trials and tribulations with the putter. Greg Parsons racked up 10 putts in 3 holes, but still managed to keep his putt tally to his career average of 38 per round. Greg Spence has quickly got in the spirit of the club by contributing generously to the fine jar. Greg had $2 x$ four putts, an airswing and failed to hit his drive passed the ladies tees, so he was more than happy to donate a blue note into the end of year slush fund.

New recruit Simon Galloway didn't quite get the grasp of the three-putt monkey vest. Simon went the entire front nine without even looking like having to wear the jacket, but then once we complimented him in the feat his competence on the greens diminished. Once the yellow vest went over Simons shoulders, he refused to give it up. He three putted 4 greens in a row and we had to explain to him that just because you were the three-putt monkey it didn't mean you had to three putt every green.

Rick Turcinovic had a challenging day, he 3 putted half of the holes that he played. With 9x three-putts you would have expected for him to be statistically the worst ranked player at Dorset, however this didn't prove to be the case. Jaxon Fitzpatrick led the field for the most putts for the day. (48) Jaxon had 12 three-putts and not a single one putt green. He was also ranked as the highest scoring player on Sunday. Other than his

48 putts, Jaxon hit the ball 76 times. This gave him a score of 124, Nett 101. It was a tough day for Jaxon who has been a consistent feature at the top end of the leaderboard this year up until April.

Hopefully Jaxon turns up to complete his Pink Vest obligations at Spring Park. This will prove him a better man than his dad who went AWOL and didn't wear his vest after a poor performance at Warburton. Jaxon and Mark will find themselves playing off for the Beer Wench of Beer Wenches title, at the end of the year golf trip.

## Monthly winners eligible for Beer Wench of Beer Wenches playoff in 2022

January (Newell Richards) 107 Nett 89. February (Mark Fitzpatrick) 107 Nett 88. March (Chris Westhead) 113 Nett 85. April (Jaxon Fitzpatrick) 124 Nett (101). May (????TBA????)

This season we are collecting a lot more birdies than the previous club average. In years gone by 4 to 6 birdies in a round was a good return for the collective group and they were primarily governed by Big Mick and Gerard MacIsaac making significant contributions. This year the birdie tally is regularly in double figures and there are new names appearing each month. A noticeable phenomenon is also how some golfers are making multiple birdies inside the same round. It will be interesting to see what happens in the Eclectic stroke competition at the end of the season, we might just see a new club record if the birdies continue and the same guys keep posting Sub par scores. According to the club records, Mick Harper has the best Eclectic score which was 15 under par 57 achieved in 2016.

We keep track of the birdies made each month and they are recorded for posterity on the website, Birdies - Sunday Leave Pass This month's inductees included:

| Glenn Douglas | $1^{\text {st }}$ Hole Par 5 |  | Peter Calyvopoulos | 10th Hole Par 4 |
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| Glenn Douglas | 3rd Hole Par 4 |  | Shane Cumming | $\begin{aligned} & 10^{\text {th }} \text { Hole } \\ & \text { Par } 4 \end{aligned}$ |
| Stuart Cooper | 7th Hole Par 4 |  | Mick Harper | 13th Hole Par 5 |
| Chris Sfiligoj | $8^{\text {th }}$ Hole Par 3 |  | Stuart Cooper | 13th Hole Par 5 |
| Steve Powne | $8^{\text {th }}$ Hole Par 3 |  | Mick Harper | $\begin{aligned} & 15^{\text {th }} \text { Hole } \\ & \text { Par } 4 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Steve O'Sullivan | 10th Hole Par 4 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

The NTP $2^{\text {nd }}$ shot was hotly contested and as a result 3 players made birdie on the hole. SOS made his 3 with a tap in, after splashing his ball perfectly out of the bunker. Peter Alphabet and Shane Cumming also birdied the $10^{\text {th }}$ hole after moving the NTP $2^{\text {nd }}$ shot marker to where they had had hit their balls to, during their approach.

Birdies on a par 3 are a rare feat so it was interesting to see both Steve Powne and Chris Sfiligoj making a birdie on the same hole. Steve made his with a standard green in regulation and putt, whereas Chris Sfiligoj was a little less conventional and chipped in from 50 meters back from the green.

Glenn Douglas started his round as if he was playing in the US masters, he birdied the first and the third holes and looked as though he was going to take the course apart. Mick Harper finished as Douggo started with a couple of good birdies on the back 9 . He should really of had an eagle on the Par $5,13^{\text {th }}$ hole, however he missed what can only be described as the easiest possible putt you could have on the challenging green.

