



SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2009



It looks like Adam Coopers golfing career might be over. This is the first month after he tied the knot with his beautiful bride Chelsey, and it seems his Leave Pass has already been confiscated. Adam swore black and blue that he would still be a regular starter once he was married, but we weren't so sure. The writing was on the wall when he stayed sober for his bucks party last month and then things weren't looking good for his golf career when he didn't play golf at Yarrambat due to wedding preparation commitments. On his wedding day it became blatantly obvious he was giving up his golfing adventures when the specially designed wedding ceremony included: exchanging rings, sharing holy bread, dancing a wedding waltz and the **ceremonial burning his golf clubs**. RIP Adams freedom, I hope you enjoyed independence Adam you'll never have it again.



The footy tipping competition is up and running. It seems that a few of us are as bad at Footy tips as we are at golf. After 4x weeks the Super coach and Brunto are out on top of the ladder although at this early stage of the season everybody is still in the running.



The footy Dream team competition on the other hand is all but finished. Going on form it is going to be between Brunto and Fil the rest of us are there it appears just to make up the numbers.

Before we get into the results please let me know if you are a likely starter for Centenary Park. Cost of the round is \$30 and includes BBQ after the round. Golf is 10-15am on Sunday 24th May.

YES Reply Now!!! NO

Ivanhoe Results

April

This months results can be viewed on
<http://sundayleavepass.com/>

As the arctic blast hit Melbourne bringing with it record April snowfalls in the mountains, freezing temperatures in the suburbs and gale forced winds and heavy rain at Ivanhoe, but nothing could be done to cool down the hot golf played by Steve and Warren. Steven Powne has now won his Second monthly title in just 3 months. Shooting a blistering 89 off the stick giving him a Nett 65 which was just enough to keep his nose in front of Warren who shot the days low gross score 77.

It was the morning players who got the best of the weather, with Stu having work commitments, and Rick, Dale & Phil Pane who all needed to finish into time to get the family to footy, opted to hit off early. It wasn't quite the glow in the dark golf balls and the Dolphin torch like they did at Ringwood in September last year but it wasn't far from it. It seemed to be a wise move to hit off at first light since all 4x guys finished in the top 10 and the weather turned nasty probably 15 minutes after they packed the clubs in the car and hit the road. Although the weather was good the early start didn't go down well with Stu. A very late night by his standards and an early start, left him in less than in prime condition, when he arrived at the first tee he looked like he usually does on day 3 of the golf trip. A "Physical Wreck."

Comments:

Congratulations to Stu for his 88. It was very impressive effort considering he was still in Mornington after 2.00am and he had a gut full of piss. (Note to others: he drank more beers than he brought with him.) From all accounts he was very lucky to even make it to golf at all. Stu was still, that drunk in the morning that it wasn't until half way through his journey to Ivanhoe before he realized it was still dark and he probably should turn his lights on. How he managed to hit the ball is beyond comprehension.

Comments by Greg Parsons

Despite his deteriorating physical and mental condition at least Stu finished his round, which is more than we can say for a certain other group who pulled out at the first sign of moisture in the air.

Here's a little riddle.
What is found in Blue, Soft, and yellow on the inside, Swings in the Sun, and Runs in the Rain?
Answer: **Burnsie, Runar, Jeremy and Geoff Cooper.**

It was interesting that there was only 1x group failed to complete their rounds and that was from the same group that two members called on Wednesday when the long-term weather forecast predicted rain showers on Sunday to see what happens if they pull out. Soft Gentleman, Soft!!!!

As it turned out that the guys pulled out prematurely and the conditions weren't as bad as expected in the end anyway. In fact they pulled out thinking the rain would set in, when it was not even actually rain that they could feel falling from the sky, but rather the sudden burst of water on there backs was actually coming from the hole behind and it was just all of the spittle being expended out of the excitable Fils mouth when he was whinging about how Collingwood had been robbed on the Anzac day match against Essendon.

It's not unusual to see dribble coming from a Sfiligoj, especially from the so called self proclaimed, Super-coach, but what has been uncommon is to see the nicer of the Sfiligoj family, dribble an attempted drive on the golf course. Chris has been in good form of late and has been sniffing around the top of the championship points leader board, that was until he started to take things a little more serious and asked for some advice to try and get him to the top.

