

## GOLF NEWS:

### SWDLGA Betty Kernot Scratch Foursomes.

This SWDLGA prestigious event was recently held over four days of play. The Betty Kernot Scratch Foursomes is a very tough foursomes matchplay event, where pressure builds very easily and the quality of golf is usually of a high standard. It is an honour to represent your club, playing in this event. East Geelong submitted two teams and both displayed very good golf to advance to the third round, played at 13th Beach. Unfortunately for East, the golfing gods were not on our side in the third round and both teams were unable to advance further. The players in team 1 would like to extend their thanks to their two caddies who were more stressed than their players! Great job ladies! The event was eventually won by Portarlinton Golf Club and we extend our congratulations to them.



### East vs Timboon - at Timboon on Wednesday 25th March

The annual East vs Timboon was recently held and a very excited East Geelong bus was able to bring home 'the Hand'! Kerry R & Fiona F returned scores of 41 pts, while Katrina L, Cheryl N & Brenda H, certainly added to the total with 39pts each. East won 'the Hand' by 1pt! A fun trip down on the bus, saw a plentiful breakfast supplied to all, a little bit of 'backing yourself' by players submitting what score they would have. (Some were very close by the way!). Amongst some other fun things that occurred! The driver gained an insight to just how much fun the ladies can have on a 'golf trip'! Thanks by the way to the driver, let's call him 'Katut'. The mood quickly turned sombre when on arrival, our East ladies were confronted with a funeral at the golf club! Respectful quiet whilst players were playing near the clubhouse, then back to normality for the rest of the round! With this happening at the club, lunch was supplied afterward at the local distillery and a lovely time was had by all! The trip home was fun filled and 'the Hand' took pride of place in the bus! Good on East Geelong for returning 'the Hand' home!!!



### Guest Day at East Geelong on Wednesday 18th March

The Captain was very pleased with a great size field and even more pleased to see all members playing with a guest for the tournament.

Fine weather presented and a good day was had by all. Some great scores were recorded and the winners were Judy B & Di B (Torq) with a terrific score of 41 pts. Hot on their heels were Glenice H & Lesley McM (Ang); Fiona F & Pat F (A/Bay); Terri B & Helen C (Curl); Sue T & Ruth D (Torq); Debby O'S & Sue G (Lara) and Helen N & Fay H (Torq) all on 40pts. Some great NTPs were hard to beat!



It would have been hard to separate the distance that Mary N & Trudy B (Torq) had with to the hole! Both were extremely close!! Well deserved Member & Guest NTP winners there! Glenice H was the clever one on the 17th hole! Well done ladies! Our 9 holers played a 4BBB also and the winners there were Heather D & Jan T with 18pts. Good score ladies!



### Winchelsea Limit Markers Day - Monday 16th March



Thanks to the ladies from East Geelong who went along and supported another smaller club within the District. All players had a fantastic day with the hospitality from the Winchelsea course and members. Our own Kerry R & Helen B had a terrific score of 45 points in the 4BBB event. A great effort, but hard to reach the 52 points that the winners had! Debby O'S continues to do well and got the NTP on the 8/17th hole and even won the raffle! Well done ladies, keep it going!



Please submit any worthy news to the Lady Captain for publication.  
Email: barbiebgood@gmail.com

If you have a win away, win a raffle, have an eagle, gobbler, hole-in-one etc, we want to know about it !!

