



WA Day Ambrose:

Winners Seve, Macca, Gathy and Lollipop with President Scott and Sponsor Rick!

President's Post April 2024

It's a great relief to many including our grounds workers that we have finally received some decent rain and isn't the course looking better for it. Some inclement weather has not put a dampener on activity around the Club with lots happening on various fronts.

The recent WA Day Ambrose event was another very successful day of social golf with over 100 players. The feedback has all been positive with our two ambrose fund raising events continuing to grow in stature and renown. A huge thank you to Rick Murphy and his sponsorship via Hawke Flooring and Autospec 4X4. The income from the recent event has taken the Club's building fund to a balance of \$190K.

The work is continuing on the Clubhouse Upgrade Project with a recent funding application submitted to Alcoa. The response was extremely positive with their Community Relations & Communications Advisor Georgia Haines keen to reinstate a good relationship between the Club and Alcoa. In addition, to providing funding for our Clubhouse Upgrade Project they are also wanting to offer their staff volunteering program as a supplier of labour for the maintenance work around the Club, and an Alcoa Golf Day is being considered. We hope that with a significant contribution from Alcoa and a successful state government funding request the Club will have enough funds for the project to proceed.

Prospective dates for milestones in the Clubhouse Upgrade Project;

CRSFF applications open 1st June 2024

CRSFF draft application to be submitted to shire 31st July 2024

CRSFF application decisions Jan/Feb 2025

Commencement of Stage 1 construction July 2025

Construction Stage	Stage Details	Timeframe	Estimated Cost
Site Services	Upgrade to water & power supply	Jan 2025 - May 2025	\$80,000.00
Stage 1	Demolish existing barbeque, paving, fencing and garden beds	June 2025 - Sept 2025	\$75,000.00
	Construct new effluent disposal system		
	Install temporary toilet/changerooms		
	Set-up temporary admin area in existing lounge area		
Stage 2	Demolish existing toilets, changerooms, captains office, store.	Oct 2025 - May 2026	\$350,000.00
	Construct new toilets, changerooms, captain's office storeroom		
	Construct extend kitchen and fit-out		
Stage 3	Demolish southern section of existing lounge area	June 2026 - March 2027	\$245,000.00
	Construct new internal activity area, external activity area		
		Total	\$750,000.00

The management committee has commissioned a web designer to build a new Club website.

This is a work in progress but after a lot of work the new site is now on-line at https://serpentinegolfclub.org/

This is very exciting as it will provide a vehicle for the promotion of the Club to the golfing public and prospective new members. The website also is a source of information for club members with access to competition results and copies of the monthly newsletter.

Mens Captain's Corner

May had a couple of highlights: Murray Atkinson won the Jack Dalton day with 38 points.

The WA Day ambrose went off well and the weather gods were very kind. 29 teams participated with Seve, Macca, Gathy & Lollipop taking home the bacon. A big thanks to Rick Murphy and all the other members who assisted on the day.

Also the Ladies Open was very successful; thanks to the blokes that chipped in to help. Well done gents.

The Family day was a much bigger field than anticipated with 54 players, including a couple of grand daughters and some wives; the day was won by Brett & John Murphy. Well done. The feedback from the fixture was very positive and it may become a regular event.

Other winners this month: Tosh, Andrew Gath, Troy Widemanski, Col Ashby & Jack Raishley.

The rain has been welcome and the course is looking very good; kudos to the ground crew.

Looking forward to a slightly less hectic June. Keep on swinging.

Webby

STOP PRESS!!!!!



Serpentine are 2024 Division 2 Pennant winners!

Congratulations Lynda, Judy, Tricia, Janice and Enid.

Absent but also part of the Pennant Team were Daphne and Lorraine.

Ladies Captain's Corner

We had beautiful weather for our Open Day with 80 ladies taking part in the comp. Our Nett winner with 40 points was C Chernabaeff from Donnybrook. Runner Up with 38 points was W Batt from Boddington. Gross winner with 24 points was our own Tricia Borgward and Vet winner was D Lyster from Boddington with 33 points.

The clubhouse looked great and it was terrific to see it full. A huge thankyou to all our members who put in such a wonderful effort to make the day a success.

We then went straight into our Foursomes Championships with 16 ladies competing. Our Nett winners racing out in front with a 69 were Daph Treen and Janice Gilchrist with Runners Up being Marg Richings and Enid Andrew. Gross winners were Tricia and Judy Borgward with 84. Second round turned out to be very wet and miserable with Nett winners Felicity Smith and Julie Scott on 78 with Runners Up Peta McHardy and Bev Thomas. Gross winners were again Tricia and Judy Borgward on 84.

Overall Nett Champions were Peta and Bev and Tricia and Judy were the Gross Champions.

Our Pennant Team went to Bunbury on May 20th and came home with a great win, so our last game at Pinjarra was played against Donnybrook with a fantastic 4:1 win which has put us in the final against Dunsborough, coming from 3rd on the ladder to the top! Congratulations girls and good luck in the final.

Cheers,

Judy.





Open Day Winner C Chernabaeff with Kathryn & Judy Kathryn represented Doral. Wonderful Sponsorship.

R/U Nett W Batt with Kathryn

Around the Grounds

Well as you've all probably noticed, winter has finally arrived. After 7 months of virtually no rainfall (27mm to be exact) we got 38mm on May 1st and then had to wait another 3 weeks for the season to really break. We have now had 221mm between 24th May & 9th June.

We dialled down the reticulation during May & finally switched it off on May 24. Over winter the reticulation will be periodically switched on for short periods "to keep all the parts moving".

Fertilizer was spread over the whole course on May 8 and what with some unusually warm weather & the good rainfall the fairways have shown some good growth. Wardy & Shep have started a program of coring & sanding selected fairway areas that have been struggling in the past, so golfers please bear with us as these areas grow into better fairways.

That's all for now folks!

Pete

Website

The new website is live and running.

We'll upgrade it as we go. When there's more water in the hazards we're going to do a new flyover so you'll be able to click on a link for each hole and fly over it in all its glory!



Clubhouse Opening 1973:

Bit like a dunny in the desert but it was a start!!!!!

Your Committee

President: Scott Hambley 0417 173 410

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Men's Captain: Jeff Webb 0437 158 855

Committee: Stan Indge 0439 409 059

Committee: Julie Scott 0423 362 625

Featured Hole

No.3: Par 4. Men 303m Index 12 Ladies 259m Index 8

Trickier than it looks:

Again very different summer to winter.

Water on either side means you have to be straight, and the green ain't the easiest in the world to hold.