

## **The Jones boy wins the Foundation Shield**

By Dennis Fuller

The Foundation Shield, which is the qualification round for the Emerald Golf Club match play championship was played last Saturday. We could not give the penetrometer reading as it sunk into the ground too far and the whole device was lost.

The conditions suited Peter Jones (21) right down to the ground as he streeted the field with a very impressive nett 64 to also head up B Grade as well. The unlucky player was Peter Clowes (18) who came in with 65 to just fall short of another win.

The continually consistent and improving Ryan Aitken (12) headed up the A Grade crew with 68 while the wily, old, fox, Ian Scott (35) was master of all other C Grade floggers with 68.

Of the great unwashed, Phillip Rundle, Dean Aitken both had 68 while Hank Adams beat his handicap for 69.

Matt Johnson was nearest the pin on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Ryan Aitken the 7<sup>th</sup>, Ross Martin the 12<sup>th</sup>, Brock McLean the 13<sup>th</sup> and Dean Shannon pocketed the pro pin Euros on the 18<sup>th</sup> and Graeme Fergus showed he still has it by winning the longest drive on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

The next round of the match play championship will have Peter Jones vs Ray Pund, Peter Clowes vs Con Whitlock, Dean Aitken vs Ross Martin, Ian Scott vs Ken Hill, Phillip Rundle vs Andrew Cutting, Ryan Aitken vs Matt Johnson, Hank Adams vs Dean Shannon and Jeff Marsh vs Allan Ecclestone.

In the ladies event there was a close tussle between Daisy Mackey and Brianna McCoy with Mackey hanging on when McCoy fell at the last hurdle.

Wednesday's Omnipotently Fanatical Golf (OFG) was an Ambrose event that obviously suited the games of Mick Petrie and Dennis Fuller (12.25) as they stormed to a strong win with a nett score of 65.75 from John Piggott and Geoff Whittaker (11.25 on 67.75).

This might serve as a good lead-in for next Saturday's event which is also Ambrose.

### **OBSERVATIONS:**

1. Jeff Marsh played his 3<sup>rd</sup> shot for the day out of the practice nets.
2. I have had another look at the scores for the day and I might suggest some changes....
  - all players whose surnames start with A should be eliminated
  - all left-handers should be given the flick
  - all players who have a Scottish twang to their name should go

- all players who hit off before 8.00 must cop the chop
- any player who played most of 3 holes with a busted ball without noticing should have those holes strokes subtracted from his score.
- Upon serious consideration I note that there are only 15 players in the list so either Scotty gets a bye or The Bagman can have a crack!

That should about do it ..... well bugger me, it looks like I should be back in the running.

I think an urgent committee meeting should be held to discuss my innovative suggestions with the greatest speed and will!!

## SCORES

P JONES 64

P CLOWES 65

I SCOTT 68

P RUNDLE 68

J MARSH 71

A ECCLESTONE 71

D SHANNON 71

M JOHNSON 72

A CUTTING 72

KEN HILL 73

R MARTIN 73

C WHITLOCK 74

R PUND 74

M STARICK 74

S TOWN 74

K SUMSION 78

D FULLER 81

L MORRISON 82

N BRADSHAW 82

B REYNOLDS 87

D MACKEY 88

B McCOY .. Dudley Norris Fenwick