

ON
THE

GRAPEVINE

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MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE...2017/2018

Following the Declaration of Office Bearers by the Returning Officer at the Annual General Meeting on Monday 27th November...

Committee of Management:

- President.....Mr Rob Dowling
- Captain.....Mr Dean Nobbs
- Vice President – Finance.....Mr Greg Kemp
- Vice President – Women’s Committee.....Mrs Jan Shaw
- Vice President – Course.....Mr Peter Shaw
- Vice President – Hospitality.....Mr Wayne Lines
- Vice President – Commercial Activities.....Mr Rod Gorton
- Vice President – Membership.....Mr David King
- Independent Committee Member.....Ms Lyn Cummings
- Independent Committee Member.....Ms Vicky Cammack
- Independent Committee Member.....Mr Greg Gill

Members of Sub Committees:

- Vice-Captain.....Mr Mick Gibbie
- Finance.....Mr Don Johnson, Mr Mike Windows
- Course.....Mr Rod Bell, Mr Brian Quist
- Hospitality.....Ms Heather Chapman, Mr Ian Threadgold
- Women’s Golf.....Mrs Angela Beaty (Captain), Ms Kath Hender (Vice Captain)
- Commercial Activities.....*2 positions unfilled*
- Membership.....Mr Barrie Whennan, *1 position unfilled*

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A word from the President & Manager

.....*Rob Dowling & Matt Chesterman*

What a great start to our new year with **the opening of our refurbished clubhouse**. The bookings of our venue & patronage by our members are very encouraging to date & we hope this trend continues. We only have our new chairs & existing dining chairs to be re-upholstered over the next few weeks & our Club makeover will be complete.

This past year has again been very successful for our Club both financially & on our course. The investment we have made in new machinery has enabled our Course staff to produce fairways & greens that are far superior than we previously enjoyed.

Additionally our dedicated group of volunteers ensure that our club is well maintained, from our garden beds, clubhouse painting, chair re-polishing plus supporting our course staff with slashing, weed spraying, tree trimming etc.

Thank you to all our staff & volunteers for your contribution to the Club. We are only able to achieve our positive results through your dedication & support.

Our **Annual General Meeting** held on Monday 27th November was very well attended and all committee of management positions were filled. Thank you to those members who nominated to fill these positions & the vacancies on sub-committees.

We take this opportunity to acknowledge the contribution of our outgoing committee members Don Johnson & Jim Sundqvist, plus Finance sub-committee member, Bob Dickson.

A highlight of the annual general meeting was the presentation of Life Membership to Barry Dicker, a stalwart of our Club & a very worthy recipient of this honour. Congratulations Barry.

It is a pity that we are unable to print Barry's acceptance speech as it was very entertaining & created a great deal of laughter among members.

On behalf of the Committee of Management & Staff we wish you & your loved ones an enjoyable festive season & a look forward to another successful year for our Club.



Editor's comment...

Thank you to Julie Edge for her editorial guidance and assistance and many thanks to all of our "reporters" for their contributions and to our readers for their support. ["On The Grapevine"](#) wishes all members, staff, sponsors and their families the compliments of the season.



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR OF GOLF

FROM COURSE SUB COMMITTEE... *from Peter Shaw (Vice President, Course)*

Following the Club's AGM and recent appointments the **make-up of the Course Sub-Committee** is as follows....

Peter Shaw VP Course term 2 years
Rob Millington Course Superintendent
Matt Chesterman Club Manager
Bran Quist Committee Member term 2 years
Rod Bell Committee Member term 1 year
Greg Gill Seconded term 1 year
John Ward Seconded term 1 year



New Technology - Moisture Testing Meter

We recently purchased a new moisture testing meter that takes real time moisture content, salinity and surface temperature in turf areas. The unit works in conjunction with a mobile phone application that will record moisture levels overlaying a google photo of the turf area. In our context, we can map out each green and have the colour coded readings shown on the photo. (if the Grapevine was in colour) Other staff members can log on to the app to find exactly where spot watering is required. Irrigation uniformity contour maps can also be produced in the same way.

