

## **Courtney Cruises to Medal**

**Or**

**Ian Scott sacrifices his own game for son-in-law to win.**

**By Dennis Fuller**

Ran into Fergie today and he told a yarn about John Ellerbock (Olinda) talking to a bloke named Chris Bridge about golf and the yarn got around to Olinda playing at Emerald. He said that he was Captain at Emerald a while back and when the Club closed he grabbed the Hole in One board and still had it in his shed. He dug it up and John brought it in. The last bloke on the board to have a Hole in One was Werner Dietrich on the 8<sup>th</sup> in 1996. The 8<sup>th</sup>!!!! Ben and Co ... was the 8<sup>th</sup> still in the old placement or the new one then? Either way it was one helluva shot!!

The fairways were made for running at Emerald Golf Club last Saturday when the February VGL monthly Medal was up for grabs. Stuart Courtney (17) decided it was his day to shine and he followed through with his decision. By the time he got back to the clubhouse he had a nett score of 65 which saw him top of the list in victory. He, of course, headed the B Grade field home as well.

Ross Martin (12), enjoying his first round not being Captain, cleaned up the rest of the A Graders with a nett 68 score. The consistent, Brian McCoy (25) played to handicap for nett 70 and headed in the C Graders.

Darrel White and David Mackey both had 67, Ian Cranston 68 while a gaggle of golfers including Steve Town, Mark Starick and Graham White all carded 69.

Travis Broadway was nearest the pin on the 4<sup>th</sup>, David Aitken the 7<sup>th</sup>, Dean Aitken the 12<sup>th</sup>, Hank Adams the 13<sup>th</sup>, Ian Scott the 17<sup>th</sup> and Starick opened his wallet for the pro pin cash on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Dean Shannon had the longest drive on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

In the ladies' event it went right down to the wire with Irene Scott and Peta Jones still tied on the 18<sup>th</sup>. A further hole to split the impasse was suggested but both agreed to accept a draw as a good result.

Wednesday's Overly Facile Golf (OFG) saw Ken Purdan (25) win at his first attempt with nett 65 from an unlucky Mick Petrie (31) on 66.

Next Saturday is the first day of the three day Maurie Murphy Summer Cup. This event is played using the par format and all the par devotees will be out in force to hold this coveted trophy for 2011.

... I NOTICE:

\*El Guarbo (AKA) John Fisher was there presiding all over the place.

\* Fidel (AKA) Fergie was captaining the ship and making sure that Phil A'vard behaved himself. ... Better than an Italian ship captain as he did not roll the cart once to my knowledge and there were no blonde sheelas on the course.

\*Dean Shannon ... vice of everything.

\*Travis and Ryan are committee members

\*David Aitken is our new Secretary Treasurer.

\*Only one Aitken still in C Grade.

\*Ken Hill looked as if his level of grundle had diminished to close to zero when we passed him on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

\*David Mackey and Ian Cranston played with other blokes and they still shot their arses off!! Go figure???

\* Whiteman only said a word starting with the letter that follows "e" in the alphabet 3,445 times. He had a good day?

\* Darryl White 18

#### SCORES

S Courtney ... 65 ... 34

D White ... 67 ...29

D Mackey ... 67 ... doesn't know how to count putts

I Cranston ... 68 ... doesn't know how to count putts

R Martin ... 68 ... 30

G White ... 69 ... 31

S Town ... 69 ... 28

M Starick ... 69 ... 33

Dean Aitken ... 70 ... 36

B McCoy ... 70 ... 29

P Clowes ...71 ... 36

T Broadway ... 73 ... 34

D Shannon ... 73 ... 31 ... Vice captain? Vice president ... in charge of all things to do with vice?

L Morison ... 73 ... 31

D Fuller ... 74 ... 34 .. must admit a shank on the 7<sup>th</sup> for a quintuple bogey. Did not help the cause!  
Amused Whiteman though! OK ... I also had a shank on the 6<sup>th</sup> as well!

C Ferrari ... 74 ... 32

David Aitken ... 75 ... 34

M Johnson ... 76 ... 32

J Marsh ... 76 ... 32

Ken Hill ... 81 ... 38

**P Jones ... 84 ... 37**

**I Scott ... 84 ... (to use a "Scottism" ...How did you have 84? ..... I had 28 putts!!!)**

H Adams & B Cook .... No scores. I think Hank played but Barry looked like he was up to his armpits in grease. Nothing unusual in that!!!