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## **GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE**

"Happy New Year" to all our valued members and guests. I hope this year is a much better year than we have experienced over the past two years!

Things are getting very busy at the Club with the influx of holiday makers plus kind weather, (I shouldn't speak to soon on the weather though!!).

Our OASIS (On A Sunday In Summer) festival kicked off on January 8th with the first act 'Dirty Lopez & His Sax Mambo', proving to be a great hit. Our amazing Chef Marcus themed his famous Paella to go along with the music. We follow up on the 15th January with 'Devil's Brew' on our 'Booze, Burgers & Blues' day, then we roll into 'The Macnamara Project' who do a tribute to the Kings & Queens of soul accompanied by delicious Smokey Soulfood on the 22nd January. Our Festival is rounded off by local band 'Don't Ask' on Sunday 29th January with a great Aussie BBQ to boot. OASIS is a totally new concept that we are excited to launch in Mansfield and we look forward to your valued support.

Looking forward to the remainder of the year, we have the following music planned:

Queen Rocks - 25th March 2023 (Dinner & Show)

Catnip Sounds Of The 80's - May 2023 (Dinner & Show)

Gypsy Fleetwood Mac Tribute - September 2023 (Dinner & Show)

These are to name just a few, keep a look out for our Monthly Music Calendar or visit our website under Events [www.mansfieldgolfclub.com.au](http://www.mansfieldgolfclub.com.au)



## GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE - GREG NUGENT CONTINUED/....

I am sure members will agree that our course at present is looking in magnificent condition. We are the envy of most clubs who struggle this time of year with heat and lack of water. "Well done" to Tony Cooksey and his team!

As we welcome visitors to our Club and course, it is a timely reminder for members to be patient when playing on the course. Visitors provide us with a very important source of income while they use all our services. It is this contribution to our income stream that allows us to keep our Member Subscriptions as low as we do, so that Members can enjoy the facilities at a very favourable membership fee. Please be courteous to our visitors and make them feel welcome, so that we become their place of choice when visiting the High Country.

Thank you.

GREG NUGENT  
GENERAL MANAGER





## CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT - TOM SWAN

As we enter a new year, the weather has been much kinder, the numbers are up and the course is in magnificent condition.

We have been able to catch up with just about all the events with the final of the Men's Premier League to be completed on the 3rd of February 2023.



Some outstanding results over the last month with Peter Barnes winning the 'Medal of Medals' during the month and a special mention to Bill Parsons who won his fourth monthly medal (and first in many years), having won his first back in the 1960's! Bill thinks he may be the oldest winner of the medal in Club history.

A rather significant milestone has been reached by two of our prominent members, our Vice Captain Rod Sargent and Kyle Bridgeman have been playing that well lately that their handicaps are now below scratch, both are now playing off -1, "well done" gentlemen.

At this point I believe that it is vitally important for us all to thank Laurie Harcus for the outstanding job he has done as Club Captain, not only his running of the Match Committee, but for his cheerfulness and friendship to all members. Laurie, "THANK YOU" and enjoy 'retirement' in Adelaide. We hope to see you back on the course from time to time, you know you will always be welcome.

In conclusion, I know I have very big boots to fill but will make every endeavour to do so.

Cheers  
TOM SWAN  
CLUB CAPTAIN



## LADIES CAPTAIN NEWSLETTER REPORT SHERYL SARGENT

The lady golfers held their annual Christmas Golf Fun Day on Wednesday 14th December. Once again it was well attended by the lady members who dressed in their Christmas cheer and enjoyed the Gentsomes Golf format for the day (should have been called 'Ladysomes')!



The winners of the day were Donna Sedgman, Glenis Skinner and Kate Cusack with 79 points. Second on a countback was Andrea Marsden, Ruth Mortyn and Leanne Taylor. Great to see some of the new members being in the winner's circle. Just one point behind, third place went to Linda Brook, Lyn Holland, Jenny Koras and on a countback from them was Kylie Egan, Marion Sargeant and Judy Flanders for fourth. The day was topped off by a traditional Christmas lunch at the Rangeview restaurant with lots of banter and laughter.



Jenny Foster & Pauline Ahola



Linda Brook & Lesley Anderson



## LADIES CAPTAIN NEWSLETTER REPORT

### SHERYL SARGENT - CONTINUED/...

December Monthly Medal, sponsored by All Things Natural and Organic was won with a great score of 69 Nett by Lesley Anderson.

Mansfield Golf League's last round before finals was hotly contested as it came down to the results to see who made the top four. The semi-final will be held on Wednesday 18th January with Wedgies vs. Happy Hookers, Nug Nugs vs. Sloggers, then the final on Wednesday 25th January 2023. Good luck to all teams.