There would be no surprises to hear that Stu Coops was unable to hit any of the par 3 greens in regulation, however he did drive pin high on the side of the green on the $7^{\text {th }}$ hole and then again on the par 4 tenth hole, Stu birdied the $7^{{ }^{\text {th }}}$ and missed an easy 6 -footer on the $10^{\text {th }}$ otherwise he could have pencilled himself in for a 3 shot reduction on his Eclectic stroke score for 2022.

There were quite impressive shots into the par 3 holes. Once upon a time when the club was in its infancy, the Eagles nest jackpot used to grow rapidly after each month, this was because there would be 2 or 3 greens that all of our members would fail to hit. And those prize balls would be automatically added to the Eagles nest jackpot tally. Nowadays, not only is someone landing the ball on the putting surface, but they are usually leaving the marker within a meter or two of the hole.

Nearest to the pin prizes were won by:

5th Hole
8th Hole
9th Hole
11th Hole
17th Hole
$5^{\text {th }}$ Hole NTP $2^{\text {nd }}$ Shot

Longest Drive
Longest Holed Putt

Peter Alphabet David Page Tom Kellythorn Steve O'Sullivan Shane Cumming Steve O'Sullivan Steve Dawson David Page
(Raffle Ticket) (Raffle Ticket) (Raffle Ticket) (Raffle Ticket) (Raffle Ticket)

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.

Dorset statistics included, 11x Birdies and 117x pars, 174 bogeys, 128 double bogies or worse including 6 Newell's (Score of 10 or more). As a group we had 999 putts at an average of 35.68 putts each
"SKINS" are 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.

Just a reminder that for every round you play you are automatically 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, the monthly winner has the option of exchanging the number of balls owed to Raffle tickets for the end of year prize draw as can be any nearest to pin or long drive or other ball prizes.

Wow Wee. What a Skins haul Greg Spence took home. It should be said that last year's Skins Champion accrued 13 skins for the entire season and in the space of just 2 pars at the right moment, Greg Spence raided the skins pool of a mind blowing 17 skins in one round.

At least Glenn Douglas was rewarded for his birdie on the first hole, but there are 5 other guys who made a birdie or two and still missed out on claiming any skins for their good holes. On the Par 3 eighth hole Chris \& Steve Powne split the bragging rights which carried over the skins to the next hole. SOS holed a birdie on the $10^{\text {th }}$ hole which usually would be good enough to win the skins, but clearly it wasn't the case this month. By the time Mick Harper was lining up his 8 -foot eagle putt on the $13^{\text {th }}$ hole he was putting for not only 8 golf balls but 11 raffle tickets in the skins jackpot tally. The pressure was too much for the big fella and he missed the eagle. Mick would have still won the hole with his birdie had Stu Coops not holed a massive snaking putt from off the side of the green. Every hole from the $3^{\text {rd }}$ to the $18^{\text {th }}$ jackpotted because 2 or more players scored the same stableford score. That is until Greg Spence chipped on and sunk his putt on the last hole. With a handicap of 35 Greg's par gave him a nett score on the hole of eagle 2 which returned 4 stableford points and as the score was not equalled by any other players in the field he won all of the 15 skins on offer. If Greg's handicap had of been anything less than 35 on the day then Greg Pasons' par on the same hole would have tied him and the skins would have remained unclaimed.

| Skins at Dorset were won by: |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Glenn Douglas |
| 2 | Jackpot |
| 3 | Greg Spence |
| 4 | Jackpot |
| 5 | Jackpot |
| 6 | Jackpot |
| 7 | Jackpot |
| 8 | Jackpot |
| 9 | Jackpot |
| 10 | Jackpot |
| 11 | Jackpot |
| 12 | Jackpot |
| 13 | Jackpot |
| 14 | Jackpot |
| 15 | Jackpot |
| 16 | Jackpot |
| 17 | Jackpot |
| 18 | Greg Spence |

## Number of skins won

Greg Spence

x17

Glenn Douglas
x1


This year we are trialling a new competition. The concept is called the longest holed putt. The first group get to place a marker on the green at the point where the ball was located when the ball was holed. The intention is then to see who manages to sink the longest putt on that hole, as the marker would move further and farther back and around the green as we drop in those $8^{\prime}$ and $10^{\prime}$ footers for par, bogey, double bogey or even a Newell.

This month the prize was won by David Page who dropped the ball into the middle of the cup from just over $4 \& 1 / 2$ meters away. It was a good long putt, however SOS is still on top of the leader board with his birdie from 588 cm away.

