



SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2006



Malvern Valley Results

For those people that don't usually read all of the information on these emails please note that we have included a new system for confirming your attendance to the next months game. At the end of this email there is a hyperlink button which will enable you to respond by email to confirm whether you are "AVAILABLE" or "NOT AVAILABLE" for the following month. All you will need to do is to click on either the "YES" or "NO" box and then press "SEND" and an email will automatically be sent to us confirming your status for the next round.

Many players have taken the option to make them self an automatic "YES" unless they advise us otherwise, (which has been great) however there are many others who we still have difficulty getting a response from, hopefully you find this system very quick & easy and simple to use.

Please try and use these buttons regularly as it will save us lots of phone calls and text messages chasing up players at the last minute. **(SEE END OF EMAIL)**

Important Note:

Unfortunately due to escalating running costs, the beer kitty regularly falling short and player attendances falling below the budgeted monthly forecast, we have been faced with the dilemma of finding a substitute way to fund our ever increasing expenses and to try and make the social club viable. As you are aware we are non profit organization and all of the money that we raise comes back to the club in the form of prizes and discounts for you guys for the cost of the golf trip. We start each year with a zero bank balance and finish the year with the same, the greater the amount of money that we raise, the better the quality and the greater the number of prizes that we can give away. Despite all of our efforts it has come to the point that we can no longer delay the inevitable, and it is with great regret that we are now at a point where we are forced to prostitute the club. We are

now selling advertising space to any outside organizations willing help us to raise the extra funds that we need to keep the club running.

The first sponsor is the “Victorian Police Missing Persons Division” who will start to use our distribution material to post adverts and media releases. Excuse the advertising material but it is helping to pay our way.

Missing Person



 National Missing Persons Helpline **VICTORIA POLICE**



If you have any information on this or any other missing person, no matter how trivial, please contact either your local police station or the National Missing Persons Unit. All mail is secure and you may choose to give it anonymously.

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Name: COUPER, Gary
Date of Birth: 26th May 1975
Height: 175cms
Build: Getting bigger due to lack of activity.
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blood shot red with Dark black rings around them.
Distinguishing Features: A big thumb print on his forehead

Circumstances:
Gary Couper was last seen exiting the North Park Private Hospital accompanied by a female companion and an infant child. He has not been seen nor heard of since and police are investigating his absence as being due to suspicious circumstances. Police are looking to interview this woman and child accomplice, as they believe that the woman and child may be responsible for his disappearance.



THE WAY AHEAD



National Missing Persons Helpline



MESSAGE FROM
The Chief Commissioner

Malvern Valley was a very enjoyable short course with 8 par 3's, it had very large greens and a course par of only 67 so you would expect some pretty good scores and that was exactly what happened. A sensational round (79 off the stick) from Darren Higgs was easily good enough to give him 10 championship points. 6 pars and a birdie and nothing worse than a double bogie gave Darren first prize and three balls for this great effort. Although we will be playing on another low scoring golf course next month hopefully he will find it tougher with his handicap slashed from 21 to 17. It's good to see the handicapper getting ruthless at last.

Matt MacIssac handed in a low scorecard too, he had a score of 97 Nett 65, although his card is the center for much controversy and an independent inquiry has been ordered into it. Matt's scores were marked on a Yarrambat scorecard, not one from Malvern Valley, so we are not quite sure if his score was legitimate. So long as the card was correct we are awarding Matt 2nd place and 9 points. Matt is posting a real threat and is featuring very regularly at the top end of the monthly points tally. You'll have to keep your eyes on him boys or he'll keep on winning.

Rick McEvoy played his 3rd round for the club and finally got his official handicap, it is probably a bit high for a golfer of his standard but the handicapper will get into him soon enough. He came 3rd and won nearest the pin on the 3rd and 5th and 9th holes, he obviously knows how to hit the ball well, luckily for the rest of us he goes to the same putting coach as Daniel De Marinis and piles on the extra shots once he hits the green. Rick is running 2nd in the overall points for the year and if he plays each month he will be one of the favorites for the championship title, although he'll need to be consistent to beat Darren and Daniel and Gerard.