Wishing everyone a fantastic New Year, hopefully it will be a better one.

Regards.

SHERYL SARGENT



## GOLF SHOP NEWS - DAVE JOYCE - ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER



Happy New Year everyone!

Golf throughout late December and early January has been great in both social and member participation.

It has been good to see golf has taken off again and will only get stronger for 2023.

"Thank you" to all the members and guests who have played over the last month for your co-operation in making golf at Mansfield a fun and friendly environment in the busiest time the Club has seen post Covid restrictions.

The shop is now in the Pizza business with Pizza available throughout the day with three options to choose from and more varieties coming soon. It's great with a beverage after the round in the beautiful sunshine or shade of the outdoor areas.

### JUNIOR HOLIDAY PROGRAM

We had early morning starts this month for Part 1 of our Junior Holiday Program, but the juniors kept up their hydration level as well as enjoyment levels. Part 2 of the program will be held Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th January 2023.



Picture - juniors and parents ready to play.

If you know of any juniors interested for Part 2, please contact me on 03 5775 2628 or email [dave@mansfieldgolfclub.com.au](mailto:dave@mansfieldgolfclub.com.au).





## GOLF SHOP NEWS - DAVE JOYCE - ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER CONTINUED/....

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's YSM Pennant @ Mansfield - Sunday 15th January from 8.30 - 11.30am  
(Limited Member and Social Play until 1.00pm)

Ladies Club Championships (three Wednesdays) - 18th January to 1st February

Men's Club Championships - Thursday 9th February, Saturday 11th February,  
Thursday 16th February, Saturday 18th February

HOSPITAL CHARITY DAY - Sunday 26th February

(Entry forms available in the Golf Shop)

### MENS & LADIES JANUARY/FEBRUARY CLINICS

We will run a number of one day Clinics through January and February for both ladies and men as well as our ongoing Ladies Clinic.

The first Ladies Clinics will begin Friday 20th January from 9am to 10.00am.

Friday Clinic will run for eight weeks. Cost is \$120 for the program or \$20 per session.

### LADIES 'BRING A FRIEND' GOLF CLINIC - TUESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 9.00AM - 11AM

This event is for Members or regular players to bring along a friend who has limited experience or is a beginner looking to get into Golf.

The Clinic will be on a beginner level with some fun and coffee/cake afterwards.

Cost is \$40 per pair.

### HOW FAR DOES IT GO?? - THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY

Using 'Trackman Technology', this session is a great opportunity to understand how far the ball travels with every club in your golf bag.

Golfers will receive a detailed report and their results after the session.

Cost is \$30 per person. To book any of these sessions, contact the Golf Shop.

SEE YOU ON THE COURSE SOON  
DAVE





## TUFF AS TURF TALK - TONY COOKSEY

What a year it has been, they seem to go quicker and quicker! In all my time here, this has definitely been the wettest. To not start irrigating until December is unheard of and it is still not at full irrigation mode. This year's rainfall topped 904mm, the year before 785.5mm and the year before that 734mm so it has been three good years of rain and boy doesn't the lake look super impressive. With all

the rain came plenty of headache, getting bogged all the time, trees falling down and very hard to complete any works on the course. December has felt like the first month of Spring, but finally it is good to get the course back to the shape it should be in.

My crew of Kane, Al and Lily have done an amazing job this year and it is such a credit to these guys with all the hard work they have put in. I am so grateful to have these guys on board, they make life so much easier for me. They really take pride in what they do and the results and conditions of the course prove that.

A big 'THANK YOU' as well to all the helpers from the Club that have chipped in, we really do have a great membership here and that is a huge part of my job that I enjoy.

Wishing everyone a great New Year and looking forward to showing off our course to all the visitors.

COOKSEY





## DUTY MANAGER UPDATE - KELLY LAWRENCE

Happy New Year to all our valued members and guests.

It's always exciting to start off a New Year, kissing goodbye to the last. Time to reflect on the past, to learn and to grow towards making the future even better!

2023 is going to be such a fun filled year full of exciting events, fabulous food and memorable times.

We would like to welcome our new bar and gaming staff member Billy. He has slotted in well with our team and is picking up the skills required perfectly.

Justin has also returned after a little break from the club. Good to see his smiley face again, shaking those amazing cocktails and generally helping out when he can.

Once again a big huge 'THANK YOU' to all staff for working those extra hours filling in for staff either on leave or down with the dreaded Covid. Your efforts to make things work are amazing.

Bingo is still running on the first Monday of every month. We have two sessions, morning Bingo starting at 11.30am and evening Bingo starting at 6.30pm. We are now giving a lucky door prize for one lucky player each session. Hope to see all the regulars and maybe some new faces joining in the fun in 2023! You have to be in it to win it!!

