

It has been great to see guys still chipping in their fine money even in isolation. If you or your playing partners had an indiscretion on Sunday or even if you just want to kick in a few bucks to increase the bar tab for the golf trip then you can do so by transferring the $\$ \$ \$$ by EFT. You might even want to pay your fine contribution alongside the entry fee for the Devil Bend round especially since this will be due payable along with the final numbers by this coming Thursday.

Please do not make me chase you up. If you could reply to this email letting us know if you will be in or out for the Devil Bend Round it would be greatly appreciated. Some guys are getting 3 emails and a text message before they reply to confirm their status and if this pattern continues then the email address will be assumed to be inactive or unmonitored and dropped from the list.

## GOLF TRIP 2020

ClubBarham Golf Club


Please Note: We have booked the golf trip and we will be going to Barham Golf course this year. The date of the golf trip will be Friday $4^{\text {th }}$ December to Sunday 6th December 2020. The Cost is $\$ 350.00$.

Please Note: We have made the first $\$ 3000$ deposit to secure our booking at Barham, so we are calling for deposits to be paid by the end of March but the sooner the better. There is a confirmation status list at the end of this sheet which details those players who are attending the golf trip and how much deposits have been paid by each attendee. If you haven't paid anything yet, then please jump on the internet and transfer ASAP.

Thanks for all the guys who contributed to The SLP online WGT Social Club. We have had quite a few different tournaments and the winners have been distributed over a wide variety of players. We will continue to post the odd tournament on the Country Club events as they are a bit of fun however we might just spread the time to compete over a longer period of time. Below are the most recent tournament results.

Wayne claimed a few titles, Barry won his maiden title and Heathy McLeod shared the chocolates with Stu Coops in the stroke event.



SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2020

Even if it is on a modified scale Golf is back!!! Hooray!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! They say that Corona virus has changed the world as we know it. The experts proclaim that the norm of yester-year means nothing in the now of today or for the future ahead. So it is, with golf. History and statistics mean nothing as was shown by the extraordinary outcomes from Sundays round at Spring Park Golf Course. The results and records of the year 2020 will be a blot on the sporting historical records, in 2020 there was no US Masters golf, No Wimbledon, No formula 1 events, no inter club grand final results, the Olympics games was postponed and held off the four year cycle. The list of sport idiosyncrasies will go on and on. However, the biggest anomaly in the 2020 sports almanac will be the appearance of Tony MacIsaac's name on the Sunday Leave pass monthly title winners. It took 132 rounds for Tony to win his first seasons title and less than 20 games to claim his second.

It may have been a modified event and only 9 holes however the quality of Tony's performance was mythical. If there was ever any evidence that the global shut down was for the greater good of man (one-man -Tony MacIsaac) it was shown on Sunday. Tony played the first hole to perfection. A long straight drive down the middle of the fairway, he then threaded the needle through the tight entrance to the first green with his 7 wood and knocked his ball to just a couple of feet from the hole for a tap in birdie 3 .

As Mick Harper watched Tony Mac saunter up to the tee with confidence having won the honor on the first green there was no doubt that Tony had used his time in isolation well. Bambi had blossomed into a fully-fledged steer with a full artillery shots to fire off and if anyone was going to try to shoot Bambi he was gonna come back at them with full force and shoot them with everything weapon he has got. T-Mac bombed a huge drive straight drive down the second hole, even out muscling even Big Mick's solid 3 wood. There is no better way to start your round than with a birdie on the first hole unless you can follow it up with another birdie on the $2^{\text {nd }}$ hole too. That would have been an even bigger miracle than Tony winning a monthly title however this
scenario almost played out. Tony's $3^{\text {rd }}$ shot into the $2^{\text {nd }}$ green pitched on to the putting surface just four meters from the middle of the cup and then rolled straight for the flagstick. In-fact his ball was so straight and true that it actually hit and bounced off the flagstick instead of dropping into the cup. Two putts later he was the clubhouse leader standing on the third tee assessing his next shot with his scorecard marked at even par through two. The third hole is a testy par 3 and it usually sorts out the players from the pretenders. At 165 plus meters with an overwhelmingly large bunker protecting the front of the green, a deep magnetic bunker on the left to suck in any ball hit out to the bailout area and a large sloping fringe off the green which steers any ball hit out to the right towards the out of bounds markers, there is lots of places to go wrong.

