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FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

"Good morning everyone... No simple way to say this. The clubhouse/bistro has been very extensively damaged by a fire that started sometime after the club closed at 11pm last night. Pro shop suffered water/smoke damage.

Eight fire units are at the scene and will be there for most of, if not all of today. Police and ambulance in attendance, no injuries.

I suggest we meet in the carpark at 8.30am on Monday morning to start planning..."

MAX PRIDE



This email from club president Max Pride to directors early on the morning of September 6, 2015 was the stark comment on the disastrous fire which destroyed the clubhouse building.

It set in train a series of events never experienced before in the club's 54-year history.

After a worrying, financially-strained 18 months the club directors and the new club manager Trevor Harrison had been looking forward to making even better a club which was now performing and a course which was again in top condition.

Those few hours early on September 6 changed it all.

The process of first demolishing the charred ruins then planning for a new clubhouse was quickly begun.

Today a few short months later a temporary clubhouse is in use giving members a hub to again gather and the club the chance to turn a few dollars.

Already project managers are in place and in the New Year the task of selecting architects and builders will be finalised. As most now know an opening in the first quarter of 2017 is the projection.

Much has been achieved with the aim to give to members what will be one of the state's most up-to-date golf club buildings the budget available can deliver



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In the August edition I reported on a great financial result for the year ended 30 June 2015, commented on the wonderful atmosphere in the club and mentioned some of the matters the board were addressing at the time.

Well, as we all know, everything changed on the morning of Father's Day, 6th September when a major fire, caused by an electrical fault, destroyed all of the old section of our clubhouse.

Damage control and short term planning became the order of the day. I am very pleased to say that with the support of members, staff, contractors, other clubs in our area, our insurance company and the continuing stream of visiting golfers, the board has been able to focus on "where to from here".

I have endeavoured to keep you informed of progress with weekly newsletters.

A milestone was reached on Friday 4th December when we held raffles in the temporary clubhouse. It was a gigantic effort by manager Trevor Harrison, his staff, Will Semmens and his people and the volunteers who gave up their time. Congratulations and many thanks to you all and to everyone who patronised the club on the Friday.

There were of course a few teething problems which by the time you read this should have all been resolved.

The next things to happen are the appointment of architects, design of a new clubhouse, preparation of a master plan for the use of the club's freehold land and ultimately the engagement of builders to complete the construction.

I think it is fair to say that a new clubhouse will not be opened until around February, 2017. We will keep you up to date and at an appropriate time in the future an information night will be held to discuss the proposed clubhouse design etc.

MAX PRIDE - PRESIDENT



I would like to thank all of you for your support during this challenging time. It has been absolutely fantastic and has encouraged the board of directors as they have worked to overcome this tremendous setback.

Now onto some other important matters:

TRADING RESULTS FOR MONTHS ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 2015

Naturally because of the fire it is not possible to compare our trading results on a like to like basis with last year.

To the end of October we recorded a loss of \$62,200 compared to a profit of \$62,000 for the same period last year. Obviously the big reduction is in bar and gaming net revenue which is down \$139,000. Very pleasing members /visitors green fees and cart hire income have held up very well.

These figures exclude the writing off of the fire damaged clubhouse (\$2.5 million after depreciation) and fire insurance claim receipts of \$511,000.

2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The 2015 annual general meeting will be held at 7pm on Thursday 28th January 2016 at a venue to be advised. This will be done after assessment of the suitability of the temporary clubhouse to seat the anticipated number of members who may attend.

Members will be asked to approve the normal business matters as covered in our current constitution, i.e. adoption of the financial accounts, appointment of club

patron, approval of directors' benefits, a recommendation of the annual subscription in 2016/17 for full playing members and declaration of the ballot for election of a new board of directors.

I can advise you that the board has resolved there will be no increase in any golf membership annual subscriptions for 2016/17 financial year. (This decision may reduce the number of members attending the meeting.)

Members will also be asked to consider the adoption of an updated fully compliant constitution. Among other things this will include a reduction in the size of the board (from nine to six directors), a change in the term of office of the board and giving approval for future board's to set ALL annual subscriptions (this may well increase the number of members attending the meeting).

