

Aitken the younger stars

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A round of stroke was on the menu at Emerald Golf Club last Saturday with the course looking particularly grand. This is what Ryan Aitken (18) obviously thought. He came home with a score of nett 61 to blow the rest of the field away. This, of course, made him king of the kids in B Grade.

A Grade was won on a count back by Graham White (13) from Steve Town (15), who both carded 69.

Of the C Graders, Ken Sumsion (31) thrashed the rest with 67 to be head and shoulders above the ruck.

Others to play OK without saluting the judges were Leigh Morison with 65, Wayne Degering 67 and Graeme Fergus on 68 and Dean Shannon 69.

Morison was nearest the pin on the 4th, Fergus the 7th, Dennis Fuller 12th, Ash Brady the 13th and Mark "Margaret" Starick, playing his only good shot when it bounced off a tree 30m from the green, scooped the pool for the pro pin on the 18th. Am I bitter and twisted about being duded by that shot You betcha because I hopefully decided to shout Trav a bourbon on the strength of the fact that I probably wouldn't get beaten!

The ladies' comp saw Margaret Starick a clear winner for her first victory from an unlucky Kendra Hill several shots back.

On Wednesday at Officially Famous Golf (OFG) using OFG handicaps, Kevin Miller(34) waltzed home to win with 38 points from a struggling field of losers.

The Seniors' Pennant team played at home and had a very good win. Wayne Degering won 4&3, Jeff Marsh won 4&3, Con Ferrari won 3&2, Peter Clowes won 4&3, Graeme Fergus won 1 up and Ken Hill lost 1 & 2.

These scores were supplied by Travis Broadway and any errors that cause anybody any concern can be addressed to Travis but I suspect he won't give a frog's...

The handicap team played Wilmot Park in a very close encounter. In the end they triumphed when emergency Travis Broadway won 5 & 4, Ryan Aitken was square, Peter Clowes won 3 & 2, Peter Stevens won 7 & 6, Kameron Geeves won 1 up, Martin Yeats won 4 & 3, Steve Town won 1 up and Dean Shannon lost 4 & 5.

The ladies event was won in a canter by none other than Margaret Starick who had despaired at ever winning an event. Her playing partners apparently supported her through the round and supplied her with 2.3 boxes of tissues as she neared the 18, so great was her delight. After a couple of vodka and passionfruit Alco pops her happiness

knew no bounds. Her happiness was exceeded by her playing partners as their sheer delight allowed them to return all of Margaret's best wishes when they had won the same event. The only disappointed person was Kendra Hill who thought her round of 84 would be good enough to win.

Ash Brady showed he is not afraid of the impossible when, on Trav's side of the 14th fairway, locked in behind the trees, he released a 9 iron that soared high over all the trees to drop onto the centre of the green. Apparently he did not look surprised although his playing partners took a while to recover their composure. Just to prove that he was a bit pumped he put his tee shot to pin high then reality set in and he took some shots, five in fact, to get bloody thing in the hole.

Next week is the May VGL monthly medal followed by trophy presentations.

Scores:

A Grade (Obviously the course was **not** well set for B Grade golfers!)

G White ... 69
S Town ... 69
B Balfour ... 72
P Stevens ... 73
D Fuller ... 75
R Martin ... 77
P Clowes ... 83
K Hill ... 84

Graeme Bates good to see Graeme back at the club. For those who don't know he held just about every official position at the club before he joins Con Ferrari and Sandhurst. He did much to get us on the way and every time you place your arse on one of the tee seats, please control flatulence and thanks Graham.

Margaret Starick ...

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.. and still bitter and twisted am I!

B Grade (Obviously the course was well set for B Grade golfers!)

R Aitken ... 61
L Morison ... 65
W Degering ... 67
G Fergus ... 68

D Shannon ... 69
H Adams ... 71
C Ferrari ... 73
D Jennings ... 73
T Broadway ... 74
B Cook ... 74
A Ecclestone ... 77

C Grade (Obviously the course was **not** well set for B Grade golfers!)

K Sumsion ... 67
A Brady ... 77
I Scott ... 80 The family crest is ashamed by the lack of a Dudley Norris Fenwick Mr Scott!!
J Fisher ... 80
B McCoy ... 81
P Rundle ... 81
D Aitken ... 82 yes the same Aitken who shots the course to pieces last week. We would have swabbed him only we were afraid he might enjoy it!