

What's News???

- Tomorrow is an Individual Stableford. Good luck to all players.
- Next week sees the beginning of the Shotgun Starts for winter. As you are all now aware, the Medal days will be a 7am and 12pm start. These will continue through winter as they allow everyone and equal opportunity to get a game.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

Rabbit Control at Mona Vale Golf Club

The feral European rabbit is one of the most widely distributed and abundant mammals in Australia. It causes severe damage to the natural environment and to agriculture. Feral rabbit control is complicated because of welfare and harvesting issues.

As we probably already know at Mona Vale, the golf club surroundings are home to many of these little predators. The damage that they are doing to the course is above the threshold level with bunkers being abused and greens used as a food source.

Due to this damage we have implemented a control program and are currently in the process of controlling this problem. The program consists of laying diced poisoned carrots around the problem areas. All safety precautions have been covered from signs being posted on all entries and exits to the course and a letter box drop to all our surrounding neighbours regarding information on the program. The baiting will start on the 25/5/09 and carry on to 14/6/09. In addition we hope for this program to be very successful and not interrupt our morning dog walkers and golfers.

Thankyou Rob Sain
Greens Staff @ MVGC

- The bundy clock is almost ready to go. There has been a delay with its installation but rest assured that it will be beneficial during these colder months and will assist everyone and not just some. Remember that it will be 'YOUR' responsibility to maintain your position in the field and ensure the card is stamped. This is in addition to the Ranger who will operate throughout this period as well. These measures would not be required if the speed of play is maintained but there is also a consideration to the size of the fields being 232+ players throughout these colder months.
- The Masters Pennant team seems on its way to follow the lead of the Major Pennant team this year. This year sees the Masters Pennant team with depth and obvious experience. With Greg Stanford and Stefan Albinski now fully into the swing of things after the Major Pennant season, the team looks ready to achieve success. Let's get behind these guys and support them as well as you did with the Major Pennant team. All the best.

Don't Forget To Carry Sand Buckets and Repair Pitch Marks

Rule of the Week

Question: A Player's ball embeds in the side of a hole. Part of the ball is above the level of the lip of the hole. What is the ruling?

Answer: **The ball is not holed. The Player may play the ball as it lies or lift the ball under Rule 16-1b, repair the damage under Rule 16-1c and place the ball on the lip of the hole.**