

Aitken the elder dominates

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With Easter goodwill and the holiday mode almost tangible at Emerald Golf Club last Saturday, the annual Ken Hill, three club was held. It has been named after Hill because of his propensity to win each year, but this year it was no dice for him.

The top scorer for the day was David Aitken (30), who found no problems with the format and arrived back at the clubhouse with the wide grin and hearty chuckle of a winner. His 41 points put paid to other challengers and as fate would have it, for the rest of us, this format is not handicapped and he maintains his 30 strokes. So B Grade was his as well.

Sadly, the A Grade contingent struggled to cope and it was left to Kameron Geeves (13) to win with a miserable 34 points on a countback from Ken Hill (12) with the same score.

There was a small gaggle of golfers who managed to hold their heads above water apart from those mentioned already. Barry Cook (19) had 40 points, Brian McCoy 39, and David MacKey and Con Ferrari both managed 35.

Ryan Aitken was nearest the pin on the 4th, Ross Martin the 7th, Kameron Geeves the 12th, Chad Greer the 13th and Dennis Fuller picked up the pro pin wealth on the 18th.

After playing with three clubs and doing so well, I have a funny feeling those who scored top points with restricted arms will fill their bags with the full fourteen clubs next week and not do them justice.

The ladies comp was a two girl shootout. In the end with Leanne Morison winning by two shots from a disappointed Phillipa Rundle in second place.

On Wednesday when the Obstinate Fiddly Golfers (OFG) mustered for the weekly bash, a straight stableford battle ensued. Leigh Morison (22) chased his new, high handicap home for 40 points to head off a deflated Moss Fuller (22) by one point. Because of the advent of some serious wet stuff, it was decided that a bit wet was enough so no putting comp was held.

Both pennant team front up to games on their own patch for the next three weeks and hope that this advantage will get them over the line. As both teams have won an away fixture each, winning at home will get them close enough to challenge for the final and the championship.

Next Saturday players front up to a bisque par event which is a format where players can choose to which holes they apply strokes of handicap. Bisque par has anybody remembered to invite Rod Ward back for a guest spot in this event. If there is a full

board, I am sure there would be some golfers who might consider stepping aside for him and missing out on this treat!

SCORES:

A Grade

K Geeves ... 34

K Hill ... 34

D Fuller ... 33

M Starick ... 33

R Martin ... 31

P Clowes ... 30 ... I believe Mr Clowes had 30 in 12 holes on Thursday!

R Aitken ... 30

D Shannon ... 26

L Morison ... 22

S Town Dudley Norris Fenwick. (He might have been dodging the Stephanie Town bit?)

B Grade...

D Aitken ... 41

B Cook ... 40

B McCoy ... 39

D MacKey ... 35

C Ferrari ... 35

W Degering ... 32

J Fisher ... 31

D Jennings ... 31

P Jones... 28

H Adams ... 26

J Marsh ... 26

P Rundle ... 25

E Kloprogge ... Dudley Norris Fenwick