

# **JOHNSON LEADS SUMMER CUP OR ANOTHER TWO ROUNDS OF PAR TO ENDURE!!**

By Dennis Fuller

The first week of the three week Summer Cup was held last Saturday at Emerald Golf Club. Rain threatened and delivered during the day to make conditions a little backward of interesting.

Matt Johnson (27) found the course and the par format to his liking to lead the field in with a +5 score. He also led in the C Graders as well.

Evergreen Ken Hill (13) headed up the A Grade list with +4 and Hank Adams (19) did the same in B Grade also with +4.

These three players top the leaders' board in the Summer Cup and will take some reeling in.

Few others bettered their handicaps but Dean Shannon +2, Peter Clowes +1 and Stuart Courtney +1 did.

Ben Balfour was nearest the pin on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Hill the 7<sup>th</sup>, Clowes the 12<sup>th</sup>, Adams the 13<sup>th</sup>, Leigh Morison the 17<sup>th</sup> and Ross Martin landed the pro pin loot on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Steve Town had the longest drive on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

The ladies comp was a nip and tuck affair till Gracie White just lead in an unlucky Daphne Aitken by one single point. There was a small amount of breasting the tape and due to the fact that Gracie is slightly better endowed, she won the day.

On Wednesday in the Ostensibly Faded Golf (OFG) Ken Sumsion (28) lead in a large field with a whopping 45 points much to the disappointment Moss Fuller (20) and Ken Hill (15) who both had 40.

Next week is the second week of the Summer Cup and there is a school of thought which queries whether summer has actually arrived.

## **Coupla things and maybe a couple more:**

**.. I have heard that Peter Clowes made 3 .... Yes three, errors on Ken Hill's card. No error was in Ken's favour.**

.. Ben went down to the 13<sup>th</sup> to see Scotty drive as he does most days when he is here. I asked Scotty if he would like a tip or two. Scotty agreed and Ben gave him some sage advice.

Scotty's first, I say first, drive ended up in the creek on the 18<sup>th</sup> fairway.

His second, upon a realignment of his feet and beard landed in the Gobble Tree on the right, just over the creek.

Ben tendered his resignation as coach which was duly accepted.

**.. did I mention Peter's errors on Ken's Card?**

.. a few times, maybe more, during the round Gracie White expressed a dislike of the par format and a few other things. Expletive count: 4,035.6. The .6 was due to a mild oath!! Just one of those!

**.. did I mention that Scotty played to his handicap despite Ben's best/worst efforts.**

.. Roscoe saw some parts of the course in the first few holes that he has never seen before. I thought he might have been training for sailing the way he was tacking?

.. **did I mention Peter's errors on Ken's Card?**

Scores not in order because I am not leading therefore could not be bothered!

<b>Graham White</b>	<b>-6</b>
<b>Gareth Oldfield</b>	<b>-4</b>
<b>Ross Martin</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Ken Hill</b>	<b>+4</b>
<b>Dennis Fuller</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Ben Balfour</b>	<b>Square</b>
<b>Kameron Geeves</b>	<b>Square</b>
<b>Leigh Morison</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Peter Clowes</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>Steve Town</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Hank Adams</b>	<b>+4</b>
<b>Stuart Courtney</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>Dean Shannon</b>	<b>+2</b>
<b>Allan Ecclestone</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Dave Harvey</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>Matt Johnson</b>	<b>+5</b>
<b>Ian Scott</b>	<b>Square</b>
<b>David Aitken</b>	<b>-5</b>
<b>Brian McCoy</b>	<b>-1</b>