Winners of Longest holed Putt
Jan (Jaxon Fitzpatrick) 1700 cm. (putted from off the green) rule changed since. Feb (Newell Richards) 463 cm Mar (Steve O'Sullivan) 588 cm
Apr (David Page) 468 cm

We look forward to seeing who finishes up the season as the No\# 1 ranked player for the longest putt for the year.
Steve Powne is making some in roads, into ticking off every member on the 2021 season players list. Steve was the last person to leave on Sunday and he managed to get a few more names marked on the paid column. Steve still has a lot of drinks to go and we are wondering whether he is managing his flock correctly, because he is checking off the regular players rather than hitting up the occasional golfers who only turn up a few times a year. If Steve was wanting to get maximum value out of his Blue Jacket he should be jumping on top of the carpark ghosts and holding back on the regulars until they are the last ones standing beside him.


For those who have forgotten about the powers bestowed on the Blue Jacket here is a reminder of how it works.
As the Champion of Champions Steve will be able to ask any Sunday Leave Pass member to buy him a drink, it is limited to only receiving one drink per member (beer or soft) over the entire year and it can only be done so if he is wearing the Champion of Champion jacket at the time. This of course does not include new members who did not play at least one or more rounds in season 2021, but not exclusive to those who attended the golf trip. So, if he manages himself correctly, he should be looking at up to 42 free beers or soft drinks over the next 12 months. Now, that is a prize worth aspiring for.

The other condition is that Steve must be the one who consumes the drink, he cannot use his power to buy beverages for anyone else. There is also a catch where, if Steve asks someone who has previously shouted him a drink, then he must immediately buy them a drink instead.

Steve can also kick in the balance of $\$ 2$ per shout to upgrade his beer to bourbons if he prefers to.
Remember that Steve must be wearing the jacket, He must continue to wear the jacket while he is drinking. If it is too hot to wear the Champion of Champions jacket that is OK, just choose not to wear it and then you are not eligible for a free drink. All purchased drinks are to be opened so they cannot be taken home for future consumption or to give to dinner guests or visitors. A traveller for the drive home is OK so long as it is opened, and Steve is the one who drinks it.

Remember: In order, to qualify as the Champion of Champions a member just needs to win a monthly title. All of the winners from the monthly championships who are attending the golf trip will then play off for the title based on total accumulated stableford points from 9x Randomly selected holes. The Winner is the person with the most points over those 9 nominated holes, and in the event of a tie then a Countback to determine the winner applies.

NOTE: The Winner of the December title is also eligible to win the competition however they only get to count their scores by using only 8 Randomly selected holes.

## Monthly winners eligible for Champion of Champions playoff in 2022

January (David Burns) 92 Nett 66. February (Steve Powne) 86 Nett 64, March (Tom Kellythorn) 88 Nett 69. April (Greg Parsons) 94 Nett 69, May (?????????)

Congratulations to Greg Parsons who has booked himself a ticket at the big dance on the golf trip. Greg may just get to enjoy the fruits of his 69 and be the first person to win the Champion of Champions title twice. Greg was one stroke clear of Steve Dawson who finished strongly, shooting 40 on the back nine including a massive drive on the longest drive competition. Steve was in the first group and his marker remained unbeaten by the following 6 groups of players. Tom Kellythorn and SOS made notable performances and are starting to stamp their authority on the competition. SOS has a significant buffer at the top of the points championship leaderboard, so the handicapper is doing all within their powers to slow down his momentum.

Results for Dorset were as follows:

| Ranking | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Player | Greg <br> Parsons | Steve <br> Dawson | Tom <br> Kellythorn | Steve <br> O'Sullivan | Mark <br> Fitzpatrick | David <br> Page | Mick <br> Harper | Jake <br> Schmidt | Ben Nichol |
| Score | $\mathbf{9 4}$ | $\mathbf{8 5}$ | $\mathbf{8 6}$ | $\mathbf{7 7}$ | $\mathbf{8 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{9 0}$ |  |
| Handicap | 25 | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | 15 | 5 | 14 | Callaway 8 | 3 | Callaway 26 | $\mathbf{1 6}$ |
| Nett Score | $\mathbf{6 9}$ | $\mathbf{7 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 1}$ | $\mathbf{7 2}$ | $\mathbf{7 2}$ | $\mathbf{7 2}$ | $\mathbf{7 3}$ | $\mathbf{7 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 4}$ |
| Points | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ |


| Ranking | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 8}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Player | Wayne <br> James | Chris <br> Sfiligoj | Jamie <br> Brunton | Simon <br> Galloway | Anthony <br> Emmerson | Greg <br> Spence | Anthony <br> Emmerson | Peter <br> Calyvopoulos | Ron <br> Parsons |
| Score | $\mathbf{8 4}$ | $\mathbf{9 4}$ | $\mathbf{9 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{9 2}$ | $\mathbf{8 9}$ | $\mathbf{9 6}$ |
| Handicap | 9 | 19 | 20 | Callaway 31 | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | Callaway 35 | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 8}$ |
| Nett Score | $\mathbf{7 5}$ | $\mathbf{7 5}$ | $\mathbf{7 5}$ | $\mathbf{7 6}$ | $\mathbf{7 6}$ | $\mathbf{7 7}$ | $\mathbf{7 7}$ | $\mathbf{7 7}$ | $\mathbf{7 8}$ |
| Points | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Stuart } \\ & \text { Cooper } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Brent } \\ & \text { Douglas } \end{aligned}$ | Colin Ewart | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Shane } \\ & \text { Cumming } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Glenn } \\ \text { Douglas } \end{gathered}$ | Steve <br> Powne | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mark } \\ \text { Sifigoj } \end{gathered}$ | Phil Plane | Rick Turcinovic | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jaxon } \\ \text { Fitrpatrick } \end{gathered}$ |
| 87 | 89 | 105 | 86 | 92 | 96 | 96 | 107 | 119 | 124 |
| 9 | 11 | 25 | 6 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 21 | 25 | 23 |
| 78 | 78 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 81 | 81 | 86 | 94 | 101 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

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 $1^{\text {st }}$ place gets 15 points, $2^{\text {nd }}$ place 14 points, $3^{\text {rd }}$ place 13 points, etc. etc. Any player who completes the round however finishes ranked outside the top 14 and is placed between $15^{\text {th }}$ 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 player's 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 (Monthly title winner) to highest score. (BeerWench) Where more than one player has the same Nett Score then the place allocations are decided based on a countback system.

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 $2^{\text {nd }}$ place has only played 10 rounds but is close to the same score then that is bad luck to the person in $2^{\text {nd }}$ 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 2022:

| Name | Total | Played | Rank |  | Name | Total | Played | Rank |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Steve Osullivan | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{1}$ |  | Chris Sfiligoj | $\mathbf{8}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{2 4}$ |
| Tom Kellythorn | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2}$ |  | Greg Spence | 7 | 2 | $\mathbf{2 7}$ |
| Mick Harper | $\mathbf{2 7}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3}$ |  | Tom Harold | $\mathbf{6}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{2 8}$ |
| Steve Dawson | $\mathbf{2 6}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{4}$ |  | Thomas Cooper | $\mathbf{6}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{2 8}$ |
| Glenn Douglas | $\mathbf{2 5}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{5}$ | Jamie Brunton | $\mathbf{6}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2 8}$ |  |
| Shane Cumming | $\mathbf{2 4}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{6}$ | Brent Douglas | $\mathbf{6}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2 8}$ |  |
| Wayne James | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{6}$ | Peter Harold | $\mathbf{5}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{3 2}$ |  |
| Gerard MacIsaac | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{8}$ | Newell Richards | $\mathbf{5}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3 2}$ |  |
| Barry Hemsley | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{9}$ | Grant Kelly | 4 | 1 | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |  |
| David Burns | $\mathbf{1 8}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{9}$ | Tim Emmerson | 4 | 2 | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |  |
| Steve Powne | $\mathbf{1 8}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{9}$ | Ron Parsons | $\mathbf{4}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |  |
| Greg Parsons | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Duan Robinson | $\mathbf{3}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 7}$ |  |
| Anthony Emmerson | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |  | Cam Douglas | $\mathbf{3}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 7}$ |
| Leigh MacIsaac | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |  | Mark Sfiligoj | $\mathbf{3}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3 7}$ |
| Andrew Clarke | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |  | Jake Schmidt | $\mathbf{3}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3 7}$ |
| Chris Westhead | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | Peter Calyvopoulos | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{4 1}$ |  |
| Mark Fitzpatrick | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | Colin Ewart | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{4 1}$ |  |
| Jaxon Fitzpatrick | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | Shaun Klep | $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{4 3}$ |  |
| Rick Turcinovic | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 9}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Phil Plane | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{2 0}$ |  | YET TO PLAY |  |  |  |
| Todd Neilson | $\mathbf{9}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2 1}$ |  | Rob Underwood | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |
| Stuart Cooper | $\mathbf{9}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | Tony MacIsaac | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |  |
| Ben Nichol | $\mathbf{9}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | Cameron Ross | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |  |
| Simon Galloway | $\mathbf{8}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{2 4}$ | Warren Perrett | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |  |
| Dale Robinson | $\mathbf{8}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{2 4}$ | Jason (HOG) | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |  |
|  |  |  | Karl Schulz | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Steve O'Sullivan has been very consistent in 2022, he is averaging 11 points per round and with his Centenary Park points he has boosted himself to the very top of the points leaderboard. Glenn Douglas has risen from the dead and has come from nowhere to be $2^{\text {nd }}$ ranked player despite missing a round. Barry Hemsley is living proof that quality clubs lead to game improvement. After taking home the major prize on the golf trip Barry's golf has come ahead with leaps and bounds. Barry is sitting in $5^{\text {th }}$ position in the points championship, with only the blue-chip premium players ahead of him.

