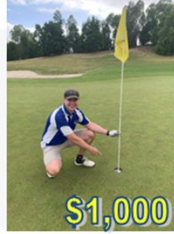




SUNDAY LEAVE PASS 2025

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Rank	Points	Player	Points	Player	Points
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9.608094118		Wayne James	5.30287619	Steve Osullivan	
9.418156522		Thomas Cooper	5.205834783	Greg Parsons	
9.098815385		Jamie Brunton	5.079695238	Ron Parsons	
8.065169231		Glenn Douglas	4.724428571	Jayden Orger	
7.973492308		Simon Galloway	4.12113	Chris Sfiligoj	
7.622328571		Heath McLeod	3.959757143	Andrew Clarke	
7.26702		Peter McArthur	3.931323077	Shane Cumming	
7.088295652		Steve Dawson	3.911245455	Phil Plane	
6.994417391		Stuart Cooper	3.582971429	Mick Harper	
6.7871		Colin Ewart	3.489477778	Steve Powne	
6.544875		Tom Thurecht	3.334282353	Rick Turcinovic	
6.541685714		Mark Fitzpatrick	3.289389474	Dale Robinson	
6.52354		Barry Hemsley	2.639377778	Chris Westhead	
5.953928571		Peter Calyvopoulos	2.631507692	Tony Maclsaac	
				Gerard Maclsaac	



Brent's Champion of Champions Hit List

Player Name	Rounds	Player Name	Rounds	Player Name	Rounds
Darragh Burke	1	Gerard Maclsaac	4	Phil Plane	5
Adam Cooper	2	Glenn Douglas	7	Rick Turcinovic	8
Andrew Daley	1	Graeme Foster	1	Robert Underwood	1
Andrew Clarke	Paid	Greg Parsons	Paid	Ron Parsons	11
Anthony Emmerson	2	Heath McLeod	Paid	Scott Dybing	2
Barry Hemsley	9	Jake Schmidt	1	Shane Cumming	Paid
Ben Nichol	2	Jamie Brunton	Paid	Simon Galloway	8
Bo Cartwright	6	Jaxon Fitzpatrick	5	Steve Dawson	11
Brad McMahon	1	Jayden Orger	9	Steve Osullivan	Paid
Brent Douglas	8	Jayden Turcinovic	2	Steve Powne	10
Caleb Fitzpatrick	1	Mark Fitzpatrick	7	Stuart Cooper	Paid
Cameron Ross	4	Mark Sfiligoj	4	Thomas Cooper	10
Chris Sfiligoj	6	Mick Harper	Paid	Todd Neilson	2
Chris Westhead	10	Newell Richards	7	Tom Thorn	4
Colin Ewart	3	Peter Calyvopoulos	Paid	Tom Thurecht	Paid
Dale Robinson	7	Peter McArthur	Paid	Tony Maclsaac	Paid
David Burns	2	Peter Wick	1	Wayne James	9
				Zac Harford	3

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Winner of the blue Jacket and all of its powers for 2024.



FedEx Annual Points Award



Rank	Player	Rnds	Pts	FEDEX score	Rank	Player	Rnds	Pts	FEDEX score
1	Peter McArthur	4	1085	0.0000	26	Mark Fitzpatrick	3	163	-922.4700
2	Brent Douglas	4	815	-270.0000	27	Todd Neilson	2	151	-934.0000
3	Jamie Brunton	4	720	-365.0000	28	Dale Robinson	3	140	-945.0000
4	Jaxon Fitzpatrick	2	710	-375.0000	29	Wayne James	2	138	-947.0000
5	Mark Sfiligoj	1	600	-485.0000	30	Simon Galloway	3	128	-956.5300
6	Steve Dawson	4	419	-666.0000	31	Gerard MacIsaac	3	123	-962.4700
7	Shane Cumming	4	370	-715.0000	32	Tom Thorn	2	122	-963.0000
8	Peter Calyopoulos	4	321	-764.0000	33	Chris Sfiligoj	3	118	-966.7700
9	Stuart Cooper	4	295	-790.0700	34	Tony MacIsaac	3	115	-970.0000
10	Heath McLeod	3	278	-807.0000	35	Cameron Ross	2	76	-1009.1700
11	Jayden Orger	4	273	-812.5000	36	Chris Westhead	2	76	-1009.2700
12	Newell Richards	4	264	-821.5000	37	Adam Cooper	1	75	-1010.0000
13	Mick Harper	4	262	-822.8700	38	Ron Parsons	2	72	-1013.0000
14	Andrew Clarke	4	241	-844.3700	39	Robert Underwood	2	69	-1015.6700
15	Steve Powne	4	220	-865.0000	40	Phil Plane	1	42	-1043.0700
16	Colin Ewart	3	218	-867.3000	41	Matt Robinson	2	38	-1047.0000
17	Steve Osullivan	4	214	-870.5300	42	Rick Turcinovic	1	32	-1053.2700
18	Tom Thurecht	3	213	-872.0000	43	Caleb Fitzpatrick	1	31	-1054.0000
19	Barry Hemsley	4	201	-884.0400	44	Bo Cartwright	1	25	-1060.0700
20	Glenn Douglas	2	195	-890.0000	45	Graeme Foster	1	22	-1063.0000
21	Ben Nichol	2	184	-901.2700	46				
22	David Burns	3	181	-903.7700	47				
23	Greg Parsons	4	181	-904.4700	48				
24	Andrew Daly	2	174	-911.0000	49				
25	Thomas Cooper	4	163	-922.0000	50				

Ranking	Points	Major/ Golf trip	Ranking	Points	Major/ Golf trip
1	500	600	23	39	44
2	300	330	24	37	42
3	190	210	25	36	40
4	135	150	26	34	39
5	110	120	27	33	37
6	100	110	28	31	35
7	90	100	29	30	33
8	85	94	30	28	32
9	80	88	31	27	30
10	75	82	32	25	28
11	70	77	33	24	27
12	65	72	34	22	25
13	60	68	35	21	24
14	57	64	36	20	23
15	55	61	37	19	22
16	53	59	38	18	20
17	51	57	39	17	19
18	49	55	40	16	18
19	47	53	41	15	17
20	45	51	42	14	16
21	43	49	43	13	15
22	41	46	44	12	14
			45	11	12

The FedEx Cup Season started on the golf trip 2024 and runs through until the last home and away game held in November 2025. The player with the most accumulated points at the end of the year is crowned the FedEx Cup champion.

FedEx Points are allocated to every player based on their finishing position for each round and there is a higher weighted value to finishing near the top.

There are 3 majors held each season and performing well on those competitions earns more points than results in the other events.

Majors	
Shepparton	December
Won by	Mark Sfiligoj
Gardiners Run	January
Won by	Peter MacArthur
Bayviews	June
Won by	TBA

It is always nice to see a field of more than 30 players fronting up on a Sunday morning to try their luck at claiming a Sunday Leave Pass monthly title. Not that it is hard to find the motivation when the weather forecast is 24 degrees and hardly a breath of wind. As the groups started firing their golf balls down the first fairway there was one notable observation. Gone are the days of the social golfer, Sunday Leave Pass has recruited a database of real players. As every member stood up and swung, the ball was launched long and predominantly straight down the middle of the fairway.

Whether it is a sign of the economic times and people doing all they can to avoid being fined or the fact that we have all developed as golfers, because there was no shanks or air swings, not a member came close to failing to hit their drive passed the ladies tees. It was a procession of respectable golf shots. Well that is how it appeared from the first tee, however from there to the 18th green there must have been a lot of the old Sunday Leave Pass skillsets because the scores blew out pretty quickly.

Only two golfers broke their handicap at Centenary Park, and the only way to separate Jaxon Fitzpatrick and Jamie Brunton was with countback. The two J's shared a 69, and coincidentally most of their action happened around the back side. Both boys came home strong and dominated the holes after the turn. It is rare to shoot 23 stableford points, and even more rare to have two golfers do it during the same round after posting the same Nett score.

