







SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2010



FINE SYSTEM

Not driving ladies tees	\$5-00
Having an air swing	\$2-00
Having 4x putts	\$2-00
Throwing a club	\$2-00
Hitting across 2x fairways	\$2-00
Shank	\$2-00
Double Hit \$2-00	
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Putting off the green \$2-00

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

Maximum pay out is \$10-00.

All proceeds go towards BBQ & drinks at end of year trip.

Greg Parsons \$5-00 Not passing the ladies at chirnside park 10th hole. He hit the ball between his own legs.

Rosebud Golf Course Results July

The curse of Sunday Leave Pass success has struck once more. Historically any player who has demonstrated prolonged successes have soon enough fallen on the sword and ultimately disappeared from the competition completely. Daniel DeMarinis disappeared into obscurity after a procession of

victories over the 2005-2006 seasons, Darren Higgs has never to be heard of, since he had a brilliant year in 2008 and now Brendan Seagrave has been robbed of his aspirations to break the club record by winning 4x months in succession when the curse struck him down last week. Robbed might be the operative word, since it is alleged that Brendan received serious injuries when he fell off the back of a truck while he was on a job out in the western suburbs. What has not yet been revealed is that he fell off the truck while unloading some electrical appliances that are also rumoured to have fallen off the back of a truck.

For the middle of a Melbourne Winter you could not have asked for a better day. The fairways were immaculate, the greens were true and the bunkers were perfectly groomed (except for one, but we will go into that a bit later). At the Rosebud Country Club the sun was shining, there were blue skies drifting peacefully over head and there was barely a breath of wind to rustle through the tree's. Rosebud is arguably the best course that we have managed to soil this season, and amazingly despite almost all of the scorecards better resembling Sir Donald Bradmans tour record against the Bangladesh seconds cricket team, rather than a golf tournament, everyone still spoke very highly about the venue. There was even mutterings about considering it as a possible destination for the end of year trip, so obviously the 16 guys who made the long trek to Rosebud must have enjoyed the day, even if the scorecards did not reflect it.

It was amazing to be in such a picturesque setting and be given such ideal playing conditions yet still be able to watch huge rain clouds roll past only kilometers from the golf course. What was most interesting about the many storm clouds that bypassed Rosebud was that they all appeared to be heading in the one direction and they all seemed to burst open with a huge deluge at about the same point. Chris Sfiligoj discovered the reason for this unusual weather phenomenon when he noticed a strange bumper sticker on the back of one the storm clouds. Chris saw the unusual attachment to the cloud when he lifted his head during one of the many poor swings he made during the day. The statement trailing behind the clouds, explained a great deal and knowing that people would not believe him when he told them about the strange catch phrase on the clouds, Chris took a photo to have the proof.

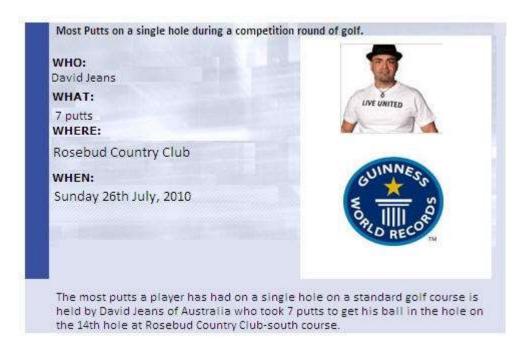
On the sticker it read. To Devils Bend, and Bust



It was little wonder Chris was the person who noticed the unusual cloud formations because he had his head in the sky for most of the day as he pleaded for some divine intervention to help his game. He had his equal worst round of golf and not surprisingly he was so embarrassed by his performance that he was in the car and out of the carpark before anyone else had even finished their rounds. The irony is that his score compared to some others was actually quite respectable and despite all of his failings he still finished just 2x shots outside the top 10. Chris was also one of the very few people who managed to get through the day with out having to dip into his pockets to make a contribution to the fine Jar this month, although he did come close on about 18 separate occasions. The demise of Chris' day was his putting. He 3x putted almost every green on the course and was forced to roll in some very testy putts to avoid the wrath of the fine police who were out in force waiting for a 4x putt. Hole after hole the chorus from his playing group "Oooh that's no gimmee, here comes the \$2-00 fine we have been waiting for" rang out across the fairways, but somehow Chris kept rolling his third putt in. At one stage Big Mick took him aside and made the logical suggestion. "Why don't you just pretend your first putt is actually your third putt, because you never miss those ones." It didn't work, he still kept missing the first two but he never 4 putted which is more than we can say for many others.