If approved, the change in term of office of the board means that the board elected at the 2016 annual general meeting would be elected for a three-year term, with two directors having to re-nominate each year under what is known as "The Triennial Rule"

Full details of the proposed new constitution will be provided with the formal Notice of Meeting in early January 2016.

ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The board of directors elected in 2013 has completed their two-year term and in accordance with the current constitution an election of a new board of nine directors must take place.

Nominations for positions on the board opened on Friday 11th December 2015 and close on Wednesday 30th December 2015

Nomination forms and the additional information that is required to accompany a nomination are available from the office.

All current directors with the exception of Bruce Smith (for health reasons) have confirmed they will be seeking re-election to their current positions.

Without denying any eligible member the right to nominate for the board I think it would be most advantageous if the current board was re-elected so as to see through

the clubhouse re-build project and continue with the course improvement plans.

Directors elected at this ballot will be elected for a two-year term. However, our plan is to seek ASIC approval to hold the 2016 annual general meeting in February 2017, to coincide with the clubhouse opening, and with a new constitution in place (if approved by members in January 2016) to elect a new board of six directors serving a three-year term.

OTHER MATTERS

- During the time since the fire, the golf course has continued to be in great condition and has attracted many players. Thanks go to course super Greg "Jaffa" Stynes and his staff for their efforts during this period.
- It is very pleasing that the large majority of the staff who we had to let go after the fire have been able to find jobs locally.
- Congratulations to all involved in the B grade pennant team on their successful defence of the NDGA B Grade Pennants Competition.

- Congratulations to the winners during the year of the Brian and Warren Diemar Scholarships sponsored by the "Dirty Dozen" Club members

- Well done to the organisers of the inaugural mixed pennants dinner held a week before the fire. I think it was the last official function in the Clubhouse. A fantastic night was had by all.

- Thanks to everyone who has continued to support the club. You have all been great.

Finally, we still have a long way to go, but more often than not, adversity brings out the best in people. I am confident we will meet the challenges we face along the way and deliver a first class clubhouse facility, something of which we can all be proud.

I wish you and your families and friends a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2016.



Lady PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Congratulations to all the winners of our major trophies, and a big thank you to all our sponsors for your continuing support, we sincerely appreciate your generosity.

I can't believe this year is nearly over! What a year it has been for our club, with major storm damage in April, and then the disastrous fire. Fortunately no one was injured and we progress on to our new temporary clubhouse, The "Phoenix on The Hill", which will be our "home" until our new club is built. We all look forward to the future!

AGM - Our AGM was held at Horizons Golf Club, and was fairly well attended, our ladies committee remains the same.



JENNY FROST, CLUB CHAMPION

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Our Presentation night was held on the 12th November, and this was also held at Horizons Golf Club, it was a great night and we had exceptional entertainment, which was enjoyed by all.

Our club champion for 2015 was Jenny Frost and runner-up was Carolyn Affleck, well done ladies.

The foursome champions were Lorraine Ramsey and Rae Uptin, and the Yearly Medal Winner was Susie Anderson, with Golf NSW Medal winners being - Jenny Frost - Div 1, Chris Wright - Div 2, and Doreen Sutcliffe - Div 3. Well done girls!

PRESIDENT V CAPTAIN MATCH

Our yearly President's V Captain's match play event was held on 24th November, and "ONCE AGAIN" the Captain's team was victorious, congratulations to Karen and Jenny, commiserations to Norma and Bev.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH



ALL DRESSED UP ARE NOLA BROWN, JANICE INGLETON, JUDY FISHER AND NORMA HOCKING

Our final social event for this year was our Christmas lunch, held on the 1st December, where we had about 100 ladies who dressed for Xmas (great outfits girls!) and we played a "serious" 9 hole ambrose game, using three clubs and a putter per player. Prizes were awarded to the winners and also to the best dressed. Our lunch was then held at Horizons, and our players rallied over there for their sit down lunch provided by Will and Tanya. Our two patronesses attended our lunch, our new patroness Joan Frost, and Joan Holmes, both of whom we are very proud to have as our patronesses!

I would also like to say a big thank you to our Social Committee for organizing all our raffles throughout the year, as well as our early morning teas. The major recipient of our raffles this year, has been our local Yacaaba Centre, and

NORMA HOCKING

I would also like to thank all the ladies who provided gifts for the Yacaaba Centre's Xmas Hampers.

