



The Bad Lie

Edition 4 - Summer 2004

VINTAGE FESTIVAL



GOLF CLASSIC

This is truly an event not to be missed. Sponsored by Jacob's Creek, places in the field for the inaugural Vintage Festival Jacob's Creek Golf Classic, Thursday March 31, 2005 have been filling rapidly.

Many thanks to the major sponsor, Jacob's Creek, and the associate sponsors Lynas Valley Ford, The Vineyard Resort, Novotel Barossa Valley Resort, Nuriootpa Vine Inn and A.P. John Coopers who have

all secured their places in the field leaving just 45 places for visitors and guests.

The timing is perfect for visitors as it falls just before The Barossa Wine Auction, held on Friday morning, one of the most popular events on the Vintage Festival calendar.

Normally \$75 per player, the members' rate is \$55 per player and includes breakfast, an

18 hole Stableford competition, two-course luncheon with premium Jacob's Creek wine and fantastic prizes for Men's and Women's A, B & C grades, plus additional prizes for novelty events.

Bookings can be made via email info@tanundapines.com.au or telephone (08) 8563 1200. Please try to secure your spot early!



▲ Dillon Wells-Sidler shows his style during the Holiday Junior Golf Program.

BEGINNERS BITTEN BY GOLF BUG

So far, **30 new lady golfers, more than 20 new juniors and four new men golfers** have either completed a series of **beginner clinics**, or are currently in clinics at the club.

The number of junior and adult new players learning sound golf skills, before venturing out into competition, is growing rapidly.

The Tuesday morning ladies' clinics proved very popular and now the Tuesday evening ladies and mixed clinics are in full swing.

The holiday junior golf program and the Saturday junior golf clinics have both been successes, in terms of numbers and the level of enthusiasm from all participants.

Individual lessons with Declan are also popular.

The club has also provided many options to the next step for new players, such as social 9 hole competitions, "Just Play" memberships and membership discounts for those who have taken a block of clinics.

Some have already joined as members,

while others are content playing social golf as fee-paying players.

We all know that once bitten by the golf bug, there is often no recovery, so we think that these new golfers will keep coming back.

When they do, we are here to provide them with everything they need to enjoy a lifetime of fun in this sport!



▲ Getting into the swing are a group of ladies during a Tuesday evening beginners' clinic.

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◀ Juniors who graduated from the inaugural school holiday program, from left, back, Kristy Lee Tilbrook, Hayley Martin, Nicole Martin, Samantha Mitchell, Andreas Henschke, Chris Prosser, Sean Bruce, Stuart Elliot, front, Dillon Wells-Sidler, Luke Torckington, Brad Torckington and Jake Kretschner.



WHAT'S ON

DECEMBER

▶ **Every Tuesday** – From 7am, Ladies 18 hole competition. From 9.30am, Ladies 9 hole competition.

▶ **Every Thursday** – Mid Week Men's 18 hole competition. From 4pm,

Twilight 9 hole competition & BBQ.

▶ **Every Saturday** – From 7am, Men's & Ladies 18 hole competitions.

▶ Thursday December 16

Members Twilight Golf & Christmas Drinks.

▶ Saturday December 18

Ham & Turkey Day - 2 ball Ambrose

▶ Thursday December 23

Veterans & Friends - 2 ball Ambrose -

Christmas wind-up

JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH

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MARCH

New season commences. **Twilight BBQs continue up to and including Thursday, March 24.**

▶ Saturday March 5

Members & Guests Mediterranean Dinner (see ad opposite page).

▶ Thursday March 24

Round 1 of AFL season. The following week Friday night footy tipping dinners commence.

▶ Thursday March 31

Barossa Vintage Festival Jacob's Creek Classic.

CLUB HISTORY

PART THREE – 'JUM' REMEMBERS

By Neil Hurst

I remember the first time I visited the club. It was in the 1940's with my parents, both of whom were members.

When I began playing a little later, Robert Homburg and I would ride our bikes to the course with bags containing a few clubs slung over our backs.

The members used to use what are now the rear entrances to the club, the "Biscay" (short), the "long" and the "long short" routes from Tanunda.

Often, just getting to the course created problems, especially when the Biscay track was wet and people would get bogged. To avoid this, Wally Hage, the greenkeeper, would spread the word after he tended the scrapes early on Saturday, as to which track to use.