In the event of a tie the third step of a countback is to look at the individual holes working backwards from the 18th hole. In this particular case, this system worked in favour of Jaxon Fitzpatrick who not only won a skin for his par on the 18th hole, but the 4 stableford points he collected also gave him the top position on Jamie and he got the pleasure of knowing he came first.

Shane Cumming and Ben Nichol were the only other golfers who had a taste for it. With scores of 74 and 75 they were very close to the action. Cider blew his opportunity on the 13th and 17th holes. Ben was looking very good on the front 9 however he was not able to capitalize on his 20 points before the stopping into pie shop at the halfway mark.

Results for Centenary Park were as follows:

Ranking	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Player	Jaxon Fitzpatrick	Jamie Brunton	Shane Cumming	Ben Nichol	Peter McArthur	Stuart Cooper	Mark Fitzpatrick	Andrew Clarke	Barry Hemsley
Score	97	88	87	95	89	86	96	93	103
Handicap	28	19	13	20	11	8	18	14	24
Nett Score	69	69	74	75	78	78	78	79	79
Points	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7

Ranking	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Player	Glenn Douglas	Wayne James	Steve Dawson	Mick Harper	Steve Powne	Peter Calyvpoulos	Greg Parsons	Steve OSullivan	Heath McLeod
Score	91	87	91	88	101	95	106	87	105
Handicap	12	8	11	8	20	14	25	6	23
Nett Score	79	79	80	80	81	81	81	81	82
Points	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	1	1

Ranking	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Player	Ron Parsons	Simon Galloway	Thomas Cooper	Jayden Orger	Cameron Ross	Matt Robinson	Chris Westhead	Dale Robinson	Newell Richards
Score	105	108	96	98	107	115	111	100	106
Handicap	23	25	13	15	24	31	27	15	20
Nett Score	82	83	83	83	83	84	84	85	86
Points	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Ranking	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
Player	Caleb Fitzpatrick	Tony Maclsaac	Brent Douglas	Chris Sfiligoj					
Score	117	113	100	113					
Handicap	30	26	10	20					
Nett Score	87	87	90	93					
Points	1	1	1	1					

After the top 4 placings the scores went down hill quickly, Nearly 2/3 of the field recorded scores of Nett 80 or worse. Despite the run of poor performances only 4 golfers recorded a Newell or worse for the day.

Chris Sfiligoj carried on the SLP tradition of sabotaging his round on the first hole. When Chris tapped in for a Newell, he became the 43rd SLP member to make double par or worse on the opening hole. It set the tone for the day for Chris. He topped the ball all over the golf course, he failed to get the ball passed the ladies tees on the 15th hole and that was one of his longest drives for the day.



You can always tell when you are having a bad day when you take a practice swing with your putter and somehow you manage to accidentally nick the ball. What's worse the fine police didn't know whether to call him up for an air swing or a shank so they fined him for both.

Chris racked up his 2nd Newell for the morning when he arrived at the 11th tee. He topped his drive across the 10th green, he then hit every tree beside the 11th and 17th fairways before signed off for a Newell plus 1 (11) with a 1 putt green.

Chris' straight shots were very straight. Straight in to the ground. It is fair to say he was the top golfer on the day because he topped just about every shot he hit. Even the earthworms were climbing the trees because it was safer to be on high ground than at ground level.

Chris posted the Top score for the day if you consider the highest Nett total an achievement .

Last we heard Chris was in negotiations with the director of The Choc Top Ice-cream Company, seeking a sponsorship deal. Evidently he considers himself a perfect brand ambassador for them and is even willing to spend time in the tanning salon to ensure he is fully recognisable as a Choc Topper.



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The one saving grace for Chris was that he claimed the lions share of the skins pool. Chris made a brilliant up and down on the 13th hole which carried with it the weight of a 9 skins hole jackpot.

Nine skins is a massive haul for such an early part of the season. Chris needs only a further 7x skins in the next 8 months to surpass the total achieved by the 2024 skins champion.

Cam Ross achieved the rare feat of back to back birdies, he was lucky enough to claim four skins with his tweeter for 4 stableford points on the 4th hole and then he forced Ben Nichol to a carry over the skins jackpot on the NTP 2nd hole by birdying the 5th hole.

Although all Sunday Leave Pass rounds are scored as stroke events, we use the stableford scoring system to run a skins competition across the entire field.

When a player has a better score (Nett stableford) than every other SLP member then they are deemed to have won the skin and they are rewarded with a raffle ticket for the hole and any other previously unclaimed skins.

As Jamie and Jaxon went toe to toe (or was it head to toe) for their 69's they were also sharing the pleasures of winning skins. It was Jaxon's turn on the 15,16th and 18th holes while Jamie got the chance to enjoy some of the action on the 17th hole.

"SKINS" are distributed to those players good enough to win a hole outright. If more than 1 player got the lowest score on a hole it is Jackpotted until an outright winner occurs.

Just a reminder that for every round you play you are automatically awarded a raffle ticket to go towards the end of year raffle, then extra tickets are issued if you wear the official club shirt. Plus, the monthly winner has the option of exchanging the number of balls owed to Raffle tickets for the end of year prize draw as can be any nearest to pin or long drive or other ball prizes.

1	Jackpot
2	Jackpot
3	Jackpot
4	Cameron Ross
5	Jackpot
6	Jackpot
7	Jackpot
8	Jackpot
9	Jackpot
10	Jackpot
11	Jackpot
12	Jackpot
13	Chris Sfiligoj
14	Jackpot
15	Jaxon Fitzpatrick
16	Jaxon Fitzpatrick
17	Jamie Brunton
18	Jaxon Fitzpatrick

<u>Number of skins won</u>	
Chris Sfiligoj	x9
Cam Ross	x4
Jaxon Fitzpatrick	x4
Jamie Brunton	x1



Last year the skins champion collected a total of 15 holes for the entire season. So a bag of even 4 skins is a healthy start to the season.

Dale Robinson has the record for the most skins claimed in a season. In 2015 Dale won an amazing 30 skins.

[Skins Championship – Sunday Leave Pass](#)

[Click on link to see who has won skins champion](#)

The skins are calculated based on the stableford score on each hole.

There will be plenty of guys out there looking at the skins distribution and thinking, bugger I had a putt with a chance to win those skins.

Mick Harper could have forced Jamies skin to a Jackpot had he just holed a 2 meter putt on the 17th green. Unfortunately he missed it, then the next one, then the next one and you would never believe it, but he missed the next one as well. It would be rare, if not the first time we have ever seen Mick Harper have 5-putts on a green, he quite often goes 3-5 holes to have that number of putts.

The 17th hole proved catastrophic for plenty of golfers on Sunday. Caleb Fitzpatrick was starting to regret his trip to Drummond Golf Mitcham to buy a new Tour Edge Punchbowl putter, when it punched him in the face six times. Caleb went one putt worse than Mick Harper as he walked to the 18th tee wearing the flouro yellow vest after recording a six putts for 11 on the scorecard on the 17th green.

I am not sure what the guys found to be so difficult on the 17th because there was only 1 other 3 putt scored on that hole, plus it gave up a chip in and 5x one putts to the rest of the field. Were it not for Mick, Caleb and Ronnie blowing up, the 17th hole would have had a ranking as the No# 1 ranked hole strokes gained putting at an average score of 1.75.

Interestingly all 3 of those guys went on to wear they three putt monkey vest back to the car park.

While the crew were standing around having a beer and basking in their yellow glow after golf it was decided we needed a new competition and a new trophy for the end of year trip. So starting this month we will begin tracking the 3 putt monkey vest to see who is best at getting it.



March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
Inductees								

- Thomas Cooper
- Heath McLeod
- Ron Parsons
- Greg Parsons
- Mick Harper
- Chris Sfiligoj
- Caleb Fitzpatrick
- Tony Maclsaac



At the end of each round we will now record who was wearing the flouro yellow vest after the 18th hole and then over the course of the season we will be able to establish who is the best (or worst) at finishing as the 3 putt monkey. By December I am certain we will have conjured up a competition and a prize for the top contributors to the three putt monkey competition.