## Golf Balls are owed to the following people:

## Greg Parsons

## Tim Emmerson

## Ben Nichol

Jaxon Fitzpatrick

## \$25 House of golf voucher winner at Dorset

## $x 1 \quad$ NTP $3^{\text {rd }}$ Hole Gardiners Run

$x 1 \quad$ NTP $7^{\text {th }}$ Hole Gardiners Run
x1 NTP 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ shot Warburton

For the newcomers, we have included a brief description of how the countback system works.
When more than one player has the same Nett Score (such as in the example below from Warburton 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 $17^{\text {th }}$ hole, sixteenth hole, fifteenth hole until a player has a better hole and therefore has a higher stableford score than the other.

The table blow shows examples of the countback system as they occurred at Warburton.

| Rick <br> Turcinovic | Mick Harper | In this instance both Rick and Mick had Nett 71 after their handicap was deducted from the Gross Scores. So, we go back to a countback. | Shane Qumming | Chris Westhead |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 105 | 79 | In this example Rick wins because he had 17 points on the back nine compared to Mick who could only conjure up a disappointing 15 stableford points on the back nine and was therefore relegated down a place. | 81 | 103 |
| 33 | 7 |  | 81 | 103 |
| 72 | 72 |  | 10 | 32 |
| +1 | +3 | 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 $18^{\text {th }}$ hole and compare results until a player had a standout result. In the example shown on the right both Cider and Westy finished their rounds | 71 | 71 |
| +2 | +2 |  | +1 | +2 |
| +2 | +1 | equal with Nett 72. Then on the back nine holes each also had 17 Stableford points. On the $18^{\text {th }}$ both guys | +1 | +3 |
| +1 | +3 | also equalled with a 3-pointer hole so the scores on the $17^{\text {th }}$ holes are then taken into consideration. On the | +1 | +1 |
| + | +3 | 17th hole Cider scored a bogie for 2 stableford points whereas Westy struggled on the difficult dog leg hole. | +3 | +3 |
| +0 | +3 | Westy finished with a triple bogie which once his handicap was deducted was only good for 1 stableford |  |  |
| +3 | +3 | point. Consequently, Shane wins the countback and Westy is relegated back to a lower place ranking | +1 | +0 |
| +1 | +2 | although he still beat another 4 guys on the same Nett score. If both scores are equal then we go back to the | +3 | +3 |
| + | +2 | $17^{\text {th }}$ hole, then the $16^{\text {th }}$, etc etc. | +2 | +1 |
| +3 | +3 | 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 we hit off both the 1 st and $10^{\text {th }}$ holes. It is always the $10^{\text {th }}$ to $18^{\text {th }}$ holes and if one person starts on the $10^{\text {th }}$ hole and the other hits off the first hole then it still remains exactly the same formula. | +2 | +1 |
| +17 | +15 |  | +3 | +3 |
| +17 |  |  | +17 | +17 |

In order to win the Season Championship trophy, you need to play regularly and consistently to about your handicap or better, and it is the handicapper's responsibility to make sure that this doesn't happen. After every round, the scores are assessed and then the handicaps are adjusted according to your performance. As was the case last year we have adjusted the handicap formula to take into consideration the difficulty of each golf course, using the course slope index.

What we have done is simply aligned the Sunday Leave Pass handicapping process with the one used by golf link and by all golf clubs around the globe using the world handicapping system. Although your SLP handicap is unofficial and therefore it cannot be used to formally enter organized golf competitions and tournaments, it still should be an accurate reflection of your golfing prowess and a measure of what your GA (golf Australia) handicap would be if you subscribed the $\$ 150$ per year to get an official handicap.

Your playing handicap will fluctuate around your documented handicap index. When you play an easy course such as Ringwood or Dorset then you will actually play off a lower handicap than you normally would. On the other days when we invite you to play a harder course such as Eagle Ridge, Devils Bend, Werribee Park or Cape Schanck we will add a few extra shots to your arsenal just to give you more hope of avoiding total anxiety and depression. As you will see from the chart listed below, the handicapper got busy to work this month all of the impressive scores at Dorset resulted in a handicap reduction and a large proportion of the field have been gifted extra shots after failing to produce the goods on what can only be described as an easy scoring course.