The 15th Green

Putting on this green can be a challenge at times, particularly with a north wind blowing. Many options have been discussed to assist golfers negotiate this challenge, but we would prefer not to treat this green differently to other greens in mowing heights etc. It was agreed that extra fertiliser to thicken growth would be applied, and to ensure extra care in future pin placement.

The Course Sub-Committee is always looking for your feedback on any issue any time that relates to the Course. Have a question, a suggestion or criticism, please write to feedback@vinesgolfclub.com.au. Any correspondence will be treated confidentially.

Merry Xmas and Happy New Year from your **Course- Sub Committee**

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A WORD FROM THE GIRLS...from Jan Shaw (VP Women's Golf)

The **November AGM** resulted in a number of changes to the **Women's Committee for 2018**. Karen Parsons retired as Captain after 2 years after introducing a number of fun activities to the weekly games of golf. She was awarded the Haselgrove Trophy in 2017 as a club member who embodied the spirit of the Club with her enthusiasm and dedication. Karen Hender retired as Treasurer after 6 years ensuring that our finances were well managed, resulting in the women's committee being a very good financial position. Glee Walton retired after 2 years on the committee and was a key supporter of the Give Golf A Go Clinics held every 6 months. She was a key contributor in streamlining the trophy and awards for Closing Day.

Angela Beaty was elected as the new Women's Captain and Kath Hender was elected Vice Captain for the next 2 years. Jan Threadgold nominated for the committee with the aim of taking on the Vice President role in 2018. Judith Hill is the new Treasurer and will be supported by Marina Langer. Helen Carman has joined the committee to represent 9 hole members.

The **Christmas Party** was held on 5th December with 90 ladies and green keeping/office staff attending. This year it was decided to include breakfast to start the day's activities. Thanks to Matt, Viv and Clayton for cooking breakfast and organizing the drinks. Thank you to the women's committee for decorating the clubhouse and organizing the fruit and raffles.

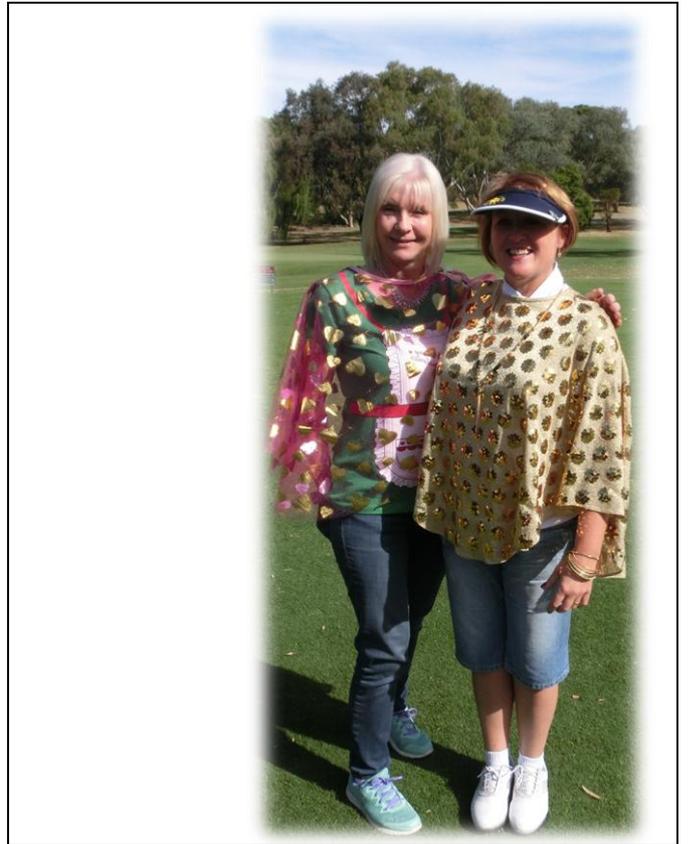
The theme for the day was *denim and bling*. I'm sure the opportunity shops around Adelaide were responsible for providing many of the outfits on the day. It was great to see so many new faces from the Get Into Golf Clinics who attended and got into the party atmosphere. The charity for this year the Southern Domestic Violence Service in Morphett Vale. Thank you everyone for your generosity.

