

Senior Sumsion shines in the sun

Or

That old calypso number

“Old Sumsion in the sun”

By Dennis Fuller

With the radiator turned up to full blast last Saturday at Emerald Golf Club, Ken Sumsion (27), fresh from a short sabbatical, hammered the field into submission when his 45 stableford points stood head and shoulders above the rabble. He won, and exercised, bragging rights over the rest of the C Graders..

A Grade was a tough tussle with four players coming in with 40 plus points. But the calm, steady hand of young Ryan Aitken (12) saw him home with 42 points and will no doubt do some damage to his handicap.

Conrad Whitlock (17) also launched into the forties to win B Grade with 41 points and proved that he is soon to be playing A Grade.

Others who played very well without greeting the judges, were Brian McCoy 42, Jeff Marsh and Mike Litchfield on 41, Mark Starick and Andrew Cutting 40 while Dave Aitken and Ross Martin both had 39.

Marsh was nearest the pin on the 4th, Ben Balfour the 7th, Ray Pund on the 12th, Matty J. claimed, when I spoke to him today that he was nearest after 8 shots on the 5th, Leigh Morison the 13th and Allan Ecclestone picked up the pro pin roubles on the 18th.

In the ladies comp it came right down to the wire when a count back was exercised and it came to pass that Deanne Shannon popped the loot into her purse from a most unlucky Peta Clowes.

Last Wednesday at the Overly Fractious Golf (OFG), using OFG handicaps, a large holiday field of eager floggers rocked up ready to boogie. In the end it was Mark Starick (14) who won the day from a vastly improved Kevin Ellis (34) one back on 43. Moss Fuller (26) was one back on 41 followed by Ben Balfour (16) on 40.

The fairways had been rolled by the sun and the greens were mostly green. I did see the owner out moving some water around later in the day but the last time I saw Steve out watering was at about 9.00pm.

I HEARD:

- Matty J was seen wearing a crash helmet after the round in case of flying furniture.
- That the chairs around Whiteman had been glued to the bricks.
- there may or may not be any connection between these two whispers?

I SAW:

..... as I was looking out the front of my place on the 14th, someone, whose name rhymes with Ray Pund, spend 15 minutes and 34 seconds looking for his ball.

I WAS PLEASED:

.....I wasn't playing against that group of bandits in A Grade. Bloody hell chaps that was a bit good, 5 blokes in the 70s.

I ASK THE QUESTION:

.....Who is going to be first to get to single figures.....Ryan, Andrew, Ross, Ray, Mike or Scotty?

I DECIDED:

.....As Mark will not be at OFG this week after his win, there will be a round of straight stableford that will give the OFGians a chance to get their Summer All-Seasons Championship round in.

SCORES:

A GRADE

R Aitken ... 42
M Litchfield ... 41
A Cutting ... 40
M Starick ... 40
R Martin ... 39
R Pund ... 36

B GRADE

C Whitlock ... 41
I Cranston ... 37
A Ecclestone ... 36
L Morison 35
M Johnson ... 35
D Mackey ... 34

P Jones ... 32

K Hill ... 30

B Balfour ... 30

S Town ... 29 that was close Stephie????

Deanne Shannon ... 28

Petra Clowes ... 28

C GRADE

K Sumsion ... 45

B McCoy ... 42

J Marsh ... 41

Dave Aitken ...39

B Reynolds ... 34

N Bradshaw ... 32

D Jennings ... 29

I Scott ... 29maybe not single figures?