

Serpentine & Districts Golf Club

September 2026 Newsletter

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Golf Club Inc



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Monthly Mugs



Steve Denman with a superb 69 nett and Felicity Smith after her terrific 74 with Acting Captain Judy Borgward.

President's Post



Rule of the Month

Hedge

The Match Committee have deemed the hedge between the 2nd and 6th tee boxes as an Abnormal Ground Condition. Therefore, if your ball comes to rest in or against the hedge or the border you can take a free drop under Local Rule 8.

8. Immovable Obstruction – Hedge & Garden Bed 2nd and 6th Tee Box

If a ball comes to rest in the garden bed around the hedge between the 2nd and 6th Tee Boxes. The player may take relief, without penalty, under Rule 16-1.

The drop MUST NOT be closer to the hole, (if on the 6th tee side of the hedge). You must move to the nearest point of free relief no closer to the hole. If you overshoot the hole and finish on the 2nd tee you can take relief if the hedge interferes with your swing. In this instance you would drop back from the hedge clear of the interference, playing the ball over the hedge.



Our steel framework delivery...getting there!

Men's Captains Corner

This month has been another busy month for members visiting other clubs and the State sands.

The winner of the August monthly mug was Steve Denman with a 69 nett from Mike Fancote and Theo van Raven on 70.

At the beginning of the month 8 Serpentine member played in the Aglime State Sand Greens Championships held at Katanning.

The best performance of the group was Neal Ivey who finished 5th in the nett with scores of 69, 75 for 144, 3 shots off the winner on 141.

On the last weekend of the month 11 members ventured to York for their open day. Unfortunately, our members struggled with a tight course layout, Neal Ivey was once again our best performer.

Brett

Ladies Captains Corner

August has flown by with much happening with the Ladies!

Everyone enjoyed a run of Stableford games. Julie Scott kicked off a Handicap plunge with a 45pt win followed by a couple of scores in the high 30's! Lovely to see our new members all enjoying good scores and placings.

Over three Saturdays Coaching was enjoyed with thanks to funding from South West Womens Golf. This was officiated by PGA Coach Nigel Durkin. Two sessions each week with up to 8 ladies in each and extras joined after for a privately booked session. Many members took part and some new faces also. We have as a result seen some new memberships and quite possibly more to come. It seems very likely that Nigel will be returning on future Saturday mornings for further group sessions.

Our Monthly Mug winner was Di Vallve with a fantastic 67nett, fresh off the Saturday coaching. Congratulations to Di for this great win and her determination with her Golf.

Held the same day as the Monthly Mug the Ladies enjoyed a "Quad Pot" masterminded by the Ericksons. A big Thankyou to Dax and Glyn of **BUILDERS STEEL PTY LTD, 705 Karnup Rd Hopelands** for a very generous \$125 sponsorship. This was added to by each Lady entering paying \$2. The \$149 "Pot" was won by Di Vallve for having the Highest Stableford Score on holes 10, 11, 12 & 13.

Judy Hambley

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Serpentine & Districts Golf Club Clubhouse Upgrade Project Progress Report August 2026



ALCOA's commitment

• Main Construction Works

Work Completed

- Resolution of design issues with structural engineer, steel fabricator and builder which caused changes to the layout of structural steel columns in the lounge area and the decision to remove the existing internal brick wall and portal frame.
- Structural steel shop drawings altered to reflect the point above.
- Structural steel elements fabricated and galvanized.

Works in Progress

- Fabrication & delivery to site of steel roof trusses.
- Fabrication & delivery of structural steel columns and roof beams.
- Fabrication off-site of metal wall frames.
- Fabrication of door and window frames.

Works Planned for September

- Pouring of concrete footings and floor slabs.
- Installation of structural steel and concrete footings.
- Erections of wall and roof framing.



Steel roof trusses, structural columns and beams delivered to site.

Project Funding

The revised funding budget reflects the approved additional funding of \$150k from the shire.

Project Funding Incl GST	
Current Club Funding	\$200,000.00
Additional Club Funding	\$20,000.00
Current Corporate Funding	\$88,000.00
Additional Corporate Funding	\$10,000.00
CSRFF Funding	\$280,000.00
Current Shire Funding	\$210,000.00
Additional Shire Funding	\$150,000.00
Total Funding	\$958,000.00

Project Costs

The amounts spent to date show some potential for savings in consultant costs and some additional costs in the temporary accommodation.

	Estimate	Spent to Date
Temporary Accommodation	\$40,000.00	\$44,327.55
Credit for Temporary Accommodation	-\$30,000.00	\$0.00
Power Supply	\$40,000.00	\$0.00
Effluent Disposal	\$70,000.00	\$69,952.50
Consultant Costs	\$15,000.00	\$19,118.00
Construction	\$895,000.00	\$55,185.78
Total Capital Costs	\$1,000,000.00	\$188,583.83
Savings from In-kind work	-\$42,000.00	
Total Project Costs	\$958,000.00	

Project Program

The revised estimate of project program reflects the delays due to issues with the approval of the effluent disposal system and the Building Permit.

Project Component	Start Date	Completion Date
Confirm Project Funding		May 2026
Building Permit		April 2026
Site Services		April 2026
Demolition	Feb 2026	May 2026
Construction Stage 1 – Up to Lock-up	April 2026	Dec 2026
Construction Stage 2 – Fit-out	Dec 2026	Aug 2027
Commissioning	Aug 2027	Dec 2027

CSRFF Report

Project Title	Serpentine Golf Club – Clubhouse Upgrade Project				
Estimated completion status of project	0-10%	10 - 25%	25 - 50%	50 - 75%	75 - 100%
			28%		
Last Month (August) progress - what was achieved	Main Construction Works Work Completed - Resolution of design issues with structural engineer, steel fabricator and builder which caused changes to the layout of structural steel columns in the lounge area and the decision to remove the existing internal brick wall and portal frame. - Structural steel shop drawings altered to reflect the point above. - Structural steel elements fabricated and galvanized. Works in Progress - Fabrication & delivery to site of steel roof trusses. - Fabrication & delivery of structural steel columns and roof beams. - Fabrication off-site of metal wall frames. - Fabrication of door and window frames.				
Planned action for September what is planned to occur	Works Planned for next month - Pouring of concrete footings and floor slabs. - Installation of structural steel and concrete footings. - Erections of wall and roof framing.				
Issues/Problems that may affect agreed project timeline	Delays to the project program - Some issues with the detailed design of structural steel have caused some delays in the fabrication and installation of the structural steel, works are now progressing well.				

Around the Grounds:

It's been a quite month with nothing of interest to report. We do have one very fit beast residing next door that clears the fence & drain with ease to get to our greener pastures.



From The Archives

Ladies Opening Day 1997



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Featured Hole

No.2: Par 4. Men 273m Index 14 Ladies 273m Index 12

Really interesting short par 4. The big guns can have a serious crack at driving the green, though if you miss right you can be in trouble. Lay up to the large tree on the LHS and you've a comfy short second between the boobs.