



THE VETERAN'S VOICE

June 2008

Sorry about the slight hiccup with last month's article. Unfortunately I was unaware our computer man was overseas and at the last minute had to call on our secretary, Peter Major, to help out. All of which saw The Veterans' Voice missing from some early issues of the newsletter.

On the "out of action" list we still have Mike Wass. Mike is hoping to join us again on our club day on the 18th July. Joining him for the time being is yours truly with a torn tendon in the right shoulder. Or as the ultrasound report states more impressively – full thickness tear of the supraspinatus – I didn't know I even had one! At the moment we are not sure how long this will keep me sidelined. Have just heard that Jim Dodd has gone out in sympathy with me the only difference being that it's his left shoulder causing the trouble.

Our fixture on the 13th June saw 149 fit and able members attack the course. One of them, our local neddy trainer, Lloyd Brazier, took his rise to Div 1 in his stride, taking the honours with 40 points. Ron Coffison was runner-up with 39 points. Div 2 saw Brian Reith put it all together returning 40 points and taking the winner's spoils. Peter Edelston was runner-up with 38 points. The NTPs saw Jim Dodd (2nd) and Doug Rowe (6th) both have holes in one. Doug also covered the cost of his celebration by winning \$50 in the raffle. The other three NTPs went to Les Barnes, Ivan Munchenberg and David Fitzgerald. Those with 30 points and better figured in the run down.

Unfortunately, I have been told the "golfers' curse" i.e. SLOW PLAY has once again reared its ugly head. We can go on forever making excuses like balls being hard to find in the fallen leaves etc, but they are a minor part of the problem, the major force being simply SLOW PLAY. So please remember the old saying "*slow play is nothing but selfish play*".

The normal (not Noosa style) host day was held on the 27th with Gympie and Tin Can Bay as our guests. The original field was 184 but this had diminished to 170 when the field had cleared the tees. When captain John and his crew had done their work with the cards, the results of the day were :- Div 1 winner Aare Poulakka with 39 points. Runner-up Keith Johnson (Gympie) 37 points and 3rd Mick Magner also with 37. Div 2 winner was Brian Taylor (Gympie) 42 points on a count back from James Carmichael with Kevin Thornton 3rd on 39 points. NTPs went to Graham Taylor, Julian Sullivan, Steve Dickson (TCB), Ian Terry and John Kelly. Run down went to 32.



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On the social side, one of our long time members hit the big "eight O" during the month. **Happy 80th to David Hendren!**

Any member having trouble with the brake mechanism of their pull cart should seek advice from Bill Dalzell, who has heaps of experience in this field. I am told he has barred himself from riding in his playing partner's cart to eradicate the problem he has had with his own brake system of late.

With no more to report let's all take Norm's advice and "play golf while you can."

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