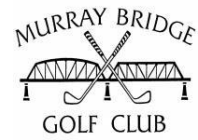


Men's Weekly Golf Report –



Sunday 15th August

ARMANI WINS 5TH WOMENS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP JARED WINS 4TH MENS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday's conditions could not have been better for the 2021 Murray Bridge GC Club Championship finals. 20 degrees C, and light winds had competitors and spectators alike in high spirits. All matches were keenly contested and there were some very tight finishes with play-off holes needing to be used to find a winner in some of the battles.

The WOMEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP lived right up to expectations as boom 16 year old Armani Marsters, winner of the previous four championships, was pitted against the experienced and battle hardened Deb Christie. Over 36 holes some wonderful golf was played with the margin never being more than a couple of holes either way as it came right down to the wire after 35 holes with Armani one up. Finding the pine trees off the tee on the 36th hole, however, the young gun gifted Deb a chance to level it up and this she duly did with a brilliant birdie. Off to the first play-off hole where Armani was just a tad steadier in gaining her par and in doing so claimed her fifth successive title with this one certainly being the toughest. Congratulations Armani!

The MENS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP was played between the club's best player, red hot favourite and rock solid consistent Jared Thoman and the more unpredictable but more than capable Andrew Meddle who was primed for the upset. The first 18 holes didn't disappoint as the players stopped for lunch dead square after Jared had been leading for most of it. Jared got out of the blocks early in the second round to eke out a handy three whole buffer which was going to be very tough for Andrew to claw back. Not throwing in the towel, however, and draining several putts from downtown he kept hanging around and Jared knew he had a real fight on his hands. Class and consistency prevailed in the end, however, and after 33 holes Jared claimed victory 4/3 for his fourth club title with no doubt more on the way for this incredibly talented local if he wants them. Congratulations Jared!

The WOMEN'S "B" GRADE winner over 27 holes was ladies club captain Lisa Hancock triumphing 5/4 over our promising junior Asia Marsters.

The MEN'S "B" GRADE winner over 36 holes was Shaun Williams who came from well back at one stage to eventually wear down Nathan King 6/5. It won't be recorded anywhere but these two guys must surely have made history when halving the par five 8th hole with ten strokes apiece the second time around!

The WOMEN'S "C" GRADE winner over 18 holes was golf tragic Suzanne Antel who scraped in over Cathy Thomas with a play-off win on the 19th hole.

The MEN'S "C" GRADE winner over 27 holes was last year's runner up Gavin Sanderson who was hell bent on not losing twice in a row defeating multiple "C" grade winner Dean Wright 1 up.

The MEN'S VETERAN'S HANDICAP title was claimed by Peter Erickson who had a titanic battle with Luke Williams with the game being all square after 26 holes and Peter then sinking a putt for par on the 27th for victory 1 up. Third time lucky for Peter - well done.

Congratulations to ALL players for putting on a great day of entertainment.