Orford Golf Club Newsletter August 2022



Social News

Friday nights – After a month's break, Friday night nibbles and jackpot draw will be back on 2 September - with a sausage sizzle to celebrate!



Sunday 28 August – Shane Paynter Social Golf Day

Saturday 24 September – Grand Final Day – 2 person Ambrose

Sunday 25 September – Shane Paynter Social Golf Day

Saturday 22 October – Live music at the Orford Golf Club featuring the 120Ys

Winter bar opening hours

Tuesdays 1:00 pm - 4:00 pmThursdays 12:00 pm - 4:00 pmFridays* 3:00 pm - 6:30 pm

(clubrooms open from 9:00 am)

Saturdays 9:00 am - 5:00 pmShane Paynter 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Social Golf Days

(*Note later opening time on Fridays during winter)

Vale

It is with sadness we note the passing of Heather Andrewartha. Heather was a valued member of the Orford Golf Club and dedicated committee member and President. She was made a Life Member in 1998. Heather continued her association with the club long after she stopped playing and donated annually to the Ladies' Trophy presentations. Her floral pieces were regularly on display in the clubhouse.

Monthly Medal winners

- July –Scott Baker and Gail Tubb
- August Roly Foale and Deb Baker

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Music night report

Thanks to those that came along to hear the 120Ys at the clubhouse in July. We received some great feedback and have the band booked again for Saturday 22 October – so save the date!



Health and Safety

Wind has again caused disruption, with play in the Ladies' August monthly medal abandoned due to the gusty conditions on 18 August (competition rescheduled to 25 August) and the Southern Country Women's Combined Open Foursome event on 22 August postponed until the following week.

The Committee has reviewed our wind policy and looked at the policies and limits set by other clubs. As a result, we have lifted the threshold speed at which play is suspended when gusts reach over 50 kmh – still below the gusts of over 70kmh experienced recently.

The difference in conditions between the top of the course and down near the clubrooms has been apparent, and we now have a mobile wind gauge which we can take onto the course in windy conditions to test wind speed up on the hill. We are also aware that the siren can't be heard on parts of the course when the wind is heading in certain directions, so we will be taking the mobile siren out on the course on windy days so we can relay the cancellation warning.

The OH&S Committee is working through implementing recommendations from the 2020 Workplace Health and Safety Report. The Club recently arranged for chainsaw training and licences for a group of volunteers and a WHS Manual is currently being developed.

Finalisation of Code of Conduct

Thanks for those who provided input into the Draft Code of Conduct. It has now been finalised – with the only change the addition of a sentence relating to members, staff and visitors acting in a way that does not put the health and safety of themselves and others at risk. The final version is attached to this newsletter.

Around the course

Work is underway to prepare the course for some important competitions coming up and thanks to those volunteers who are putting in their time and effort. Unfortunately the weather is not being helpful and the recent wind and rain has undone a lot of their great work. Remember at the moment it is lift, clean and place all over the course and those with carts please be careful and keep to the side of the fairways and well away from the greens.

Club Championships

The Championship Series starts very soon so mark the following dates in your diaries and find yourself a partner for our foursome events:

7th & 8th September – Ladies' Foursome

10th &11th September - Men's Foursome

1st October – Mixed Foursome (27 holes)

25th **&27**th **October, 2**nd **& 3**rd **November** – Ladies' Championship

29th & **30**th **October**, **5**th & **6**th **November** – Men's Championship

1st Energy electricity offer to members

The Club has just changed electricity retailer in order to try and minimise rising power costs, following Aurora's removal of the discount they

previously offered through Clubs Tasmania. We now purchase our electricity through 1st Energy.

1st Energy is an Australian based energy retailer servicing QLD, VIC, NSW, SA & Tasmania. As it currently stands, they have approx. 13000 customers in Tasmania.

They are offering all members of the club reduced energy rates in comparison to government-regulated prices.

Every new customer who signs up with 1st Energy through the club will receive a \$30 credit on their first bill in addition to \$30 being paid to the club.

Are you an RACT member? 1st Energy's RACT Saver provides RACT members a 6% discount off their energy usage charges.

Do you have solar? 1st Energy's solar bonus product provides customers with 10 cents per kwh for every kw that is fed back into the grid.

Visit https://join.1stenergy.com.au?promo=OGC or call 03 8397 7164 to learn how much you may save by switching to 1st Energy.

Disclaimer – it is up to members to determine if the change to 1st Energy is in their best interests.

Golf Tasmania Board Vacancies

Nominations are being sought for two vacancies on the Board of Golf Tasmania Incorporated. The elected terms are for three year periods. Interested? More information is on the noticeboard in the clubhouse. Nominations close on Thursday 15 September 2022 at 5pm.

