



## THE VETERANS' VOICE – MAY 2009

Good to see Gavin Argo back on the course. At present he is enjoying the privilege of being chauffeur- driven by George Dickson on Mondays but hopes to be back with the yellow shirt brigade soon. It seems as soon as we get one off the “out of action” list, we have another member go on it. This time one of the real stalwarts of our club, David Hendren, is having a rough trot spending time in hospital in Brisbane and back at Caloundra Private.

Although he is not out of action himself, Jim Dodd is suffering from loneliness with four of his regular playing partners, Norm Smith, Alan Orchard, Bill Dalzell and Mike Wass on the “not fit to play” roster. Actually Norm had his first swing of a golf club last Friday and was finding the old swing after the first nine.

On the golf front our Monthly Mug Event on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May saw a field of 129 take part. In Div 1, Ron James put it all together to return a well compiled 43 points to take the winner's voucher and the Monthly Mug. Runner up was Les Stelling with 41 points, while Klaus Hoppe filled third spot with 40 points. In Div 2, a drop in grade saw Don Morse come out on top with 41 points. Fred Bellamy, who also dropped a grade, was runner up with 39 points. James McMichael's 38 points put him in third spot. NTPs went to Ernest Brackley, Ian Purdy, Arthur Busch, Ray Densley and John Fengler. Run down went to 33. Also the Eagle's Nest went off with Ray Densley achieving the feat on the first hole. He collected 17 balls (I think )for his effort.

Then on the 15<sup>th</sup> a field of 126 took part in our club day. In Div 1 the “computer man” who decipheres my scrawl and updates our web site, Pierce Bragg, had enough up his sleeve to take the winner's voucher. “El Presidento”, Ian Purdy was runner up beating David Morphett on a count back, both having 38 points. Div 2 saw another count back to decide the winner with Ray Lowe coming out on top, relegating Romas Satauskas to runner up. They both had 38 points. John Dunne's 37 points gave him third place. Pin shots were won by John Dickinson, Trevor Hurst, Ted Curtis, Harvey Sandomirsky and RayLowe. Run down again went to 33.

Unfortunately the 4BBB scheduled for the 22<sup>nd</sup> coincided with “THE BIG BLOKE UPSTAIRS” deciding to deliver a few million gallons of quality drinking water to his subjects. With some 250 ml being dumped on the Caloundra area on Wednesday night, we once again had a cancelled day – fingers crossed for the rest of the year.

The Cooroy Host Day cancelled by the big wet has been rescheduled for July.

As Norm and all the others out of action at present will tell us – play golf while you can!

**Brian McNamara**