

Martin and Town win Cup

Or

Bloody big day for Aitken, Aitken, Aitken and Schtick

By Dennis Fuller

The annual 4BBB Cup was up for grabs last Saturday at Emerald Golf Club and as predicted, there was enough political sidestepping and fancy footwork in partner choices to do the Canberra push justice.

When all the shuffling was complete, the pairing of Ross Martin and Steve Town hit the ground running and was never headed. Their massive score of 49 points saw them standing where Thorpe couldn't, atop the dais.

They were not the only ones who found scoring easy as three pairs handed in a card with 48 on the top right hand corner.

Brothers Ryan and Dean Aitken, Hank Adams and Ed Kloprogge and Dave Aitken and Mark Starick all managed this score.

Just behind them were Skipper Graeme Fergus and Barry Cook on 47 and then Andrew Cutting and Dennis Fuller on 46.

The longest drive on the first was Starick, Town was nearest the pin on the 4th, the 17th and he even managed to hog centre stage with the pro pin on the 18th. Gareth Oldfield was nearest on the 7th, Ryan Aitken the 12th and Dean Shannon on the 13th.

The ladies' event saw Peta Clowes and Gardenia Oldfield clear winners by eight points to be the new Cup holders for 2012.

Wednesday's Obviously Fractured Golf, (OFG) using OFG handicaps was a stableford event. Leigh Morison (12) and Peter Clowes (17) both came in with 42 points to be anointed winners, after heated discussion they decided not to race over the marathon distance but decided to halve the spoils. Mick Petrie (34) and Moss Fuller (22) both came in with 40 points to be next in line.

Next week is a stableford event for those not competing in the next round of the 4BBB Emerald Cup.

NOTES:

- If you noticed that there had been grass mowed and whipper-snipped around this end on the course, it is because new member and Sycamore Syndicate member, Andrew Cutting has been out and about. I would, as his partner in the Cup round, have preferred for him to be out hitting balls but it is really appreciated by all those who land balls

where he has been. Just in case you thought that Alex had come good with some cash for working equipment for Wang to destroy!

- There was a little hilarity from Mr Eccles when he arrived without a partner and Whiteman suggested that he pair up with new member, Ray Pund. Not a problem till they totted up the scores at the end and The Whitemen were rolled on a count-back. PMQ 7.89?
- Mr Hill was having a chuckle after the round as he told the story of Conrad falling over. Apparently Con stood on a round stick that rolled like roller skates under him and he went base over apex. It raised the question about at what age does one stop falling over and begin having 'a fall?' Con thought he fell over so I suppose his vote was that "a fall" starts at an age a bit older than he is. I suspect that Kenneth might just sit it the "a fall" group!

Games to be played for the Emerald Cup (as I understand it and I could be wrong as I do have a tendency to be???)

Graham Fergus and Barry Cook have withdrawn from the cup because of medical considerations and Stuart and Ian have taken the 8th spot which meant a reshuffle upwards or sideways or whatever.

So it now looks like this

Ross Martin/Steve Town V Stuart Courtney/Ian Scott
Dean Aitken/Ryan Aitken V Ken Sumsion/Mike Litchfield
Hank Adams/Ed Kloprogge V Leigh Morison/Kevin Ellis
Dave Aitken/Mark Starick V Andrew Cutting/Dennis Fuller

Note:

The first round of the Emerald Cup must be played and decided by 21st April 2012

SCORES for the Wee Cup (sounds a little like something found under the bed?):

Ross Martin/Steve Town ... 49

Dean Aitken/Ryan Aitken ... 48

Hank Adams/Ed Kloprogge ... 48

Dave Aitken/Mark Starick ... 48

Graeme Fergus/Barry Cook ... 47 ... it has "Doubtful" written on the board beside these two. Does it mean they are people of doubtful repute, or doubt they will be able to play the next round?

Andrew Cutting/Dennis Fuller ... 46

Leigh Morison/Kevin Ellis ... 44

Ken Sumsion/Mike Litchfield ... 44

Stuart Courtney/Ian Scott ... 44

Neville Bradshaw/Matt Johnson ... 44

Allan Ecclestone/Ray Pund ... 43

Con Ferrari/Ken Hill ... 43

Graham White/Darryl White ... 43

Dave Harvey/Peter Jones ... 41

Dean Shannon/Kameron Geeves ... 40

Peter Clowes/Gareth Oldfield ... 32