

## **Clowes captures the VGL July Monthly medal by multiplying the coefficient of the hypotenuse by the relative density of 500ml of cheap port.**

By Dennis Fuller

Was that bloody cold or was that bloody cold. White frost and the shorts of Messrs Ecclestone, Johnson and Kennaugh was enough to make a polar bear piss off and the rest of us seek out the one piddling little heater in the clubhouse.

With a liberal application of sunblock glistening in the frost at Emerald Golf Club last Saturday, the members attacked in an attempt to win the July VGL Monthly medal. All but one failed and that one was Peter Clowes (18). He strolled in with a swagger and the aura of a winner with a nett 63 in his kit. Of course this eclipsed the efforts of all other B Graders. Average score for this mob .. 74.28.

The A Grade rabble turned in a shocker as a group and it was left to Peter Stevens (12) to win on a countback from Kameron Geeves (13) who also had a 3 over handicap round of 73. Note the average score of this bunch of losers was 77.14. Now that is classy.

The winner of C Grade was Matt Johnson (24). He made a much better fist of the round to be a clear winner with a 3 under his handicap 67. And the massive average of 80.5.

The annoyingly, ultra consistent Andrew Cutting had 68 and Barry Cook (how did Bazz drag himself away from the fire and how the bloody hell can anyone have 23 putts. Think he must have had the hole changer with him and waited till after Dave Mackey had his putt because Dave had 34!!) And Leigh Morison both came in with 69 to be the only others to tickle their handicaps while Adam Kennaugh, David Mackey and Ben Balfour all managed 72.

Morison was nearest the pin on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Clowes the 7<sup>th</sup>, Cutting the 12<sup>th</sup> and Mackey the 13<sup>th</sup>. Balfour scooped the pool by picking up the pro pin Euros on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Daphne Aitken trumped the rest of the field in the ladies event from a slightly downcast Peta Jones in second place.

On Wednesday at the Ordinarily Faithless Golf (OFG) using OFG handicaps, Mick Petrie (32) cleaned up the field to win with 44 stableford points. Next in line was Ken Hill (18) who had 40 points and Ben Balfour (16) on 38.

Next Saturday is the first day of the three day Winter Cup. Stableford is on the menu and there have been a few idle boasts of intended victory and an equal number of derisive denials of those claims. My tip for the Winter Cup is Andrew Cutting, unless the handicapper hits him from Mark Starick and Ray Pund. I will review this prognostication next week and there is a

fighting chance that I could follow the words of a well know old sports broadcaster, Mike Williamson, and say, when I change my mind ... "I tipped that!!!"

#### NOTES:

The star of the day was Mr \*\*\*\*\*???!.

Adam Kennaugh was tickled pink when he heard that someone could better the 12 strokes he had on the 13<sup>th</sup> when he got down and dirty with the gobble tree, the creek and onionf@\*#\$ing grass.

It seems that a certain member that I will not name because of the legal firm he has behind him managed to have **13** strokes on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole after parring the first two holes. (We'll refer to him as Mr S to preserve identity and it wasn't an Aitken, a Jennings or a Rundle either) He was seen slashing, in a maniacal manner, at his ball that had lodged itself in the bark on the trunk of a tree. I was promised a photo of the ball but it has not arrived yet but if it does I will certainly send it onward. There seems to be a theory that Mr S had too quiet a night and his system could not cope with clarity of vision and thought. David "The Hand-Bagman" would no doubt be pleased that someone could take a little glory away from his nett **91**

#### SCORES

##### A Grade...

P Stevens ... 73 – 31

K Geeves ... 73 – 30

D Fuller ... 75 – 33

R Aitken ... 77 – 35

K Hill ... 78 – 36

M Starick ... 81 – 33

G Oldfield ... 83 – 33

Average...77.14

##### B Grade ...

P Clowes ... 63 – 27

A Cutting ... 68 – 31

L Morison ... 69 – 35

B Cook ... 69 – 23

C Whitlock ... 70 – some putts

B Balfour ... 72 – 28

D Mackey ... 72 – 34

Dean Aitken ... 73 – 35

A Ecclestone ... 75 – 33

S Town ... 75 – 34

R Pund ... 76 – 37

D Shannon ... 82 – 29

B Reynolds ... 87 – 40

P Jones ... 89 – 34

Average ...74.28

##### C Grade...

M Johnson ... 67 – 34

A Kennaugh ... 72 – 27

D Jennings ... 75 – 38

B McCoy ... 80 - 37

N Bradshaw ... 84 – 39

P Rundle ... 87 – 37

K Sumsion ... 88 – 40

David "The Hand-Bagman" Aitken ... 91 – 38

Average ... 80.5 ...now that is average!!!