Considering the condition of the greens at Centenary Park the putting statistics were surprisingly good. The average putts per player was under 35 and only 2 out of the field of 31 players had more than 40 putts. Ronnie Parsons was the worst with the flat stick, adding 41 strokes to his scorecard while hitting from on the green. Caleb Fitzpatrick limped home with 40 putts with his new putter from Drummond Golf, although it should be noted that he had 6 putts on the 17th green. So technically even a 3 putt instead of a 6 putt would have seen him sign off for 37 putts which is still 2.67 putts better than his career average Putts per Round which currently sits at 39.67.

Jamie Brunton had a very solid round with the shortest club in his bag. Of his 86 strokes for the day only 30 of those were played from on the green. Jamie had 7x one putts for the day which is no feat when you are putting across a smattering of duck pooh and greens which hadn't been mowed for several days.

Mark Fitzy got around the course in 31 putts, he also had seven one putts but 3 putted the 2nd and the 11th greens. Greg Parsons, Simon Galloway and Chris Sfiligoj each managed to produce a "nonner" (0 putt) on Sunday. Simon's didn't necessarily provide much of a celebration because his chip in on the 2nd hole was for an 8 on the par three hole. Admittedly it saved him from recording a Newell but little else was a good memory about the hole.

Chris Sfiligoj chipped in for a double bogie on the 4th green, he had topped his ball all of the way down the fairway, if truth be told not one of his 6 shots actually managed to get into the air.

Greg Parsons chipped in on the 17th green, after 3 putting the previous hole. He was doing everything he could to try to avoid the three putt monkey vest, however it was all in vain because his playing partners all managed to 2 putt the last two greens so he was left wearing the vest despite his chip in.

It is the biggest cardinal sin on the golf course to play great golf shot to set your self up for a good chance at making a birdie and then blow it all by making a three putt or even worse a 7 putt.

This is otherwise known in the golfing lexicon as a “Birdogie.”

The small \$#!t covered greens and half grown over holes did very little to increase the Birdogie count. There was no shortage of GIR’s recorded. 76 to be exact and amazingly from those 76 GIR’s there was a Sunday Leave pass career low record of just 13 Birdogies scored. That means only 17% of the time when a golfer was putting for birdie, they failed to make a par or better. Perhaps we should be putting on crappy greens every month because this is a 50% improvement on the club average Birdogies scored per round.

Peter McArthur is a highly accredited member of the Birdogie Club. He added another 2 birdies squandered to his total, by missing scoring opportunities on the 10th and 11th holes.

Glenn Douglas was the other multiple Birdogie scorer. He 3x putted the 4th and the 18th greens but still managed to avoid finishing up in the golden vest.

Andrew Clarke	2nd	 <p>The ability to convert a GIR and make-able birdie chance into a bogey or worse via poor putting.</p>	Peter McArthur	10th & 11th
Ben Nichol	2nd		Shane Cumming	2nd
Barry Hemsley	9th		Thomas Cooper	7th
Jamie Brunton	7th		Wayne James	14th
Jaxon Fitzpatrick	4th			
Glenn Douglas	4th & 18th			
Matt Robinson	11th			
			Total GIR	76
			Total Birdogies	13 17.10%

Special mention to Barry Hemsley who we are very proud to say had a Birdogie on a Par 5 hole. Bazza runs at a GIR ratio of 1/20 (5%) so he doesn’t get too many chances to birdogie the longer holes. Over the duration of 89 round Sunday Leave Pass career Barry has played 282 par 5 holes for a yield of 11 pars and 1 birdie at an average score of 7.41 strokes per attempt. To make a GIR is a landmark occasion even if he was unable to capitalize on the opportunity. For the record Barry is in career best form in 2025, he has been dragging his statistics up when it comes to his GIR records. He is averaging 6.75 strokes on the par 5 holes and he is running at an incredible 25% GIR hit ratio for the par 5 holes.

Thomas Cooper and Andrew Clarke are no strangers to the Birdogie wall of shame. There is never a month go by that those boys don’t get a mention or two.

It’s hard to define an exact moment in a round of golf which cost you the match, although Jamie Brunton will possibly be looking back at his Birdogie on the par 4, 7th hole and wonder if only he two putted he would have beaten Jaxon by a stroke.

To date Wayne James is the leading Birdogie champion. Wayne is making an average of 3x Birdogies per round. The one positive of holding this title is that it means you are hitting lots of GIR’s. In 2025 Wayne has hit 16 out of 36 holes in GIR for a return of 6 Birdogies, his birdogie percentage is 12.24 %.

Jayden Orger only averages 2.25 Birdogies per round although he has nearly a 25% chance of 3 putting on those occasions when he hits a green in regulation.

Ben Nichol has played 2 rounds of golf in the current year, he averages 2 Birdogies per round with a 3 putt conversion of 80%. In other words he has hit 5 out of 36 greens in regulation, 3-putted 4 of them and the only hole he avoided the Birdogie was on the NTP 5th hole at Centenary park where he tapped in for a birdie from 3 feet.

Graeme Foster is running at 100% he has only hit 1 green for the year and he 4 putted it for double bogie, There are 10 golfers on the Sunday Leave Pass list who are yet to experience the pressures of standing over a birdie putt because they have not yet managed to hit a green in regulation.

Centenary Park is reported to be one of the longest public access golf courses in the south east. Perhaps this is why the Birdie count was down from the lofty standards we have been setting of late. Only 7x golfers recorded a tweeter and none of them came in the form of a 2 on a par 3 hole.

Cam Ross must have thought he was ready to join the PGA tour after hitting consecutive birdies on the 4th and 5th holes. Jayden Orger and Ben Nichol were highly competitive on the NTP 2nd shot hole. Both hit their approaches very close to the flag stick and were able to comfortably roll in their putts for Birdie.

Dale Robinson pulled a tweeter from the trees. His errant drive was lodged in the deep grass with trees blocking his approach to the green, well so we thought. Somehow Dale was able to shot shape his ball between the tree trunks and branches and his ball rolled up and on to the green, setting him up a long down hill putt for bird. The putter did the rest of the work and he claimed a couple skins and added birdie No# 50 to his long list of Sunday Leave Pass accomplishments.

Mick and Dawso did what Barry Hemsley couldn't do, the boys drained their putts for sub par on the par 5, 9th hole.

Cam Ross	4th Hole Par 4		Dale Robinson	6th Hole Par 4
Cam Ross	5th Hole Par 4		Mick Harper	9th Hole Par 5
Jayden Orger	5th Hole Par 4		Steve Dawson	9th Hole Par 5
Ben Nichol	5th Hole Par 4			
We keep track of the birdies made each month and they are recorded for posterity on the website, Birdies – Sunday Leave Pass			The current tally is BIRDIES : 1594	

NEWELL'S		WALL OF SHAME		
Chris Sfiligoj	1st Hole Par 5 (10)		Chris Sfiligoj	11th Hole Par 4 (11)
Matt Robinson	3rd Hole Par 4 (10)		Caleb Fitzpatrick	17th Hole Par 4 (11)
		"A Newell," is a golfing term defined as "A score of 10 or more shots on a single hole."		
		If you want to check out who else has made a Newell, then you can click on the link to go to the honour board on the website, Newell's – Sunday Leave Pass		
			The current Newell tally is	NEWELLS : 1832

As Dale racked up his 50th Birdie at Centenary Park, we were all waiting with bated breath for Newell to achieve his next career milestone. As he pegged it up on Sunday, Newell was armed with the knowledge that he was on the precipice of scoring his 100th Newell.

He nearly sealed the deal on the par 3 second hole where he racked up 9 strokes, But after that he dug his heels in and never scored worse than an 8 on both the 9th and 17th holes.

Chris Sfiligoj has a long way to go to achieve his 100th double figure score, however he did move two Newell's closer after he Newell'd the 1st and 11th holes at Centenary Park.

