

Courtney Casually Cruises to crushing coup

By Dennis Fuller

A stableford round was on the menu at Emerald Golf Club last Saturday and Stuart Courtney (16) dined regally on the course and the opposition. His 41 points put him on top of the tree over-all and he looked down on the rabble in B Grade with a satisfied smirk.

Ross Martin (10) was king of the kids in A Grade with 38 points while David Jennings (23) headed the C Grade crowd home with 36 points.

The rest of those playing found the going hard and I have been asked not to mention their meagre offerings.

Barry Cook was nearest the pin on the 4th again, Peter Stevens the 7th, Ryan Aitken the 12th, Ray Pund the 13th and Peter Clowes quietly slipped the pro pin roubles into his pocket.

Three games were played in the next round of the 4BBB Emerald Cup. Jeff Marsh and Allan Ecclestone beat Leigh Morison and Ken Hill 2up, Dean and Ryan Aitken beat Peter Clowes and Peter Jones 4/2 and Phil Rundle (**27 MFA**) and Peter Stevens narrowly beat Ben Balfour and Dennis Fuller 7/5. (bugger another keyboard malfunction!) After the victors left on the 13th, Ben parred the 14th and I birdied it. Too little too late. I did, however have 8 shanks on the last 4 holes. Tears and unsightly sobbing will make that happen?

In the ladies comp there were two ladies who came in even and could not be split with all the usuals computations. Davina Aitken and Petra Glasscock shared the spoils for the day. Sorry Petra, absolutely no allowances made in this comp except for some privileged person who shall remain nameless.

The Senior Pennant team travelled down the hill to play Creekside at their own home. It was the first time in four years that Creekside had been beaten at home and the Emerald chaps did it. Pennant Captain Graeme Fergus won as did Peter Clowes and John Piggott. Ken Sumsion and Moss Fuller went down narrowly as did Mick Petrie, playing as the emergency. Through some wonderful play, this team has now advanced to the final against the odds, and meet Waterford Valley at Amstel on May 2nd.

The Handicap Pennant team travelled down to play Kingston Links at their course last Sunday. The locals won the day and have set themselves up well to have another tilt at winning the championship. Peter Stevens, Andrew Cutting, Ryan Aitken and Steve Town all won while Dean and Dave Aitken lowered their colours. Young Broc Reynolds, playing his first pennant match, won his match against a 3 handicapper and was not the least bit fazed. How well are they going!!!!!!!!!!

Wednesday's Old Fashioned Golf (OFG) saw Bob Kennedy have a day out when his massive 47 points was easily the winning score. I did hear or start a rumour that Big Bobby was seen speaking to someone who looks astonishingly like a bloke I have seen on the telly, whose name sounds a lot like DANK!! In 2nd place were Sepp Krummenacher and Peter Clowes on 41.

Next Saturday is the annual Servicemens' Day where many ex-servicemen come to play and relive old times. If there are any servicemen around who would like to come and have a bash, just roll up at about 7.45am next Saturday and you will be included in the day's festivities. If you know any ex servicemen, who have a Golf Link handicaps, drag them along by some appendage or other.

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I hear on the grapevine that Ken Hill has a new bionic hip and might be back for a round next Saturday if he can get a clearance from home base.

Good thing, because I also heard that Conwack was pining a little on Saturday?

SCORES:

S Courtney ... 41

R Martin ... 38

D Jennings ... 36

S Town ... 35

I Cranston ... 34

B McCoy ... 33

D Mackey ... 32

M Starick ... 31

C Whitlock ... 31

I Scott ... 31

R Pund ... 30

D Shannon ... 30

K Sumsion ... 28

B Reynolds ... 28

Petra Glasscock & Davina Aitken ... 24