Chris must have been getting tips from his Super-Coach brother. On the fifth hole he steps up to the tee. In his mind is a 250+ drive is in the making. **"Stand up straight, bend your left elbow, keep your head down, breathe out as you swing down, cock your wrist before impact, transfer your weight through your right hip, follow through straight, point the grip to the sky, look up over your left shoulder."** He hears his brother telling him as he starts the movements for his next drive. His mind is cluttered with all the worldly advice he has been told. Did he really need to concentrate on so many different things at once? Will Fil's hot tips get him a great score and elevate him to number 1 ranked player in the competition? With the super-coaches words ringing in his ears, he nervously pushes through the ball thinking a big drive is pending.

In reality he hits the ball ten meters. **Splot!** The drive lands in the long grass, only millimeters past the ladies tee. **Bugger!** Would an iron be the right club choice at this time? No! He takes the fairway wood to

the ball, which it should benoted was lying, completely embedded in the 10cm thick mat of grass. **Clunk!** He manages to hit the ball another seven meters just landing on the start of the fairway. At this stage Chris is feeling very unhappy with himself, 2x strokes and he still has 400 meters to go on the 417meter long hole. Sensible course management or catch up golf, what should he do? Does he put the fairway wood back in the bag? No! Catch up golf is the best solution he hears the coach calling through his subconscious mind. **"Get this one solid and you can still make a bogey."** He then proceeds to have two practice swings, (well that's what he claims they were) sorry Chris when you try and hit the ball and you miss it, they still count on your score- **air shots**, they are called and you had 2 of them in a row. Finally his fifth shot was a beauty. Chris completed the hole finally sinking a long putt to avoid shooting double figures leaving him with just some dignity and self-confidence with a respectable nine.

Comments by Greg Parsons

Speaking of self confidence, it was oozing out of last months winner, Runar, who was ready defend his title and take out back to back monthly trophy's. Although hurting a little after the handicapper took more than 4xshots off his generous handicap, he was still ready and rearing to give it a red-hot go. Rumor has it that he had been rehearsing his victory speech with Burnsie in the car on the way to the golf course. Unfortunately things didn't quite go according to plan, Runars tee shot on the first hole, gained a standing ovation as 15 players cheered when his drop kick came to it's resting place only 3x feet from the Tee box in which he stood. **"Jug!"** came the chorus of voices as he swatted down on the ball.

Poor Runar had a shocker, apparently he was too embarrassed to turn in his scorecard for at Ivanhoe and hold his hand out to collect his prize balls for winning at Yarrambat so he didn't bother to stay around for a drink. In fact by the end of the 12th hole he had accumulated more shots than Warren had scored over the entire 18 holes, he owed 6x shouts to his playing partners for not making it passed the ladies markers and he had totally spat the dummy. Runar was so demoralized by his performance that after 4 putting the 12th hole he ripped up his victory speech, and dragged Burnsie back to the car to get out of what was to say the least a very disappointing day, blaming his sudden exodus on a few little passing showers.

Just as quick also to depart at the first sign of trouble was Jeremy and Geoff Cooper, who blamed the wet weather conditions for their early departure despite the fact that they were the first group hitting off and therefore would have been exposed to the element for the least amount of time of anyone. It turns out that the real reason the group bailed out early was that they were scared.

Evidently walking around the course on an adjacent fairway there was a slightly injured, but very angry 6 foot 2 inch solidly built Maori looking man, who was sporting a golf ball sized dint on his right shoulder. Our sources have revealed that Jeremy who mind you was playing a very solid round (42 on the front 9xholes off a handicap of 26) accidentally hooked a drive into a tree on the 10th hole which then ricocheted sideways at speed off the trunk into the neck & shoulder of a guy playing down the first fairway. Had he not been built like a Mack truck the ball would have dropped him like a stone and perhaps even killed him. Fortunately it wasn't the case and although stunned and severely shaken he was able to continue to play his next shot. That's where things started to get really interesting. While the poor guy was shaking out his injured shoulder and trying to get on with his game a second call of **Fore!** suddenly came bellowing from the tenth tee. The poor guy dived for cover, did three ninja rolls to hid himself behind his golf buggy as Burnsie's wayward drive bounced only meters from his exposed injured shoulder which was now excruciatingly painful as he had landed flush on where Jeremy's ball had struck him only minutes before. Had he been a member of the social club, then the Angry man award for 2009 would have been signed sealed and delivered, because he was cross. The boys sheepishly apologized, but feared for their lives as they helped him back to his feet and checked that he was Ok, but at the same time they pondered the nearest escape route just in case he had enough strength left in his arms to get up and start swinging. It wasn't surprising that at the first opportunity they boys all quickly departed the course and got out of the car park as soon as they possibly could.

