

Olinda wins Challenge 2010

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When Emerald Golf Club and Olinda Golf Club met last Saturday in the annual challenge, Olinda repeated their win of the previous year by small but telling margin. When the top half scorers of each team were averaged, it was found that Olinda's 36.85pts was too good for Emerald's 36.58pts.



[Photo: The winning team President Phil Wilkin and Captain Graham Collier]

The standing score-line for the Challenges is Emerald with 3 wins (2006, 2007 & 2008) and Olinda 2 wins (2009 and 2010).

In the individual competition, Olinda's Ian Young had 42 points while Emerald's Dave Hunt came in with 40.

For Emerald, Ian Scott, Ryan Aitken, Paul Farmer, Dave Jennings, Peter Stevens and Mark Starick all had 37 while Con Whitlock and John Carvill played to their handicaps for 36.

For Olinda, Bruce Cramm had 37 while Lou Herman, Phil Wilkin, Peter Jeffrey and Graham Collier all managed 36 as well.

Peter Stevens was nearest the pin on the 4th, David Aitken the 7th, Bruce Cramm the 12th, Phil Wilkin the 13th and Dean Shannon picked up the pro pin cash on the 18th.

The best hole I saw played was by Peter Stevens on the 6th. He whacked his drive deep into threes on the right and it sprung out enough to give him a shot at *(Ian Scott scores 37 points)* the green. He pulled the next shot deep into the trees on the left just before pin high. The ball sprang, as if on elastic to the back of the green where he, with modest demeanour, two putted for a par!

Of the women playing Judy Matthews of Olinda was the leading player from a struggling field lead by Waynette Degering.

Wednesday's Ordinarily Faded Golf (OFG) *(Ian Scott scores 37 points)* using OFG handicaps was a *(Ian Scott scores 37 points)* tie between Ken Hill (10) and John Piggott (20). They both scored 30 points in very *(Ian Scott scores 37 points)* difficult conditions and in keeping with some political results, formed an alliance and shared the spoils.

Next Wednesday is a stableford event, and it has been asserted by more than one of the golfers there, that next week is definitely their day to shine.

I have scrutinised all rounds with a severe scrute and I have, with careful consideration, come to the conclusion that Ian Scott is on the cusp of a win. I know that I have stayed pretty quiet on this subject but I thought it might be time for me to tell our golfing public that he is looking good. Yeah, playing shit golf, but still looking good!

Individual Scores were:

Emerald

D Hunt ... 40

I Scott ... 37

M Starick ... 37

D Jennings ... 37

R Aitken ... 37

P Farmer ... 37

P Stevens ... 37

J Carvill ... 36

C Whitlock ... 36

S Town ... 35

K Hill ... 35
K Geeves ... 35
L Morison ... 35
J Marsh ... 35
D Fuller ... 33
D Aitken ... 33
P Clowes ... 32
B McCoy ... 31
R Martin ... 30
D Shannon ... 30
M Yeats ... 30
J Fisher ... 29

Waynette Degering ... 27

Olinda

I Young ... 42
B Camm ... 37
P Wilkin ... 36
L Herman ... 36
P Jeffrey ... 36
G Collier ... 36
T Elenius ... 35
A Hopkins ... 35
J Matthews ... 34
M Muller ... 34
J Ellerbock ... 29
L Matthews ... 29
A Campbell ... 28