Rick (O'Shea) Turcinovic 3x putted from 2 feet after winning the nearest to pin prize on the 14th hole. Al Bayer 4 putted after being Pin high for 2 on the long Par 5, 11th hole. Stu Coops managed to drive his ball on to the green from the 17th tee, (mind you it was the wrong green), then after he knocked his approach onto the middle of the correct green he then putted for a birdie but left his ball still on the green, he then left his ball on the green when he missed the par putt and suddenly the all too familiar chorus "Oooh that's no gimmee, here comes the \$2-00 fine we have been waiting for" echoed back across the fairways accompanied by Chris' laughter. This time the chant was rewarded and \$2-00 fell out of Stu's pocket and landed straight into the fine jar. His ball was still on the green. 6x shots and each one of them was on the green. 4 putts how very embarrassing.

David Jeans went even better than Stu. He had seven shots on the green and all of them with the flat stick. We have done a little bit of investigation and discovered that this is unofficially a Guiness record. So Dave can proudly tell all of his friends and family that he now holds the world record for the most number of putts on a single hole with 7 putts on the 14th hole at Rosebud.



Jamie Brunton came close to breaking a record of his own. We mentioned earlier how pristine the bunkers were at the Rosebud layout and they were a cinch to flop the ball out of. Phil Plane hit 3x bunkers for the day and on each occasion he caressed the ball within a meter or two of the cup and made a simple up & down. Everyone else spoke of similar experiences, that is, everyone except for Jamie who found himself entrenched in one bunker that wouldn't let him out no matter how hard he tried. Jamie shifted so much sand that if he had of bagged it instead of sprayed it he would have been able to send it across to Obama in the US and he could have arranged to have the beaches along the Florida Quays resurfaced and put the Mexico gulf back on the tourist map. Jamie swatted and slapped, chopped and flopped, he hacked & smacked and with every unsuccessful lunge he dislodged and relocated more and more sand. After 8 failed attempts to clear the lip in front of him Jamie and his ball, were still standing in the pot, although there was very little sand left in there to accompany him. At that point Tony suggested it might be worthwhile trying to go out side ways where there was less of a bank to negotiate, but even that didn't work and it took a couple more shots to clear the bunker and finally complete the hole with an easy 15. We have checked with the Guiness committee, to see if Jamie can join Dave as an unofficial Guiness record recipient, but unfortunately Jamie's 10x shots in the sand was not good enough since there was a player who got stuck in a pot on the old course in St Andrews who took 19 shots to extricate his ball from the bunker and therefore that guy will retain the record for "the most shots in a bunker" until perhaps the next time Jamie lands in one.

Golf is undeniably a character building experience, it takes a strong person to be able to walk off the course after a bad day and still be smiling. While many of the blokes mumbled and groaned into the bottom of their beer cans and some others like Chris actually drove straight home to kick

the cat, Tony Mac on the other hand bounced off the 18th green like he had just won the lotto. Tony unashamedly told everyone how he had managed to accumulate the maximum fine jar penalty by the end of the 2nd hole. Tony's day started with a drive that failed to get past the ladies markers, he then had an airswing, and then a double hit which resulted in him throwing his club, he then hit 2 shanks and 4 putted the second green so consequently he was \$10 out of pocket before he even got to the water fountain on the third tee. To his credit and a true testimony of his character, Tony persisted and remained undeterred by his poor start and incredibly he recovered and despite his failings he still played well enough to score himself a top 10 finish.

Steve Powne's character was also tested to the limit on Sunday. He played a lousy game of golf, then got a call from the wife to say his sons footy team had been thrashed and they had therefore missed out on a finals birth, and to cap it all off, he had to sit in the car for an hour and a half on the way home listening to the demoralizing annihilation of the Sydney Swans by the demons of all things. It was a tough day for him, but there was a positive for the social club because Steve decided to drown his sorrows and knocked back 4x beers and 2x bourbons in the car during the journey home. Steve single handedly managed to boost the bar sales for July to a level that meant they were actually up on the last months figures despite a very small attendance.