It might be worth reminding you that it is recommended to have insurance for instances like this. It's not compulsory but there is a very cheap insurance cover available if you want to protect your self from possible lawsuit for injury caused while playing golf. For information on the insurance you can click on the following links.



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Over the last few months there has been plenty of talk about the transformation of Greg Breasley's golf game. This year he has taken out the longest drive competition twice, and featured strongly in the leaders board regularly. The talk around the esky seems to be that everyone who has played with him this year have commented how he is hitting the ball out of sight. It was nothing different this month either, although Greg failed to finish in the top 10, (in fact he had one of worst rounds ever.) Greg Parsons recalls that Big ball Breasley continued his reputation and was hitting the ball out of sight, well that is unless you were walking along the bike paths along the Yarra River whereby you would have not only seen his ball but there was a good chance you might have even been hit by one of the many that he hit over the boundary fence.

According to Greg Parsons it might be necessary for a charity collection appeal to help Big Ball Breasley to get through the rest of the season.

Dear STU at the beginning of the next round we might need to pass the hat around and ask everyone to donate 1x golf ball each to Greg B. This will ensure he has enough balls to play with. He managed to lose more golf balls at Ivanhoe than I have lost in my entire life. I was surprised he actually had enough in his golf bag to finish the round.

Comments by Greg Parsons

One player who nearly topped up his golf bag with extra golf Balls was young Matt MacIssac who despite putting in a disgraceful performance by his very high standards, still managed to give the eagles nest a real shake. The only hole that he played very well was the 6th hole a long Par 5. Matt belted his drive down the middle of the fairway and launched a powerful second shot on to the front of the green giving him a good eagle opportunity. Matty hit the perfect putt, which unfortunately stopped just inches short of the cup. Allegedly the ball looked in all of the way but it was only a sudden gust of wind that came up from the south,

which stopped the ball in its tracks. A tail wind instead of a head wind or even a calm day and he was certain to have won the 23x golf ball Eagles Nest prize kitty.

It was another case of always being the bridesmaid for Warren, in his last 6 rounds he has finished in the top 3 positions with 4x second place finishes to his name, but unfortunately he hasn't been able to crack it for a victory yet. Consistency despite his continuously diminishing handicap has allowed him to progress to the top of the championship points, leader board 5 points clear of his nearest rival.

Biting at Warrens heals is Steve Powne who managed to edge Warren out for the second time in 3x months. Third place this month was closely contested and came to a three-way count back with Greg Parsons, Gerard and Stu Coops all scoring a Nett 71.

Final Results at Ivanhoe were as follows:

Ranking	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Player	Steve Powne	Warren Stewart	Greg Parsons	Gerard MacIssac	Stuart Cooper	Dale Robinson	Phil Plane
Score	89	77	95	85	88	96	105
Handicap	24	11	24	14	17	23	32
Net Score	65	66	71	71	71	73	73
Points	10	9	8	7	6	5	4

Ranking	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Player	Mark Sfiligoj	Rick Tuncinovic	Chris Sfiligoj	Luke Dumbrell	Neil Philips	Ron Parsons	Greg Breasley
Score	90	101	99	103	102	111	118
Handicap	17	Callaway 27	25	26	24	27	30
Net Score	73	74	74	77	78	84	88
Points	3	2	1	1	1	1	1

Ranking	15	16	17	18	19
Player	Matt MacIssac	David Burns	Geoff Cooper	Jeremy Cliff	Runar Steinecker
Score	114	103	101	107	101
Handicap	26	17	14	17	14
Net Score	88	DNF 12 holes	DNF 12 holes	DNF 12 holes	DNF 12 holes
Points	1	1	1	1	1

Nearest to the pin prizes were won by:

4th Hole	Luke Dumbrell
8th Hole	(No-one good enough)
12th Hole	Stuart Cooper
16th Hole	Gerard MacIssac
Longest Drive	Rick Turcinovic

