

Men's Weekly Golf Report –



Saturday - 20th Nov

A CAKEWALK FOR COREY

Murray Bridge's most talented golfing plumber dished out a lesson to all of his rivals on Saturday in winning the MURRAY MACHINING SHEDS Par competition at The Bridge. Scoring Pars on ten of the first eleven holes; simply ridiculous for a 12 handicapper, Corey Dahlitz (pictured below) ended up with a total of fourteen Pars overall on his way to a stunning score of 6 up for the day. Even then he had the audacity to say that "he'd left a few shots out there!" Well they all say that after a great round don't they? So we'll treat it as a throwaway line.

Not a noted long hitter he usually just keeps the ball in play and when his short game is on he can often make hay and this is what happened this time. Well done Sir!

The field was down to just 60 for the day with many no doubt scared off by the wild weather forecast. This did not eventuate however, as despite some overnight rain all of the poor weather on Saturday found it's up way north leaving the players that did front with ideal conditions to contend with. Accordingly, the scores were pretty good with several players beating their handicaps still not rewarded with a prize at days end.

Paul Harding won the "A" grade with a strong 3 up taking out Club Champ Jared Thoman who struck a handy 1 up off of his two handicap, although he was still not satisfied with it.

"A" grader and Greek God Mark Sappenberghs had a mixed day. He started his round with an eagle two on the first hole - that's right, a seven iron straight into the cup from 148 metres out isn't one's normal anticipated start to the day! Being a Par round Sappsy could have had four shots for a win on this hole so the two that he had seemed a bit of a waste, but that's golf. It would have been five stableford points on a Stableford day! Anyway, his great start continued until the end as he finished 4 up but then in his euphoria afterwards in the Sprig bar forgot to sign his card and was subsequently dumped to the bottom of the scoreboard! Ouch!!!

Adrian Pack was on song after a little while away from golf taking out the "B" grade with a useful 2 up. A pretty solid player on his day Packy didn't need much practice to return to winning ways. It was good to see former club manager Stephen Cocks back for a game after having joined Tailem Bend GC a while ago. He made his appearance a memorable one though as he cleaned up all of his mates and was also "B" grade runner up with a 2 up as well. It is believed that it is doubtful his buddies will be inviting him back for a second hit anytime soon.

"C" grade southpaw golfer "Snow" Rothe was staring at a 3 down front nine wondering what he could do to improve. Probably copping some sledging from brother "Dog" at this stage he would have been quite annoyed. Not sure what strategy he came up with, but it worked as he proceeded to reel off a 6 up back nine, yes correct 6 up, to finish 3 up and top of the "C" grade tree.

What a turnaround. No need to say but this also gave him an easy win in the days Pro comp for the best back nine. Enigmatic golfer John Barwick turned it on for a change firing out a 2 up which should have been way better, but for some errant short putting, to get him onto the runners up dais.

Craig Mathew grabbed a ball with his 2 up while Brian Smyth, Brinkley mayor Dean Pearson, marriage celebrant Dr. Tom Haig and former federal parliamentarian Patrick Secker were each rewarded for their solid rounds of 1 up.

Greg Lannan played in the first group of the day and his was the only name on the Yabby sheet leading from go to whoa after putting his iron shot off the tee very close to the pin on the 4th.

Get ready for a Stableford competition this Saturday and the big Ham & Turkey event on the Sunday.

Winner of the Day COREY DAHLITZ

