



28 August 2016

Muirfield Golf Club

ROUND 16

6.35am hit off today & while most thought we would need a flood light or miners light to see while hitting off the 1st tee, it was a beautiful crisp clear morning with even a Social group from the Blue Mountains teeing off before us on both tees. These guys would of been up at 4.00am or did they even go to sleep, on Saturday night to get there on time, come to think of it, so would of Captain Courageous, George Liu, coming from the Northern Beaches to the Hills Districts of Sydney.

Most of us rugged up like the Michelin Man for the first few holes until the warmth of the sun reached the skin, under all the layers of clothing. 20 hit off today & all played a full 18 today, some better than others. Lesley Ricketts was sporting her green CHP RSL shirt for the first time & Wendy Donelan will be getting her green shirt after next game.

Wendy Donelan finished the game with a new tattoo on her left arm & it was in the shape of a golf ball, courtesy of a wardward shot from one of the members. Ice was applied after the game to the area of the new tattoo(bruise), which by now was very round, dimpled & shades of black,blue & red.

Wendy had a mixed day when shottng the lights out on the front nine with 16 points, before the wheels fell off on the back nine, finishing with the Bradman on a total of 19 points and a big bruise

"Scoop" Kottaridis was up to his old tricks & pocketed 24 golf balls from the water's edge. He even had to use the scoop to retrieve his tee from the dam, after it spun off when hitting his drive on the edge of the dam on the 12th, when putting in a big effort for the proposed longest drive hole. All was to no avail as the 1st group forgot to put the pins out, maybe none landed on the fairway, so moved the LD to the 13th.

The 14th "Laughing Hole" lived up to its reputation, anyway in my group when Greg Parsell mis-hit off the tee with Joe Oriti rolling in fits of laughter, oh ! by the way Joe had already hit his shot out far enough to clear the dam & the teasing mud below, so it wasn't that he had to hit next.

Keith Johnson led the pack today off (12) but after today's effort now back to a (10) handicap. with Robert Rubbo now back to 24 handicap after being 2nd two weeks in a row. It is a pity that Robert will forfeit the lead in the B Grade Championship because he's heading off the USA on Holidays during September. Cagey John Kottaridis & Greg Parsell don't lose any off their handicap's being the course rating, while Mal Tyler handicap gets a further boost of 0.3 for his 5th placing & now joins Greg on 38

My group all landed in the bunkers surrounding the 9th, but when we headed to the 10th a fellow came out of the proshop & complimented Greg Parsell on his lairy attire as he too was clad in a pair of green & yellow pants complete with a shade hat which had false coloured hair at the top of the hat

The winners of today's Stableford Event were 1st Keith Johnson,41 points, 2nd place Robert Rubbo 40 pts, 3rd John Kottaridis 37 pts in count-back, 4th Greg Parsell also 37 pts, 5th Mal Tyler 36pts. Keith Johnson was the scratch winner 76 strokes, 7 over, 29 pts.

We resume the 2nd Round of the Championship at Rosnay /Auburn G.C. on the 18th September at 7.30am PAR 68, 4936 mts (Pro shop ph no# 9749 1550) Booked for 24 & 3 carts BBQ after game in Shelter Shed

The "nearest the pins" Weather -Crisp morning then perfect sunny day Course Rating 37 pts

Hole	A Grade	B Grade	C Grade
2nd	John Kottaridis	Ron Williamson	-
6th	Laurie McMartin	Eric Osman	-
11th	John Kottaridis	Ron Williamson	-
15th	John Kottaridis	-	-
Drive & 2 nd Hole 18th	Keith Johnson	Sid Pelcz	Bill Fonseca
Longest Drive 13th Hole	John Kottaridis	Sid Pelcz	Bill Fonseca

Ball comp : Greg Parsell, Mal Tyler, Roger Harriman, Lesley Ricketts, George Liu, Joanne Kinkead, Craig Tomison, Bradman : Wendy Donelan 19 pts

The Bearded One