It was great to welcome back to a few of last years players, Bocca, Fitzy, Deano, Peter Bennett, Ron Parsons, Fil and Burnsie all made their 2006 debut appearance. Some of them made a sensational debut. PB played a very consistent round he posted a Nett 72 and started his account for the year in a good way. He might have made a grand entrance to the competition but his exit was not so elegant, Peter was last seen driving out of Malvern Valley car park, literally driving on the rims of his wheels with a flat tyre, he was absolutely oblivious to the yelling and laughter coming from the gallery at the 19th hole, so I hope he made it home safely. Peter could be another good chance for the club competition, he is certainly a good enough golfer it's just a pity he's not as committed as some of our other players who turn up every month no matter what the circumstances.

Special mention goes to Ron & Greg Parsons who both fronted to play golf even though Ron's wife Bev had been rushed to hospital only a couple of days before, Bev was still quite ill and was being cared for by the hospital staff while Ron was chasing his ball around the course. Greg's main concern when told of her ailment was the urgency to find a substitute baby sitter for his kids so that he didn't have to cancel his golf and he even forgot to ask how his mum was going.

There must have been something in the air cos, Fil called in sick from work on Sunday morning so that he could play with us, (mystery 24 hour virus) he started with a Par, then a birdie and was looking good until he wrapped his 9 iron around a tree snapping it in two, from then on Fil had problems as most of the Par 3's turned out to be 9 iron distance from the tee so he struggled to get the right distances and his golf went down hill.

On his way to the course, Robbie Howard made a contribution to our new sponsor "Victoria Police", they were delighted to receive a \$165 donation from Rob and as a memento of their gratification, they give him an official pink certificate to acknowledge his generosity. What's worse Rob was outplayed by his son Adam. On one of the holes, Ad's drove his ball 30 meter's further than his dad. Pretty good for a kid his age, but the

funniest part about it was that Adam only hit the ball 20 meter's, Robbie's ball actually finished 10 meter's behind the tee area.

Burnsie had an interesting first bash. He was playing to his usual form and golf balls were flying around the course in any direction except where they were meant to go. After 9 holes a pattern had emerged. Young Jess who had come along to watch his buddy Matt MacIssac had figured out that the best place to be when Burnsie was hitting was the middle of the fairway because most of his shots were dribbling along the ground and going off into the bushes. On the 10th hole Jess had ducked into the bushes to siphon the snake, but then realized that Burnsie was about to hit. By being in the tree's while Burnsie was hitting meant that Jess was in the firing line so he ran towards the safety of the fairway. Suddenly, out of the blue "Smack" Burnsie hits one into the air and straight. Jess dropped like a stone and didn't move for at least 5 seconds. Initially the guys weren't sure if the ball had hit him or if he had fainted because he'd seen a good shot come off the club but when he finally came to, it was obvious he was in trouble (the ball hit him in the temple.) Jess' face quickly blew up like a balloon, he looked like the elephant man and he was screaming to high heavens. Amazingly the ball didn't kill him and to his credit Jess continued to watch the rest of the round before being rushed to hospital for X rays and a cat scan. Luckily he is OK. When it was evident that the ball had hit Jess in the head and he could be in real trouble the boys playing with him quickly responded and did the right thing. They called Burnsie's wife who is a nurse, they explained what had transpired and asked her advice on what she thinks he should do. Her answer **"Play the ball where it lies and there is no penalty, it just counts as a normal shot"** was a little strange even if it was true.

This was definitely the most exciting of rounds that we have ever had and we had a good turn out too. We had 20 players front up to play which was great.

The results were as follows:

Darren Higgs	Matt MacIss	Rick McEvoy	Daniel DeMarinis	Peter Bennett	Adam Cooper	Dale Robinson	Ian Smith	Tony MacIs	Rob Heward
79	97	91	87	94	100	100	100	104	108
58	65	69	71	72	73	74	74	75	76
10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

Gerard MacIssac	Mark Sfiligoj	Jamie Brunton	David Burns	Mark Fitzy	Brian O'Connor	Dean Fitzy	Greg Parsons	Ron Parsons	Stuart Cooper
91	93	107	108	99	112	117	116	124	113
77	77	78	78	79	84	88	91	94	95
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Nearest to the pin prizes were won by:

Each player won 1 ball.

3rd Hole Rick McEvoy

5th Hole Rick McEvoy
 9th Hole Rick McEvoy
 10th Hole (No one good enough to hit it that far) Daniel & Fil both very close
 12th Hole Ian Smith
 14th Hole No body hit the green
 16th Hole Dean Fitzpatrick
 18th Hole Dean Fitzpatrick

Longest Drive Daniel DeMarinis

The following people are now listed on NTP markers.