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 still owed to the following people:

Runar Steinecker	3x golf balls for Winner at Yarrambat
Steve Powne	3x golf balls for Winner at Ivanhoe
Luke Dumbrell	1x golf Ball for NTP on 4 th Hole at Ivanhoe
Stuart Cooper	1x golf Ball for NTP on 12 th Hole at Ivanhoe
Gerard MacIssac	1x golf Ball for NTP on 15 th Hole at Ivanhoe
Rick Turnicovic	1x golf Ball for NTP on 18 th Hole at Ivanhoe
Dale Robinson	1x golf Ball for Longest Drive 16 th Hole at Ivanhoe
Darren Higgs	1x golf balls for NTP on 10 th Glen Waverley

As the season progresses it looks as if Warren will be the man to beat. Although there are some talented golfers still within reach of him, his form thus far makes it look as if it will be difficult task to reel him back in.

Place Standings for 2009:

	Total	Played	Rank		Total	Played	Rank
Warren Stewart	26	3	1	Rick Turcinovic	3	2	21
Steve Powne	21	3	2	David Burns	2	2	23
Greg Parsons	20	4	3	Mark Fitzpatrick	1	1	24
Chris Sfiligoj	20	4	3	Jarrett Drake	1	1	24
Gerard MacIssac	17	3	5	Cam Wilson	1	1	24
Dale Robinson	15	4	6	Dean Fitzpatrick	1	1	24

emy Cliff	15	4	6	Luke Dumbrell	1	1	24
eg Breasley	14	4	8	Darren Higgs	0	0	28
nar Steinecker	12	3	9	Damijan Kravevski	0	0	28
l Phillips	11	3	10	Myles Petty	0	0	28
nie Brunton	10	3	11	Nick Brennan	0	0	28
erard MacIssac	9	3	12	Nigel Gould	0	0	28
art Cooper	9	4	12	Brad Robinson	0	0	28
k McEvoy	7	1	14	Graeme Herft	0	0	28
niel De Marinis	6	1	15	Peter Bennett	0	0	28
ff Cooper	6	3	15	Garry Couper	0	0	28
n Parsons	6	4	15	Simon Dawson	0	0	28
l Pane	6	3	15	Roger Powne	0	0	28
rk Sfiligoj	5	3	19	Carl Schwarz	0	0	28
am Cooper	4	2	20	Alistair Beyer	0	0	28
tt MacIssac	3	2	21				

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 skins 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 won at Ivanhoe were as follows:

In Summary skins were won by

Gerard MacIssac	x4
Steve Powne	x3
Rick Turcinovic	x3
Matt MacIssac	x2
Neil Phillips	x2
Dale Robinson	x1
Luke Dumbrell	x1
Phil Pane	x1
Warren Stewart	x1

1	Jackpot
2	Neil Phillips
3	Phil Pane
4	Luke Dumbrell
5	Jackpot
6	Matt MacIssac
7	Dale Robinson
8	Jackpot
9	Jackpot
10	Rick Turcinovic
11	Jackpot
12	Jackpot
13	Steve Powne
14	Jackpot
15	Jackpot
16	Jackpot
17	Gerard MacIssac
18	Warren Stewart

Handicaps

Steve topped a major adjustment losing 1.4 strokes at the handicapper, Warren, lost another 0.4 off his handicap and Stu, Gerard and Greg all played within the buffer zone of their handicaps. All of those who finished the get a point 0.1-stroke donation for next time and those soft girls blouses that pulled out before the finish line also remain the same handicap they were in March.