GALA DAY

Our next big day will be Gala Day, on Tuesday, February 9th, 2016 and our opening day will be Tuesday, February, 16th.

Thanks again to Greg Stynes and his staff for our wonderful course, and to all of our volunteers who help with the maintenance of it, and thanks to Moses golf and staff, who are always there when you need them. Thanks also, to our admin staff, Trevor, Ann and Penny, and our bar staff who have managed under difficult circumstances.

Merry Christmas to everyone, and a happy and healthy 2016 to all.

THANK YOU

A social get-together to recognise the effort staff both on and off the course put in after the September 6 fire was held in late November at the halfway house.



PICTURED ARE CURRENT AND FORMER STAFFERS SIMONNE IRVINE (LEFT) AND TUI CAMPBELL



ALSO THERE WERE COURSE SUPERINTENDENT GREG STYNES, ADMINISTRATION OFFICER ANN JENNINGS AND CLUB TREASURER RALPH CARSTAIRS.



THE TEAM FROM LEFT: PETER POWER, JULIE NEWSHAM, DAVID RANN AND TREVOR HARRISON

PROJECT CONTROL GROUP

Meet the team charged with ensuring Nelson Bay Golf Club members get the best new club house that can be achieved.

The formation of the Project Control Group, as the team is known, was one of the first decisions made by the club directors in the wake of September's disastrous clubhouse fire. The group is headed up by club captain Peter Power and other members are club manager Trevor Harrison and members Julie Newsham and David Rann. Club director Bruce Smith was involved but has withdrawn due to ill-health.

Julie wears two hats with the group. One is to represent the interests of the club's considerable female membership. Second is her expertise with development and building with more than 40 years working as a structural draftsman.

"I often say architects make the pretty pictures but the structural draftsman helps ensure the building stands up," she said.

David Rann's credentials link to his career as a chartered civil engineer with a focus on project management. Initially he worked in the United Kingdom then 10 years in the Middle East and in Sydney after migrating to Australia in 1989. He moved from Cromer to the Bay in 2007 and retired three years ago.



In effect the group is the conduit between the recently-appointed project managers, Coffey and the club board and the membership.

As Peter Power explained the process from now is for Coffee to call for expressions of interest from architects to prepare a clubhouse design which reflects the "as was" scope of the original building and a wish list of inclusions which the group is already developing. It must also meet new codes and other statutory requirements.

This will take place over the next few months and include visits by the group to other clubs seeking feedback and generating ideas.

Once plans are finalised, approvals in place and a builder selected the expectation is for work on the project to begin next autumn with a completion time during the first quarter of 2017 subject to weather and other as yet unforeseen variables.

Peter said members could be assured the processes involved in the selection of the project managers and the choice of an architect and builder has been and will be a very transparent one.

"We are confident the approach we are taking will pass any scrutiny," he said.

OPEN FOR BUSINESS!

Just 13 weeks after the disastrous September 6 fire Nelson Bay Golf Club has a new base.

It comes in the form of a temporary clubhouse which is a series of well-designed demountable buildings which sit on the rise of the car park behind the putting green.

The project approved by the insurance company was conceived, delivered and erected in double quick time to give members and visitors the 'watering hole' and social base they so sorely lost when the clubhouse was destroyed.

The combined clubhouse plus bistro seats up to 100 patrons with more on the deck looking out over the course.

Upstairs is the new administration block and as the staff are already saying the move up and down the stairs will certainly help with fitness.

For the moment the bistro is trading seven days a week for lunch and on Friday nights for dinner. After Boxing Day it will go to dinner on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights as well as lunch every day.

The temporary clubhouse will remain until early 2017 when the new complex is expected to be completed.



Administration officer Ann Jennings upstairs in the new administration office.



New to staff as a result of the temporary clubhouse opening is Blair Gibson.



CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Another year is coming to a close and what a year not likely to be forgotten and another interesting chapter in our 54-year history.

It has now been two years since I was voted in as your captain and in that period many changes, improvements to the course, new course machinery, new staff and I believe all for the betterment of our members and visitors alike.

A board that has been supportive of my role and a board that has delivered significant gains across all facets of the Nelson Bay Golf Club. To my fellow directors thank you.