The road that we now use as the entrance from Barossa Valley Way, the old "long route" (always reliable in the past) was sealed and improved with the construction of the resort and the new clubhouse five years ago ↓

▶ **Neil Hurst (Jum), life member of Tanunda Golf Club, Winner of 2004 Mid North Veteran Stableford competition at Burra with 41 points and who had a hole-in-one on the 16th on the 16th September, 2004. Go Neil!**



PROFILE

ROBYN SULLIVAN

- ADMINISTRATION

Robyn has been a familiar face at the club since September 2002.



▲ Robyn Sullivan

Along with Mardi and Steve, she became part of the new team established when the Seven Under syndicate bought the club earlier this year.

Prior to working at the club, Robyn worked for Bank SA, in Tanunda, Gawler, Elizabeth & Freeling.

She was born and raised in Eudunda and has also lived in Adelaide, Keith and Williamstown.

Married to Ross, Robyn has two adult children, enjoys golf, all sports, crafts and travelling.

She has a very respectable handicap of 20, enjoys combining her love of golf with her position and hopes to reach a handicap of 18 sometime soon ↓

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Dear Members,

As 2004 comes to an end, it seems that the year has passed by rapidly.

The rescue of the Tanunda Golf Club by the Seven Under syndicate is proving successful, with membership numbers on the rise and general interest in the Tanunda Pines Golf Club increasing, due to continued improvements to the golf course and the range of quality services offered.

In 2005, we will be continuing this trend and will be offering even better facilities and incentives to all of our members and their guests.

With a change in the management of the Novotel Barossa Valley Resort, the golf club's relationship with the hotel is growing daily and

we are successfully promoting Stay & Play packages to the golfing market throughout Australia.

Barossa Under the Stars has moved on to a new venue as the club and the promoter could not come to a suitable arrangement.

We will, however, be introducing a large professional golf event in November 2005 with some of Australia's leading names in professional golf taking part.

In closing, I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and prosperous New Year and look forward to seeing you walking the fairways in 2005

All the best,

Declan McCollam



The Home Loan Centre



Apex Bakery



THE 19th HOLE



▶ Getting ready for a great day - the team from Booth Transport pictured on the first tee just prior to tee-off in their annual golf event in November.

COMPANY GOLF EVENTS

Booth Transport, GHD and Orlando Wyndham were among a host of companies that held their golf events at Tanunda Pines Golf Club in 2004.

The club is becoming increasingly popular as a company golf event venue as the course standard continues to improve.

In addition, green fees and catering costs will remain relatively low.

In 2005 the club will be making more companies aware of its capabilities to provide professionally run, well catered for and fun-filled events 📞

Members & Guests Mediterranean Dinner

with live music by
Little Black Dress

Saturday, March 5

- \$75 per person -
includes 3-course dinner,
live entertainment and
champagne on arrival

No corkage BYO wine permitted
for members only.

RSVP: February 11, 2005
by phoning 8563 1200



▶ Visitors from GHD Engineering enjoying a winemaker's dinner at the club hosted by Stuart Blackwell and St Hallett.

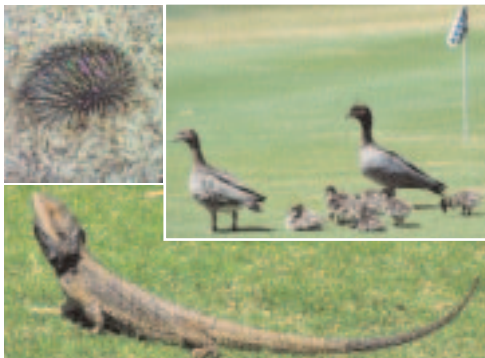


▶ Don Hemsley, left, and Peter Lithgow sharing some spirited rivalry at the AFL Grand Final celebrations held at the club.



▶ Taking a well earned break, General Peter Cosgove, left, accompanied by friend Dr Peter French, squeezing in a round of golf at Tanunda Pines during their recent stay in the Barossa.

◀ Ian Hongell, Brett Hage and Kerrie Morrison putting out on one beautiful Thursday evening while playing in the weekly Twilight 9 hole Golf competition.



WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Tanunda Pines is famous for its many beautiful birds, but lately, much to their delight, players are sighting a variety of other wildlife such as echidnas, bearded dragon lizards and kangaroos. The ducks have had ducklings and there has been one report from a visitor of a pair of blue wrens sighted either near the 11th or 16th tee 📞



2004 TANUNDA PINES OPEN



Winner of the Tanunda Pines Open, Greg Mewett, pictured with his trophy and General Manager Declan McCollam and Club Captain Peter Schulz.

The Tanunda Pines Open drew a relatively small field, but those who played enjoyed the improved quality of the course, great prizes and lovely weather.

With a gross score of 79, Greg Mewett became the Tanunda Pines Open Champion.

Other winners were; A Grade - Fred Kath with 71 Nett; B Grade - Peter Denley with 71 Nett; C Grade - Peter Lithgow with Nett 70 and the Ladies - Debra Bambrook Nett 74.

Well done to those members who encouraged players from other clubs to play!

NIKE GOLF

GOLF SHOP SPECIAL

NIKE PUTTERS

WERE \$199

MEMBERS' PRICE \$119



VET'S BUS TRIP

The annual Veterans and Friends bus trip this year was to Loxton.

About thirty vets enjoyed an excellent day, albeit in very wet conditions.

Peter Shultz was finally victorious with a score of 39 points.

The date and venue of the 2005 trip are yet to be announced!



Members who enjoyed the Loxton Bus Trip were Don Hemsley, Trevor Bateman, Peter Shugg and Peter Shultz (winner).

CLASSIC SHOTS

Neil Hurst – Hole-In-One 16th
September, 2004. A sensational shot and Neil's second Hole-In-One at Tanunda Pines.

Nick Slape – Tanunda Open, 1st tee.
Tanunda Open. Ball ricochets off the garden bed sleepers back into the clubhouse to finally rest on the lawn next to the tee.

Robert O'Callaghan – November 2004.
Ball travels 180 metres down the middle of the 18th fairway, hits the A grade long drive marker snapping it in half, then bounces 70 metres back toward the tee!



▲ Appreciating the shade near the 6th tee and the camaraderie of golf on a Saturday afternoon were members, from left, Brett Hage, Noel Harris, Ian Hongell, Peter Giersch, Jack Urlwin, Robert O'Callaghan and Jeff Sontag.

COURSE UPDATE

The first stages of the long-term program for the upgrading of Tanunda Pines Golf Club have occurred and the results are extremely pleasing.

Good rains have given impetus to growth, helping those areas where there have been significant works, such as on the 1st, 2nd, 13th, 14th & 16th holes, to recover well and realise their potential as excellent golf holes.

The new cart paths are settling in. Fairways and greens have been scarified and hollow-tined.

Definition between fairways, semi-rough and rough is now clear and the course is gradually becoming manicured in appearance.

The 2nd, 4th, 5th and 10th tee boxes have been rebuilt, which will vastly improve tee-off positions by February - March.

Summer will see more improvements, particularly in regrad to bunkers and golfers will be able to enjoy their round because works have been carefully orchestrated not to interfere with the playability of the course!

STAR PERFORMERS

- ✦ 27/11 - Carolyn Hongell +3 to take out Saturday Ladies
- ✦ 23/11 Carol Hongell 41 points to take out Tuesday Ladies
- ✦ 20/11 – Lester Hein 41 points to take out B Grade
- ✦ 30/10 – Laclan McKenzie 40 points to take out A Grade
- ✦ 30/10 - David Forrest 42 to take out B Grade
- ✦ 30/10 - Peter Wilksch 41 to take out C Grade
- ✦ 23/10 – Peter Stacey 40 points to take out A Grade

- ✦ 23/10 – Shane George 42 points to take out B Grade
- ✦ 16/10 - Neil Hurst Hole-In-One on the 16th
- ✦ 12/10 – Richard Langford had a +6 to take out B Grade

Handicap Match Play 2004

Unfortunately, the final result was not known at time of printing, but the final four were: Nick Slape, Peter Giersch, Lachlan McKenzie and Brett Hage. Well done. May the best man win!

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Christmas Gift Vouchers for golf lessons, rounds of golf, golf apparel or golf equipment, plus Great Christmas Paks are available from the Golf Shop too. Come and see!