Adam Cooper, Brian O'Connor, Dale Robinson, Damijan Krlevski, Daniel De Marinis, Darren Higgs, David Burns, Garry Couper, Gerard MacIssac, Greg Parsons, Ian Smith, James Johnson, Jamie Brunton, Luke Dumbrell, Mark Fitzpatrick, Mark Sfiligoj, Matt MacIssac, Mick Morabito, Nick Brennan, Nick Talevski, Peter Bennett, Rick McEvoy, Steve Powne, Stuart Cooper, Tony MacIssac.

If a new player joins and gets NTP they can write their name on the blank tags on the bottom of the markers.

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Name: DUMBRELL, Luke
Date of Birth:
Height: 182 cms
Build: Medium.
Hair: Slowly receding
Eyes: bluish.
Distinguishing Features: Bourbon Can permanently attached to his right hand

Circumstances:
 Luke Dumbrell was last seen driving down the Hume Highway with the intention to join his mates on the golf trip at Tocumwal on Sat 23/11/2005 unfortunately Luke didn't make it to his destination. It is believed he maybe still driving around in circles and lost somewhere in Australia it is rumoured that he was following the directions on how to get to Tocumwal that were given to him by Ian Smith who we all know can't navigate for shit.



National Missing Persons Helpline



MESSAGE FROM

The 2006 the points leader board looks as follows:

NAME	Total Points	Games Played	Year Ranking		NAME	Total Points	Games Played	Year Ranking
Daniel De Marinis	23	3	1		Nick Brennan	4	1	13
Rick McEvoy	21	3	2		Steve Powne	3	2	15
Darren Higgs	19	2	3		Damijan Kralevski	2	2	16
Gerard MacIssac	19	3	3		Rob Heward	2	2	16
Matt MacIssac	18	3	5		Brian O'Connor	1	1	18
Stuart Cooper	13	3	6		Mark Sfiligoj	1	1	18
Ian Smith	11	3	7		Mark Fitzpatrick	1	1	18
Adam Cooper	11	3	7		Dean Fitzpatrick	1	1	18
Greg Parsons	8	2	9		Ron Parsons	1	1	18
Dale Robinson	6	3	10		David Burns	1	1	18
Tony MacIssac	6	2	10		Nick Hallahan	0	0	0
Peter Bennett	6	1	10		Nick Talevski	0	0	0
Jamie Brunton	4	3	13		James Johnson	0	0	0
					Brett Wallace	0	0	0
					Garry Couper	0	0	0
					Luke Dumbrell	0	0	0
					Roger Powne	0	0	0

Players with a blue highlight are yet to make an appearance.

Remember that the more times that you play during the year, the greater the chance of winning a prize. For every month you play you are given a ticket for the end of year raffle draw. Last years prizes were fantastic and hopefully we can do the same this year. Being a raffle it gives everyone a fair chance of winning a prize and the regular players are rewarded because they have more tickets. Bonus tickets can be picked up along the way through the skins competition. Skins are calculated using the handicap system so anyone who has a good hole (better than what they usually have, i.e. (Birdie for a low handicapper or Bogie for a high handicapper) could pick up a skin or two.

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 Malvern Valley were as follows:

- 1 Jackpot
- 2 **Darren Higgs**
- 3 Jackpot

Darren Higgs	x2
Daniel De Marinis	x2
Mark Sfiligoj	x2
Rick McEvoy	x2
Matt MacIssac	x3
Brian O'Connor	

4	Daniel De Marinis
5	Jackpot
6	Matt MacIssac
7	Matt MacIssac
8	Jackpot
9	Rick McEvoy
10	Jackpot
11	Mark Sfiligoj
12	Jackpot
13	Jackpot
14	Jackpot
15	Jackpot
16	Jackpot
17	Jackpot
18	Brian O'Connor

Handicaps

The handicapping system is adjusted monthly, dependent on the players recent results. A poor round where a player scores worse than a Nett Par and their handicap goes out 0.1 shots on the other hand a good round and the handicap is reduced according to how much less than par they scored. This month for instance with a Nett 58 and Darren Higgs handicap is adjusted by 3.7 therefore he will be playing off a much tougher handicap (17)next month.