It is surprising Steve made it home at all, when you consider that while he was drinking himself silly there was nobody in the car sober enough to give Stu Coops the directions on how to get there. It's been well documented that Stu isn't the best navigator in the world and he proved it again on Sunday morning when he got on the wrong freeway and was heading out towards Lakes Entrance. Some might argue that it's a pretty easy to miss a turn off, but when you are driving with the GPS Navman barking orders at you from the windscreen of the car there really is no excuse for getting lost. If Steve hadn't challenged Stu and pointed out that the seductive voice of Karen on the GPS was telling him to do a U-turn on the freeway he probably would have kept driving in the wrong direction and ended up in Traralgon instead of Rosebud but it wasn't before they had added an extra 17 km onto what was already a very long trip.

Stu's excuse for missing the turn off and getting lost was that he wasn't listening to what Karen (the lady on the GPS) was telling him to do because it was his Sunday Leave Pass day and therefore it is the one day of the month when he gets the chance to do things with out having a woman telling him what to do. This might be idiocy on his part, but it's perhaps no more idiotic than bringing your wives into the inner sanctum of the social club like some of the boys did on Sunday.

The post-golf drinks have never been as tame as they were on Sunday. It appeared that the tales of woe and the golf stories were extremely sanitized, and those who were willing to speak out did so without the usual profanities as everyone was forced to watch their P's & Q's when we were suddenly joined by the wives of Dale, Rick and Phil. A few blokes have suggested that perhaps a fine should be charged, against the guys for bringing their partners to the golf, you might remember Runar was charged \$2-00 for calling the wife on the phone when he was playing at Centenary Park so you would think based on precedence, "attendance by the wife at a Sunday Leave Pass event" should command a fine equal too or if not more than, the penalty for calling your wife on the phone.

It should be said that the girls did provide some great entertainment. It was funny when Rick's wife, Ruth, started giving Dale advice. She told him "your problem is that you hit the ball from one side to the other all of the time, if you hit the ball straight down the middle then you wouldn't need to have as many shots." A truer statement has never been made, I just hope Dale takes this new found knowledge on board when he plays his next round and perhaps we may see him matching it with Mick Harper who hit the ball straight all day and surprise, just the way Ruth

explained, Mick had 27 less shots than Dale and he shot the lowest gross score for the day and won the handicap honors with a very impressive Nett 70.

On a day when almost everyone played on average 15 shots worse than their handicap Mick broke his handicap by 2 shots. He thoroughly deserved his third monthly title and was the standout player for the day winning by 4x shots over Tony Grasso who was his nearest rival. Mick was also the only player to make a birdie for the day and the birdie was even more impressive because it was a simple tap in putt after he missed yet another eagle attempt on the Par 5 second hole. Mick's game was very consistent, he actually had his name on 3x of the 4x NTP holes with some magnificent stroke play but unfortunately he only ended up winning one of them because some of the guys in the following groups were good enough to hit their tee shots inside his marker. The only accolade Mick was unable to put his name too was the longest Drive on the 18th hole, he was out gunned by Phil Plane who was looking forward to celebrating his 50th Birthday with the longest drive title. Phil's drive remained intact until the very last player in the very last group finally knocked a ball past his marker. Although Gerard won the prize for longest drive, it was a still a great gift for Phil who can now boast that he actually out-muscled the power hitters of the club including Big Mick, Al Bayer, Paul Blizzard and Jamie Brunton.

Phil was also gifted on the 5th hole when he managed to roll in a putt which from all intensive purposes fell up hill. While the putter was not working for some of the guys around him, Phil's putter was working miracles, he one putted from outside 7x meters on the first hole, and then on the 5th hole a ball that stopped on the lip of the cup for 2 seconds some how managed to regain enough momentum to roll upwards against the slope of the land and away from the rub of green and magically rattled into the bottom of the cup while Phil was walking up to tap it in. Although his ball on this occasion went up hill, the rest of his game quickly went down hill and the only prize waiting back at the car park for him was his wife Marie.