GREENS

- Greens are progressing well following on from greens renovations with turf density and root growth increasing nicely.
- Dusting programs were carried out in November to improve ball roll.
- Foliar fertiliser programs continue.
- Greens cutting heights are now back down to 3mm.
- Repair work will be carried out to the rear of the 21st green using turf from the nursery.

TEES

- Returfing was carried out on the 20th tee to improve bare areas.
- The front 19th tee has been re-constructed we are using the Santa Anna turf salvaged from the 1st tee which is now being used to accommodate the Pro Shop.
- Wear and tear will need to be monitored on the 1st lower tee as it will be used for all play, in the winter months we may need to use synthetic mats.

FAIRWAYS

- Fairways are growing extremely well with the current climatic conditions.
- Returfing of bare areas on fairways and green surrounds continues.
- Herbicide applications have been carried out to control broadleaf weeds on all fairways.
- Kangaroos are again proving to be a problem on the fairways 'remember local rule allows you a free drop from damage caused by our diminishing Roo population.
- The new concrete path leading up to and adjacent the 19th hole has been completed.

BUNKERS

- All beach sand has been removed except for 23rd hole and 27th fairway. Bunkers are maintained Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday subject to more urgent works.
- Kangaroo damage to bunkers at this time of year is always a problem and difficult for our greens staff to manage they repair them the Roo's wreck them just as quick.

FIXTURE BOOK

Director Keith Campbell with the assistance of member Jeff Melrose will produce a new look 2016 booklet.

As always we are looking for sponsors, both major and minor, so if you are interested in becoming a new sponsor or wish to continue your sponsorship of club events midweek, weekend or championships please contact myself or the office.

Congratulations to the team, who clinched successive NDGA Pennant titles with a richly deserved 6-0 white-wash of the highly-fancied Newcastle team. The individual winning results were: Andrew Lange 7/6, John McDonald 3/2, Peter Burgess 2/1, Leigh Messner 4/3, Ross Lalor 2 up and Mark Galloway, who never struck a ball in anger.

Your course committee in conjunction with our course superintendent continues to improve the playability and presentation of our golf course. Some of our plans have been put on hold due to the fire, however, we will continue to make improvements as funds allow. Many thanks to Greg Stynes and his staff.

I look forward to seeing you all in our temporary clubhouse where we will return to some kind of normality. Tee time ballots have recommenced at the match committee desk where we are eagerly awaiting your kind comments and prompt card return.

In closing I would like to thank the many course volunteers, the Monday and Thursday men and women, who give up their time to assist our course superintendent.

To the course and match committee's who continue to assist in the decision making and smooth running of the clubs events, many thanks.

To the ladies committee president Norma Hocking and captain Karen Flatt thank you for your contribution of funds.

To Maurie and Maria and Warren and staff on behalf of our members thank you.

To our manager Trevor Harrison thank you for your help and work through this tumultuous time.

Finally, to the editor of our well-produced Fore magazine Keith Campbell thank you it is always informative and makes for a good read. Your course committee in conjunction with the greens staff will continue to carry out improvements to the course which will ultimately improve the look and play of the Nelson Bay Golf Club.



PETER POWER
CAPTAIN

MEET THE LOCALS

BY PHIL MURRAY



Nelson Bay Golf Club members are being sought to help run a new club venture which has just been launched – Kangaroo Encounters.

The new tourism attraction is the brainchild of longtime kangaroo research volunteer Phil Murray.

He has already run one tour but with promotion now in place in accommodation and other tourist places across Port Stephens he needs some volunteers to help out.

The commitment is minimal and Phil will provide all the necessary training.

"I am more than happy to train/educate any golf club members who would be interested in helping out as a Kangaroo Encounter guide. Just ring me on 0438 615 136," said Phil. "The kangaroos are a much loved and integral part of the course, but we need to manage numbers – for both animal welfare and golfing". commented Phil Murray, a golf club member and volunteer working



ABOVE: PHIL MURRAY WITH A JOEY

ABOVE LEFT: ASIAN TOURISTS UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH A ROO AT NELSON BAY GOLF COURSE

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with the researchers.

"People are interested in the research project and particularly overseas visitors welcome a chance to learn about kangaroos and have an opportunity to take up-close photos on the course in a safe manner.