Matt Robinson had a big blowout hole on the third and the only other person to add to the Newell's tally was Caleb Fitzpatrick who by posting a 10 on the 17th hole increased the Sunday Leave Pass Social clubs double figure tally to 1832. We are nearly 300 Newell's ahead of Birdies so as a collective group we need to pull our fingers out and narrow the gap.

It was great to see the Blue Jacket finally getting a bit of a run for its money. Brent started calling in a few of his entitlements and he was seen tapping members on the shoulder. Just remember he needs to be wearing the jacket while he is drinking your beers, if you see him with it off then you are well within your rights to call him up to task and make him buy you a beer instead.

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Anthony Emmerson	2	Heath McLeod	← Paid	Scott Dybing	2
Barry Hemsley	9	Jake Schmidt	1	Shane Cumming	← Paid
Ben Nichol	2	Jamie Brunton	← Paid	Simon Galloway	8
Bo Cartwright	6	Jaxon Fitzpatrick	5	Steve Dawson	11
Brad McMahon	1	Jayden Orger	9	Steve Osullivan	← Paid
Brent Douglas	8	Jayden Turcinovic	2	Steve Powne	10
Caleb Fitzpatrick	1	Mark Fitzpatrick	7	Stuart Cooper	← Paid
Cameron Ross	4	Mark Stillgoj	4	Thomas Cooper	10
Chris Stillgoj	6	Mick Harper	← Paid	Todd Neilson	2
Chris Westhead	10	Newell Richards	7	Tom Thorn	4
Colin Ewart	3	Peter Calyvopoi	← Paid	Tom Thurecht	← Paid
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2024 Champion of Champions



Winner of the blue Jacket and all of its powers for 2024.

Brent has already done a better job calling in his IOU's than the 2023 Champion of Champions did and it is only 3 rounds in. If he keeps up his conversion rate of 7 golfers per round, then Brent will have the entire group tapped out before the end of the 2025 season, so long as he manages his flock wisely and cashes in on the ghost golfers who only play a couple of rounds each year. Next month is a BBQ at a highly attended golf course where many of those occasional members make an appearance. So if Brent is efficient he might be able to tick off a whole stable of names who might only play that one round for the year.

For those who have forgotten about the powers bestowed on the Blue Jacket; here is a reminder of how it works.

As the Champion of Champions a player is able to ask any Sunday Leave Pass member to buy him a drink, it is limited to only receiving one drink per member (beer or soft) over the entire year and it can only be done so, if he is wearing the Champion of Champion jacket at the time. This of course does not include new members who did not play at least one or more rounds in season 2024, but not exclusive to those who attended the golf trip. So, if he manages himself correctly, he should be looking at up to 52 free beers or soft drinks over the next 12 months. Now, that is a prize worth aspiring for.

The other condition is that the player must be the one who consumes the drink, he cannot use his power to buy beverages for anyone else. There is also a catch where, if the wearer of the blue jacket asks someone who has previously shouted him a drink, then he must immediately buy them a drink instead. The Champion of champions can also kick in the balance of \$2.50 per shout to upgrade his beer to bourbons if he prefers to.

Remember that the Champ must be wearing the jacket, He must continue to wear the jacket while he is drinking. If it is too hot to wear the Champion of Champions jacket, that is OK, just choose not to wear it and then you are not eligible for a free drink. All purchased drinks are to be opened so they cannot be taken home for future consumption or to give to dinner guests or visitors. A traveller for the drive home is also OK, so long as it is opened, and the jacket wearer is the one who drinks it.



It's not that we want to encourage alcoholism or irresponsible drinking but we certainly have pointed Brent in that direction. Not only is he currently in possession of the Blue Jacket and all of its powers but he was also handed the Golden Hat for being ranked as the No# 1 Sunday Leave Player.

The Golden Hat carries powers of its own, since it entitles the wearer to claim their first drink Free for each month he holds the title.

With his win at Healesville Brent took over the No# 1 ranking from Wayne James, and with a 2 point buffer he looks like he may be wearing it for a few months yet. Even with a near Beer Wench performance at Centenary Park he conceded very little to those members striving to reach the highest status in the club.

World Ranking points are awarded to every member of the club after each round that they play based on their finishing position

compared to other ranked golfers. Not everyone has an official club ranking because you need to have played a minimum of 12 out of the most recent 20 Sunday Leave pass rounds to retain a club ranking profile. The points value of each round is determined by the strength of field quality of the competition with the No# 1 player adding 45 points to the value, the No# 2 is worth 37 points etc. A large field with all of the big guns playing is worth more points than a poorly attended round when the best players aren't there.


Monthly winners eligible for Champion of Champions playoff in 2025

December (**Mark Sfiligoj**) 84 Nett [64]. January (**Peter MacArthur**) 73 Nett [60]. February (**Brent Douglas**) 81 Nett [68] March (**Jaxon Fitzpatrick**) 97 Nett [69] April (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], May (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], June (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], July (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], August (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], September (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], October (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], November (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??],

Monthly winners eligible for Beer Wench of Beer Wenches playoff in 2024

December (**Bo Cartwright**) 149 Nett [118], January (**Cameron Ross**) 111 Nett [85]. February (**Newell Richards**) 117 Nett [94], March (**Chris Sfiligoj**) 113 Nett [93], April (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], May (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], June (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], July (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], August (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], September (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], October (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??], November (**TBA**) ?? Nett [??]

Winners of the Novelty events at Centenary Park were as follows.

	<p>How it works</p> <p>The first group place a marker on the green at the point where the ball was located when the ball was first holed. The intention is then to see who manages to sink the longest putt on that hole. Over the duration of the day. The marker moves further and farther back and around the green as we drop in those 8' and 10' footers for par, bogey, double bogey or even a Newell.</p> <p><u>Just a reminder the marker should be left on the green where the longest holed putt was last made. If the marker is 60cm directly in front of the cup you can easily put it behind the hole equidistant from the cup so it doesn't block the ball of a golfer approaching the green.</u></p>
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<p>Winners of Longest holed Putt</p> <p>Jan (Steve Dawson) 555cm.</p> <p>Feb (No winner)</p> <p>Mar (Jaxon Fitzpatrick) 370cm</p> <p>Apr</p>	<p>May</p> <p>May (2)</p> <p>Jun</p> <p>Jul</p> <p>Aug</p>	<p>Sep</p> <p>Oct</p> <p>Nov</p>
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LONGEST DRIVE

Congratulations to Heath McLeod who usurped the power heaters on Sunday. There was no chance of him being out gunned because Heathy smoked his driver past the pre-existing marker and simply collected it, measured the yardage, wrote his name and brought it back to the club house.

Just a reminder we need someone in the group to measure the longest drive distance back to the tee and write it on the marker along with the persons name. In this day and age there is always someone in each group who has either a watch with distance measuring capacity or a rangefinder to calculate the distance of a drive.

<p>Winners of Longest drive</p> <p>Jan (Thomas Cooper) 323m.</p> <p>Feb (Mick Harper) 361m.</p> <p>Mar (Heath McLeod) 260m</p> <p>Apr</p>	<p>May</p> <p>May (2)</p> <p>Jun</p> <p>Jul</p> <p>Aug</p>	<p>Sep</p> <p>Oct</p> <p>Nov</p>
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Nearest to the pin prizes were won by:

- 2nd Hole Steve Dawson (Raffle Ticket)
- 9th Hole (No One Good Enough)
- 13th Hole Peter McArthur (Raffle Ticket)
- 18th Hole Glenn Douglas (Raffle Ticket)
- NTP 2nd Shot Ben Nichol (Golf Ball)
- Longest Drive Heath McLeod (Raffle Ticket)
- Longest Putt Jaxon Fitzpatrick (Raffle Ticket)

NTP WINNERS



LONGEST DRIVE



Reminder

The ball must be clearly on the CUT surface of the green or fairway to win NTP or longest drive. If it is not on the fairway it doesn't count.