Final Results at Rosebud were as follows:

Ranking	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Player	Mike	Tony	Gerard	Grant	Stuart	Alister	Dale	Paul	
-	Harper	Grasso	MacIssac	Maize	Cooper	Bayer	Robinson	Blizzard	Phil Plane
Score	81	95	88	123	97	92	108	101	120
Handicap	11	21	12	Callaway 46	18	11	24	15	33
Nett Score	70	74	76	77	79	81	84	86	87
Points	15	14	13	12	11	<mark>10</mark>	9	8	<mark>7</mark>

Ranking	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Player	Tony	Jamie	Chris	Steve	Tony		Rick
	MacIssac	Brunton	Sfiligoj	Powne	Grasso JNR	David Jeans	Turnicovic
Score	118	114	117	118	128	128	126
Handicap	29	25	26	24	33	31	27

Nett Score	89	89	91	94	95	97	99
Points	<u>6</u>	<mark>5</mark>	4	<mark>3</mark>	2	1	1

Don't forget that it is very important to count all of your shots, rounding down your score is not an acceptable practice. One or two strokes doesn't sound like much, over 18 holes, but it can often be the difference between 2nd and 8th position on the points tally. Penalty strokes, air-swings or missed gimmee putts all need to be counted or else you might find your name being engraved on the leather-wedge trophy at the end of the year.

Big Mick and Phil Plane might earn themselves a leather-wedge nomination after they were caught giving themselves a generous head-start by teeing off from the red markers on the 13th hole. Big Mick (as if he needs any advantage for distance) teed his ball up from the ladies tee, followed by Phil. The two would probably have got away with it too except that Phil muffed his shot and the automatic reaction from his playing partners was to look for the girls tee to see if a fine was required. It was only then that it was discovered that they were trying to cheat, Phils ball probably only got passed the ladies markers because he was standing at them, but the pair did graciously accepted a \$2-00 fine for their indiscretion.

Congratulations to Mick Harper who was the only player to tame the Rosebud Country Club layout. His Nett 70 was by far the best round for the day and as a result he collected another 15 championship points to maintain his lead on the Annual points Tally. Tony Grasso played a steady round and finished in 2nd place over Gerard with his Nett 76. A very generous Callaway handicap of 46 elevated Grant Maize into 4th position. With good Top 10 placings Dale and Gerard have remained within striking distance of Mick in the Seasons championship stakes, so the next couple of months will remain a point of interest, although on form it is very hard to imagine Mick letting in much daylight and giving them much of an opportunity to sneak past him.

Place Standings for 2010:

Name	Total	Played	Rank	Name	Total	Played	Rank	
Mick Harper	71	5	1	Grant Maize	12	1	21	
Gerard MacIssac	67	6	2	Doug Yankee	11	1	22	
Dale Robinson	63	7	3	Cam Wilson	10	1	23	
Stuart Cooper	58	7	4	Greg Breasley	10	5	23	
Alistair Beyer	55	6	5	Jarrett Drake	9	1	25	
Brendan Seagrave	51	6	6	Jeremy Cliff	9	1	25	
Steve Powne	42	6	7	Trent Tomlinson	9	1	25	
Tony Grasso	39	5	8	Geoff Cooper	9	3	25	
Paul Blizzard	39	5	8	Dean Fitzpatrick	8	1	29	
Phil Pane	37	7	10	Dan Cable	7	1	30	
Jamie Brunton	37	6	10	Ron Parsons	6	2	31	
Chris Sfiligoj	25	5	12	Runar Steinecker	5	6	31	
Tony MacIssac	25	5	12	David Burns	5	2	33	
Greg Parsons	22	4	14	Matt MacIssac	3	2	34	
David Jeans	21	5	15	Mark Fitzpatrick	1	1	35	
Rick Turcinovic	20	7	16	Adam Cooper	1	1	35	
Tony Grasso JNR	16	3	17	Michael Whelan	1	1	35	
Neil Phillips	15	1	18	Daniel De Marinis	0	0	38	
Peter Bennett	14	1	19	Warren Stewart	0	0	38	
Luke Dumbrell	13	3	20	Roger Powne	0	0	38	
Mark Sfiligoj	12	1	21					

Nearest to the pin prizes were won by:

4th Hole Mick Harper
8th Hole Grant Maize
12th Hole Paul Blizzard
14th Hole Rick Turcinovic
Longest Drive Gerard MacIssac

Golf Balls are owed to the following people:

Mick Harper3x BallWinner at RosebudBrendan Seagrave3x BallWinner at Chirnside ParkNeil Phillips3x BallWinner at Warburton (2010)

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.

