

From the President

Sponsorship and Signage

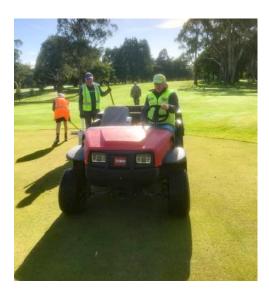
I would like to thank Chris Hallam who filled in for me whilst I was touring the big northern island recently. Chris has been busy working on sponsorship and upgrading some of our outdated signs. In the near future, new course and sponsorship signs will be installed as we look at updating all signs on the course. In the last newsletter Chris referred to a newly erected sign showing the original course design and the current layout. Many may not be aware but the original course designed by Peter Toogood was 18 holes. When the course was first being developed, the decision was made to start with 9 holes and get them consolidated. The nine holes we are currently playing are the back 9 of the original design, with the front 9 planned to go around the outside of the back nine. The first hole is meant to be a par five, with the tee bed just inside the front gate and running parallel with Squeaking Point Road. I wonder how many tee shots would end up sliced across the road!

Trivia Night

Lynne Dutton has confirmed the trivia night will be held on Friday October 31, with a 7.30pm sharp start. Teams of 6 can enter, with supper included for \$15 per person. The entry sheet is in the bar, so get your teams together. It is always a fun night and Lynne has promised a few different segments this year.

Greens Coring

Recently the greens were cored and treated with a dusting of sand and seed. As in the past, we had extra volunteers to help with the coring but this time we were supported by three juniors who rolled their sleeves up and showed the older members they were more than capable. Dustin Rigby and Daniel and Joel





Replace Divots

Repair Pitch Marks

No cigarette Butts on the Course

Woods did a great job and we were impressed that they wanted to help with the maintenance of the course. Future workers in the making!

Buggy Storage

The committee has decided to offer storage of push buggies in the shipping container we recently purchased. The container will be moved to a site beside the existing Buggy Shed, and improvements will be made to make the door easier for everyone to open and close. We are calling for expressions of interest from members who wish to store their push buggies on the property. The container will be for storage only; there will not be any provision for battery charging. The fee for storage will be \$100 per year. If you are interested, please respond to secretary@thirlstanegolfclub.com.au If numbers exceed capacity we will need to conduct a ballot. We are aiming to have everything in place by the start of November.

RV Parking

Starting soon we will be opening up part of our grounds for self-contained RV Parking. The area we will be trialling is the grassed area directly behind the machinery sheds. Access to this area will be through the carpark and across a section of the practice area. Disruption should be minimal but members are asked to be aware when practicing. The movement and parking of vehicles will be under the direction of our Caretaker, Mike George and I thank him for volunteering his time for this project.

Roger Eadie

President





Our young members Marcus Rigby, Daniel and Joel Woods coring the greens. They worked so hard that coring of the greens may in future be scheduled to coincide with school holidays. Well done boys and all the not so young helpers, thank you.

Cock 'o Walk Finalists



L to R Hans Thogersen, Ben Smith, Terry Griffiths, Marc Turner

Hans Thorgersen and Ben Smith defeated Terry Griffiths and Marc Turner 4/2. Congratulations to all who played in this event and to those that were lucky enough to have bought the winning team in the Calcutta.

Vets Report

Well bad news, Port Sorell now hold the Veterans Rubicon Cup a disappointing result to go with the loss to Launceston as well this year so bad we have had to send Vice Captain David Dunham to the sunshine to recuperate for a few days. We believe Paul Glover will recover from the embarrassment as well!!!! While the weather gods have not been overly kind there has still been plenty of hardy golfers on a Wednesday and some good golf being played.

We are at the important part of our Golf year with the Veterans Championships to be player on the last Wednesday of October and the first Wednesday of November so good luck to all golfers and we hope the weather gods are kind.

The many veterans who volunteer at the club have done a wonderful job in assisting with the recent coring and the greens have recovered quickly with the assistance of some rain to wash the sand in , well done to Harry and Team.

Good Golfing to all members!!!!

Thank you
Arthur Johnstone
President Thirlstane Veterans Group

Replace Divots

Footy Margins

Hello Everyone

Well that's the 2025 season done and dusted. We had the usual bad weather during the year, causing us to lose a couple of games.

\$2566 was raised this year, consisting of \$200 in unclaimed prizes. If you come across a ticket that has the correct margin and serial number, you can contact Mike Smith and I will see that you are paid.

The approximate amount raised over the 18 years the fund raiser has been running is \$43,200. The figure is only approximate as the bookkeeping in the early years was not at it's best.

A special thank you to Brett, Tony, Wazza and Chris for their assistance in selling tickets. Of course I would also like to issue a big thank you to all the regular members for their continued participation, and new members for coming on board.

See you all next year and in the interim hit em long and straight.

