

## SCONE GOLF REPORT for September 24, 2015

### “Big week for Scone Golf”

A big week of golf was played at Scone with the final round of the ladies championships on Thursday, followed by the weekend of Scone Open mixed and men's competitions.

In the Ladies Championships Lyn Banks easily won her fifth consecutive title after another solid round. (Lyn also won the Branxton Cup at their Ladies Open Day on Tuesday in extremely windy conditions). Julie Leckie was runner up in Division 1. In Division 2 Ruth Wallace won the division for the second time with Narelle Rutter being runner up. Judy Carmody won Division 3 convincingly after a stunning round of 65 nett. Kerry McLennan, playing in her first championship, was runner up. Judy also won the Jean Byrnes Salver for the best nett in the championships and the Doris Ham Veterans Trophy for the best nett on daily aggregates, for the second consecutive year. Judy can expect another handicap reduction. The course was well presented and with nominal rough the scores were expected to be improved. Thank you to all the volunteers who regularly prepare the course. Presentations were made to the winners who also received flowers generously donated by Club Patron Elizabeth Kevans.

In the daily event, Judy Carmody was the winner with 65 nett and Julie Leckie with a quality round of 71 nett, was the runner up. Ball winners were Elizabeth Kevans 74, June Jukes 75 and Narelle Rutter 77. The NTP's on the 2<sup>nd</sup> /11<sup>th</sup> were won by June Jukes in Division 1, Ruth Wallace in Division 2 and Judy Carmody in Division 3 which she converted to a birdie to win an extra two balls.

#### Championship Results:

Division 1: (0-22 h'cap) Winner: Lyn Banks 261 (86, 87,88); Runner Up: Julie Leckie 280

Division 2: (23-32 h'cap) Winner: Ruth Wallace 305 (103, 100, 102); Runner Up: Narelle Rutter 317

Division 3: (33- 45 h'cap) Winner: Judy Carmody 322 (117, 106, 99); Runner Up: Kerry McLennan 348  
Jean Byrnes Salver (*Best Nett from starting handicap*) Winner: Judy Carmody 217; Runner Up: Ruth Wallace 227

Doris Ham Veterans Trophy (*Best daily nett aggregate*) Winner: Judy Carmody 218; Runner Up: Ruth Wallace 228.

Last Saturday September 19, the FBBB Scratch Stableford Mixed event for the Hunter Valley Printing Cup was played. In windy conditions, Clayton Rogers and Lyn Banks had 3 over par to record 33 Scratch Stableford points to win the cup by one point from Mac Dawson and Kerry McLennan. Mac and Kerry had a great score of 47 points to win the FBBB Stableford section. In the men's FBBB the winners were Gordon Halliday and Geoff Ferguson who combined well to have 44 points. Geoff's NTP on the 2<sup>nd</sup> /11<sup>th</sup> to 0.862 metres certainly helped their cause. Marie Murray won the ladies at 3.4 metres. On the 8<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> Joel Woods' shot was to 4.23m and Cheryl Clydsdale's finished at 6 metres.

Ball winners were: Mac Dawson & Kerry McLennan 47, Gordon Halliday & Geoff Ferguson 44, Will O'Donnell & Cheryl Clydsdale 44, Damien Collison & Joy Nelson 43, Joel Woods & Adam Moore 43, Scott Lye & Guy Wilkinson 43. Thank you to major sponsor Hunter Valley Printing who kept the tradition going after decades of support for Scone Golf Club.

On Sunday the conditions were very good for golf with a bit of a breeze. Winner of the Men's Scone Open was local Jeff Harrington who had a great round of 74. He won the A. J. White Cup narrowly as he beat five players who had 75. Charlie Manning had his best round in a while and was the runner up on a countback. After missing out on a countback for runner up, Will O'Donnell won the Bob Robb Cup for the best nett with 44 points. After a considerable lay off, Will benefited from golfing two days in a row to edge out visitor Bob Patterson by a point.

Three grade prizes were awarded in each grade and they were: A Grade, Clayton Rogers 39 on a countback from Brad Hockley 39 points, and then Adam Moore, 36 points giving the locals a clean sweep.

In B Grade the visitors won the lot! Pat Williams from Merriwa, 42 points, Dave Parkinson, District Captain, had a good day with 41 points, and Aberdeen's Glen Googe on 40 points was third. Likewise in C Grade the visitors had the best scores, with Aaron Goodworth 40 points, Robert Ryan 39 points, and Allan Flanagan 38 points on a countback.

The long drives were won by Adam Moore, Will O'Donnell and Trent Cooper in each grade. There were some hot shots in the NTP's by the visitors. On the 8<sup>th</sup> Greg Lawrence finished at 0.38 metres and on the 11<sup>th</sup> Rob Patterson rested at 0.53 metres! Charlie Manning won the 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2.76 metres whilst Kevin Thompson at 9.3 metres took the prize on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

The day was well supported by the Merriwa, Murrurundi, Muswellbrook and Aberdeen clubs, along with the HRDGA crew who always enjoy the trip up the valley.

Appreciation must go to the major sponsors: Joel Woods Building, Scone Isis Motel and Jason Taylor Muswellbrook Golf Shop, and to those who helped prepare the course during the preceding weeks. The day would not have run smoothly without the efforts of those doing the scores and results in the clubhouse.

The coming events are: Today Thursday September 24, ladies 18 Hole Stableford for the Sally Archibald Trophy and next Thursday the last of the Monthly Medals with an 18 Hole Stroke for the Melanie's Jewellers Trophy.

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 On The Course" with Phil McGuirk and Gordon Halliday providing prizes in various categories. It would be good to have big support for this fun day for ladies and men. Saturday October 3 will be the Monthly Mug.