The handicapper is getting stuck into the low markers, Mick Harper is down to a handicap of 6.7. He played off 3 this month and still featured in the points. Steve O'Sullivan has worked his handicap down to his lowest mark. SOS lost 0.4 shots this month and will be taking on Spring Park a course he has torn apart in the past with a handicap index of 8.4 strokes. Greg Parson Victoria came with a price, he lost 0.8 strokes off his handicap and his claim to fame as being the highest handicapper in the club has been lost because while he came in to 29.4, Colin and Rick went out the other way and past him in the process. Rick's handicap went out 0.9 strokes and Colin was gifted a full half shot.

Unrelenting whining from the supercoach has broken the handicapper's will and determination and as a result Mark has finally seen his handicap index go out from 17.2 to 18.0 . Despite raising the monthly trophy regularly over the last few months Steve Powne has still managed to con the handicapper into sending his handicap out. The promise of free alcohol must have struck the right chord, because Steve's handicap went out half a stroke. Dawso's handicap has been reduced this month but we are yet to know if this will be enough to tame him especially when he takes on Spring Park.

## 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 <br> Handicap | Was | Player: | New <br> Handicap | Was |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adam Cooper | 17.8 | 17.8 | Mark Fitzpatrick | 17.0 | 17.6 |
| Andrew Clarke | 14.7 | 14.7 | Mark Sfiligoj | 18.0 | 17.2 |
| Anthony Emmerson | 14.7 | 14.7 | Mick Harper | 6.7 | 6.8 |
| Barry Hemsley | 26.7 | 26.7 | Newell Richards | 17.9 | 17.9 |
| Ben Nichol | 19.7 | 19.8 | Peter Calyvopoulos | 16.4 | 15.9 |
| Brent Douglas | 15.4 | 15.4 | Phil Plane | 25.7 | 25.7 |
| Cam Douglas | 23.2 | 23.2 | Rick Turcinovic | 31.0 | 30.1 |
| Cam Ross | 26.5 | 26.5 | Ron Parsons | 22.2 | 22.2 |
| Chris Sfiligoj | 23.4 | 23.8 | Shane Cummings | 10.1 | 10.1 |
| Chris Westhead | 29.0 | 29.0 | Shane Lambert | 2 games R'qd | 2 games R'qd |
| Colin Ewart | 29.9 | 29.4 | Shaun Klepp | 19.8 | 19.8 |
| Dale Robinson | 16.9 | 16.9 | Simon Galloway | Callaway 35 | 1 Games R'qd |
| David Burns | 24.4 | 24.4 | Steve Dawson | 18.2 | 18.8 |
| Duan Robinson | 1 Games R'qd | 1 Games R'qd | Steve O'Sullivan | 8.4 | 8.8 |
| Gerard MacIsaac | 8.7 | 8.7 | Steve Powne | 19.8 | 19.3 |
| Glenn Douglas | 16.6 | 16.4 | Stuart Cooper | 13.3 | 12.5 |
| Greg Parsons | 29.4 | 30.2 | Thomas Cooper | 24.5 | 24.5 |
| Greg Spence | Callaway 31 | 1 Games R'qd | Tim Emmerson | 20.6 | 19.6 |
| Jake Schmidt | Callaway 26 | 1 Games R'qd | Todd Neilsen | 18.3 | 18.3 |
| Jamie Brunton | 24.1 | 24.2 | Tom Kellythorn | 19.3 | 19.3 |
| Jaxon Fitzpatrick | 28.7 | 28.1 | Tony MacIsaac | 28.8 | 28.8 |
| Karl Schulze | 17.8 | 17.8 | Warren Perrett | 24.1 | 24.1 |
| Leigh MacIsaac | 15.2 | 15.2 | Wayne James | 12.8 | 12.3 |

Jake Schmidt, Simon Galloway, Greg Spence and Duan Robinson all have one round left using the callaway handicapping system and then they will be switched across to an official Sunday Leave Pass handicap for two rounds using the original AGU handicapping system before they will be given their formal handicap Index using the Slope handicap system once they have completed 5 full rounds with the social club.

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.


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 17 th and 18 th 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 ( worst $+1 / 2$ the $2^{\text {nd }}$ 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
After 3 rounds they will be allocated a temporary handicap using the old AGU handicapping formula and then after 5 rounds they are elevated onto the official Slope handicapping system which was use thereafter for all club competitions.