Congratulations to the last group who were given the responsibility of collecting all of the NTP markers, we are sure it was just a coincidence that 6 of the 9 Novelty prize awards were claimed by those who were chasing the back of the pack and collecting the markers.

It was great to see smiling Simon so happy to be wearing the Pink Jacket on Sunday afternoon. But then again how can you not be happy to put on such a delightful garment when it brings with it the power of a free drink. Simon was crowned the Beer Wench of Beer Wenches at Rich River when he outperformed the other 11 Beer Wench Qualifiers. Now he has the right to ask those lowly souls to buy him a drink from the bar. The T's & C's are as simple as one drink per Beer Wench month, so long as he is wearing the Jacket at the time. Members with Multiple Beer Wenches during the 2024 season are accountable for each last place finish they had.



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January	Tony MacIsaac	← Paid	July	Dale Robinson
February	David Burns		August	Graeme Foster
March	Greg Parsons	← Paid	September	Tony MacIsaac
April	Greg Parsons	← Paid	October	Heath McLeod
May	Tony MacIsaac		November	Peter McArthur
June	Simon Galloway	← Paid	December	Bo Cartwright

As a new member of the Social Club the Callaway Handicapping system is used to give the player a daily played to handicap for the first couple of rounds. Once they have played 3 rounds, they are given a temporary club handicap using the original AGU handicapping system. After 5 rounds they are then switched across to the current slope handicapping system.

Even if a player has an official golf link, as a matter of consistency we still use the Callaway system to calculate a daily handicap.

Historically when a golf course plays tough, such as Devil Bend or Eynesbury the golfers playing on a Callaway handicap generally find themselves in the points distribution in the top 10, however if they attend an easy course such as Ringwood or Dorset then they usually end up at the back of the field.

Depending on the balance of a golfers scores the system generally allocates the player a Nett score between 74 and 78 determined primarily on how many good holes they have compared to blowouts.

Score	Deduct
68	0.0
69	0.0
70	0.0
71	0.0
72	0.0
73	0.5
74	0.5
75	0.5
76	1.0
77	1.0
78	1.0
79	1.0
80	1.0
81	1.5
82	1.5
83	1.5
84	1.5
85	1.5
86	2.0
87	2.0
88	2.0
89	2.0
90	2.0
91	2.5
92	2.5
93	2.5
94	2.5
95	2.5
96	3.0
97	3.0
98	3.0
99	3.0
100	3.0
101	3.5
102	3.5
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104	3.5
105	3.5
106	4.0
107	4.0
108	4.0
109	4.0
110	4.0
111	4.5
112	4.5
113	4.5
114	4.5
115	4.5
116	5.0
117	5.0
118	5.0
119	5.0
120	5.0
121	5.5
122	5.5
123	5.5
124	5.5
125	5.5
126	6.0
127	6.0
128	6.0
129	6.0
130	6.0

Adjustment	Add or Deduct from Handicap
+2	
+1	
0	
-1	
-2	

This system is used for determining fair allowances for social golf events that attract novices or occasional golfers. A player's Callaway handicap is determined after each round by deducting from his/her 18-hole gross score the scores of the worst individual holes during the first 16 holes of the round.

In the computation of handicaps under this system:

- No hole may be scored at more than twice its par,
- half strokes count as a whole,
- the 17th and 18th holes are never deducted,

For example, if a player scores 99 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their (3 worst holes) +1

If a player scores 82 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their (worst + ½ the 2nd worst hole) -1

If a player scores 120 on the day their handicap would be calculated as the sum total of their (five worst holes) +2

We are at a point now where pretty much every member is running off an official Sunday Leave Pass club handicap. We didn't have any blow in this month so it was easy to work out the scores.

There are a few fellas sitting on the books who if they lived in the 1800's would have had wanted posters nailed to the trees along side Ned Kelly because the have some very generous numbers alongside their names compared to their playing ability. In otherwars they are Bushrangers waiting to rob the honest golfers.

Over time the handicapper will reign in those Bushrangers although there is a good chance they will steal a bit of loot along the journey.

For those people interested in the mechanics of the handicapping system it can be best explained as the following.

How to calculate a GA Handicap

To calculate a player's GA Handicap:

- you must firstly identify the player's most recent 20 scores,
- you then determine the 'Played To' value for each of these scores,
- you average the best 8 'Played To' values,
- and finally you multiply this average by 0.93. The resultant figure (to one decimal place) is the player's GA Handicap.

* If a player's handicap record contains a lesser number than 20 scores, the number of scores used to calculate the player's handicap is as listed in the table below.

* There is no requirement for a player's most recent 20 scores to have been returned within a specific timeframe. For example, the most recent 20 scores may span a period of three years or they may span a period of three months.

* Once a player's handicap record contains 20 scores, the next score they return will result in the oldest of the existing 20 scores being removed (to be replaced by the new score).

Number of Scores in Player's Handicap Record	Scores to be Used in the Calculation
5 to 6	Best/Lowest 1
7 or 8	Best/Lowest 2
9 or 10	Best/Lowest 3
11 or 12	Best/Lowest 4
13 or 14	Best/Lowest 5
15 or 16	Best/Lowest 6
17 or 18	Best/Lowest 7
19 or 20	Best/Lowest 8

Note: When the handicap record contains more than 20 scores, the GA Handicap calculation uses the best 8 of the player's most recent 20 scores.

The more rounds a golfer plays the more accurately the handicap reflects their average scores. Once 20 rounds have been achieved the slope handicap modelling is operating at optimal efficiency.

HANDICAPS

The changes to player's handicaps are as follows:

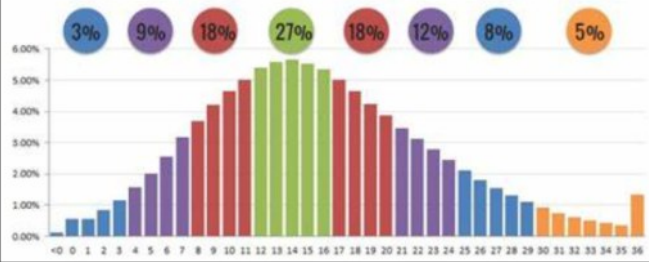
BOLD RED NUMBERS- refer to players whose handicap has gone out **BOLD BLACK NUMBERS**- refer to players whose handicap has remained unchanged

BOLD GREEN NUMBERS- refer to players whose handicap has come in **NON-BOLD NUMBERS**- player didn't play this month, so handicap has not changed

Player:	New Handicap	Was	H/Cap Change	Player:	New Handicap	Was	H/Cap Change
Adam Cooper	19.7	19.7	0	Mark Fitzpatrick	19.4	19.6	-0.2
Andrew Clarke	16.3	16.3	0	Mark Sfiligoj	19	19	-0.6
Andrew Daly	20.3	20.3	0	Mick Harper	9.9	9.9	0
Anthony Emmerson	13.4	13.4	0	Newell Richards	21.4	21.4	0
Barry Hemsley	25.8	25.8	0	Peter Calyopoulos	15.5	15.5	0
Ben Nichol	21.2	21.5	-0.3	Peter McArthur	13.1	13.2	-0.1
Ben Hall				Phil Plane	28.5	28.5	0
Bo Cartwright	31.8	31.8	0	Rick Turcinovic	30.8	30.8	0
Brendan Brewster				Ron Parsons	24.3	24.3	0
Brent Douglas	11.5	11.5	0	Shane Cumming	14.1	14.5	-0.4
Cam Douglas	22.1	22.1	-0.7	Simon Galloway	26.6	26.6	0
Cameron Ross	26.2	26.2	0	Steve Dawson	12.5	12.9	-0.4
Chris Sfiligoj	22.3	22.3	0	Steve OSullivan	8	8	0
Chris Westhead	29	29	0	Steve Powne	21.9	21.5	0.4
Colin Ewart	30.5	30.5	0	Stuart Cooper	9.7	9.7	0
Dale Robinson	17.1	17.1	0	Thomas Cooper	14.4	14.4	0
David Burns	24.4	24.4	0	Tim Emmerson	20.4	20.4	0
Gerard MacIsaac	9	9	0	Todd Neilson	18.3	18.3	0
Glenn Douglas	14.2	14.2	0	Tom Thorn	19.3	19.3	0
Graeme Foster	17	17	0	Tom Thurecht	17.1	17.1	0
Greg Parsons	26.9	26.5	-0.4	Tony MacIsaac	27.7	27.4	-0.3
Heath McLeod	25.2	25.2	0	Trevor Kershaw			
Jake Schmidt	22.6	22.6	0	Wayne James	10	10	0
Jamie Brunton	19.4	20.5	-1.1	Zac Harford	18.9	18.9	0
Jaxon Fitzpatrick	28.6	29.8	-1.2	Brad McMahon			
Jayden Orger	16.6	16.6	0				

