



THE VETERANS' VOICE - SEPTEMBER 2008

The first fixture in spring was the second round of the club championships with a field of 117, all hoping to improve their first round scores and hopefully finish in the championship trophy list. The winners of the day's event were:- Division 1 – Rod Taylor who finished a little stronger than Reg Boland. Both had nett 69s. In Division 2 John Kelly got rid of all the demons that had infiltrated his game to take the winner's voucher also with a nett 69. Runner up was Dave Ross with a nett 71. NTPs went to Dick Munt, Peter Meakin, Don Perry, Klaus Hoppe and Gary Vardy.

The club champion for 2008 is Rod Taylor (154). Congratulations Rod - that trophy cabinet of yours will probably need another extension added.

The age champions were:- Junior (55 to 64) first Tom Jamieson with a gross of 159 whilst David Morphett was runner up with a gross of 168. Senior (65 to 74)-first was Reg Boland with a gross of 156 with his mate, Dick Munt, runner up on 158. Our ultra senior division (75 and over) was won by Neal Hobbs with a gross of 172. Don Perry was runner up on 175.

The winner of the overall nett 36 holes was Barrie Jack, 141, with Ed Wilford one shot adrift on 142. The 36 hole nett results for the age groups were :- Junior – Ray Harvey, 143; Senior – John Kelly, 143; and Ultra Senior – Jack Taylor, 146.

Congratulations to all the above and don't forget it's all on again next year.

Then on the 19th it was over to the last of our mega host days, our guests being from Cooroy, Horton Park and Peregian Springs. The morning field numbered 123 while the afternoon field had only 35 starters, which I am sure will finally put this format to rest.

Results of the morning competition were:- Division 1 winner was John Ormsby who finished with 39 points, finishing stronger than David Morphett, the runner up. Visitor, Alan Taylor, finished third on 38. Div 2 saw the "old sweet swinger", George Duncan, come up trumps with 41 points. One shot back and runner up was another visitor, Michael Smith, with 40 points, beating Scobie Beasley on a count back. NTPs went to Brian Smith, Paul Carter, Vince Penry and Gerard Hill – all visitors - with John Ormsby the only Caloundrian.

The afternoon competition saw visitors win both divisions. Ian Lamsden with 38 points won Div 1 and Neville Spring took Div 2 with 36 points on a count back. Runners up were John Morison and John Kelly, both having 36 points. NTPs went to Ivan Munchenburg, Mick Magner, Robin McElligott, Barry Weir (visitor), Ray Round.

The Sunshine Coast District Championships were held at Peregian Springs on the 22nd and the only trophy won by our members was Gordon Gillespie's runner up in B grade with a nett 70. Another to get a mention was David Morphett who won a NTP, while 10 others featured in the run down.

Our last club fixture on the 26th saw 115 players face the starter. In Div 1 Alan Wright returned to form to take the winner's voucher with 41 points. Runner up was John Coward with 40 points.



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Division 2 saw Donald Morse – a certain scribe had him down as Donald Horse – finish stronger than Keith Courts, both finishing on 39 points. NTPs went to Mike Wass (foot slipped), Frank Cagney, Keith Pearson, John Coward and the ubiquitous Tom Jamieson. Run down went to 34.

Back on the “out of action” list is Chas Jones, who has been under the knife but is now back home under the watchful eye of nurse, Thelma. No doubt a few weeks home convalescing will have him back on the fairways.

For all those fit enough to play remember Norm’s advice and play golf while you can.

Brian McNamara

P.S Have just had a call with some info on one of our members. In spite of his advancing years this bloke still considers himself “a lad about town”. On a visit to one of his many watering holes the other day he noticed an attractive female seated at the bar. On his third visit to the bar he thought she gave him a smile. This, of course, opened the gate for him and in a flash he’d trotted out the age old cliché, “And where have you been all my life?”

Apparently the lady looked him up and down a few times then replied, “Well sir, I would say that for the first thirty years or so I would not have been born.”

Our friend beat a hasty retreat and I am told he is working on new approaches should opportunity knock again.