## GOLF NEWS:

At a recent mixed day held on Sunday 15th March, there was only a disappointing 6 pairs playing. But there is the saying of 'quality, not quantity'. And it certainly prevailed here on the day! As a spectator watching from the corner at the 3rd green, they were amazed with some fantastic and very interesting shots on display! In one group, there were two ladies that had some very tricky little shots. One, (let's call her 'Rhonda') had to loft their ball over a bunker, sit it nicely on the green and hopefully get close to the hole. Accomplished with aplomb! Like an expert!! The other, .... well the other has recently returned to playing golf and you wouldn't know it, the way they played their bunker shot! The ball came out of that bunker with ease and rolled, and rolled, just taking the side of the hole and stopping about 12 inches past the hole! Both of these ladies certainly showed the fellas a thing or two on this hole!! Well done girls! As an aside, one of the gents hitting off the 13th tee, produced the 'trick shot to end most shots'! Let's call him 'GB'. 'GB' hit his tee shot, probably not the way he'd like. Ball went flying off, about 10 metres, very, very low, straight into the bluestone rocks defining the path down from the tee. Now most balls would go rocketing off those bluestone rocks toward the bay. (That's the law!) .... But oh no, not this ball! It had the decency to start coming straight backwards to the tee. It came crashing down again and hit another bluestone rock. Now you'd think this time, this time, it would head to the bay .... but no, this ball was being very kind to it's player even though it did have a headache starting from hitting two rocks! Nope, this ball bounced straight right, towards the ladies 4th tee and finished in a bush half way down the slope! Being in the garden bed, 'GB' had a free drop, (which did put him past the ladies tee, so no 'shout'!!!) and went on to play the hole. But unfortunately for 'GB' and all his luck on the hole, it was left to the 'missus' to score on the hole!!! As said earlier, it was 'quality, not quantity' and hopefully the next time an event such as this is held, it could be well patronised. There were some fantastic scores recorded. The winners were; Darryl M & Debby O'S with 48pts; Rhonda & Katut were second with 44pts and Greg B & Judy B came in with 40pts.



### Golf Quote for this edition:

*Success in golf depends less on strength of body, than upon strength of mind and character.*

- Arnold Palmer



### Curlewis Irish 4BBB - Friday 13th March

The team of Merle L, Gwen D, Elaine C & Terri B tested the 'Friday the 13th' theory by travelling to Curlewis to put their best 4balls forward! It was a case of unlucky for some, with our girls coming in a very creditable second place with an excellent score of 120pts. The winners from Anglesea produced the goods with 126pts.



A great effort by our girls and once again, East was very well represented.



## Golf Quiz / Trivia



- Q 1: In stroke play, a player accidentally steps on and moves his ball-marker. What is the ruling?
- Q 2: How old was Tiger Woods when he first won the British Open Golf Tournament?
- Q 3: All grass-covered ground within a bunker is part of the bunker. True/False?
- Q 4: What Grand Slam golf tournament has the most club-housers sipping mint-juleps?



### OTWAY PENNANT:

Yet again, East Geelong's Otway Pennant team had a fantastic season! The final ladder saw East come in second to Apollo Bay. Our congratulations to Apollo Bay.

East performed brilliantly through the season and actually had more games won than Apollo Bay, but missed out by one win and the 2pts earned from that! East remains a force in the Otway Pennant competition, coming close numerous times. A total of 11 players were ably recruited by the team captain, Glenice H and performed to their best for East! A real credit to our ladies, considering our membership size.

Once again this year, two players committed and played for the entire season, Glenice and Judy M, with Glenice only losing one match and Judy winning four matches. Jan E played two & won two. Well done! Another stand out was Mary N, who played 5 matches and won 3 of these. Great effort! Jane played 4, Barb, Terri, Sue T, Sue B & Kae all played one each. Yvonne won one & lost one. Still a good effort by all.

A huge thanks to Glenice and to all those players who gave their time to put a team on the field.



### Here are some scores that put a 'smile on the dial' for the players concerned!

Lately there have been some majorly large scores happening.

These 'one-hole' boosters certainly helped the end score!

*It has not been unusual for a player to hole out from the fairway on a par 5 and have 4 for 5pts!*

*It has also not been unusual for a player to hole their birdie putt on a par 3 and have 2 for 5pts!*

For the record, these scores didn't upset the rest of the round, so well done ladies!