Jamie Brunton and Jaxon Fitzpatrick suffered the full wrath of the handicapper this month. You cant tag team a 69 and expect not to lose a shot or more. Ben, Fitzy, Macca and Dawso also had significant trims after their scores at Centenary Park. For most golfers it was a handicap neutral affair, meaning there was no adjustments. T Mac, the Blue Smurf and Greg Parson each got a fraction of a stroke back after one of their flag rounds dropped off and was replaced by a worse score from their back supply of back supply rounds.

Golf Handicap Distribution (via thegrint.com)



As a golf club we have an even spread of golfers. Based on 50 golfers on the data base our numbers stack up as the following.

- Our lowest handicap is currently 8.0
- 4 golfers currently have a single digit handicap.
- 20 members play off a handicap between 10.0 & 19.9
- 19 play off a handicap between 20.0 and 29.9
- 4 golfers are currently holding a handicap in the 30's

For those players not familiar with the scoring process, listed below is the format we use in Sunday Leave Pass competitions.

Once all of the players are ranked then the Seasons Championship points are allocated according to the position in the field.

The player in 1st place gets 15 points, 2nd place 14 points, 3rd place 13 points, etc. etc. Any player who completes the round however finishes ranked outside the top 14 and is placed between 15th spot to BeerWench then they are all allocated 1 championship point for attending.

Sunday Leave Pass competitions are run using Stroke so you need to count every shot that you play and you need to finish every hole. Each player's Nett total score is then calculated by deducting the players handicap from the Gross score. If a player doesn't have an official Sunday Leave Pass handicap, then a temporary played to handicap is allocated on the day using the Callaway handicapping system.

Once the players Nett score is calculated they are ranked from lowest score (Monthly title winner) to highest score. (BeerWench) Where more than one player has the same Nett Score then the place allocations are decided based on a countback system. The countback is calculated using the total No# of stableford points scored on the back nine holes.



Jamie Brunton has capitalized on the summer months to rack up as many points as he could muster, Come footy season his name rarely appears on the tee sheets so we can expect to see him drop off the top of the leaderboard and out of contention. You can rest assure Brent will be around each month so long as he has his drinking boots on and Peter Macca, Heath and Dawso are featuring regularly at the top of the points distribution and are only 1 good round from reaching the top of the ladder.

Season 2025 Points Leader Board

Ranking	Player	Rounds	Points	Ranking	Player	Rounds	Points
1	Jamie Brunton	3	29	25	Adam Cooper	1	6
2	Brent Douglas	3	29	26	Steve Powne	3	5
3	Peter McArthur	3	27	27	Steve Osullivan	3	5
4	Steve Dawson	3	26	28	Peter Calyvopoulos	3	3
5	Heath McLeod	3	21	29	Cameron Ross	2	2
6	Shane Cumming	3	19	30	Simon Galloway	2	2
7	Mick Harper	3	17	31	Tony MacIsaac	2	2
8	Thomas Cooper	3	16	32	Ron Parsons	2	2
9	Jaxon Fitzpatrick	1	15	33	Matt Robinson	2	2
10	Stuart Cooper	3	15	34	Gerard MacIsaac	2	2
11	Andrew Clarke	3	14	35	Chris Sfligoj	2	2
12	Jayden Orger	3	13	36	Tom Thorn	1	1
13	Colin Ewart	2	13	37	Todd Neilson	1	1
14	Ben Nichol	2	13	38	Robert Underwood	1	1
15	Andrew Daly	2	13	39	Caleb Fitzpatrick	1	1
16	Newell Richards	3	12	40	Graeme Foster	1	1
17	Tom Thurecht	2	10	41	Chris Westhead	1	1
18	Mark Fitzpatrick	2	10	42			
19	Greg Parsons	3	9	43			
20	Barry Hemsley	3	9	44			
21	Wayne James	2	8	45			
22	David Burns	2	8	46			
23	Glenn Douglas	1	6	47			
24	Dale Robinson	3	6	48			



It is only early days so the points distribution for the championship ladder, So expect to see plenty of movement over the next 6 months. All it takes is a win and you bank 15 extra points and if the guys above you have a round where they finish outside the top 14 then you can make ground very quickly. Brent finished 30th this month and he gave up his 8 point lead over the rest of the pack.

Remember that the points are only awarded for when you play and there is no allowance made to compensate those who miss a month or more. The winner is the player with the most points at the end of the season no matter how many games you played. Every member is invited to play every fixtured round plus we offer a narrow window of opportunity to submit a catch up or off cycle round if you are unavailable to play on the Sunday schedule.

Wayne James won the Sunday Leave Pass points title crown with 85 points in season 2024 and Brent and Jamie are nearly one third of the way to that figure after just three fixtured rounds.

Jaxon jumped up to inside the top 10 with his 15 points for his win with his first start for the season. It is an impressive effort to be ahead of 24 other golfers who have had multiple rounds for a return of less points.

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Golf Balls and prizes are owed to the following people:

Jaxon Fitzpatrick \$40 Drummond voucher **Winner at Centenary Park**
Ben Nichol 1x Golf Ball **NTP 2nd Hole Centenary Park**



SUNDAY LEAVE PASS VEST or WINTER JACKET

A couple of weeks ago a put out a call for expression of interest in ordering a winter vest. I was meant to bring a sample on Sunday to show you all but in all the other planning and organizing I forgot to bring one home from Drummonds and I wasn't about to go there on the way to Centenary Park at 630 in the morning.

We have another couple of months before the real cold weather hits so I will make sure I bring it to Dorset and then we will finalize the order for those people who are interested and have them ready before the big chill.

Thanks to those who did reply to the messages. According to our records this is the status of the orders so far. For those that haven't replied I will ask you again.

Adam Cooper	NO	David Burns	YES	Rick Turcinovic	YES
Andrew Clarke	NO	Gerard Maclsaac	NO	Rob Underwood	Unknown
Andrew Daly	NO	Glenn Douglas	Unknown	Ron Parsons	NO
Anthony Emmerson	NO	Graeme Foster	Unknown	Shane Cumming	YES XL Jacket
Barry Hemsley	NO	Greg Parsons	NO	Simon Galloway	YES
Ben Hall	Unknown	Heath McLeod	YES	Steve Dawson	NO
Ben Nichol	Unknown	Jake Schmidt	Unknown	Steve O'Sullivan	NO
Bo Cartwright	YES	Jamie Brunton	YES	Steve Powne	YES Medium
Brendan Brewster	Unknown	Jaxon Fitzpatrick	Unknown	Stuart Cooper	YES Large
Brent Douglas	NO	Jayden Orger	YES Medium	Thomas Cooper	Unknown
Caleb Fitzpatrick	Unknown	Mark Fitzpatrick	YES	Todd Neilson	NO
Cameron Ross	NO	Mark Sfiligoj	Unknown	Tom Kellythorn	NO
Chris Sfiligoj	YES	Mick Harper	NO	Tom Thurecht	Unknown
Chris Westhead	YES XL	Newell Richards	YES	Tony Maclsaac	YES
Colin Ewart	Unknown	Peter Calyopoulos	YES	Trevor Kershaw	Unknown
Dale Robinson	Unknown	Peter McArthur	YES XXL	Wayne James	YES
Dale Robinson	Unknown	Phil Plane	Unknown	Zac Harford	Unknown



If a picture tells a thousand words then this one photo of Jaxon Fitzy sums up perfectly 100s of famous golf quotes.