Without fear or trepidation Tony pulled out his trusty 7 wood and confidently caressed his ball up and onto the green, he temporarily claimed the NTP ranking and set up for his $3^{\text {rd }}$ look at a birdie in 3 holes. Perhaps if he had used his 7 wood again instead of the putter the ball may have dropped in, however his putt was 99.95 perfect anyway because he knocked it straight at the hole, although the Srixon 2 took a huge chunk out of hole unfortunately it was running just a fraction too quick and lipped out. Yet another tap in Par was a disappointing outcome however the sour taste of bad luck was diluted by the knowledge that he had 3 skins in the back pocket, he was square with the card after three holes and he had already positioned himself in an unassailable lead with six holes to play.

We could regurgitate Tony's entire round shot by shot however the more we tell people about it, the more they are likely to think it is just a made-up fairy tale. At the end of the 2226 meter walk, Tony rolled in his final putt on the $9^{\text {th }}$ hole for yet another par to close his morning with a score of 41 off the stick, to give him a Nett score of 26.5 , which was incredibly 6.5 shots better than his handicap over a nine-hole round. Tony had beaten Big Mick off the stick by 3 strokes and carded the $5^{\text {th }}$ lowest gross score for the day. That is certainly a round to remember.

As Tony pulled out of the car park, with still plenty of players out on the course, he was well aware that the only thing yet to be determined was who would be the unlucky person to suffer the wrath of Bambi Strikes Back. Inevitably there was going to be a poor unfortunate golfer who had played a great round of golf only to discover and find out later that they did not win the monthly title in spite of a good title worthy winning score. In this instance it was Dale Robinson who was the deer in the headlights. Dale waltzed around the Spring Park golf course, the short holes, and small greens suited Dales game style. He was able to post a brilliant 38 off the stick consisting of 5 pars and a couple of bogies. Dales only blemish was a double bogey on the par 5 sixth hole. It would be fair to say that Dale has a right to be disappointed that his score of Nett 29.5 on a Par 33 was only good enough for a second-place ranking.

The sixth hole was the stumbling block for many players in the field. It is reputed as the hardest hole on Spring Park golf course and on Sunday it lived up to its reputation. The hole average 7.68 strokes per player, Brendan Mac, and Jamie both walked away from the hole with a Newell, Brendan (13) and Jamie with a Newell plus 1 (11). Cam Ross, Colin, and Barry all came close to a Newell escaping with nines. Stu Coops was only one player who posted a positive outcome on the hole, Stu won 3 skins with a solid par on the treacherous par 5 after having a good look at birdie but falling short.

Greg Parsons was one of the few players who could say that he got lucky on the $6^{\text {th }}$ hole, his tee shot cost him $\$ 2$ when he shanked his ball right off target and straight into the safety fence protecting the local nursing home on Spring Road. Incredibly, somehow his ball managed to bounce back off the nets and it actually finished back on the fringe of the fairway rather than in the scrub and wilderness as the net was designed to do. Bolstered by the lucky break, Greg hit a couple of brilliant 3 woods around the corner, knocked his chip onto the green and walked off the green to the $7^{\text {th }}$ tee with a bogey six after a drive which usual would deliver no better result than a nine or ten on the score card.

It was a pretty tough day for Greg and he was extremely nervous about his score and position in the field rankings. Social interaction after the game is usually the way to seek out a fellow player who can reassure you by knowing how they had a worse score than you. In the absence of the carpark conversations this was not possible so Greg dived head-first into the scorecards seeking out some numbers from a fellow player who could assure him he was not going to come last. It only took as far as locating Brendan MacIsaac's scorecard to assure Greg that he was safe from being crowned the Beer Wench in May.