Thanks to Wayne Lines for organising a visit from Father Christmas who arrived in a Golf Buggy with lots of gifts and chocolates for the ladies. Special mention must go the Cirque Disarray act organised by Rose Corbett and the Cleek Team act lead by Leonie Lindsay. Thanks to Sally for her jokes that have been so much a part of our Christmas Party traditions. Finally special thank you to Ian Threadgold for his great music that made the day rock.

On behalf of the Women's Committee have a safe and healthy Christmas and New Year. The first day back for Women's Golf in the New Year is Tuesday 2nd January.

Fun & Golf at the Christmas Party.....





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Steve Krause...Club Professional



Your Golf Pro
STEVE KRAUSE
THE VINES GOLF CLUB OF REYNELLA



**Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
From Steve Krause & the Pro Shop staff**

From the Captain...*Dean Nobbs*

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our immediate past captain, **Paul Sutcliffe**.

Paul has been tireless in his efforts over the last 12 months to make golf even more enjoyable for our members at The Vines. I only hope that I can fill a portion of those size 9's and continue to improve the golfing experience at The Vines. Well done Paul!

Congratulations to **Angela Beaty (Women's Captain), Kath Hender (Women's Vice Captain) and Mick Gibbie (Men's Vice Captain)**. We will be aiming to build on the great work that has been undertaken by the previous Match Committees.

The **Mixed Foursomes Championships** (Murray Harold Trophy) were played over two Sundays in November. Cathy Hayward and Clayton Byrne were the first round leaders, two shots ahead of **Rex Williamson and Caitlin Peirce**. In a nail biting finish Rex and Caitlin edged ahead of Cathy and Clayton to **win the gross event by a shot**.

In the nett event Olivia Nobbs and Tony Nobbs finished on top. *Olivia's back has been giving her grief after carrying dad around for two weekends.*

Well done to all 18 pairs for making the Mixed Foursomes Championships a great event.

The **Men's Foursomes Championships** (Derek Sibbin Trophy) were played on Sunday the 26th November 2017. The foursomes championships is an honour board event and is always hotly contested. The championships were played over 36 holes.

It was a mild day and luckily the weather was fine.

The scores after the *first 18 holes* were very close with Rex Williamson and Paul Gregory leading with a score of 76, closely followed by Clayton Byrne and Alex Curtin on 77, Tony Nobbs and Corey Apthorpe on 78 and the dark horses David Gully and Vin Pike also on 78.

The *second 18* is always a battle of attrition and keeping doubles and triples off your score card is not always easy.

Every pair had a sorry tale to tell at the end but it was **Clayton Byrne and Alex Curtin** that **finished on top**, a shot ahead of Tony Nobbs and Corey Apthorpe who finished runners up on a countback to beat Rex Williamson and Paul Gregory.

The dark horses **David Gully and Vin Pike** held their nerve and showed that age is no barrier to 8 hours of golf to comfortably **win the nett prize**.

The Foursomes Championships is a great day so get on board next year.

Four of our juniors, Boston Price, Alex Manton, Ryan Francis and Charlie Nobbs participated in the event and from all accounts had a great day.

Keep an eye out for the championships next year.

The Match Committee hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.





RULE of the month...*explanation*

...from John Ward

RULE 13 BALL PLAYED AS IT LIES

RULE 13-2. IMPROVING LIE, AREA OF INTENDED STANCE OR SWING, OR LINE OF PLAY

Question...

Through the green, may a player remove or brush away SAND or LOOSE SOIL from the area in which he is preparing to drop a ball?