Congratulations to Ron Parsons, Adam Cooper, Rick McEvoy and Tony MacIssac who all played their 3rd rounds and now have an official club handicap.

	Was	New
Adam Cooper		27.3
Brett Wallace	27.3	27.3
Brian O'Connor	28.1	28.2
Dale Robinson	26.2	26.3
Damijan Kravlevski	34.4	34.4
Daniel De Marinis	16.4	16.5
Darren Higgs	21.1	17.4
David Burns	30.4	30.5
Dean Fitzpatrick	29.4	29.5
Garry Couper	29.1	29.1
Gerard MacIssac	14.1	14.2
Greg Parsons	24.5	24.6
Ian Smith	26.4	26.5
James Johnson	16.3	16.3
Jamie Brunton	29.0	29.1
Luke Dumbrell	29.4	29.4
Mark Fitzpatrick	19.6	19.7
Mark Sfiligoj	16.1	16.2
Matt MacIssac	31.9	31.0
Mick Morabito	23.3	23.3

Nick Brennan	17.0	17.0
Nick Hallahan	30.7	30.7
Nick Talevski	27.0	27.0
Peter Bennett	22.2	22.3
Rick McEvoy		22.0
Rob Heward	32.2	32.3
Ron Parsons		30.3
Steve Powne	29.9	29.9
Stuart Cooper	17.8	17.9
Tony MacIssac		29.3

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

It became apparent after last month that we needed to introduce yet another new rule to combat slow rounds. We started the 30 second rule this month but unfortunately the person who was responsible for the introduction still takes a lifetime to hit the ball. We have discussed this at length and have decided to put Ian Smith in the last group, so that while he is hatching the ball on the course we can all be enjoying a coldie at the 19th.

***Shot Clock on hitting the ball.** A maximum of 30 seconds is allowed to play your shot otherwise all of your playing partners are allowed to throw tees, balls, clubs or anything the see fit at you.

For those that didn't take any notice last month please read this to get an understanding about how penalty strokes are to be taken.

1. If a ball is hit out of bounds and there is no doubt that it has definitely finished OOB. (then the player should hit another ball from where the last one was struck and the player incurs a 1 stroke penalty) This means the player counts the stroke that went out of bounds, plus a 1x shot penalty plus the stroke to put the next ball into play from the same spot the first one was hit. e.g.) 3x off the tee or hitting your 4th shot from the fairway.
2. If a ball is hit close to the area marked as "Out Of Bounds" or hit into thick rough and there is doubt whether the ball is "Out Of Bounds" or you are unsure if you will be able to find the ball, then a player should have another shot from the same location where the last ball was hit, calling it a "provisional ball." This ball does not come into play, unless the first ball is later deemed to be lost or OOB. (the provisional ball can be played as many times as necessary up to the point where the ball original ball is thought to have finished up.) The player may then search for the first ball for up to 5 mins, before deciding whether it has been lost. If the original ball is found and is deemed to still be in play, the player must use that ball regardless of where it lies on the course. Once the original ball is found the provisional ball may no longer be used. If the ball is OOB or lost and the provisional ball is used, all strokes played with the original ball are counted, plus the player incurs a 1xshot penalty for the lost ball plus all subsequent strokes with second ball are then counted as per normal.
3. If the ball is hit into a hazard such as a lake, creek or any other hazard area (usually identified by red stakes). The ball may be dropped within 2x club lengths of the hazard along the line of entry and the player incurs a 1x stroke penalty. e.g.) 1x shot which was hit into the hazard, 1x shot penalty and the next shot is being played from behind or beside the hazard.
4. If the ball is hit into the rough or another part of the course that is not considered a hazard or OOB and the ball is unable to be found, and the player did not hit a "provisional ball". The player must either:
 - A) go back to where the ball was last played from and take a 1x shot penalty, or
 - B) they must drop a new ball where the ball was thought to be located and take a 2x shot penalty.

E.g.) If the player lost their ball after their drive then they have the choice of either running back to the tee too play their 3rd shot or they can choose to drop the ball approximately where the ball has been lost and will be hitting their 4th shot from there.

I hope this clears up any scoring issues and provides consistency amongst all of the players.

It is important that players count all of their shots, not just the good ones. This includes penalties and air swings etc. We are not saying that anybody is doing it, but rounding down your score to help the card look better can have an effect on the points allocations.