Brendan obviously did not attend the same MacIsaac training facility as his brother Tony did during the Coronavirus lockdown. Perhaps he did not even have access to his golf clubs at all, because Brendan's golfing skills which had been showing a marked improvement pre-Corona had totally left his mind and body. Brendan had a shocker, perhaps he was calling on the skills from WGT online golf to hit the ball rather than the muscle memory of his old golf swing because it took him 73 shots to navigate the same course that it only took his brother 41 shots to do. Brendan had 2 Newell's, he started the day with a Newell plus 2 (12) on the first hole and then recorded a 13 on the $6^{\text {th }}$ hole after losing three balls in three swings. Even the easiest hole on the golf course the par 3 seventh hole delivered Brendan no love, he racked up 9 shots over the 89 -meter hole, which equates to an average shot distance of less than 10 meters per swing. Statistically you would think this would be an impossible feat to achieve and you would expect that if he played the entire hole with the putter, he would have achieved a better outcome than a 9. According to Col Ewart the one-handed putting technique was not working for B Mac either. It is certainly a unique concept that his not yet made it onto the PGA tour and given that Brendan averages 3 putts per green it is very unlikely it ever will.

Unlike B Mac, Jamie Brunton has a very competent and efficient putting technique. It could be said that Jamie has mastered the use of the flat stick. Jamie had the lowest Putt score with just 14 of his 53 shots coming off the face of the lowest lofted club. With 4 x one putts and no 3 x putt monkey vest worthy holes Jamie can not attest to his poor results coming off the back of this area of his game.

Evidently it is getting the ball onto the green when he is in a bunker which is the determining factor on the score Jamie achieves. Brunto had two Newell's on Sunday and both of them were achieved once he got into a bunker and could not get out again. When asked what had happened on the $8^{\text {th }}$ hole for him to record an 11 his answer was short, sharp, and honest. "Stupid Bunker"

Big Mick found the going tough this week, however he was not overly fussed because he was using the Spring Park round as a warm up before he headed off in the afternoon for a 1 pm hit off at the Eastwood Golf Club for another competition round. Mick, however. must have been feeling a little bit deflated heading to the course knowing that he had been beaten off the stick by Tony Mac. Mick had a birdie free round; he was beaten in the longest drive competition by Glenn Douglas and uncharacteristically he only recorded 3 pars for the morning. Mick made one par on the first, one in the middle and one on the last hole of the day. Micks par on the $9^{\text {th }}$ hole was rewarded with the nearest to pin prize and witnesses say that his 8 iron came remarkably close to going into the cup for a hole in one.

Bookend Birdies. The only two birds for the day were those carded by Tony MacIsaac on the first hole and one by Ben Nichol who closed off the day with a birdie 2 on the $9^{\text {th }}$ green which was a great result for Ben as he was also rewarded with a jackpot of three skins for two great shots.

## The Birdie Crew

| BIRDIES |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tony MacIsaac | 1st Hole Par 4 |
| Ben Nichols | $9^{\text {th }}$ Hole Par 3 |
| NEWELL'S |  |
| Brendan MacIsaac | 1st Hole Par 4 (12) |
| Jamie Brunton | 6th Hole Par 5 (11) |
| Brendan MacIsaac | 6th Hole Par 5 (13) |
| Ron Parsons | 8th Hole Par 4 (10) |
| Jamie Brunton | 8th Hole Par 4 (11) |
|  |  |

For some players, the day started poorly and went on from there. Colin Ewart paid up his $\$ 10$ fines in advance as part of his green fees and by the end of the first hole he had accrued the required offences to justify his fine contribution. As Colin was lining up to play his second stroke from behind the trees behind the ladies markers, Tony Mac arrived just in time to say, "G 'day Stu I see you have moved forward the tee markers that we will be playing from this year." It was probably fair and justifiable for Tony to make this assumption especially since Brendan MacIsaac was also playing his shot from within the same vicinity even if he was a little bit further back.

