

SCONE GOLF REPORT for September 17, 2015

“Ladies Championships begin”

A pleasant morning for golf prevailed for the first round of the Scone Golf Club Ladies Championships last Thursday. The wind got up making most of the back nine more challenging and with little run on the course and perilous rough, the scores reflected such.

The best scratch score was by defending champion Lyn Banks who had 86. Doon MacCallum won the Scone RSL Club Trophy for the best nett score of 76 with Lyn being runner up on a countback. Balls went to Ruth Wallace 77, June Jukes 78, Julie Leckie, Jo Brown and Narelle Rutter all on 79. The NTP's on the 2nd / 11th were won by Julie Leckie in Division 1 and by Ruth Wallace in Division 2, resulting in an easy birdie and the birdie box of 4 balls. June Jukes managed a gobbler which was a 40 metre chip in!

The scratch scores were: Division 1 (0-22 h'cap) Lyn Banks 86 with Julie Leckie and June Jukes 10 shots afield. In Division 2 (23-32 h'cap) Ruth Wallace 103, 3 shots ahead of both Narelle Rutter and Doon MacCallum. In Division 3 (33-45 h'cap) Kerry McLennan, playing her first stroke round, had 115 to lead Judy Carmody by 2.

Round 2 was played on Sunday for the Scone Newsagency Trophy. The day was perfect for golf and Judy Carmody had a great score of 71 nett to win the day. The runner up was Ruth Wallace who had 74 nett. Balls went to Jo Brown 76, Lyn Banks 77, Julie Leckie 78, Elizabeth Kevans 80 and Narelle Rutter 80 nett. The scores were quite good given the course being long. Narelle also won the Division 2 NTP on the 2nd / 11th with the other divisions unable to stay on the green.

In the scratch Lyn Banks had 87 and this extended her lead in the championships to 18 shots from Julie Leckie. In Division 2 Ruth Wallace had 100 and likewise extended her lead to 10 shots from Narelle Rutter. Judy Carmody showed a big improvement to overtake Kerry McLennan and set up an 11 shot lead in Division 3.

The nett standings for the Jean Byrnes Salver from the starting handicap are Ruth Wallace 151 (77, 74), Judy Carmody 153 (82, 71), Lyn Banks 153 (76, 77).

Championship Leaders:

Division 1 (0-22 h'cap): Lyn Banks 173 (86, 87); Julie Leckie 191 (96, 95)

Division 2 (23-32 h'cap): Ruth Wallace 203 (103, 100); Narelle Rutter 213 (106, 107)

Division 3 (33-45 h'cap): Judy Carmody 223 (117, 106), Kerry McLennan 234 (115, 119)

The Championships will conclude today Thursday September 17. Next Thursday the ladies will enjoy an 18 Hole Stableford round for the Sally Archibald Trophy.

Last Saturday September 12, the Scone men played an 18 Hole Stableford for the O'Donnell Family Trophy in perfect spring golfing weather. The best score of the day was by Troy Collison and his 43 points won him the C Grade prize. Tony O'Neill, 41 points, won B Grade whilst Mac Dawson had 36 points to win A Grade on a countback from Simon Groom.

The NTP on the 2nd / 11th was won by Les Cottam with a fine shot to 1.05 metres. On the 8th / 17th the winner was Trevor Wilson at 4.33 metres.

Ball winners were: Troy Collison 43, Tony O'Neill 41, Damien Collison 39, Trevor Wilson 37, Mac Dawson, Simon Groom 36, Tony Bowd, Mick Alsleben, Luke Eather, Andy Phelps 35, Jake Teague, Jeff Harrington, Joel Woods 34, Paul Smart, George Davidson 33 and Wayne Phelps 32 on a countback from a few.

The ladies 18 Hole Stableford was won by Lyn Banks who had 36 points.

This weekend on Saturday, the Hunter Valley Printing Cup 4BBB Stableford mixed event will be played along with a member's 18 Hole 4BBB Stableford. On Sunday, visitors from around the valley and the locals will play Scone Open.

On Saturday September 26, there will be an Individual Stableford and 2B Medley Multiplier and for the Whitehead Family Trophy and Jason Whitehead Memorial Day. It is also "Fashions In The Field" with Phil McGuirk and Gordon Halliday providing prizes for this fun aspect of the day. A good day is guaranteed for ladies and men.