

# King Ken climbs to the top!

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Beautiful conditions greeted golfers at Emerald Golf Club last Saturday for the first golfing day for 2011. Golf is such a game that new year's resolutions can be shattered by the second hole.

Not so for Ken Hill (16), who took the course by the scruff of the neck and shook hell out of it. He came in with a staggering 44 points to win over-all and in A Grade. He was followed home by Mark Starick (15) whose 42 points should have been enough for victory, but Hill had other ideas.

Another notable starter was our teaching Pro – Bob Spencer (who could easily retire or be listed on the stock exchange on the back of the lessons given to Con Whitlock in the past few years), Bob played with John Carvill and John Fisher, and was rumoured to have shot a 44pts (Gross 73 off the stick to break his age we think!.....as Bob was at least 72 when he gave his life story to members as guest speaker to the EGC Presentations dinner back in approx. 2005.....) so we think he broke his age by a good measure.....

In B Grade the status quo was maintained as the constant winner Con Whitlock (20) did it again. Even with a reduced handicap he came in with 41 points to win from a trio of disappointed golfers including Leigh Morison (19), Bernie Badgery (21) and Peter Jones (22) who all had 40 points.

David Mackey (32) and Ian Cranston (22) played together and both came in with very respectable 38 points.

Hill was nearest the pin on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Dave Yates the 7<sup>th</sup>, Ernest Tong the 12<sup>th</sup>, Steve Town the 13<sup>th</sup> and the pro pin cash was pocketed by Mark Starick to round off his good day at the office.

In the ladies comp it was a tight battle right down to the last hole where Davina Harvey just triumphed over Doris Aitken.

Wednesday's Overly Fascicle Golf (OFG) using OFG handicaps was a match play format where the winner of the most holes grabbed the loot. At play's end Dennis Fuller (11) and John Piggott (25) both had won 10 holes to their opponents'6. They decided to share the wealth rather than decide the matter with a sprint up the first fairway.

On Thursday the 12 hole twilight event was won by Peter Clowes with 29 points from Ken Hill on 27.

Next Saturday is a stroke event and the January VGL Monthly Medal will be up for grabs on the Following Saturday.

## SCORES

### A GRADE

P Clowes ... 33 ....29 in 12 holes on Thursday and 33 in 18 on Saturday???? (are we allowed to swab golfers?)

Bill Badgery ... 33

R Martin ... 36

S Town ... 36

K Hill ... 44

B Balfour ... 36

J Carvill ... 36

M Starick ... 42

.... An average of 37 for A Grade!!

### B GRADE...

J Marsh ... 29

L Morison ... 40

D Harvey ... 26

P Jones ... 40

C Whitlock ... 41

Bernie Badgery ...40

D Mackey ... 38

I Cranston ... 38

J Fisher ... 30

W Degering ... 32

D Aitken ... 27

... an average of 34.6 for B Grade