



JANUARY NEWSLETTER

After a long wait, two Vendi carts have arrived and are ready for hire. We hope the addition of the carts will draw visitors to the club and no doubt will be well utilised by our members. Thanks to member sponsor Wayne Christie of Steelcon Concrete, the storage pavilion for the carts (the old bbq area) will be concreted. Furthermore through Wayne's contacts at Titan Concrete/Barfold

Quarry, the materials for the repair to the paths damaged by recent storms will be donated. This will be several tonnes of materials.

The course irrigation design is close to completion, this will allow us to develop a comprehensive materials breakdown and allow the implementation plan to transition to the new system over time.

Thanks to the efforts of Tony Littman and with support from members of the management committee, the MMGC Privacy Policy that was forwarded to all members has been formally adopted.

Our second 'Doing It for Jarrod' charity event is nearing (Feb 5th) and looks to be a full field, meaning 72 players will grace the fairways of 'Our Hidden Treasure on the Mount' for this important day. Dave 'Rock' Hudson has again taken the reins for the organisation but is in need of support from our members and friends. Please offer your services for either the AM or PM groups to lighten the workload of those who have already committed to be available.

While the photo competition to select a pic to be displayed at Drummond Golf's Niddrie store has closed, the final judging is underway.

Matt Willis-President

Our Sponsor-Gisborne Peak Winery and Cottages

Lunch daily! How about getting some friends together and planning a lunch at Gisborne Peak Winery, open daily and serving lunch every day. It's more than wood-fired pizza, we also offer Beer Battered Flat Head Tail, Baked Brie, Saucy Meatballs and our famous Taster's Platter. If you have a birthday coming up or a family get-together it's the perfect spot. It's a bit casual and fun – like you! Bring a cake if you like. Gisborne Peak serves estate grown wines along with beer, cider, soft drinks and tea and coffee. Be sure to sample the desserts – yum!

Bob and Barbara Nixon have created a local winery for the locals. You're sure to find old friends at the winery, or make new ones.

Friends or relatives coming? Gisborne Peak Winery has four self-contained cottages that are perfect for your guests.

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From the Captain

Some of the results over the past month have seen quite a few new names coming through and showing consistent improvement. Field sizes have been very encouraging with Saturdays averaging fields of 36 and the Wednesday Gentlemen averaging 19 per week.

The Christmas Eve 9 hole par 3 round was well patronised.

Results:

The December Ranges Medical Monthly medallist was Tony Littman (nett 66), while the playoff for the November medal was won by Dave Hudson from Richard Payne.

The Gisborne Peak Winery January Mug o' the Month winner was Sean Bassett-42 points.



The John Lowe Memorial 4BBB stableford generated a field of 37 players and we were honoured to host John's daughter Suzanne who presented the medallions on behalf of the Lowe family to Ryan Toholka and Damien Leatch-44 points from runners up Matt Willis and Nathan Fairley 41 points. The day's individual winner was Dave Hudson who was the only player to achieve handicap or better with 37 points.

A reminder that the quarter finals of the individual matchplay must be completed by the end of January.

Mick Doyle-Captain

From the Course Supervisor

It has been an extremely busy month around the course attending to several irrigation repairs, machinery maintenance and course maintenance.

Thanks to Matt Willis and Paul Burrows for attending to the solenoid repairs on the 3rd tee, the hole was so deep they nearly struck oil! Paul donated his time and excavator to expose the broken pipework and allow replacement parts to be installed. Paul also donated his time and machinery to clear the area around the old bbq pavilion in preparation for the storage of the Vendi carts.

Thanks also to Matt and Billo for the repair to the faulty solenoids on the 6th and 7th greens.

Massive plaudits to the mowing crew members who continue to keep the course looking its absolute best and a pleasure to play on.

Finally the Course Committee will have its first meeting early in February-I will keep those members posted of the date and time as soon as it is confirmed.

Nathan Fairley-Course Supervisor