"If you have friends or visitors coming to the Bay this Summer, be sure to put Kangaroo Encounters on the list of must do's."

Meanwhile it is little more than three years since Sydney University and Nelson Bay Golf Club begun a kangaroo research and fertility control program.

The results have been outstanding, helping both reduce and manage the Eastern Grey Kangaroos on the course.

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Spare a thought for Nelson Bay Golf Club Golf Club professionals Maurie and Warren Moses and the team from the pro shop.

While the September 6 fire missed their well-stocked and well-locate pro shop it caused extensive smoke and fire damage and ever since significant trading losses.

The "new" pro" initially was a small demountable next to the temporary administration centre with a major decision being what to leave out of the much smaller premises when it came to restocking.

Now the pro shop is operating from a much larger demountable on the site of the first tee.

There it will remain for the foreseeable future.



NELSON BAY PROFESSIONALS MAURIE (RIGHT) AND WARREN MOSES OUTSIDE THE "NEW" PRO SHOP

MOSES GOLF PROSHOP NEWS

Dear Members

What a drama filled year 2015 has been for us all and yet with the current events occurring all over the world our problems still seem minor in comparison.

It has been so heartening to see how much can be achieved when all areas of management, volunteers and all members who continue to support the club come together to ensure the success of our club and its ongoing legacy.

After a rather hectic move we are very pleased to be in our new premises and feel much more part of the action over on the 1st Tee. We invite you all to come and have a look around and remember us when you are Christmas shopping this year. Please also remember that with our limited space we are unable to have our usual larger range of stock but will make every effort to order in any items you may not see on display. Just ask and we will let you know!

Also a bit of housekeeping...currently, with our very limited space, we are unable to hold goods for people in the shop. So please to avoid making it difficult for our

staff and make alternate arrangements for pick up and drop off of personal items. We also ask that phone calls be limited as much as possible, particularly in enquiring about playing times in competitions. We would really appreciate taking note of your playing times when at the club or ensure you can log in at home.

As most of you know our accounts system was not affected by the fire and as we are coming in to the silly season we ask you to use your accumulated credit in accounts to perhaps by gifts for loved ones or yourself!

Finally, a big THANK YOU for all of the support and kind wishes we have received from each of you throughout the year, it is your support that sustains us. We hope that Christmas this year is filled with Peace and happiness for you and your families. We look back on a year filled with challenges and can be comforted by the hope of a successful and progressive year ahead. Happy New Year for 2016 and may all your wishes come true xxx

PRO SHOP



*Saturday the 29th August
was a sold out event for the inaugural*

MIXED PENNANTS AWARDS DINNER

It is the first time pennant players, Juniors, Seniors, Masters, Men's, Ladies Weekend and Ladies Midweek Scratch have all been together in the one room for such a wonderful event. The room was abuzz with colour, chatter and laughter, with Paul Kennedy holding the floor with tales and snippets but generally entertaining everyone.



Bruce Smith was the MC for the evening, and our guests of Honour were Marion Sproule and Jack Evans who presented a New Perpetual Trophy in their name to the Female and Male Pennant Player of the year.



THE JUNIORS had an amazing year and we congratulate them on their individual and team successes. They are: Harry Richards, Harry Cleare, Andrew Lange, Connor Benjamin and Callum Gascoigne



MALE PENNANT PLAYERS OF THE YEAR 2015

Winner of the Jack Evans Award: Ron Castles
Super seniors: Peter Metham
Super seniors final series: Peter Fulton
'A' grade men's: James Marshall
'B' grade: Neil Lembcke
'B' grade final series: Murray Atkins
'C' grade: Gary Troon
Masters: Peter Sutton

FEMALE PENNANT PLAYERS FOR 2015

Winner of the Marion Sproule Award: Robyn Kennett
Weekend player of the year Dolphins: Sharon Dunn
Weekend player of the year Nemo's: Linda Drake
Ladies Div 1: Mary Reisch
Ladies Div 3: Glenda McCaw
Ladies Div 5: Di Scobie



These little poodles were table decorations on the night, sold off and raised over \$200 to go toward the junior program. A big thanks to all of those who contributed the balls.

OSCAR PERFORMANCE!

A six to nil win against Newcastle in the Newcastle B grade pennants final capped off a brilliant season for the Nelson Bay team.