Warren Stewart 3x Ball Winner at Albert Park (2009) Cam Wilson 3x Ball Winner at Dorset (2009)

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.

Dale won the biggest Jackpot this month, Steve and Phil and Rick added to their raffle draw odds with 3 more skins tickets, and Rick, Jamie Brunton and David Jeans also managed to win a hole or two.

Skins won at Rosebud were as follows:

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1	Jamie Brunton
2	Jackpot
3	Jackpot
4	Jackpot
5	Dale Robinson
6	Jackpot
7	Rick Turcinovic
8	David Jeans
9	Jackpot
10	Jackpot
11	Phil Pane
12	Jackpot
13	Jackpot
14	Steve Powne
15	Jackpot
16	Jackpot
17	Jackpot
18	Jackpot

Number of skins won						
Dale Robinsonx4						
Steve Powne	x3					
Phil Plane	x3					
Rick Turcinovic	x2					
Jamie Brunton	x1					
David Jeans	x1					

Handicaps

Mick Harpers handicap continues t to come down it has been adjusted from 11.4 to 10.9 but he will still be playing off 11 so it doesn't help the rest of us much; Tony Grasso was the only player to fall within the buffer zone of is handicap and the rest of us get 0.1 shots extra for next month which once again wont help us much when you consider 16th place was 27 shots over his handicap and a few others weren't far behind that. Congrats Tony Grasso Junior who starts his handicap on 33.3.

As has been mentioned in previous correspondence we will continue to use the old handicap scoring system until the start of 2011 season although we will keep the website updated with what your projected handicap is likely to be under the new Slope handicap scoring system, It is interesting to compare each players handicap under both systems when you make comparisons between the old and the new they handicaps are amazingly similar.

Current Handicap Status OLD SYSTEM

Player	Was	Now	Player	Was	Now
Adam Cooper	25.5	25.5	Mark Fitzpatrick	17.3	17.3
Alistair Beyer	11.5	11.6	Mark Sfiligoj	17.3	17.3
Brendan Seagrave	17.2	17.3	Matt MacIssac	26.9	26.9
Brian O'Connor	28.3	28.3	Mike Harper	11.4	10.9
Chris Sfiligoj	25.7	25.8	Michael Whelan	2 games req'd	2 games req'd
Cam Wilson	17.3	17.3	Neil Philips	23.2	23.2
Dale Robinson	24.1	24.2	Nick Brennan	15.0	15.0
Dan Cable	2 games req'd	2 games req'd	Paul Blizzard	14.5	14.6
Damijan Kralevski	33.4	33.4	Phil Plane	33.4	33.5
Daniel De Marinis	16.0	16.0	Peter Bennett	21.7	21.7
Darren Higgs	16.1	16.1	Rick McEvoy	14.8	14.8
David Burns	25.6	25.6	Rick Turcinovic	27.4	27.5
David Jeans	31.0	31.1	Roger Powne	11.8	11.8
Dean Fitzpatrick	29.9	29.9	Ron Parsons	28.1	28.1
Doug Yankee	2 games req'd	2 games req'd	Runar Steinecker	32.1	32.1
Geoff Cooper	32.4	32.4	Rob Heward	32.7	32.7
Gerard MacIssac	11.5	11.6	Steve Powne	23.9	24.0
Greg Breasley	31.5	31.5	Stuart Cooper	17.6	17.7
Greg Parsons	22.9	22.9	Tony MacIssac	28.7	28.8
Jamie Brunton	25.3	25.4	Tony Grasso	21.4	21.4
Jarrett Drake	18.7	18.7	Tony Grasso JNR	Official Handicap	33.3
Jeremy Cliff	21.5	21.5	Trent Tomlinson	2 games req'd	2 games req'd
Luke Dumbrell	26.3	26.3	Warren Stewart	10.4	10.4

Note: all handicaps are rounded to the nearest whole number.