Heathy Mcleod showed that it is not just computer golf that he is good at. Heath has been a dominant feature on the leaderboard in the Sunday Leave Pass online golf competitions and now that it is back on the radar, he has brought that same form back out on to the real thing. Heath finished in $6^{\text {th }}$ place although he was prepared to pull out the mobile phone and revert back to the thumb technique if his game got away from him.

Barry Hemsley has adopted his WGT persona and taken it literally. Barry has been so inspired by his computer golf character's ability to hit the green in regulation that he has even started to fashion his wardrobe on the same golf attire worn by his avatar. Barry honestly believes if he dresses like his golfer on WGT golf then he will be able to play at the same skill level as his online character does but in real life. There maybe some truth in this theory especially since his name briefly appeared on the NTP marker on the $5^{\text {th }}$ hole. Unfortunately, he still failed to hit the Par 5 sixth hole in regulation. In fact, he was seven shots to get to the green on the par 5, so there is still a bit of work to do yet before he transforms fully into his virtual world players ability.



Congratulations to Tony MacIsaac. He was incredible this week and he has deservedly booked himself a spot in the 2020 Champion of Champions competition at Club Barham. There was much talk about cancelling the status of the event once it was discovered that Tony had claimed the victory however it was voted on by the committee, who came to the conclusion that it will be another 132 rounds or a global epidemic before Tony ever plays like this again so he can still remain the title holder of the longest non-winning streak in the immediate future.

With no alcohol and no social gatherings after the game it was another very disappointing day for Wayne James who was unable to claim the next members on his free drink hit list again this month. Wayne did turn up for the zoom meeting at 2 pm in the full champion of champions regalia however there were only 3 other attendees at the post round get together and each of them had each already previously shouted him a drink. Wayne had to resort to stealing his sons Canadian Club and dry cans out of the beer fridge.

## WAYNES CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS HIT LIST.



The top placings for the Spring Park round were undeniable. Tony Mac smashed the rest of the field; his only competition came by the way of Dale Robinson who admitted that he could not have found the extra 3 shots he needed to chase down Tony's incredible score. Dales round was also pretty much faultless so it shows just how good T Mac played. Local knowledge certainly proved to be advantageous for Stu Coops who finished his day in $3^{\text {rd }}$ place. Stu finished the last 6 holes only 1 over the card and the bogey was resultant of a three putt on the par 3 seventh hole from only 20 feet from the flag. Stu missed a simple 3' footer tap in on the $7^{\text {th }}$ hole to be crowned with the flouro yellow vest although he went on to par the next couple of holes on the way back to
the clubhouse. Ben Nichol played to his handicap with Nett 33 and Steve O’Sullivan continued his love affair with Spring Park Golf Course by yet again posting a very commendable score.

## The final standings for Spring Park were as follows:

| Ranking | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Player | Tony <br> MacIsaac | Dale <br> Robinson | Stuart <br> Cooper | Ben <br> Nichol | Steve <br> O'Sullivan | Heath <br> Mcleod | Anthony <br> Emmerson | Ron <br> Parsons | Cam <br> Douglas |
| Score | $\mathbf{4 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 8}$ | 39 | $\mathbf{4 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 9}$ | 49 | 45 | 48 | 49 |
| Handicap | 14.5 | 8.5 | 7 | 11 | 5 | 14 | 9 | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |
| Nett Score | 26.5 | 29.5 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | $\mathbf{3 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 7}$ |
| Points | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 9 | $\mathbf{8}$ | 7 |


| Ranking | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Player | Rick <br> Turcinovic | Leigh <br> MacIsaac | Glenn <br> Douglas | Adam <br> Cooper | Greg <br> Parsons | Steve <br> Dawson | Wayne <br> James | Mick <br> Harper | Brent <br> Douglas |
| Score | 52 | 45 | 46 | 50 | 53 | 51 | 46 | 44 | 49 |
| Handicap | 14 | 7 | 8 | 11.5 | 14.5 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 9 |
| Nett Score | 38 | 38 | 38 | 38.5 | 38.5 | 39 | 39 | 40 | 40 |
| Points | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |


| Ranking | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | Beer WENCH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Player | Tim <br> Emmerson | Barry <br> Hemsley | Jamie <br> Brunton | Phil <br> Plane | Colin <br> Ewart | Cameron <br> Ross | Brendan MacIsaac |
| Score | $\mathbf{4 8}$ | 54 | 53 | 57 | 58 | 56 | 73 |
| Handicap | 8 | 14 | 11.5 | 14 | 14.5 | 12.5 | 19 |
| Nett Score | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 1 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 . 5}$ | 54 |
| Points | $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

