

ON PAR UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

The Club newsletter, On-Par has a new editorial team Wendy Smith and Liz Sumpton. Hank Timmerman commenced the newsletter in July 2014 and after 74 editions has decided to hand the job over to someone else.

I produced 4 editions when Hank and Pat had a holiday in Europe, and I can fully understand that the task of getting a quality newsletter out every month takes time and effort. This is even more so when no contributions are made from other club members.



I wish to give Hank a very big thank you for firstly initiating the newsletter and for producing such a quality document for so long. So, HANK on behalf of all club members, take a bow, and thank you.

I wish Wendy and Liz all the best in their endeavour. Please remember members to provide Wendy and Liz with copy and Pics for the newsletter, in large part the newsletter will only be as good as the material that is provided to them for editing.

Article Bevis Dutton.

NEW SECURITY CAMERAS

New security cameras have been installed at the Club, to replace the previous system that had broken down. The new cameras have a better resolution and provide better coverage than the previous cameras, particularly the car park and workshop areas. This might assist Members that believe that their vehicle has been damaged in the car park.

The security camera system is always on and recording and whilst it is not actively monitored it is reviewed, where it is considered video surveillance may assist in resolving an incident.

The surveillance system has been successful in the past providing evidence of the identity of the offender who broke into the Club three years ago. As a result of that evidence, the offender pleaded guilty to burglary. Luckily on that occasion nothing was stolen.

The surveillance system valued at \$3000 is there to assist in the protection of the Clubhouse and Club property as well as the property of individual Members.

Article Hank Timmerman

VETERAN'S REPORT

In spite of losing a few months due to 'you know what' in 2020 our Vets group managed to finish the year with a healthy bank balance.

At our annual breakup day, Vets President KJ Jones presented a cheque for \$10,000 to Club President Bevis. After some research back through the old annual reports it was discovered that the first donation of \$700 was made in 1995. This latest cheque has taken the total donated to the Club by the Vets group to \$228200. This money has been well spent by the Committee to continually improve our great facilities.

Trophy winners for the year were:

Vets Champion Gary Beaton
Vet of the Year & Putting Denis Phipps
Gold Medal Graeme Sward
Perfect Card Phil Walden

Our Vets Captain of the past 10 years Warren Snashall has decided to take a well-earned break and will not be nominating for 2021/2022. KJ has been busy working through the list of nominations but if you feel you are ready to take a step up into this particularly important role, have a chat to KJ or any committee member.

2021 Tournament

The weather gods smiled upon our great course. We hosted 166 players from St Helens to Smithton. We received nothing but praise from our guests for the organisation, the course and our fantastic catering crew consisting of Ozzie, Ryno and Andy ably assisted by Rob Beveridge and Don Peterson.

This year we had a few golfers from St Helens who set up camp near the machinery shed. They were so impressed they donated \$100 to the Vets to sponsor prizes for a Wednesday game. They promised to be back next year and bring more players with them. This is just another example of making our guests feel welcome and reaping the rewards in the future.

Article David Dunham

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

Joshua Allen Country Member
Garry Cooney Full Member
Peter Czerkiewicz Social Member
Robert Foster Full Member
Andrew Spencer Country Member

VALE LAURENCE BEVERIDGE

Laurence grew up on the family farm at Sassafras. He attended Sassafras Primary School and then onto Devonport High, from there he went to University in Hobart studying Tech drawing, wood and metal work, mechanics and designing. After University, his first posting was at George Town High. After several more schools he left the Education Department and returned to the family farm. His main job here was repairing and redesigning machinery on the farms.

Laurence was a handy golfer and for quite some time played off an 18 handicap. He also played cricket for Sassafras and was an excellent mid order batsman.

In 1980 after a unanimous decision to purchase land to build a new gold course, Laurence and I became involved with aerial photos taken of the land to be purchased. Laurence's friend in Hobart Elliot Booth who he had attended University with, was a state golfer and was approached to see if he would be able to design a layout. After much discussion Elliot chose to ask Peter Toogood who was also a state player. Peter studied the photos and arranged to visit the land already purchased. He was absolutely wrapped in the area and the rest is history.

Laurence joined the Development Committee of nine members appointed by the General Committee of the day, he was involved with the layout of the greens as Peter had supplied and also instrumental in helping with the installation of the water system for the greens and tee beds.

Laurence and I were great friends for over 70 years. When Farmers Day golf was introduced at Launceston Golf Club around the mid 1970's quite a number of country golf clubs followed suit and we attended every one for many years. Laurence enjoyed his golf with the many friends he made. He was a foundation member of our Golf Club.

Rest in peace mate. Article Rex Richardson

Laurence had the foresight to see the Club needed more water to survive. During my tenure as Club President to say we were in a spot of bother is an understatement. We had a massive shortage of water; the pump had blown to pieces and the course was dying. Laurence was having none of this and with collaboration of Rex Richardson that enlarging a small water hole on the end of the fourth tee bed would be the way to go. There was no procrastination, it had "to be as soon as possible" was the message from Laurence. We were to liaise with the Department of Infrastructure and Water as to the possibility of diverting water from Panatana Rivulet to the new dam/waterhole.

This was granted in due course and Laurence decided the water was not coming to the dam at the desired rate, so some form ply was used to speed up the process. Needless to say, we had to put an end to this practice, but it just goes to show that Laurence was prepared to go to any length to protect his beloved Club.

Laurence contacted Dicky Lamprey about the possibility of pumping water from a dam on his farm, behind the eighth tee bed. Dicky agreed to our request, and Laurence using his own Lister pump, set up the irrigation pipes to pump water to the Club. Everything was going great until it was discovered that a breed of burrowing lobster was in residence and put a swift halt to those proceedings.

This was the start of the rejuvenation of the course that we all enjoy today so as you can see, we all certainly owe Lawrence alongside Rex with a heap of assistance from other Club Members to complete the project, but it was Laurence's foresight to see we needed water and quickly that has put us where we are today.

Article Mike Smith

GOLDEN CIRCLE 2021

FIRST DRAW

SATURDAY 6TH MARCH

LAST DRAW

SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER

MAJOR DRAW

SATURDAY 18TH DECEMBER

COST: \$40.00

\$30.00 - \$20.00 - \$10.00 DRAWS WEEKLY EVERY 6 WEEKS BONUS DRAWS

ATTENTION TO ALL MEMBERS

ALL MEMBERS WHO PAID PRIOR TO COVID-19 LOCKDOWN WILL BE CARRIED OVER TO 2021

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

ANY QUERIES SEE

LEONIE CLARKE

MITCHELSON SHIELD



The 39th Mitchelson Family Shield was held for 2021

A big year next year for the 40th!!!!

The shield was won by:

Liz Sumpton and Stephen Morrison with a nett 69.75

Runners up Lorraine and Neville Smith with a nett 70.25

PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Our resident swans have had cygnets!



Photo courtesy of Geoff Pile