Current Handicap Status					
Player	Was	Now	Player	Was	Now
Adam Cooper	24.8	24.8	Luke Dumbrell	25.9	26.0
Alistair Beyer	11.4	11.4	Mark Fitzpatrick	17.0	17.0
Brad Robinson	2 games req'd	2 games req'd	Mark Sfiligoj	16.6	16.7
Brian O'Connor	28.3	28.3	Matt MacIssac	26.4	26.5
Chris Sfiligoj	25.0	25.1	Mick Morabito	23.3	23.3
2 games					
Cam Wilson	2 games req'd	req'd	Myles Petty	2 games req'd	2 games req'd
Dale Robinson	23.0	23.1	Neil Philips	24.3	24.4
Damijan Kralewski	33.4	33.4	Nick Brennan	15.0	15.0
Daniel De Marinis	16.0	16.0	Nick Hallahan	30.7	30.7
Darren Higgs	16.1	16.1	Phil Plane	32.5	32.6
David Burns	27.8	27.8	Peter Bennett	22.9	22.9
Dean Fitzpatrick	29.8	29.8	Rick McEvoy	14.7	14.7
Garry Couper	29.2	29.2	Rick Turcinovic	1 games req'd	Callaway 27
Geoff Cooper	31.9	32.0	Rob Heward	32.7	32.7
Gerard MacIssac	14.2	14.2	Roger Powne	11.7	11.7
Glenn Dalton	2 games req'd	2 games req'd	Ron Parsons	27.4	27.5
Graeme Herft	10.6	10.6	Simon Dowson	1 game req'd	1 game req'd
Greg Breasley	30.4	30.5	Steve Powne	24.5	23.1
Greg Parsons	23.6	23.6	Stuart Cooper	16.8	16.8
James Johnson	16.3	16.3	Tony MacIssac	28.3	28.3
Jamie Brunton	25.7	25.7	Warren Stewart	11.1	10.7
Jarrett Drake	18.6	18.6	Runar Steinecker	31.5	31.5
Jeremy Cliff	24.5	24.5			

Note: all handicaps are rounded to the nearest whole number.
I.e. 17.2 = 17 handicap 17.5 = 18 Handicap

Don't forget next month will be a BBQ event. Cost of the round is \$30 inclusive of a BBQ after the game. Centenary Park is a very nice course and we have put an order in for some very nice weather so please try to make it if you are available.

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Player Confirmation Status for Next Month

24th May 2009

Player	Status	Paid	Player	Status	Paid
Adam Cooper	Unknown	No	Mark Fitzpatrick	Unknown	No
Alistair Beyer	Unknown	Paid \$30-	Mark Sfiligoj	Unknown	No
Brian O'Connor	Unknown	No	Matt MacIssac	Unknown	No
Brad Robinson	Unknown	No	Mick Moribito	Unknown	No
Chris Sfiligoj	Unknown	No	Nick Brennan	Unknown	No
Dale Robinson	Unknown	No	Nick Hallahan	Unknown	No
Damijan Kralewski	Unknown	No	Neil Phillips	Unknown	No
Daniel De Marinis	Unknown	No	Peter Bennett	Unknown	No
Darren Higgs	Unknown	No	Phil Plane	Unknown	No
David Burns	Not Playing	No	Rick McEvoy	Unknown	No
Dean Fitzpatrick	Unknown	No	Rob Heward	Unknown	No
Garry Couper	Unknown	No	Roger Powne	Unknown	No
Geoff Cooper	Unknown	No	Ron Parsons	Unknown	No
Gerard MacIssac	Unknown	No	Runar Steinecker	Unknown	No
Glenn Dalton	Unknown	No	Simon Dawson	Unknown	No
Greg Breasley	Unknown	No	Steve Powne	Unknown	No
Greg Parsons	Unknown	No	Stuart Cooper	Confirmed	No
James Johnson	Not Playing	No	Tony MacIssac	Not Playing	No
Jamie Brunton	Unknown	No	Warren Stewart	Unknown	No
Jarrett Drake	Unknown	No	Rick Turcinovic	Unknown	No
Jeremy Cliff	Unknown	No	Cam Wilson	Unknown	No
Luke Dumbrell	Unknown	No			

Let us know if you are playing next month.

YES Reply Now!!! **NO**

Remaining games on 2009 Fixture

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Melways Ref</u>
24-May-09	10.15am	Centenary Park	103 E1
28-Jun-09	10.30am	Beacon Hills	210 K8
26-Jul-09	8.14am	Ringwood	63 F1
23-Aug-09	10.00am	Albert Park	2L B11
27-Sep-09	8.00am	Devil Bend	152 K1
25-Oct-09	8.28am	Dorset	51 C6
27-30-Nov-09		Golf Trip Cobram / Barooga	

Jamie Brunton 0407-484-600 or Stuart Cooper 0411-645-222

Hopefully next month at Centenary Park we will have some more of those missing familiar faces. Please confirm your intentions ASAP.

YES Reply Now!!! **NO**

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