Biff

Date	Name \$10	Name\$80	Name \$10	Margin	Serial No	Game
9/3/2025	N/A					
16/3/2025	NW Smith	S Vickers	D Hanson	63	334915	Adel v St K
23/3/2025	T Griffiths	M Lowe	J Crawford	19	334799	Bris v W Coast
30/3/2025	NW Smith	NW Smith	BA Hall	36	335999	Adel v N Melb
6/4/2025	C Hallam	A Johnstone	C Hinds	81	334911	GWS v W Coast
13/4/2025	AT Dick	NW Smith	D Hanson	61	327811	Rich v Frem
20/4/2025	T Ryan	M Turner	M Smith	8	327215	Syd v Port Ad
27/4/2025	M Smith	W Viney	NW Smith	38	327219	Gold C v Syd
4/5/2025	BA Hall	L Viney	AT Dick	14	326620	Syd v GWS
11/5/2025	D French	AT Dick	D French	2	327820	Rich v W Coast
18/5/2025	NW Smith	L Viney	M Turner	4	327218	Rich v N Melb
25/5/2025	BA Hall			66	327214	Adel v W Coast
1/6/2025		L Viney		28	326619	Melb v St K
8/6/2025	J Crawford		M Smith	10	327819	N Melb v W Coast

15/6/2025		C Hinds	BA Hall	25	327217	P/Adel v Melb
22/6/2025	BA Hall	M Smith	M Smith	7	326618	GWS v G Coast
29/6/2025	BA Hall	B Smith	BA Hall	68	327213	Rich v Adel
6/7/2025	BA Hall	M Jago	S Revell	11	327814	Syd v Frem
13/7/2025	W Smith	NW Smith	M George	36	327212	Melb v Nth Melb
20/7/2025	S Revell	BA Hall	BA Hall	31	327818	Geel v St Kil
27/7/2025		wash out				Rich v Coll
3/8/2025	B Smith	BA Hall	BA Hall	9	327216	St Kil v Nth Melb
10/8/2025	M Turner	BA Hall	A Johnstone	54	326615	GWS v Nth Melb
17/8/2025	S Jago	L Viney	T Ryan	48	327817	Nth Melb v Rich
24/8/2025	B Smith	AT Dick	W Viney	11	327813	GWS v StKil
6/9/2025	D Hanson	M Turner	M Turner	19	327211	GWS v Haw
13/9/2025		A Johnstone	NW Smith	53	326514	Bris v G Coast
20/9/2025	M Smith	W Viney	M Smith	29	327816	Coll v Bris
27/9/2025	M Smith	AT Dick	M Smith	47	327220	Geel v Bris

Thirlstane Women

Barclay Shield

Irene Page, Jill Murphy, Janelle Thompson and Katrina Mitchelson represented the Club in Golf Australia – Tasmania Barclay Shield held at Mowbray in September. They came 8th out of 30 clubs playing a Foursome Stableford. The Barclay Shield is a statewide competition with players having to qualify in pairs on a competition day at their own club.

Scottsdale Senior Womens

Eleven ladies travelled to Bridport in September to play the next day at Scottsdale, for the Senior Women's monthly competition. At the Bunker where we dined Thursday evening we met up with a group of women from Llanherne Golf Club who were also on a road trip playing golf at Lost Farm and Barnbougle. Visiting each other was discussed and we look forward to a road trip down south some time in the not too distant future and hopefully we can host some visitors from Llanherne. Llanherne and Thirlstane share reciprocal rights. As usual the Spring weather (even winter wasn't this bad) arrived and the rain came so we visited the Scottsdale Golf Club and advised we didn't do rain and golf. Retail therapy was the next suggestion. We visited a shop one of our ladies recommended, Scottsdale Shoe Shop and made the owners day with all our purchases. She said she had more sales with us than she had in the previous two months. On the way home we called into the Blue Barn Café, on the Frankford Road. We all enjoyed the delicious lunch. We supported two local businesses, and highly recommend both.





<u>Weather</u>

It has been disappointing and frustrating that nearly every Tuesday in September was wet and blowing a gale. Nine holes were played, and washouts, we managed to play 18 holes for the day Summa Wood sponsored. Fingers crossed it must have to improve.

Championships

The Women's Club Championship started on Tuesday 7th October with scores being fairly average, but players had to contend with 60km gusts, so hopefully the next two rounds will be a bit more comfortable.

Pink Day

Our Annual Pink Day to raise money for the McGrath Breast Cancer Nurses Northwest Tasmania will be held next month on the 11th November, sponsored by The Tyre Solution. It is a Canadian and a great day, catered, peony roses, pink rhubarb champagne, raffles and great prizes. So if you know anyone outside of our Club who would be interested get in contact with Jill Murphy – Women's Captain. We raised a lot of money last year and hope to continue this year.

Wendy Smith

Ghost Rock Monthly Winner

This month's best score in the Chicken Run was Jim Rudling with 24 points. Congratulations Jim.



From Behind the Bar

Some of the available merchandise. Beanies \$20, pitch repairer \$15.







The Thirlstane Golf Club will be at.....



We Welcome these New Members

Full Members: Trevor Thrale, John Beattie, Jason Ivory, Joshua Allen, Erica Byrne

Intermediate Members: Lucas Ivory, Jack Hayes

Country Member: Paul Kringle

Memorial Garden



The memorial garden behind the 6/15th hole is looking very pretty with it's spring flowering shrubs at the moment. Should anyone like to order a memorial brick you can do so by contacting Helen Richards on 0437 496 272