Member skills register

The Committee often comes across issues that are beyond its area of expertise and we need to seek advice. There are members who could help us understand a particular issue – we just often don't know who to ask. We are therefore calling out to members with specialist knowledge and skills to add their names to a register so that if needed, we know who we can ask for advice - eg plumbers, builders, electricians, IT technicians, building surveyors, planners, mechanics etc.

A current example is the need to update a maintenance register and undertake regular inspections of essential building services in the clubhouse. Maybe you can help or point us in the right direction?



We would also like to develop a register of members with medical/ first aid qualifications (useful to

know if we have an incident on the course) or have had fire warden training.

We will put a register on the notice board for you to add your name to, or just email the club at admin@orfordgolfclub.com.au.

Charity Day

The annual Ladies' Charity Day was held on 11 August, with This year's chosen recipient was the Friends of Buckland Church Inc (FOBC) is a community organisation formed to acquire the historic St John the Baptist Church from the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania. Over \$500 was raised on the day. We would like to thank the following for donating prizes to the raffle:

- Coffee on the Marina
- Elly's Licenced Café
- Fascino Hair

- The Fish Van
- Gala Wines
- IGA Everyday Orford
- ❖ IGA Triabunna
- Orford Hub
- Scorchers by the River
- Spirit of Maria
- Tandara Bottle Shop
- Triabunna Pharmacy
- Triabunna Post Office

Thanks to all the ladies who provided morning tea and lunch and helped out in the kitchen – your generosity is what makes these events possible.

Thank you to our sponsors

Thanks to the following for their support:

- Men's Monthly Medal Blue Waters
- Women's Monthly Medal Wattlebanks
- July Sunday Social Golf Day Scorchers
- July Sunday Social Golf Day Cheryl Wylie,
 Steve Bentley, Mary-Marg & Andrew Gibson
- ❖ AFL Grand Final Day event **Matt Pedler**

Upcoming events and competitions

August

27 (Sat): 2 Person Ambrose

28 (Sun): Shane Paynter Sunday Social Day

29 (Mon): Southern Country Ladies Combined Open Foursomes (postponed from 22 August)

September

1 (Thurs): Women's Stroke (Playoff for Silver Spoon) & 9 hole Stableford, Men's Stroke

7 (Wed): Women's Foursome Championship (1st round)

8 (Thurs): Women's Foursome Championship (2nd round) & 9 hole Stableford

10 (Sat): Men's Foursome Championship (1st round) 11 (Sun): Men's Foursome Championship (2nd round)

15 (Thurs): Women's Foursome (Belmont Cup Qualifying Round) & 9 hole Stableford, Men's Stableford

17 (Sat): FOBS @ Orford

22 (Thurs): Women's Stableford (Qualifying Round for Bronze Stableford) & 9 hole Stableford, Men's

Stableford

24 (Sat): 2 Person Ambrose – AFL Grand Final Day

25 (Sun): Shane Paynter Sunday Social Day

29 (Thurs): Women's Stroke (Monthly Medal) & 9 hole Stableford, Men's Stroke

October

1 (Sat): Mixed Foursome Championship (27 holes)

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Code of Conduct

Access to the club is a privilege and comes with certain rights and responsibilities.

The Code of Conduct provides employees, members, guests and visitors with guidance on the standards of behaviour that are expected of them while they are on club premises and in their interactions with the Club.

It has been developed by the club to ensure everyone can enjoy amenities provided by the club in a safe, enjoyable and responsible manner.

Accordingly, employees, members, guests, volunteers and visitors shall:

- Respect the rights of others to enjoy the club's facilities and services.
- Interact with each other, the clubs' employees and volunteers in a courteous and respectful manner.
- Not engage in behaviour towards each other, the clubs' employees or volunteers that is intended to abuse or harass.
- Refrain from disorderly or disruptive behaviours.
- Show due consideration to the needs of others, including their right to privacy.
- Comply with club policies, signage and lawful directions of employees.
- Pay any applicable competition and green fees.
- Ensure minors are accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Abide by the dress code of the club (available upon request).
- Not bring or have in their possession illegal materials while on club premises.
- Handle property belonging to the club with care and diligence.
- Refrain from representing the club, unless properly authorised to do so.
- Not pursue personal activities on club premises, without prior permission.
- Not deliberately tarnish the reputation of the club or bring it into disrepute.
- Not act in a way that puts the health and safety of themselves and others at risk.

Endorsed by Committee on 9 August 2022