P.G. Wodehouse

“Golf... is the infallible test. The man who can go into a patch of rough alone, with the knowledge that only God is watching him, and play his ball where it lies, is the man who will serve you faithfully and well.”

Bruce Crampton

“Golf is a compromise between what your ego wants you to do, what experience tells you to do, and what your nerves let you do.”

Dr. Bob Rotella

“Golf is about how well you accept, respond to, and score with your misses much more so than it is a game of your perfect shots.”

Jimmy Demaret

“You know what they say about big hitters...the woods are full of them.”

Gay Brewer

“Golf is a game you can never get too good at. You can improve, but you can never get to where you master the game.”

Sam Snead

“Nobody asked how you looked, just what you shot.”

Lloyd Mangrum

“Golf is the only sport I know of where a player pays for every mistake. A man can muff a serve in tennis, miss a strike in baseball, or throw an incomplete pass in football and still have another chance to square himself. In golf, every swing counts against you.”

David Feherty

“It’s how you deal with failure that determines how you achieve success.”

Fuzzy Zoeller

“You’ve got to have the guts not to be afraid to screw up.”

Ben Crenshaw

“Golf is the hardest game in the world. There is no way you can ever get it. Just when you think you do, the game jumps up and puts you in your place.”

Pete Dye

“The ardent golfer would play Mount Everest if somebody put a flagstick on top.”

Raymond Floyd

“They call it golf because all the other four letter words were taken.”

Phil Mickelson

“A great shot is when you pull it off. A smart shot is when you don’t have the guts to try it.”

Anonymous

“Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle.”

No# 1. Anonymous

“Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle.”

This quote would have to be the truest of all of them, that is unless you are the Sunday Leave Pass worlds luckiest golfer who seems to coast around the golf course enjoying miracle after miracle.



It was great to see Wayne James sharing his good fortune with others. Matt Robinson was teeing it up on the first hole when he hit a big slice into the lake. As the ball flew towards it's watery grave, it appeared Matt was going to be the first golfer in the field to hit a bad shot off the first tee.

His ball went splash into the middle of the pond but instead of disappearing into the murky depths, as if by some divine intervention the ball skimmed across the surface twice and then reappeared on dry land on the far side bank of the water hazard.



All who watched it happening live, stood mouths agape in total disbelief, it was one of the luckiest shots we have ever bared witness too. It seemed total impossible, that was until we noticed that walking just on the other side of the pond was none other than the worlds luckiest golfer.

Wayne James was in close proximity so obviously the golfing gods must have though that the golf ball in danger was his instead of Matt's ball.

Matt went on to salvage a good score on the first hole and started his round with a much better score than he should have.

The good Karma didn't stay with Matt for too much longer, because once Wayne James was out of the equation and nowhere near the vicinity, when Matt returned to the same area while playing the 3rd hole which runs alongside the same lake his fortuitous luck had abandoned him. Matt copped two unplayable lies, bounced his ball of a tree and finished the hole with a Newell on the scorecard.

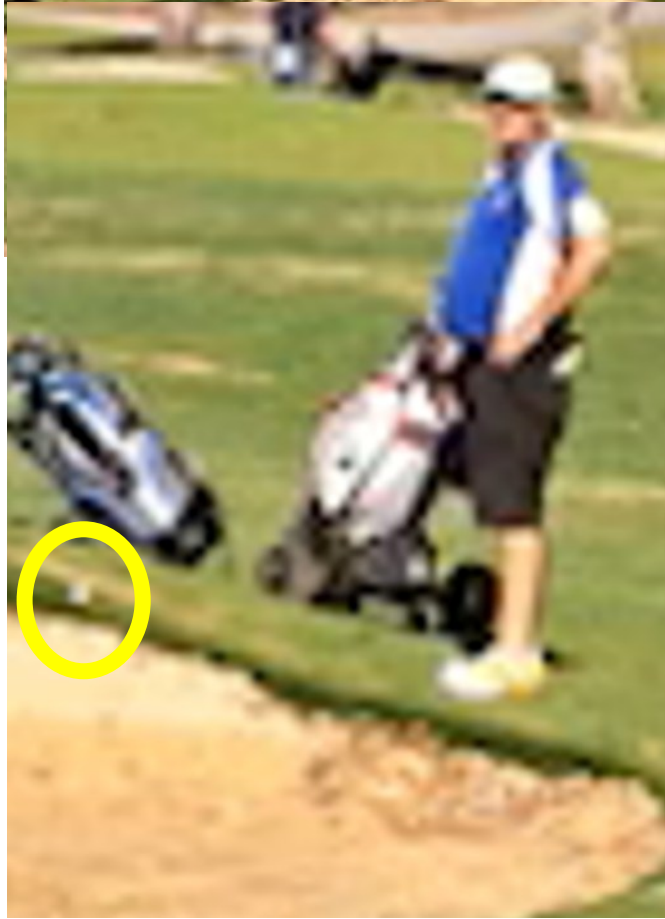
The Golf gods weren't finished with baby Dale (Matt) then either. On the 5th hole the handle of his golf buggy snapped off so for the rest of the 13 holes he almost carried his bag and buggy around the golf course. Why he didn't get a hire trolley at the turn we will never know. By the time he walked off the last green he was suffering from cramps in the forearms and he had bleeding blisters on his hands. It was surprising he could still even swing a club.

Thomas Cooper will be putting his hand up for the Luckiest Golfer nominations after his drive on the 11th hole ricocheted back into play after hitting a wide hook on the hole which set up to be requiring a slice. Thomas' golf ball flew as far left as the safety barrier fence would allow it too, then miraculously it landed on a tree stump somehow bounced back into the fairway offering him up the easiest of chip shots into the green. What the golf gods give they also taketh back. Thomas 3-putted for a birdogie which was a fair outcome considering he should have been playing his 3rd shot from off the tee.

Sometimes a great shot goes unrewarded and it has nothing to do with the golfing universe. Stu Coops flushed his drive down the 5th hole and his golf ball stopped just short of the green by a mere 5 or 6 meters. The options were endless, chip it with a wedge, run a 7 iron or hybrid up to the green or take the cheats option and putt it. Ben Nichol was holding the NTP second shot mark with an impressive proximity of less than 3 feet. Stu paced out the path to the pin, used aim point theory to reassure his calculations and set about trying to putt his ball closer than Bens from off the green. The only possible danger and worst case scenario was if he pulled his putt left by 30 degrees then he could possibly hit the ball into the bunker. Needless to say that is exactly what he did, Stu with putter in hand managed to do the impossible and putted from on the fairway into the sand trap.



Mick's Golf Ball



Mick Harper's golf ball decided it didn't want to get sandy. His approach landed as close to the face of the bunker on the 9th hole as it could without going in.

There was not too many options for the big fella other than take his stance at the bottom of the sand pit and swing at the ball baseball style. Incredibly the miracle shot paid off and he walked away with a birdie, it makes Stu's performance all the worse because he finished his hole with a bogey on the 5th hole from a much easier position.





Just a reminder to try to get to the golf course on time, ideally it is best to be at the course and ready for your tee time at least 20 to 30 minutes before your allocated tee time.

The tee time is not the time you should arrive in the car park and unloading your clubs, going to the toilet and buying a drink from the pro shop or in Shane Cummings case putting your shoes and socks on.

The tee time is the time when you should have a golf ball in the ground and a club in your hand and be swinging it straight and true down the middle of the fairway.

Sometimes we need to juggle the groups because of late withdrawals, cancellations or late comers so when people aren't already at the course it makes it very difficult.

Situations arise and contingencies need to be made and sometimes that is all but impossible because a few people choose not to get to the course at the correct time.