Sometimes the Callaway handicapping system has proved itself to be very favorable to new members. Whenever we take on a golf course like Devils Bend or Eynesbury and the field struggle to play to their handicaps the Callaway golfers end up featuring at the top of the points distribution. Whereas a round on a low scoring course like Centenary Park or Dorset can be difficult for a Callaway handicapped member to pick up too many points.

As you can see in the comparison below, a new members handicap will adjust according to their performance on the day. Last month Duan hit 107 off the stick and the Sum total of his worst 4 holes when adjusted gave him a handicap of 29. At Centenary Park Duan was much more consistent and his score of 98 mean has handicap was calculated taking into consideration his 3 worst holes. Those scores were a Newell and two 6's giving him a Callaway handicap of just 22.

| Duan Robinson |  |  | Warburton |  |  |  |  | Hole | Par ${ }_{5}$ | Score | Duan Robinson |  | Centenary Park |  |  |  | -2 | 17 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 101 | 3.50 | 8 | - | . | . |  |  | 1 |  | $10$ | 92 | 2.50 | 10 | 6 | 3 |  | -1 |  |
| 102 | 3.50 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 4 | -1 | 26 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 93 | 2.50 | 10 | 6 | 3 |  | 0 | 19 |
| 103 | 3.50 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 27 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 94 | 2.50 | 10 | 6 | 3 |  | 1 | 20 |
| 104 | 3.50 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 95 | 2.50 | 10 | 6 | 3 |  | 2 | 21 |
| 105 | 3.50 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 29 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 96 | 3.00 | 10 | 6 | 6 |  | -2 | 20 |
| 106 | 4.00 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | -2 | 28 | 6 | 4 | 6 | 97 | 3.00 | 10 | 6 | 6 |  | -1 | 21 |
| 107 | 4.00 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | -1 | 29 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 98 | 3.00 | 10 | 6 | 6 |  | 0 | 22 |
| 108 | 4.00 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 30 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 99 | 3.00 | 10 | 6 | 6 |  | 1 | 23 |
| 109 | 4.00 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 31 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 100 | 3.00 | 10 | 6 | 6 |  | 2 | 24 |
| 110 | 4.00 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 32 | 10 11 | 4 | 4 | 101 | 3.50 | 10 | 6 | 6 | 3 | -2 | 23 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 | 5 | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 13 | 3 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14 | 4 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15 | 5 | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 16 | 4 | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17 | 4 | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | 3 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Gross | 98 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | *Handicap | 22.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Net Score | 76 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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 $\mathbf{0 . 9 3}$. 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 Record

| 5 to 6 | Best/Lowest 1 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 7 or 8 | Best/Lowest 2 |
| 9 or 10 | Best/Lowest 3 |
| 1 or 12 | Best/Lowest 4 |
| 3 or 14 | Best/Lowest 5 |
| 5 or 16 | Best/Lowest 6 |
| 7 or 18 | Best/Lowest 7 |
| 9 or 20 | Best/Lowest 8 |

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## GOLF TRIP 2022 <br> Shepparton Golf Club

Please Note: We have booked the golf trip this year and we will be going back to Barham Golf course this year. The date of the golf trip will be Friday 9th December to Sunday 11th December 2022. The Cost is approximately $\$ 350.00$. We have booked for 36 players so please book it into your calendar and let me know if you are a definite attendee ASAP.
YES I want to take part in the golf trip this year

## No I will not be going on golf trip

Please note: There are limited beds available for the golf trip in 2022 and the first 33 spots have already been taken. Once the allocations have been filled then there is no guarantee that I can accommodate you. Bookings are based on first in, first served, to reserve your spot you need to click on the link below or send an email confirm your expression of interest. Don't expect that just because you are a regular, we will save you a seat at the bar. If you don't reply, then you could and will miss out. If you are not on the golf trip, then you will not be eligible to win a prize in the raffle.

Please Note: We will be calling for deposits by February, March but the sooner we get expression of interest the better. Golf Trip bookings are on a first in first served basis. We cannot create extra beds so if you want to go book your seat at the bar as early as possible. 33 have already been claimed so there are only 4 spots left.
YES I want to take part in the golf trip this year
No I will not be going on golf trip
There is a confirmation status list at the end of this sheet which will show who has confirmed their attendance and who hasn't. If you are still marked as UNKNOWN you have not replied and are at risk of missing out,