### Anglesea Ocean Spray Classic

A number of ladies ventured to Anglesea to participate in the Ocean Spray Classic. Although East was not able to bring home the trophy, good scores were produced. Our Heather C, showed her local knowledge of Anglesea, by bringing in two Nearest The Pins. On the 6th and the 13th holes. Well done Heather!

### Pennant commences Friday 10th April

Division 3 will be travelling to Colac hitting off at 9.30am

Division 6 will be travelling to Lonsdale hitting off at 9.30am

Good luck to all players in both teams!



### A quote to help deal with the burdens of life:

**Just accept that, some days, you're the pigeon:  
And, some days, you're the statue!**

### April - May Fixture

Apr 15	3 Person Gentsomes
Apr 22	Stableford President vs Captain's Day
Apr 29	Stroke
May 1	Div 6 SWDLGA Pennant at EGGC
May 6	Stroke / Putting 1st Rnd Club C/ships
May 13	Stroke 2nd Rnd Club C/ships
May 20	Stroke Final Rnd Club C/ships
May 27	SWDLGA Silver Salver Foursomes



### Golf Terminology:

#### Grain on a Green:

The direction of growing grass, which can influence the speed and break of a putt. Factors influencing grain include the type of grass, the direction in which the sun sets, and the flow of water across the green. This is different to the 'break of a putt'.



### Members News:

- Dot, Coral, Carolyn, Leah, Kae. Thinking of you all & miss you on Wed in the clubhouse.
- Hope to see you back on the golf course soon.
- Liz F looking better after eye surgery. Helen B is still hopping around the golf course.
- Shirley G is having shoulder surgery in May.
- Jane and Sandra still on the ocean cruising around the world!
- Katrina back after sailing the high seas to New Zealand!

### RULE DECISION:

#### Ball found after search exceeding five minutes is then played:

Q: A player searches for his ball for five minutes and does not find it. He continues to search, finds the ball and plays it. What is the ruling?

A: The ball was lost and therefore out of play when the five-minute period allowed for the search expired - see Definitions of "Ball in Play" and "Lost Ball". When the player played a stroke with a ball out of play, he played a wrong ball - see Definition of "Wrong Ball" - and incurred a penalty of loss of hole in matchplay and two strokes in stroke play - Rule 15-3. In stroke play, he was disqualified if he did not correct the error by proceeding under Rule 27-1 before playing from the next tee - Rule 15-3b.



### GOLF ETIQUETTE 101:

Etiquette is an integral and inextricable part of the game, which has come to define golf's values worldwide. Put simply, it is a series of guidelines that exist to show other players, whether through divot repair or awareness of your shadow, a degree of fairness which you would expect to receive in return. In terms of golf's environment, etiquette is about showing respect for the course on which you are playing and the work that has been put in to create it. It's about making sure that the game is played safely and that others on the course are able to enjoy the round as much as you. In short: it's about showing consideration to all others on the course at all times.

### Golf Tip:

Bunkers. One of the most frustrating and often humiliating shots for golfers to endure is leaving the ball in the bunker. This shot is often caused by golfers desperately trying to scoop the ball up and out of the bunker. By attempting to help the ball into the air, golfers transfer their weight across to the back foot at impact. This feeling is caused by a desire to get underneath the ball, but has the opposite effect.

By shifting weight on to the back foot through impact, golfers increase the chances of hitting the sand a long way back from the ball. This causes fat shots and the dreaded limp ball flight destined to deposit the ball back into the bunker.

Tip: Place majority of your weight on the front foot, look at an impact point approx. 1.5 in chesbehind the ball, keep the weight on the front foot and swing down and through the sand, sweeping the ball upwards, rather than moving the body weight back.

Practice this and take shots off your score!



*Good health & good golfing!*

Golf Quiz & Trivia answers:  
 Q 1: There is a one stroke penalty. (Dec 20-1/5/5) Q 2: 24 Q 3: False. (Definition of "Bunker". Q 4: The Masters.

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