

It ain't news when a trophy is up for grabs but.....

Aitken Bros Excel

...that ain't news, that's the status-bloody-quo!

Or

They played much better than their sisters did a few weeks back!

By Dennis Fuller

Last Saturday at Emerald Golf Club the Alex Wee 4BBB cup was up for grabs. Teams of two were chosen and they let the games begin. At the end of the day only one team could wee into the cup!

Brothers, Ryan (11) and Dean Aitken (17) stole the day and the trophy with a combined effort for 48 points. Right behind them breathing down their necks were father Dave Aitken (24) and his reliable side-kick Mark Starick (12) who won second on a count back from Dennis Fuller (13) and Ben Balfour (12) also on 47. Don't worry Ben, you will win a count back one day if you keep playing for long enough.

Allan Ecclestone and Jeffrey Marsh came in next with 45 points followed by Leigh Morison and Ken Hill on 44 while Andrew Cutting and Ken Sumsion finished with 43 as did Phil Rundle and Peter Stevens.

The top eight pairs will be drawn to play opponents in the 4BBB knockout, match play format. The draw has been constructed by Sir Jeffrey Marsh but I think he might struggle in the second round that has to be played by 20<sup>th</sup> April and his partner, Mr Ecclestone is off for five weeks mixing it with the bikini clad lovelies in Rio. Might have to play single Lazarus?

Dean Shannon was nearest the pin on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Dean Aitken the 7<sup>th</sup>, Leigh Morison the 12<sup>th</sup>, Ken Hill the 13<sup>th</sup> and, as usual, Peter Stevens stashed the pro pin drachma into his wallet on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

The ladies' event saw a clear winner for the Jinnie Wee Cup with **Brodie Reynolds & Davina Jennings** racing to a clearly decisive victory.

On Wednesday in the Ornamentally Fascicle Golf (OFG) using OFG handicaps a stableford event was enjoyed. Enjoying it most was Ken Sumsion (28) who had a day out and waltzed in with 48 big stableford points to win the day. Graeme Fergus (20) was unlucky to lose with 46 as was Gary Kennaugh (33) with 45.

The Seniors' pennant match was played at Dorset Golf Club. Captain Ray Pund won 6/4, Peter Clowes won 3/2, Leigh Morison was square, and Mick Petrie, Ken Sumsion and Moss Fuller all lost 1 down.

Next Saturday when that other little sporting event, the AFL season starts, all eyes will be on Emerald Golf Club where a stableford event has been organised.

HEARD:

- Dean, when asked how they were going on the 7<sup>th</sup> tee, said they had 24 points on the first 6 holes. I took a look at Dean and Kameron and decided that they were not up to 6 birdies in a row so summarily dismissed their claim.

WAS SEEN...

- Some hairy old coot, when trying to retrieve Cutta's tee shot from the right hand slope on the 14<sup>th</sup>, lost control and was seen tumbling down the hill. I was shocked when I looked up that Ben, Cutta and Ken were not holding up cards as I thought I might have scored quite well. All that happened was a very subdued and short half circle of applause. That is the last time I am going to try to entertain the gang with a tumbling run. Stuff-'em

SCORES:

Ryan Aitken & Dean Aitken ... 48  
Mark Starick & Dave Aitken ... 47 c/b  
Dennis Fuller & Ben Balfour ... 47  
Allan Ecclestone & Jeff Marsh ... 45  
Leigh Morison & Ken Hill ... 44  
Andrew Cutting & Ken Sumsion ... 43  
Phil Rundle & Peter Stevens ... 43  
Peter Clowes & Peter Jones ... 42

Graham White & Daryl White ... 41  
Ross Martin & Steve Town ... 41  
Kameron Geeves & Dean Shannon ... 41  
Brian McCoy & Ian Scott ... 41

**Brodie Reynolds & Davina Jennings ... 39**