



3 February 2019

Bankstown GC

ROUND 2

During the week, the sounds of summer could be heard, the cascaras were in full voice and the mosquitos hummed around the ears in the wee hours of the morning after some rain, accompanied by very hot and humid day and nights, or is it just tinnitus ringing in my ears.

Our big week started with the social side of the Golf Club when 13 members and partners dined before the show then sang and tapped along with the music of the free "Buddy Holly" tribute show at the Club on Saturday evening. We are going to see the free Frocks show next Friday evening, email Joanne if you want to join us

One of side effects of extra members in the Golf Club reared its ugly head when 29 then 30 wanted to play. On my trip to pick up cards, I advised Bankstown G.C. of the extra numbers wanting to play and also increase the number of carts. This was ok at the time, but two days before playing the course advised us that we could only have 28 players. Two members emailed me and pulled out and I then emailed Mark McKenzie to say he could play, so we could have our 28 players hit off. It was important to let us know when you pull out so others can play, as we try to play with a full field

Our full field hit off, one member refusing to even play with the president, so this will have to be addressed, so George had to change the tee groups to accommodate this long standing member. We hit off the 10th and found the back nine had an obstacle to overcome on every hole with water, creeks and hidden canals to capture many a golf ball.

One bloke from another Social group was seen to strip down to his undies and dive into one of the dams to retrieve his driver, which ended up in the drink, not sure if the club got there in anger or by accident. One of our members had to use the ball retriever to recover his golf tee from the water, tame compared to the exploits of the guy on the other side of the course. John Hunter on plucking his ball from the canal, found one ball with green slime on it, so the swimmer was brave or was it stupid and may need anti-biotics after his dip, especially while Laurie and Ron waited for the groups score cards at the end of the round and one of the ground staff was watering the practice putting green with putrid dam water, smelling more like effluent.

The new golfing rules were now in play to speed up play, with ready golf of putting with the flag in cup for long putts definitely speeding up play and we will have to be aware of speed as our group grows. Also only 3 minutes to look for lost ball not 5 minutes.

The weather started out pleasant under cloudy skies but by the time we finished our round, your water had run out and we appreciated a shot that went into the trees and the shadows for some relief from the sun, definitely slip, slop and slap on the hat.

After the game, some had a quick trip home to have a shower and freshen up, and back to the CHP RSL Club for the Golf Club AGM in the Heritage Room. We started with the Presentation for the Bankstown game. Ron then presented George Liu with a Piggy Bank, Lucky Red Envelope and a box of Fortune Cookies for the "Chinese Year of the Pig" and the club was decorated with Fly Pigs

We started the AGM and then stopped for the finger food which would of fed 50 people not the 20/25 members at the meeting. The existing committee with the exception of John Kottaridis stood again and were re-elected and Gary Pleasance joined us on the General Committee to complete the 2019 committee. Sid Pelcz is going to be the Charity Co-ordinator and we will introduce the \$2 card



News

with \$25 going to winner and \$25 to Charity Pool with Macular Degeneration Foundation as our preferred Charity John Kottaridis will still check the Handicap and Aggregate and score the Archie White Callaway scoring

The Stableford winners were 1st Laurie McMartin 37 s/b points, 2nd David Truran 35pts in c/b , 3rd George Liu also 35pts in c/b, 4th David DeMarchi 34 pts, 5th Greg Parsell 33pts.

Our next round at is the start of the Matchplay tournament that will start at Beverley Park G.C. 87JubileeAvenue,Beverley Park. Check if you can play all the games for the next few games so there are no walk overs.

17th February, 2019 at 7.14am Proshop 9587 3424 Par 70 5593 metres \$25 Booking 24 & 3 carts

The "nearest the pins" **Weather**–Fine, cloudy then hot & humid **Course Rating 35/34s/b pts**

Hole	A Grade	B Grade	C Grade
3rd	Rizwan Noor	-	-
11th	Laurie McMartin	George Liu	Mark McKenzie
13th	Laurie McMartin	Roger Harriman	-
15th	John Hunter	Roger Harriman	Mal Tyler
Drive & 2 nd Hole 5th	John Kottaridis	Sifa Nacagelivu	Gary Pleasance
Longest Drive 18th	John Kottaridis	David Truran	Greg Parsell

Ball Comp :David DeMarchi, John Liddell, Robert Rubbo, John Hunter, Sid Pelcz,Joe Oriti

THE BEARDED ONE

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