



Men's Weekly Golf Report –



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NICE GUYS DON'T ALWAYS COME LAST

Just to prove the old adage wrong "GENTLEMAN" George Langsford shone brightly at the MBGC on the weekend and ended up being top dog with a masterly 39 points in the NANCE BUILDING CO. Stableford event.

George loves nothing better than getting out there early, kicking the dew and occasional frost off the early morning grass, posting a great score and then sitting back and saying "catch me if you can!".

Probably the key to his great form and lowish 18 handicap these days is the fact that he hasn't been able to take his five trips per year holiday to Fiji because of Covid 19 restrictions. Being forced to instead play more golf rather than devouring crates of Fijian lager has clearly helped his game no end. Well done George - another popular Saturday winner.

It was a big field of 111 men because a lot of our friends from Echunga have descended on the course with their deck awash after plenty of recent rain. They took plenty of prizes away with them too although local Steve Thiele was too good in the "A" grade with an excellent 38 points just the one ahead of Echunga's Dave Lockwood on 37.

It was all the hills players in the "B" grade where Michael Martin scorched around for 41 points including a stunning 24 point back nine! Joe Hodgson rattled up 38 points to snare the runners up prize.

Great to see local new member former junior Josh Doyle join up again recently and proceed to gain a handicap. Playing only his second or third round he won the "C" grade with a terrific 38 points which included a flurry of good holes towards the end of his round. At the other end of the experience scale crafty old Brian Smyth amassed a solid 35 points and was perhaps surprisingly rewarded for it with the runners up position.

It was a cold old day with most players grateful to finally see the 19th hole and the ball winners were led in by the big "Q" Quent Maurice who was delighted with his 37 point effort. Echunga's Kiowa McLennan and local hot and cold "A" grader Andrew Meddle played to their handicap for 36 points. Meddle perhaps should have had a couple more but for a rush of blood on the 11th after nearly winning the Yabby. Tyson Wright, Stefan Bilandzic, "Chainsaw" McCulloch, Tim Pfeiffer, Nifty Briggs, Daniel Hocking and Jared Thoman all played well for their 35's while Shaun Williams, "Fiery" Freddy Carter and Graeme Munt scooped up the final offerings with 34 points apiece.

The Pro comp winnings went west with Michael Martin's 24 point back nine being way too good for everyone and the Yabby did likewise with Bruce Agnew hitting a ripper on the 11th.

Well, it's time for a few stroke rounds with the first of the club championships qualifying rounds taking place this Saturday. Time to get serious!