I.e. 17.2 = 17 handicap 17.5 = 18 Handicap

It would be appreciated if everyone could let us know if they are a likely starter for next months round as early as possible. Please check with the social secretary and book your spot as early as you can.

YES Please Reply Now!!! NO

BOOKINGS CONFIRMATION 2010 Beacon Hills

Cost for next month is \$35-00

9-30am Sun 22nd August

Anyone not available on Sunday are welcome to play with us at 11-30am Fri 20th August

Player	Status	Paid	Player	Status	Paid	
Adam Cooper	Unknown	No	Mark Fitzpatrick	Unknown	No	
Alistair Beyer	Confirmed	No	Mark Sfiligoj	Unknown	No	
Brendan Seagrave	Unknown	Paid \$45	Matt MacIssac	Unknown	No	
Chris Sfiligoj	Confirmed	No	Mick Harper	Confirmed	No	
Cam Wilson	Unknown	No	Neil Philips	Unknown	No	
Dale Robinson	Confirmed Friday 11-30	No	Nick Brennan	Not Playing	No	
Damijan Kralevski	Unknown	No	Paul Blizzard	Confirmed	No	
Daniel De Marinis	Not Playing	No	Peter Bennett	Unknown	No	
Dan Cable	Unknown	No	Phil Plane	Not Playing	No	
David Burns	Unknown	No	Rick Turcinovic	Confirmed	No	
David Jeans	Confirmed	No	Roger Powne	Unknown	No	
Dean Fitzpatrick	Unknown	No	Ron Parsons	Unknown	No	
Doug Yankee	Unknown	No	Runar Steinecker	Unknown	No	
Geoff Cooper	Confirmed Friday 11-30	No	Steve Osullivan	Unknown	No	
Gerard MacIssac	Confirmed	No	Steve Powne	Confirmed	No	
Greg Breasley	Unknown	No	Stuart Cooper	Confirmed Friday 11-30	Paid \$5	
Greg Parsons	Unknown	No	Tony MacIssac	Not Playing	No	
Jamie Brunton	Not Playing	No	Tony Grasso	Not Playing	No	
Jarrett Drake	Confirmed Friday 11-30	No	Trent Tomlinson	Unknown		
Jeremy Cliff	Unknown	No	Warren Stewart	Unknown	No	
Luke Dumbrell	Unknown	No				

YES

Please Reply Now!!!

NO

2010 Fixture

Golf Course & How to get there Google maps Directions	Date	Melways Ref	Website links
Beacon Hills	22nd August 9-30am	210 K 8	www.beaconhillsgolf.com.au
Growling Frog	19th September 8-30am	9 K 2	www.growlingfroggolfcourse.com.au
Amstel	24th October 8-45am	133 D 5	www.amstel.org.au
Thurgoona	26th - 28 th November		http://www.thurgoonagolf.com.au/

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Don't forget that every golf product that is bought through the GCO from Sunday Leave Pass members or associates will mean more sponsorship \$\$\\$'s for the club and therefore better prizes for the end of season raffle draw.

Don't forget that Dale runs a printing business and is offering incredibly reduced printing work for any Sunday Leave Pass members wanting to order business cards, fliers or any other print material. To preview his rates you can click on the following link.



Click on Logo Above to view their brochure and prices.

Remember that any printing job ordered through *DNR print* via the social club, Dale will donate 5% of the proceeds directly back to social club which offers us the opportunity to provide better prizes for everyone for the end of year raffle.



Why drink and drive when you can get drunk and let somebody else drive you around instead. See the Yarra Valley in a Chauffer driven car.

"Evergreen Winery tours" have put up for grabs a prize for anyone who is good enough to score a "hole in one" during a Sunday Leave Pass event. Having seen the playing standard of our members and knowing that his prize is pretty much a safe bet, Geoff Cooper has donated a complimentary "Chauffer driven half day winery tour for 2x people in the Yarra Valley" for a player who scores either a hole in one or an albatross during a Sunday Leave pass competition.





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