As this was only a nine-hole event we divided each players handicap by 2 to formulate their playing handicap. This included half (0.5) strokes two create a clear division of scores and if that was not enough, we also used the count back system where required to separate players with equal Nett scores. On this occasion we simply looked at the stableford points scored on the $9^{\text {th }}$ hole, $8^{\text {th }}$ hole and worked backwards until a player posted a better individual stableford hole score. The player with the higher points score was awarded the higher place ranking.

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.

| Mick Harper | Steve Osullivan | In this instance both Mick and SOS had Nett 71 after their handicap was deducted from the Gross Scores. So, we go back to a countback. | Steve Dawson | Shane Cumming |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 79 | 81 | In this example Dale wins because he had 19 stableford points on the back nine compared to El Presidente' who played to his handicap on the back nine and had 18 points and was therefore relegated down to second | 96 | $86$ |
| 8 | 10 | place. | 19 | 9 |
| 71 | 71 |  | 77 | 77 |
| +2 | +1 | If 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 | +1 | +2 |
| +1 | +2 | standout result. In the example shown on the right both Steve Dawson and Shane Cumming had 16 | +2 | +2 |
| +2 | +3 | Stableford points at Beacon Hills. Steve had a bogie for 2 points whereas poor Cider had a double bogie six | +1 | +3 |
| +3 | +2 | for 0 points on the $18^{\text {th }}$ hole therefore Steve wins the countback and Shane is relegated back to a lower place ranking. If both scores are equal then we go back to the $17^{\text {th }}$ hole, then the $16^{\text {th }}$, etc etc. | +1 | +0 |
| +2 | +2 |  | +2 | +2 |
| +2 | +2 | PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COUNT BACK IS ON HOLES 10-18 irrespective of whether it is a two-tee | +2 | +2 |
| +2 | +3 | start, a normal hit off from the first hole or as in the case of Warburton we hit off the both $1^{\text {st }}$ and 10th holes. | +2 | +2 |
| +3 | +3 | then it still remains exactly the same formula. | +3 | +3 |
| +3 | +1 |  | +2 | +0 |
| +19 | +18 |  | +16 | +16 |

To qualify as the Champion of Champions title a member needs to win a monthly title. All of the winners from monthly championships who are attending the golf trip will then play off for the title based on total accumulated stableford points from 9 x Randomly selected holes. The Winner is the person with the most points over those holes, in the event of a tie a Countback applies.
NOTE: The Winner of the December title is eligible to win however they only get to count scores and use only 8 Randomly selected holes.

Monthly winners eligible for Champion of Champions playoff in 2020
January (Ron Parsons) 94 Nett 65. February (Greg Parsons) 99 Nett 67. March (Anthony Emmerson) 87 Nett 66.
March 2 (Ron Parsons) 95 Nett 70. April (No scores recorded) May (Tony MacIsaac) 41 Nett 26.5. June (TBA)
Points are hard to come by this season, with fields of players in excess of 30 players each month so far, it is a big ask to finish inside the top 14 to get multiple points. Every missed putt, each lost ball or duffed chip has a huge impact on the final place rankings and the count back system can be influential on how the day pans out for you. The scores on the back nine are very important as they are regularly the determinant of the end results because when more than one player finishes with the same Nett score then the places are calculated based on the total number of stableford points scored on the back nine and then narrowed even finer down to individual hole scores starting from the $18^{\text {th }}$ hole and working back.

This year, 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 Eynesbury, we will add a few extra shots to your arsenal just to give you more hope of avoiding total anxiety and depression.