Ronnie Parsons is almost always one of the first golfers to arrive at the golf course each month. Ronnie drives out from the back of Pakenham and still gets through all of the horrid road traffic works and 100's of km to be prepped and ready to hit off on time.

Sometimes we wonder how he does it considering he has the furthest to drive, although I think we found the answer on Sunday because when he was loading his car back up we just happened to notice he had come armed with a packed suitcase. Perhaps Ronnie sleeps in the carpark.

Stevie Powne doesn't travel with a suitcase however we did discover on Sunday afternoon that he comes with his own bag of tricks. For the last 10 years we have been trying to work out who the tight wad was who puts dodgy coins and washers and fake notes in the fine jar. We have had 1 & 2c pieces. Zimbabwean dollars, Singapore coins, kiwi dollars and even just shards of steel dumped in the fine jar. It was obvious someone was just donating anything that would make a clinking noise so it sounded like they were paying their fines. The fine master has been on the lookout for the culprit, but it wasn't until Sunday that we finally caught him red handed.

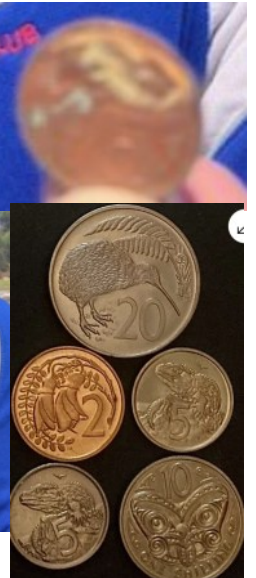
From what we can see the Stevie paid his fine with a 2 cent New Zealand coin.

Even as a \$2 coin he would have been ripping us off but to go as low to be putting in a 1.8 cents fine in the jar is the ultimate tight wad and leather wedge act combined.

0.0018 Australian Dollar

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NZD \$ - New Zealand Dollar	↔	AUD \$ - Australian Dollar
0.002		0.0018



Who would have ever thought Steve Powne could get any lower.



Rich River 2025



\$50 Deposit Req'd to secure a spot

[YES I want to take part in the golf trip this year](#)

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GOLF TRIP CONFIRMATION STATUS

Adam Cooper	NO		Mark Sfligoj	NO	
Andrew Clarke	YES		Mick Harper	YES	
Anthony Emmerson	UNKNOWN		Newell Richards	YES	Paid \$450
Barry Hemsley	YES	Paid \$55	Peter Calyopoulos	YES	Paid \$100
Ben Hall	UNKNOWN		Peter McArthur	YES	Paid \$50
Ben Nichol	UNKNOWN		Phil Plane	UNKNOWN	
Bo Cartwright	YES	Paid \$50	Rick Turcinovic	YES	Paid \$100
Brendan Brewster	UNKNOWN		Rob Underwood	YES	Paid \$50
Brent Douglas	YES		Ron Parsons	UNKNOWN	
Caleb Fitzpatrick	UNKNOWN		Shane Cumming	YES	Paid \$450
Cameron Ross	UNKNOWN		Simon Galloway	YES	Paid \$50
Chris Sfligoj	YES	Paid \$50	Steve Dawson	UNKNOWN	
Chris Westhead	UNKNOWN		Steve O'Sullivan	YES	Paid \$50
Colin Ewart	YES	Paid \$325	Steve Powne	YES	Paid \$100
Dale Robinson	UNKNOWN		Stuart Cooper	YES	Paid \$450
David Burns	YES	Paid \$450	Thomas Cooper	YES	Paid \$50
Gerard Maclsaac	UNKNOWN		Tim Emmerson	NO	
Glenn Douglas	UNKNOWN		Todd Neilson	YES	Paid \$50
Graeme Foster	UNKNOWN		Tom Kellythorn	YES	Paid \$50
Greg Parsons	YES	Paid \$200	Tom Thurecht	YES	Paid \$50
Heath McLeod	YES	Paid \$50	Tony Maclsaac	YES	Paid \$50
Jake Schmidt	UNKNOWN		Trevor Kershaw	UNKNOWN	
Jamie Brunton	YES	Paid \$100	Wayne James	NO	
Jaxon Fitzpatrick	UNKNOWN		Zac Harford	NO	
Jayden Orger	UNKNOWN				
Mark Fitzpatrick	YES	Paid \$450			

Rich River 5th-7th December Cost is \$450

Golf trip Booking Status

Confirmed & Deposit Paid

2025 Fixture

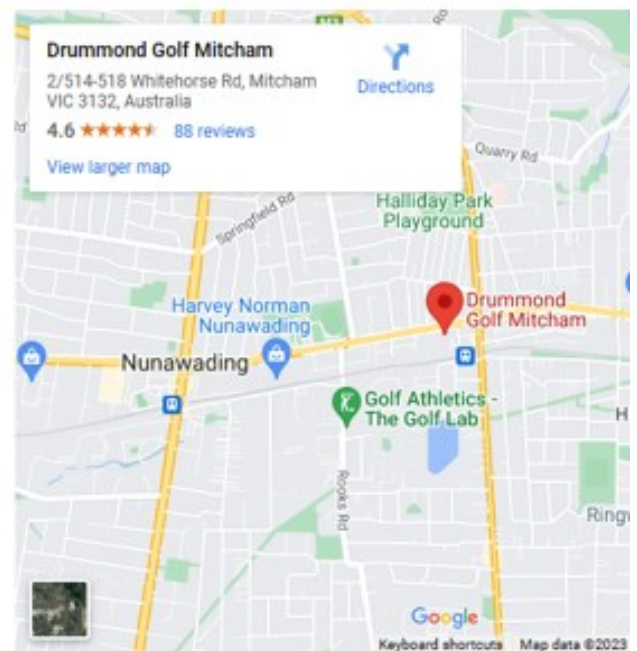
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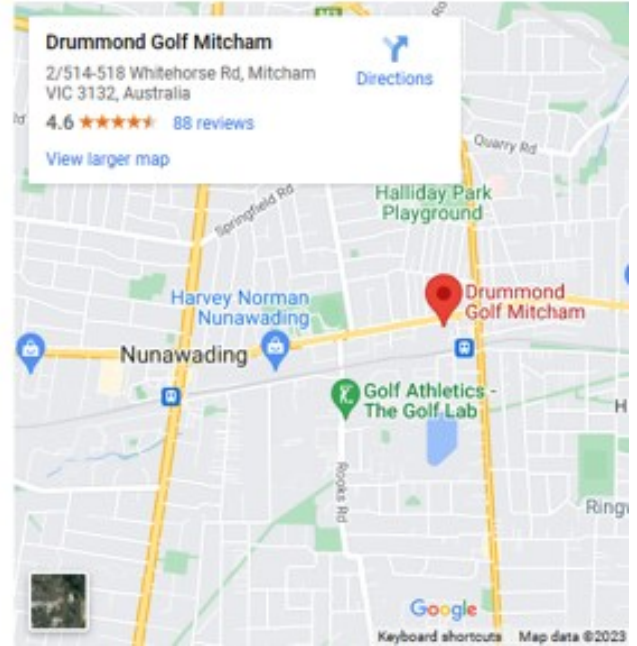
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Special thanks to the Choc Top Ice Cream company who have donated a beautiful pink Beer Wench of Beer Wench jacket which will come into play in season 2025. Admittedly with three entries into the Battle of the beer wenchs there is a good chance Greg Parsons will be keeping the investment close to home.

The Choc top Ice cream co. are a great local business to recommend to your kids schools for fundraising ideas or else you can always just buy a box to keep as desserts in the fridge.



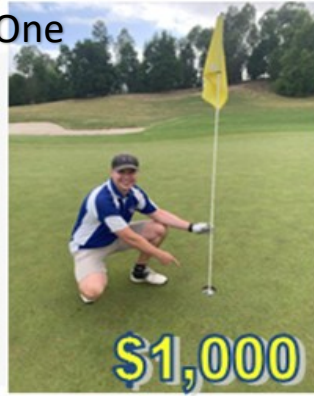
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