The side was undefeated but our Junior, Andrew Lange (also undefeated) spearheaded our attack at number one demolishing his opposition. He won his semi final 7 and 6 against Charlestown's captain Warren Thompson and then backed it up by winning his final match against Newcastle's Phil King 7 and 6.

In pennant golf they call that an 'Oscar' performance!



THE WINNERS (BACK ROW FROM LEFT) JOHN MCDONALD, KEL WRIGHT (COACH), PAUL KENNEDY (MANAGER), ROSS LALOR AND NEIL LEMBCKE. FRONT ROW FROM LEFT ARE LEIGH MESSNER, ANDREW LANGE, PETER BURGESS (CAPTAIN) AND MARK GALLOWAY. MURRAY ATKINS WAS ABSENT.

*Thank
you*

Behind every successful event is an instigator and this event was the brain storm of Paul Kennedy who put together a team of dedicated people to make the evening a huge success. So thank you to PK, Kel, Barb, Julie, Daryl, Tom, Marg, Susie, Karen, Rob and Gail.



PAUL KENNEDY, PETER FULTON, KEL WRIGHT & BRUCE SMITH



KAREN FLATT, LINDA DRAKE & SUSIE ANDERSON



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WORK UNDERWAY ON THE SURROUNDS OF THE 20TH TEE



Despite the set back of the September 6 fire the condition of the golf course continues to improve and a new machine now in use is a welcome boost.

As most Bay golfers would attest tree roots even in the fairway margins are a problem.

As a result the club has recently bought an \$18,000 tree root pruning machine which will be used to run along the margins of affected fairways with deep revolving blades cutting off pruning roots.

Course manager Greg Stynes said the machine was long overdue.

It would reduce moisture loss on fairway edges and also mean less maintenance and damage to blades of fairway cutting machinery.

The machine would also be available for hire to other golf courses when not in use at the Bay.



GREG STYNES CHECKS THE NEW PRUNING MACHINE

LET'S PRUNE



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VETERAN'S REPORT

BY TERRY GANNON PRESIDENT

The end of the year is upon us again and what an eventful year it has been. Early in the year we had the course ravaged by a number of wild storms, and then came the devastating fire on 6th September. But, despite all the setbacks the Vets have played on.

We only lost 4 Mondays and 3 Thursdays through bad weather and the numbers have remained consistent for both competitions throughout the year.

During the upheaval caused by the fire the Vets reverted to Ball competitions for a few weeks, but resumed full competitions from the 5th October. The lack of a clubhouse has impacted severely on the after golf activities and raffles have been terminated for the year. This has been disappointing, but unavoidable. The Vets consider their after golf activities and raffles as important as the actual game of

golf. Hopefully, with the temporary clubhouse available, things will be back to normal when we resume full competitions in the new year.

It is with much sadness that I report the recent deaths of three of our Vets. Keith Lish, Bob Robinson and John Anderson have all passed away since my last report. They all loved their golf, and the camaraderie that the Vets bring, and they will all be sorely missed.

The Vets Christmas dinner and presentation is being held in on 7 December and a good night is expected. The rework of funds allocation carried out by the committee last year has meant that, despite the cancellation of raffles after the fire, there are still sufficient funds available to allow the normal refreshment subsidy to be made.

I must take this opportunity to congratulate the Board of the NBGC for the magnificent job they have done this year under unbelievably trying circumstances. When they nominated for these positions they had no idea what they were letting themselves in for. And further congratulations must go to the Green staff for the wonderful way in which they continue to present our golf course.

Also a big thank you to Craig King, who recently resigned from his position as Bar manager. Craig's cooperation and understanding made the Vets Monday proceedings run like clockwork. And finally, thank you to Maurie and Maria Moses and their staff for their continued support and assistance, again in unexpectedly trying circumstances, throughout the year.

MAHER WINS ECLECTIC

Results of 2015 Eclectic are:

Winner: Shane Maher
with a net score of 89.85
(gross 27 hole 94)

Second: Rob Fitzgerald
net 90.6 gross 27 hole 93)

Third: Warwick Dart
net 91.1 (gross 27 hole 95)

Prizes by way of club vouchers will be presented as part of annual prize giving on Opening Day in January 2016.



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