Tony MacIsaac can take a large sigh of relief knowing that we decided not to handicap the Spring Park round. Tony would have been severely dealt with under normal circumstances however since it was only a nine-hole event we have left all of the players handicaps unchanged until next month

## 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 | 23.2 | 23.2 | Leigh MacIsaac | 13.9 | 13.9 |
| Andrew Clarke | 14.3 | 14.3 | Mal Griffiths | 16.2 | 16.2 |
| Anthony Emmerson | 18.4 | 18.4 | Mark Fitzpatrick | 19.3 | 19.3 |
| Barry Hemsley | 28.7 | 28.7 | Mark Sfiligoj | 16.2 | 16.2 |
| Ben Nichol | 21.7 | 21.7 | Mick Harper | 7.9 | 7.9 |
| Brendan MacIsaac | 38.4 | 38.4 | Newell Richards | 20.4 | 20.4 |
| Brent Douglas | 17.6 | 17.6 | Paul Marshall | 24.3 | 24.3 |
| Cam Douglas | 24.4 | 24.4 | Peter Calyvopoulos | 15.5 | 15.5 |
| Cam Ross | 25.3 | 25.3 | Phil Plane | 27.5 | 27.5 |
| Chris Sfiligoj | 21.5 | 21.5 | Rick Turcinovic | 28.3 | 28.3 |
| Chris Benjamin | 3 games R'qd | 3 games R'qd | Ron Parsons | 24.1 | 24.1 |
| Cliff Rowe | 13.6 | 13.6 | Shane Cummings | 10.1 | 10.1 |
| Colin Ewart | 28.6 | 28.6 | Shaun Klep | 26.6 | 26.6 |
| Dale Robinson | 16.6 | 16.6 | Steve Dawson | 23.7 | 23.7 |
| David Burns | 26.0 | 26.0 | Steve O'Sullivan | 10.2 | 10.2 |
| Gerard MacIsaac | 9.6 | 9.6 | Steve Powne | 22.1 | 22.1 |
| Glenn Douglas | 15.6 | 15.6 | Stuart Cooper | 14.4 | 14.4 |
| Greg Breasley | 34.1 | 34.1 | Todd Neilsen | 17.1 | 17.1 |
| Greg Parsons | 28.9 | 28.9 | Tom Kellythorn | 19.2 | 19.2 |
| Heath McLeod | 27.6 | 27.6 | Tony Grasso | 19.8 | 19.8 |
| Jamie Brunton | 23.1 | 23.1 | Tony MacIsaac | 28.9 | 28.9 |
| Jaxon Fitzpatrick | 28.4 | 28.4 | Warren Perrett | 24.2 | 24.2 |
| John Mea | 26.7 | 26.7 | Wayne James | 13.5 | 13.5 |

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 17th and 18th holes are never deducted,

For example, if a player scores 99 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their ( 3 worst holes) +1
If a player scores 82 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their ( 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.

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 Scores to be Used in the Record Calculation

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

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

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.

