

SCONE GOLF REPORT for September 3, 2015

“Wet golf course”

Last Saturday at Scone Golf Course the playing conditions were heavier, and there was water running through all the hazards. The men played an 18 Hole Stableford for the Jack Tilse Trophy. It was the Was Whyte and Herb Tilse Memorial Day and also the deciding round of the Isis Motel FBBB Championships.

The winner of the Herb Tilse Trophy for the best Scratch Stableford score was Jeff Harrington, 29 points on a countback from Mac Dawson. The Was Whyte Trophy for the best Stableford score was Joel Woods who had a very good round of 39 points. Tony O'Neill was runner up on 36 points.

Balls went to Joel Woods 39, Tony O'Neill 36, Graham White 35, Gordon Halliday 34, David Bradshaw 33, Jeff Harrington 32, Tony Bowd 32, Mark Hayes, Joel Harrison, Sandy Lettice, Scott Lye and Chris Waters (welcome back) all on 31, and Mac Dawson got the last ball on a countback with 30.

The NTP on the 2nd /11th was won by Rod Vaughan 0.73 metres, a jackpot but only one ball! On the 8th / 17th the NTP was won by Gordon Halliday at 2.87 metres.

The winners of the Isis Motel FBBB Championships were Mac Dawson and Joel Harrison in A Grade who had 148 (76, 72) to win by three shots from Steve Morse and Jeff Harrington. B Grade was won by Tony O'Neill and Alan Wood with two rounds of 80 from runners up Glen Tarrant and Graham White 170. C Grade was won by Tony Bowd and Mark Hayes 182, from Scott Lye and Guy Wilkinson four shots back.

In the Hunter River District Championships last Sunday Scone hosted the A Grade event. Local Simon Groom was beaten on a countback by Karne Gallagher from Muswellbrook when they both had 74.

This Saturday, September 5, there are still spaces in the Holden Scramble Four Person Ambrose which is open to men, ladies or a combination of each from the Scone membership only. On Saturday September 12 an 18 Hole Stableford for the O'Donnell Family Trophy will be played.

Last Thursday a good field of lady golfers started the day in pleasant conditions at Scone. However, this was short lasting with wind and then some rain hampering play. The course was quite wet after the rain of recent days and thus many found the going difficult.

The best 2Ball score was by Judy Carmody and June Jukes who combined well to have 39 points and win the “2 M's” Trophy. This has been donated by Marie Murray and Margie Hart for many years and their generosity is appreciated. It is hoped that Margie will one day be able to return to golf.

The runners up were Lyn Banks and Elizabeth Kevans, 38 points, and Lyn had the best individual score of the day with a very good 35 points in the conditions. Ball winners on the 2B were Sheena Carter and Gael Holland 37, Marie Murray and Catherine Russell 36 and Narelle Rutter and Ruth Wallace 33.

The NTP on 8th /17th was won by Lyn Banks in Division 1 and by Catherine Russell in Division 3, with Division 2 players not managing a shot onto the green.

Today, Thursday September 3, the ladies will play an 18 Hole Stroke for the 7th Monthly Medal and Melanie's Jewellers Trophy. Nominations also need to be made today for the three rounds of the Championships which will be played on September 10, 12 and 17. The 54 Hole Stroke and Nett event will be contested in three divisions and it is hoped for a good field in each division. The Veterans nett event will be available to most of the playing group! There are a number of new members in Division 3, handicaps 33-45. This may well be an interesting contest as Sheena Carter, Gael Holland and Kerry McLennan are among some of the players who have had some good scores and have been playing regularly. In Division 2, handicaps 23 – 32, the event is wide open as the majority of the lady members are in this group. In Division

1, handicaps 0-22, the key contenders will be Lyn Banks, Julie Leckie, June Jukes and Jo Brown out of the available players.