Remaining games on 2022 Fixture

| Golf Course \& How to get there Directions | Date | Melways Ref | Website links |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Spring Park | 15th May 8-30am | 88 H 7 | www.springparkgolf.com.au |
| Eagle Ridge | 29th May 7-30am |  | www.eagleridge.com.au |
| Bayviews | 26th June 8-00am |  | www.bayviewsgolf.com.au |
| Devil Bend | 24th July 8-00am |  | www.devilbendgolf.com.au |
| Werribee Park | 28th August 9-00am | 259 B 4 | www.werribeepark.com.au |
| Ringwood | 18th September 9-00am | 63 F 2 | www.ringwoodgolfclub.com.au |
| Churchill Park | 23rd October 812am | 82 C 12 | www.churchillparkgolf.com.au |
| Cape Schanck | $20^{\text {th }}$ November 8-00am | 63 C 5 | www.racv.com.au |
| Shepparton Golf Club | 9th - 11th December |  | www.sheppartongolf.net.au |

## A word from our sponsors

## 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 at the end of 2018. We look forward to a good working relationship with them. As part of the 2022 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.

Special Thanks to Dale Robinson who is the longest serving sponsor for the Sunday Leave Pass Social Club. Dale runs a printing business and is offering a high-quality printing service. He will gladly do a good deal for any Sunday Leave Pass members wanting to order business cards, fliers, or any other printed material.

To find out more information about what he can do for you he can be contacted on 0438147788.


Remember that any printing job ordered through $\boldsymbol{D N R}$ 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 used Dale's business and everyone that had done so speaks very highly of the service and work that he produces.


Sponsored by

* Hole in one sponsorship available: This year we are seeking a new sponsor for the hole in one prize, after 10 years of free advertising Evergreen winery tours have relinquished their commitment to the cause without ever having to give away the prize. Anyone who has a sponsorship offer please let us know and we will give you naming rights and use your branding with all SLP hole in marketing materials.

The odds of a social golfer scoring a hole in one is actually 12000 to 1 and since it took us more than 16 years and had over 20000 attempts before someone in the club was able to make a hole in one on a par 3 holes the chances of someone making another Ace seems to be near on impossible.
(In 1999, Golf Digest reported, "One insurance company puts a PGA Tour pro's chances at 1 in 3,756 and an amateurs 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


## GOLF TRIP CONFIRMATION STATUS

Shepparton 9th-11th December Cost is $\mathbf{\$ 3 5 0}$

| Player | Status | Paid | Player | Status | Paid |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adam Cooper | Unknown |  | Mal Griffiths | Unknown |  |  |
| Andrew Clarke | Confirmed |  | Mark Fitzpatrick | Confirmed | Paid \$200 |  |
| Anthony Emmerson | Unknown |  | Mark Sfiligoj | Confirmed |  |  |
| Barry Hemsley | Confirmed | Paid \$150 | Mike Harper | Confirmed |  |  |
| Ben Nichol | Unknown |  | Newell Richards | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Brent Douglas | Confirmed |  | Peter Calyvopoulos | Confirmed |  |  |
| Cam Douglas | Confirmed |  | Phil Plane | Confirmed |  |  |
| Cameron Ross | Confirmed | Paid \$150 | Rick Turcinovic | Confirmed |  |  |
| Chris Sfiligoj | Confirmed | Paid \$90 | Rob Underwood | Confirmed | Paid \$255 |  |
| Chris Westhead | Confirmed |  | Ron Parsons | Confirmed | Paid \$350 |  |
| Colin Ewart | Confirmed | Paid \$150 | Shane Cumming | Confirmed | Paid \$65 |  |
| Dale Robinson | Unknown |  | Shaun Klep | Unknown |  |  |
| David Burns | Confirmed |  | Simon Galloway | Confirmed | Paid \$100 |  |
| Duan Robinson | Unknown |  | Steve Dawson | Confirmed | Paid \$150 |  |
| Gerard MacIsaac | Confirmed | Paid \$50 | Steve O'Sullivan | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Glenn Douglas | Confirmed | Paid \$150 | Steve Powne | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Greg Parsons | Confirmed |  | Stuart Cooper | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Greg Spence | Confirmed |  | Thomas Cooper | Confirmed |  |  |
| Jamie Brunton | Confirmed | Paid \$50 | Tim Emmerson | Unknown |  |  |
| Jake Schmidt | Unknown |  | Todd Neilson | Confirmed | Paid \$25 |  |
| Jason Daly (HOG) | Unknown |  | Tom Kellythorn | Confirmed |  |  |
| Jaxon Fitzpatrick | Confirmed | Paid \$200 | Tony Macisaac | Unknown |  |  |
| Karl Schulz | Unknown |  | Warren Perrett | Unknown |  |  |
|  |  |  | Wayne James | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |


[^0]:    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.

