



## Men's Weekly Golf Report –



Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept

### **HALL HOLDS ON IN ARCTIC CONDITIONS**

Happy go lucky "C" grader Jeff "Stuff" Hall won the ELGAS & MURRAY SALES Par competition at the MBGC on the weekend. Played in bitterly cold temperatures, which the bureau was telling us was -4 deg C at times with the wind chill factored in, and accompanied by icy winds and sporadic showers the 53 brave souls who competed all deserved a medal just for being there. In line with club policy, however, President Wickes quickly advised that this certainly wasn't going to happen!

Hall started off the back nine (don't ask) and would you believe after reaching the clubhouse the first time he was 8 up? Yes sir, 8 wins from 9 holes had his playing partners clamouring for the Johnnies & coke to wake themselves up from their dreams. Easing down on his closing nine Hall was always going to win any countback and in the end he needed to do just that holding off a valiant Paul McCulloch for the days major prize. A score of 4 up was seriously good golf in the conditions.

Recently crowned "C" grade champion McCulloch was the day's runner up with his much more conventional 4 up round. With numbers below the threshold required (60 players) to reward individual grades the comp reverted to an open event and Tarmz Matthews became the 3rd best for the day with his excellent 3 up.

Then followed Captain Secker, Mason Merritt, "Dog" Rothe and John Barwick all with very good 1 ups and Les Duncan, Ron Peacock and President Wickes with square with the card rounds. Rob Walters and Carlos Taylor grabbed a voucher each for their handy rounds of 1 down.

The best NTP went to Shaun Williams who was oh so close to holing out on the 14th but it wasn't to be. There hasn't been a hole in one at the club for quite some time now. Maybe Ubbly Te Aho will pay us a visit from Victoria soon and change all that. Whoever hit closest on the 2nd was a bit unlucky with the recording sheet blowing away in the wind leaving us all in the dark as to who played the best shot there. Sing out if you think it was you.

Paul McCulloch took out the pro comp which was for the best score on all of the odd numbered holes. Poor old Jeff Hall probably thought he was in the running with his 8 up back nine which the Pro comp has been on for the past six months! Bad luck Stuff!

Despite not having the best of days in the tough conditions top "A" grader Andrew Meddle won the Yabbie for closest on the 4th punching a low 5 iron up into the breeze. He also cleaned out the eagles nest when he hit driver then rescue club to within two metres of the pin on the into the wind par five 12th. An easy putt for him dropped straight in and he now has a heap more golf balls.

It's back to good old Stableford this Saturday with the scheduled 4BBB event being changed to just the Stableford format. A forecast of 25 deg C and sunny should see all roads leading to Ritter Street