



18 September 2016

Auburn Golf Club

ROUND 17

We all congratulated the new and proud father of his new born little girl, Simela on 11th September. His wife Moonlight, (the English translation) and baby are still in Thailand and we will have to wait until Mid November to see the little girl in person, having to do with photos at the moment. At the BBQ after the game, we gave John and little kangaroo toy, complete with a little Joey in the pouch and a card which we all signed to take back that night, as John was returning to Thailand after the game. We also celebrated with Birthday Muffins and candles for Simela's and the other birthday girl Joanne Kinkead with John and Joanne battling the breeze to blow out the "Happy Birthday" candles.

17 players hit off under gloomy skies for the 2nd Round of the Club Championships, playing Stroke and Nett for the Event of the Day. A few didn't count their putts, maybe they considered they were too far behind after Keith had only 26 putts in the 1st Round. Now after the completed 2nd Round Keith Johnson still is in front on 57 putts, with Noa Palu and Sid Pelcz 60 putts and John Kottaridis 61 putts and you can set your price for anyone else to win that trophy as we are so far behind, even though I had two "no putts" in my round today but a couple of three putts to ruin any thought of a comeback.

The leaders in A Grade is John Kottaridis 149 strokes very closely followed by Keith Johnson 150, B Grade leader is David DeMarchi 179 strokes, followed by Ron Williamson 183 and C Grade leader is Craig Tomison 198 strokes followed by Billy Fonseca 201 strokes and the Handicap Section leader is Keith Johnson 126 nett, 2nd John Kottaridis 129 nett and 3rd Ron Williamson 131 nett.

Wendy Donelan completed her 5th game & got her green shirt today but maybe we should of given her a "Big Target" shirt, as she got hit again today after one of my shots struck a tree & rebounded back towards John Kottaridis, who was fore-warned that I could hit one of the trees. WHACK!!!! YES I hit the tree & with John watching out because I was trying to thread the needle between two trees, with degree of difficulty of 3.6. John Kottaridis ducked & weaved to avoid the ball that was now going backwards at a rate of knots. It passed John but travelled further to strike Wendy on the leg. Luckily, Wendy had the score card in her pocket and the ball hit the edge of the pocket & score card. At the 8th Tee, all four of the 1st tee group, bombed their tee shots onto Wendy's fairway in her direction, with Wendy having to seek cover from the four balls raining down on her from high.

Hitting off the 10th today, it has a dam with a rocky surround & native grasses, very picturesque but like the Siren's of the Sea, that drew sailor's onto the rocks, at least three of the CHP RSL Golfer started with a watery grave on their very first shot, hitting three of the tee.

The winners of today's Stroke Event were 1st Ron Williamson, 90 nett 63, 2nd place David DeMarchi 87 nett 64 in c/b, 3rd Craig Tomison 96 nett also 64, 4th John Kottaridis 76 nett 65, 5th Peter Deady 96 nett 79, John Kottaridis was the scratch winner 76 strokes, 7 over Par.

Next game, next week is 3rd Round of the Championship at Gordon G.C. 25th September at 7.55am
PAR 65, 4608 mts 2 Lynne Ridge Ave, (close to cnr of St Johns & Vale Ave's) Gordon.

If travelling north, up Ryde Rd, you have to loop over Ryde Rd at Pacific Hwy then turn left into Vale Ave

(Pro shop ph no# 9498 1277) Booked for 24 &, 3 carts

Nearest the pins"Weather - gloomy morning then a little drizzle **Course Rating** 65 nett

Hole	A Grade	B Grade	C Grade
6th	Noa Palu	-	Bill Fonseca
9th	Noa Palu	Ron Williamson	Bill Fonseca
10th	Keith Johnson	Ron Williamson	-
16th	-	James Yip	Mal Tyler
Drive & 2 nd Hole 7th	John Kottaridis	Ron Williamson	Craig Tomison
Longest Drive 18th Hole	Keith Johnson	David DeMarchi	Mal Tyler

Ball comp : Peter Deady, Epi Manu, Joe Oriti, Greg Parsell, George Liu, Joanne Kinkead,

Bradman : Sid Pelcz 106 strokes, nett 79 pts

The Bearded One