This newsletter we are going to meet Andrea North, our lovely team member who goes out of her way to make our members and guests have the best experience.



## DUTY MANAGER UPDATE - KELLY LAWRENCE - CONTINUED/...



**Tell us a bit about yourself Andrea.....**

**1. What brought you to Mansfield?**

It was a holiday destination for many years and on one weekend away in the area, we made the decision to make the move.....no regrets!

**2. Why did you decide to work at the Mansfield Golf Club?**

To become part of the community and to try something new.

**3. Describe one of your favourite work memories so far.**

When I came back from three months leave away, the welcome back that I received from staff and customers, it was lovely.

**4. Tell us why you enjoy working for the Mansfield Golf Club.**

I love the connection with people - staff as well as customers.

**5. Tell us a fact that most people don't know about you.**

I am a twin and have a twin brother.

**6. Share three words that your close friends would use to describe you.**

Happy, bright and caring.

**7. Do you have any hidden talents?**

A good listener and advisor.

**8. If you won the lottery what would you do?**

Travel and donate some to charity.

**9. How do you spend your spare time?**

With my 89 year old mum, weekends away in our van, camping, 4 x 4 and time with the family, walking the dog.

**10. What's the one thing that has made you smile recently?**

Finding out that I am going to be a Grandmother.

**11. What animal do you believe most closely matches your personality & why?**

Finding out that I am going to be a Grandmother.

**12. What superhero power would you want to have?**

To be able to fly.



## EVENT MANAGERS/CO-ORDINATORS - CASS & ASH



Wishing everyone a very Happy 2023, we hope you all had a nice time over the festive season.

December was a busy month with lots of Christmas parties held both at The Ranges and downstairs in our Grip It 'N Rip It Bar. It was fantastic seeing everyone enjoy themselves at their Christmas parties. We appreciate the support of local companies who chose to hold their functions with us. We want to say a big "THANK YOU" to all the staff that made these events successful. Well done team!

January sees us introducing the OASIS (On A Sunday In Summer) Festival, we are very excited about this. Dirty Lopez & His Sax Mambo are our first act on Sunday 8th January 2023. Looking forward to seeing everyone's 'Latin Dance' moves. Chef is bringing his famous Paella pans for this one.



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## EVENT MANAGERS/CO-ORDINATORS - CASS & ASH - CONTINUED/.....

'Devil's Brew' are our second act appearing on Sunday 15th January 2023. They are a three-piece Blues/Rock band with a desire to deliver hard rocking Blues. The menu for this event will be Burgers, Booze & Bad Ass Boogie.



Sunday the 22nd January 2023 we have 'The McNamara Project' performing The King & Queen of Soul Show. Chef will delight everyone with some 'Smokey Soul Food'.



Sunday the 29th January, we end the festival with local legends 'Don't Ask' and an Aussie BBQ. Looking forward to a very busy January and listening to some great tunes from 4pm to 7pm every Sunday. Cheers Cass & Ash.





## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR/GUEST SERVICES - JAN SHELLEY



A very 'Happy New Year' to all our valued members and guests. Welcome to another year of Golf News and What's On at your Mansfield Golf Club.

Firstly, an apology that the Newsletter is a bit later this month, but with a lot of the contributing staff on annual leave I have had to wait until their return for their submissions. We do now however have a bumper issue!

Just a friendly reminder if our Members could please check their Social Club Memberships for validity. I am sending out email reminders to guests who have left their email addresses with us, that their memberships have expired and it is now time to renew. Social Club Memberships are only valid for one year and if you have one of the Green Cards then your membership has definitely expired. It is only an amazingly cheap \$5.00 to renew for the year and you gain the benefit of discounted rates as a Member, the opportunity to go into the Member's draw on a Friday night, as well as not having to sign in every time you enter the Club. If you are unsure if your membership has expired please do not hesitate to give me a call on 03 5775 2628. Also, Member's point do not expire until 30th June 2023.

This is a really busy time of year for us at the moment, with lots of visiting holiday makers up to our area. It is advisable if you want to play a round of Golf that you call our friendly staff in the Golf Shop to book in a timeslot. This also applies for the restaurant and especially on a Friday night, which is of course very popular due to our Member's Raffle Draw. Please bear in mind that The Ranges restaurant is closed on a Monday and Tuesday and open for bookings 5.30pm - 7.30pm Wednesday through to Sunday. We do have bar snacks available for those wishing to have something light or a quick snack after a round of golf. Please also note that 'singlets' are not permitted to be worn in the Club and no hats in the Gaming Area.

Thank you so much again for your support and see you in February.  
JAN