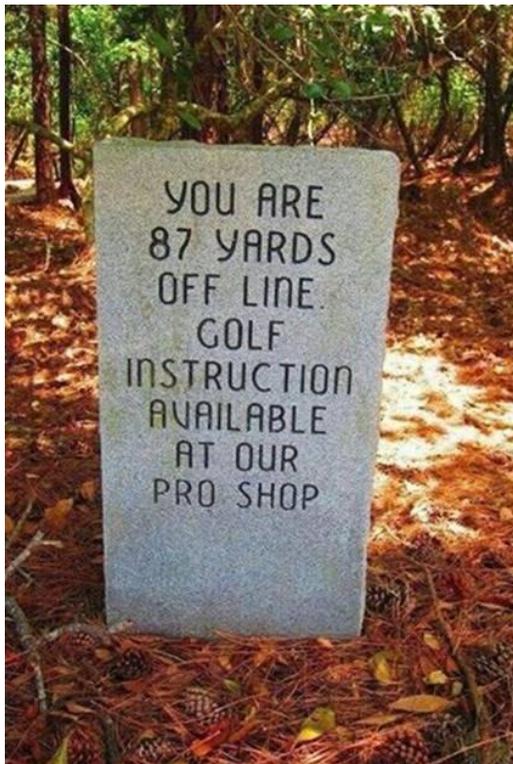
Answer... **NO**

Rule 13-2 prohibits improving the area in which a ball is to be dropped by removing SAND or LOOSE SOIL. *Sand and loose soil are loose impediments ONLY on the putting green.*

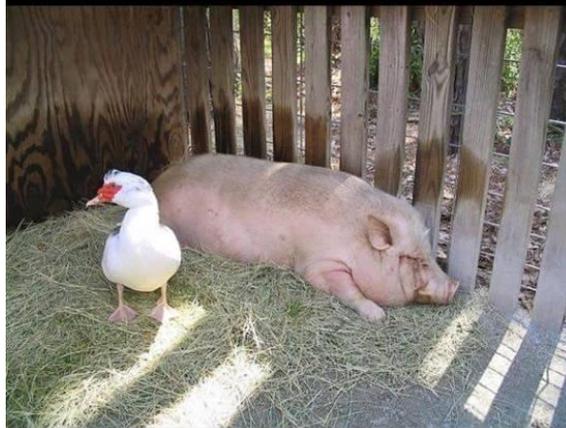
Have you been guilty of brushing all the debris, including the sand and loose soil away from the area in which you have dropped a ball? Has your playing partner?

There is a penalty of TWO STROKES in Stroke play and LOSS OF HOLE in Match play.

Be careful big brother may be watching.



WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BIRD FLU AND SWINE FLU?



ONE REQUIRES TWEETMENT AND THE OTHER REQUIRES OINKMENT.

THE MOMENT YOU REALIZE



YOU JUST USED YOUR LAST GOLF BALL IN YOUR BAG

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BAD PARROT ...from John Ford

A young man named John received a parrot as a gift. The parrot had a bad attitude and an even worse vocabulary.

Every word out of the bird's mouth was rude, obnoxious and laced with profanity.

John tried and tried to change the bird's attitude by consistently saying only polite words, laying soft music and anything else he could think of to 'clean up' the bird's vocabulary.

Finally, John was fed up and he yelled at the parrot. The parrot yelled back. John shook the parrot and the parrot got angrier and even more rude. John, in desperation, threw up his hand, grabbed the bird and put him in the freezer.

For a few minutes the parrot squawked and kicked and screamed.

Then suddenly there was total quiet. Not a peep was heard for over a minute.

Fearing that he'd hurt the parrot, John quickly opened the door to the freezer.

The parrot calmly stepped out onto John's outstretched arms and said...

"I believe I may have offended you with my rude language and actions. I'm sincerely remorseful for my inappropriate transgressions and I fully intend to do everything I can to correct my rude and unforgivable behaviour."

John was stunned at the change in the bird's attitude.

As he was about to ask the parrot what had made such a dramatic change in his behaviour, the bird spoke-up, very softly,

"May I ask what the turkey did?"



Merry Xmas and Happy New Year



Subject: LEXOPHILIA

WHO ON EARTH DREAMS THESE UP? A LEXOPHILIA of course!

How does Moses make tea? Hebrews it.

Venison for dinner again? Oh deer!

A cartoonist was found dead in his home. Details are sketchy.

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

Haunted French pancakes give me the crêpes.

I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.

They told me I had type-A blood, but it was a Typo.

I changed my i Pod 's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

I know a man who's addicted to brake fluid, but he says he can stop at any time.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me.

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'm sure I'd never met herbivore.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.

I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.

I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.

Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?

Broken pencils are pointless.

What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A hesaurus.

I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

Velcro - what a rip off!

Don't worry about old age; it doesn't last.

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