



< IF THE PLAYER AT LEFT PRESENTS HIS/HERSELF TO THE PRO-SHOP BY 5PM THIS SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY THEY WILL RECEIVE 2 BALLS!

## Albert Ross 24/7/17

It was most appropriate that Saturday was a wonderful Winters day to host the Hargy Family Stableford Trophy for just on two hundred and twelve members. The Hargy Family were, and are, Maitland Golf to the core and will never be forgotten for their contribution to the history of our club. So, on to our placegetters on the day.

First in A grade was Mark Caves with 38 points, Kin Clarke came in second with 37 points with the consistent James Saxby third on 36 points, with a countback sorting two former A grade cricketers in Martin Horrocks 4th, and Steve Barnett 5th, with both finishing on 35 points.

The B grade field was just as competitive with some very tight scoring across the entire field. First place went to Noel Lane on 36 points and then came Peter Oliver on 35, with another member of the legendary McKenzie family, patriarch Don, third with 34 points with a countback required to see Ross Haynes 4th and Murray Richardson 5th after both finished with 33 points.

Our C grade members obviously enjoyed their golf with some higher scoring a feature of their efforts. Shannon Sullivan topped the grade with 39 points, just pipping Craig Barclay on 38 points with a countback needed to separate Larry Holmes (3rd) from 'Liquid' Lewis Young (4th) with both closing with 37 points. That reference to 'Liquid' was of course a reference to Lew's magical swing, and not his other liquid qualifications that are also quiet significant. Making up the podium in C grade was Phil Siddens on 35 points, in 5th place.

Our Nearest the Pin winners were, at the 13th, Tim Stork (A grade), Noel Lane (B grade) and Ron Grant (C grade). At the 17th, the gregarious Gil Norrie was nearest in A grade, Barry Halliday, (B grade) and Mathew Keith won C grade. The ball comp went down to 30 points on a countback.

The Thursday Stableford competition attracted a great field of one hundred and thirty one players with scoring very much on the tight side across all the grades. Our A grade winner was Andrew Robertson with 35 points, just ahead of Gary Daniels, who is undoubtedly one of our most improved and consistent members, second with 34 points. A countback was required to separate 3rd from 4th, with Mark Mungoven coming out on top of Lachlan Sheeley, after they both finished on 32 points.

Mick Sarquis once again proved he has still got it, and I reckon, will never lose it, by topping B grade with 33 points, after a countback pushed Rohan Aturaliya back to 2nd place on the same score, and then came our redoubtable club President Clarrie Coutts with 32 points, just ahead of 4th placed Frank Van Dijk with 31 points.

The C grade field once again featured some higher scores, with Toby George taking first spot on 36 points, just ahead of Geoff Towns in second place with 35 points, with a countback deciding that Mark Owen fished third and Rick Grabau fourth, after they both carded 34 points.

Nearest the Pin winner at the 13th was yet another former A grade cricketer in Dave Leary at the 13th, with one of our very sociable left handers, Jon Janetzki, taking out the ball pool at the 17th. The ball competition went down to 28 points on a countback.

The Sunday Stableford saw twenty nine players take on the course with Mitch Saxby winning on the day with 37 points from Tony Ellicott (is anyone still playing cricket in Maitland?) running 2nd with 33 points, and Lachlan Macpherson third on 31 points. Nearest the pin winners were Matthew Gurr (yep! another former top flight cricketer) at the 13th and Mark Curran at the 17th. The ball comp went down to 30 points on a countback.