| Name | Total | Played | Rank |  | Name | Total | Played | Rank |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ron Parsons | $\mathbf{5 0}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{1}$ |  | Ben Nichol | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{2 5}$ |
| Steve O'Sullivan | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{2}$ |  | Mark Sfiligoj | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{2 6}$ |
| Dale Robinson | $\mathbf{4 1}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{3}$ |  | Shaun Klep | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2 6}$ |
| Anthony Emmerson | $\mathbf{3 9}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{4}$ | Cliff Rowe | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2 6}$ |  |
| Stuart Cooper | $\mathbf{3 6}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{5}$ | Newell Richards | $\mathbf{9}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{2 9}$ |  |
| Mick Harper | $\mathbf{3 2}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{6}$ | Brendan MacIsaac | $\mathbf{8}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3 0}$ |  |
| Heath McLeod | $\mathbf{3 1}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{7}$ |  | Paul Marshall | $\mathbf{6}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3 1}$ |
| Wayne James | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{8}$ | Adam Cooper | $\mathbf{5}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3 2}$ |  |
| Cam Douglas | $\mathbf{2 6}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{9}$ | Gerard MacIsaac | $\mathbf{4}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{3 3}$ |  |
| Peter Calyvopoulos | $\mathbf{2 4}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | Tom Kellythorn | $\mathbf{3}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |  |
| Tony MacIsaac | $\mathbf{2 3}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | Chris Sfiligoj | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 5}$ |  |
| Rick Turcinovic | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Andrew Clarke | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 5}$ |  |
| Steve Powne | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 3}$ |  | Mal Griffiths | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 5}$ |
| Jamie Brunton | $\mathbf{1 8}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |  | John Mea | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 5}$ |
| Greg Parsons | $\mathbf{1 8}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | Tony Grasso | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 5}$ |  |
| Leigh MacIsaac | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | Greg Breasley | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 5}$ |  |
| Phil Plane | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | Warren Perrett | $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3 5}$ |  |
| Colin Ewart | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | Todd Neilson | $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{4 2}$ |  |
| Barry Hemsley | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | Rob Underwood | $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{4 2}$ |  |
| Shane Cumming | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | Tim Emmerson | $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{4 2}$ |  |
| Steve Dawson | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | YET TO PLAY |  |  |  |  |
| Cam Ross | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | David Burns | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 5}$ |  |
| Glenn Douglas | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 4 | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | Mark Fitzpatrick | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 5}$ |  |
| Brent Douglas | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 5 | $\mathbf{2 4}$ | Matt Robinson | $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | $\mathbf{4 5}$ |  |

Nearest to the pin prizes were won by:

| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Hole | Steve O'Sullivan |
| :--- | :--- |
| $5^{\text {th }}$ Hole | Cam Douglas |
| 7 th Hole | Wayne James |
| $\mathbf{9}^{\text {th }}$ Hole | Mick Harper |
| Longest Drive | Glenn Douglas |
| NTP Second shot | Rick Turcinovic $\left(\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}\right.$ Hole $)$ |

Golf Balls are owed to the following people:

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.

Tony MacIsaac $\quad \$ 25$ House of golf voucher - Winner at Spring Park
Ron Parsons $\quad \$ 25$ House of golf voucher - Winner at Centenary Park
Anthony Emmerson $\mathbf{\$ 2 5}$ House of golf voucher - Winner at Beacon Hills
Greg Parsons $\quad \$ 25$ House of golf voucher - Winner at Warburton
Tony Grasso $1 x$ golf ball NTP $2^{\text {nd }}$ Shot $5^{\text {th }}$ Hole Warburton
Steve O'Sullivan 1x Golf Ball NTP 3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Hole -Spring Park
Cam Douglas
Wayne James
Mick Harper
Glenn Douglas
Rick Turcinovic
1x Golf Ball NTP 5th Hole -Spring Park
1x Golf Ball NTP 7th Hole -Spring Park
1x Golf Ball NTP 9th Hole -Spring Park
1x Golf Ball Longest Drive -Spring Park
NTP $2^{\text {nd }}$ Shot ( $4^{\text {th }}$ Hole) - Spring Park

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

Just a reminder that for every round you play you are awarded a raffle ticket to go towards the end of year raffle, then extra tickets are issued if you wear the official club shirt plus extra tickets can also be won by winning a hole in the monthly 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 at Spring Park were won by:
Tony Maclsaac
Jackpot
Tony Maclsaac
Jackpot
Jackpot
Stuart Cooper
Jackpot
Jackpot Ben Nichol

## Number of skins won

Tony Maclsaac ..... x3
Stuart Cooper ..... x3
Ben Nichol ..... x3

## Remaining games on 2020 Fixture

| Golf Course \& How to get there Directions | Date | Melways Ref | Website links |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Devils Bend | 31st May 8-00am | 152 J 1 | www.devilbendgolf.com.au |
| Bayviews | 28th June 8-30am |  | www.bayviewsgolf.com.au |
| Eynesbury | 26th July 9-00am | $\begin{gathered} 220 \text { G9 / } 226 \\ \mathrm{H} 1 \end{gathered}$ | www.eynesburygolf.com.au |
| Werribee Park | 23rd August 9-00am | 259 B 4 | www.werribeepark.com.au |
| Ringwood | 20th September 9-00am | 63 F 2 | www.ringwoodgolfclub.com.au |
| Marysville | 11th October 8-37am |  | www.marysvillegolfandbowls.com.au |
| Melbourne Airport | 25th October 9-00am | 184 D 5 | www.melbourneairportgolfclub.com.au |
| Morack | $15^{\text {th }}$ November $8-15 \mathrm{am}$ | 63 C 5 | www.morackgolf.com.au |
| Barham Golf Club | 4th - 6th December |  | www.clubarham.com.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 2019 fixture we hope to be running a couple of social nights at the The House of Golf. in Ringwood using the virtual golf simulators. The House of Golf. generously donated some great prizes for the golf trip and raffle, so please check out their website link from the SLP website and consider them for any golf purchases you make.


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.

## DNR print

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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.


For those who were not aware of the "hole in one prize", any player who scores a hole in one or an Albatross during a Sunday Leave Pass event will win a complimentary Chauffer Driven Winery Tour for $2 x$ people through the Yarra Valley, courtesy of Evergreen Winery Tours. So, start aiming at the hole we want to give it away this year there was a few close calls over the years but we are still yet to achieve the perfect shot despite more than 12000 attempts since 2004.
(In 1999, Golf Digest reported, "One insurance company puts a PGA Tour pro's chances at 1 in 3,756 and an 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

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

## GOLF TRIP CONFIRMATION STATUS

ClubBarham $4^{\text {th }}$-6th December Cost is $\$ 350$

| Player | Status | Paid | Player | Status | Paid |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adam Cooper | Not Playing |  | Leigh MacIsaac | Confirmed |  |  |
| Andrew Clarke | Confirmed |  | Mal Griffiths | Confirmed |  |  |
| Anthony Emmerson | Confirmed |  | Mark Fitzpatrick | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Barry Hemsley | Confirmed | Paid \$50 | Mark Sfiligoj | Confirmed |  |  |
| Ben Nichol | Not Playing |  | Mick Harper | Confirmed |  |  |
| Brendan MacIsaac | Confirmed | Paid \$175 | Newell Richards | Confirmed | Paid \$285 |  |
| Brent Douglas | Confirmed | Paid \$100 | Paul Marshall | Confirmed |  |  |
| Cam Douglas | Confirmed |  | Peter Calyvopoulos | Confirmed |  |  |
| Cam Ross | Confirmed | Paid \$50 | Phil Plane | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Chris Sfiligoj | Confirmed |  | Rick Turcinovic | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Chris Benjamin | Not Playing |  | Rob Underwood | Confirmed | Paid \$100 |  |
| Cliff Rowe | Confirmed |  | Ron Parsons | Confirmed | Paid \$350 |  |
| Colin Ewart | Confirmed | Paid \$350 | Shane Cummings | Confirmed | Paid \$350 |  |
| Dale Robinson | Unknown |  | Shaun Klep | Confirmed | Paid \$115 |  |
| David Burns | Confirmed | Paid \$75 | Steve Dawson | Not Playing |  |  |
| Gerard MacIsaac | Confirmed | Paid \$100 | Steve O'Sullivan | Confirmed | Paid \$50 |  |
| Glenn Douglas | Confirmed | Paid \$70 | Steve Powne | Confirmed | Paid \$235 |  |
| Greg Breasley | Unknown |  | Stuart Cooper | Confirmed |  |  |
| Greg Parsons | Confirmed | Paid \$350 | Todd Neilsen | Confirmed |  |  |
| Heath McLeod | Confirmed |  | Tom Kellythorn | Confirmed |  |  |
| Jamie Brunton | Confirmed | Paid \$50 | Tony Grasso | Not Playing |  |  |
| Jaxon Fitzpatrick | Not Playing |  | Tony MacIsaac | Confirmed | Paid \$350 |  |
| John Mea | Not Playing |  | Warren Perrett | Not Playing |  |  |
|  |  |  | Wayne James | Confirmed | Paid \$100 |  |