Next month we are playing at Albert Park at 8.37am the course is relatively close to home for most people, Albert Park is a short and easy course, so there should be no excuses for not turning up and having a good day. We have booked for 24 players and hopefully we will get the full field there. Please confirm your attendance ASAP.

Jamie Brunton 0407-484-600 or Stuart Cooper 0403-243-240
or reply by email using the link buttons at the end of this email.

For anyone who needs information on how to get to the course or if you like to do your research on the course before you get there (Daniel De Marinis) then you can log into their Web Site.

<http://www.golfvictoria.com.au/>

The bar will be open in the car park after the round as usual so don't forget to bring a few gold coins and stay around for drinks after the round. Please make sure you pay for your drinks:

The kitty was short yet again this month. We have contacted our friends at the "Victoria Police" to look into this problem as it seems that every month someone is either not putting the \$2-00 for the beers they are drinking or they are taking money out of the till. If you said you would fix the till up later and forgot to do it before you went home please bring your money next month and do the right thing. Beers only. \$2-00 per can.

Remaining games on 2006 Fixture

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Mel ways Ref</u>
23-Apr-06	8.37am	Albert Park	21 A10
28-May-06	10.00am	Ivanhoe	31 H11
25-Jun-06	11.00am	Rosebud Country Club	170 C7
23-Jul-06	9.00am	Warburton	119E K3
27-Aug-06	9.00am	Beacon Hills – Lakes Course	210 K8
24-Sep-06	10.00am	Keilor Park	3 K9
22-Oct-06	9.30am	Amstel	133 D5
24-26-Nov-06		Tocumwal	

We are in negotiations at the moment to try and get a round of golf booked at Sanctuary Lakes in Point Cook, it is meant to be one of the best courses in Victoria so if we can pull it off we will cancel Warburton and put Sanctuary Lakes in it's place. Ian Smith has a friend who reckons he'll

be able to do us a deal for the same price as it would cost to play at Warby so keep your fingers crossed and we'll let you know the outcome.

Deposits for the end of year golf trip to Tocumwal should have been paid now, please confirm your attendance if you haven't already and pay the \$50 deposit urgently, Jamie has had to pay for the extra's out of his own pocket so please do the right thing and get the cash to him this week. It is an awesome weekend and very good value for money (so long as you stay away from the Pokies and the card tables). We have booked for a Maximum of 20 players and priority goes to those that have played regularly through the year and also first come first served basis. This year promises to be even better than previous years, we will have competitions and prizes on both Saturday and Sunday and we will be introducing a few novelty awards as well as the usual end of year raffle prize draw, Sunday Leave Pass championship trophy, Leather Wedge, etc.

It was good to have everybody who said that they were coming actually turn up this month, thanks for everyone who made the effort.

At this stage the confirmed player status for Albert Park is as follows:

Brett Wallace	Unknown	Luke Dumbrell	Unknown
Brian O'Connor	Confirmed	Mark Fitzpatrick	Not Playing
Dale Robinson	Not Playing	Mark Sfiligoj	Unknown
Damijan Krlevski	Unknown	Matt MacIssac	Confirmed
Daniel De Marinis	Confirmed	Mick Morabito	Unknown
Darren Higgs	Confirmed	Nick Brennan	Unknown
David Burns	Unknown	Nick Hallahan	Unknown
Dean Fitzpatrick	Unknown	Peter Bennett	Confirmed
Garry Couper	Unknown	Rob Heward	Confirmed
Gerard MacIssac	Confirmed	Steve Powne	Confirmed
Greg Parsons	Unknown	Stuart Cooper	Confirmed
Ian Smith	Confirmed	Rob Edwards	Not Playing
James Johnson	Unknown	Innis Ireland	Unknown
Jamie Brunton	Not Playing	Tony MacIssac	Not Playing
Rick McEvoy	Confirmed	Adam Cooper	Confirmed
Ron Parsons	Unknown	Nick Talevski	Unknown

If you are marked as unknown please drop us a line to let us know if you expect to be playing. You can use the Links above by pressing the relevant button and then pressing send which automatically sends an email to us with a YES or NO answer

Look forward to seeing some really good scores next month and get the handicapper working overtime.

Coops, Jamie and Sunday Leave Pass: