



November 2022 Newsletter

Dear WAVGA Member,

This is the latest update for members. I hope it is useful for those that are not able to stay for presentations, are unable to listen carefully or even those that may have forgotten that they were informed before.

FIXTURES AND RESULTS:

The Website now sets out the fixtures and results very effectively and it is worth you looking at the **Captains Corner** under the **Members Tab**.

We conducted our Club Championships at Hartfield and Wanneroo Golf Clubs in September. These were well supported and the results were;

Club Champion: Brendan Curtain 159 Gross

A Grade Nett Winner: Warren Howard C/B143 Nett

A Grade Nett Runner up: Mal Kent 143 Nett

B Grade Nett Winner: Jamie McEwan 146 Nett

B Grade Nett Runner Up: Mick Brazier 150 Nett

C Grade Stableford Winner: Kevin Essing C/B 66 Points

C Grade Stableford Runner Up Paul Ryan 66 points

THE AVGU CHAMPIONSHIPS:

The Championships were conducted in Mandurah with a total of 301 participants made up of 225 male and 76 female. As is usual the first day was a 4BB event with the Tuesday, Thursday and Friday being the 3 days of the Championship. The event was conducted at the Mandurah Country Club, Meadow Springs and Secret Harbour Courses which were all in excellent condition. I was extremely pleased to see that our members volunteered in very strong numbers to attend the courses to book players in, assist with Hole in One supervision, mark off the players returning after their round of golf and helping with scoring and input issues. Ours was the first AVGU Championship where the Miscore App was used. This was adopted by about 85% of the players and made the processing of results and the time taken to announce the winners considerably easier and faster. The overall results of the Championship are included with this newsletter. We had a very strong showing by WAVGA members in the results including the Men's Champion Brendan Curtin. Brendan is only the second National Champion from Western Australia. The first one was Bob Howe in 1998.

Next year's Championships will be held in Canberra 12th to 17th November.

OUR SPONSORS:

Our list of sponsors can be found on the Home Page of the website. If you scroll down you will see all of them now have a link so that you can click on it be taken to their website. Have a look at what your sponsors actually do in their businesses and if you think you may need their services and you may be able to support them then contact them.

MEMBERSHIP MOVING FORWARD:

Our numbers have continued to increase and we also now have a number of new female members which is very encouraging. Please look to encourage people to join and encourage people to play regularly as full fields add to the appeal for clubs to have us back again.

A TRIBUTE TO RON COLE

Ron Cole, one of our two current life members passed away last month.

Ron served as secretary/treasurer over 8 years between 2006 and 2014 and was the WA delegate to the AVGU in 2009.

Ron was a member of Mt Lawley Golf Club for many years. Importantly he had a key role in the development and progress of the Western Australian Veteran Golfers Association as a member for over twenty years.

Anyone who knew Ron would immediately identify his energy and enthusiasm he had for the Association and its members. Also, his reputation amongst our host clubs in WA was second to none.

The warmth he displayed to our members with his friendly gesture of putting his hand on one's shoulder will be sadly missed. He was a true gentleman who had a passion for the organisation and its people.

Ron made a difference during his time with the WA Vets association and he will not be forgotten as we will continue in awarding perpetually the Ron Cole Memorial Trophy for the Mid-West fixtures.

NEW MEMBERS:

We would like to welcome the following new members since the last Newsletter in June 2022.

Name	Club	Date Joined	Name	Club	Date Joined
Shelley Kraus	Royal Perth	24/6/2022	Damien Holden	The Vines	17/9/2022
Ian Holding	Cottesloe	6/7/2022	Greg Burgess	Kwinana	1/10/2022
Susy Italiano	Royal Perth	24/7/2022	Kath Fordham	Nedlands	1/10/2022
Geordie Robertson	Royal Fremantle	9/8/2022	Don Spector	Royal Fremantle	1/10/2022
Mark Hales	Pinjarra	15/8/2022	Basil Winterbourn	Cottesloe	1/10/2022
Andy Le Messurier	Nedlands	15/8/2022	Rob Murphy	Busselton	1/10/2022
Phil Montgomery	Nedlands	15/8/2022	Stephen Potter	Sun City	6/10/2022
Fook Soo	Royal Fremantle	15/8/2022	Bajan Sangah	Mandurah	6/10/2022
Brian March	Kennedy Bay	29/8/2022	Neil Scott	Lake Karrinyup	6/10/2022
Mark Ewers	Joondalup	1/9/2022	Peter Fogarty	Esperance	16/10/2022
Brian Stuart	Nedlands	1/9/2022	Ian Rowson	The Vines	23/10/2022
Clint Cooper	The Cut	15/9/2022	Clive Sheiles	Wanneroo	13/11/2022
John Davis	Sun City	15/11/2022	John Brady	Kennedy Bay	26/11/2022
Stan Fetisow	Sun City	26/11/2022	Ken Carson	Chequers	26/11/2022
Sharon Fitzpatrick	WAGC	26/11/2022	Tony Watchman	WAGC	26/11/2022

AVGU CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022

OVERALL RESULTS

54 HOLE Championship Gross

	WINNER		PRIZE
Men's Gross Champion	Brendan Curtin Joondalup	238 c/b	\$500 + Trophy
Women's Gross Champion	Sandy Ford - Darwin	260	\$500 + Trophy

54 HOLE Championship Nett

	WINNER		PRIZE
Men's Nett Champion	Robert Sirotko Gold Creek Country Club	216	\$380 + Trophy
Women's Nett Champion	Rawina Hayes - Bunbury	212	\$380 + Trophy

Divisional winners

	WINNER		PRIZE
A Grade Men			
Nett Winner	Tom Colella - Lakelands	219 c/b	\$300
Nett R/U	Bill Crothers – Sussex Inlet	219	\$200
B Grade Men			
Stableford winner	Graham Bourgault - WAGC	105	\$300
Stableford R/U	Keith Abbott - Pinjarra	103 c/b	\$200
C Grade Men			
Stableford winner	Rob Styles - Waroona	110	\$300
Stableford R/U	Steve Smart - Waroona	107	\$200
A Grade Women			
Nett Winner	Teresa Smart - WAGC	214	\$300
Nett R/U	Joan Brown - Nedlands	222 c/b	\$200
B Grade Women			
Stableford winner	Aileen Williams – Howlong Country Club	105	\$300
Stableford R/Up	Mandy Sudlow-Brown - Nedlands	104	\$200

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