

LATEST NEWS - AUGUST 2025

President's Report

Players Personal Liability Insurance Policy

As a follow up to the Player Safety article in the last Newsletter I think it is important for each member to know that Russell Vale Golf & Social Club Ltd is affiliated with Golf Australia through the affiliation fees that we pay to them each year for every member. As part of that association, Golf Australia maintains a Players Personal Liability Insurance Policy.

Broadly, this policy covers the legal liability of members to pay compensation for personal injury or property damage which occurs while playing or practising golf. Should you accidently hit someone when playing or practicing golf then you would be covered under this policy.

If you would like further information on this policy, contact Matt Chesterman, Head of Clubs & Facilities, Golf Australia, matt.chesterman@golf.org.au

In addition to the Golf Australia Players Personal Liability Insurance Policy, the club covers its members through Sportscover Australia P/L Sports Injury Insurance Policy for injuries a member may incur while playing in Club Competitions on the Russell Vale Golf Course or in representative matches.

Cart Shed

Following completion of the drainage works, the cart shed project is now waiting for a couple of certificates which are the final steps prior to the issuing of an occupation certificate.

This has been a drawn-out process that has taken a considerable amount of time and effort from our Facilities Manager, John Szczur. Well done, John. This project will be an asset for the club for years to come. The cost to the club was reduced thanks to the receipt of a \$25 000 NSW Government Community Building Partnership Grant. The club thanks Ryan Park for his representations in the grant application.

Upcoming Events

Saturday 6th September - R2 Handiskins

Monday 8th September - The Vale Women's Open Sponsored by Ray White Real Estate Saturday 13th September - AGU & WGA Spring Bowl Sponsored by Fairy Meadow Plumbing Sunday 14th September - Annual General Meeting

Saturday 27th September - Bronco Bruce's 4 Person Irish Countdown

As this will be my final Newsletter, I would like to thank the Board, all the members and all the volunteers for their guiding influence and friendship.

Les Beauchamp

President

Vale News.

1. Temporary Booking Glitch

Apologies to those members who are having difficulty with booking in. We are working on the problem with the team at MiClub and are hopeful that we will be able to correct the problem and get things back to normal. Meanwhile, if you have a problem call the office in the morning or email the captain@rvgc.com.au. We will attempt to book you in, you will get the normal booking confirmation email from the system.

2. Tee'up Cart Insurance information for members

If you have your own golf cart and you are interested in insuring it, or would like to change insurance providers, Golf NSW have partnered with CeeJaze to provide Tee'd Up Cart Insurance. More information can be found here; <u>Tee'd Up Cart Insurance</u>.

3. New Golf Australia (GA) Website

GOLF.com.au: The new digital home for golfers and fans in Australia to launch on 2 October 2025

Golfers, fans and industry professionals will soon have a new digital home to engage with the sport as the launch of the golf industry's new one-stop shop website, GOLF.com.au, is confirmed to go live on Thursday, October 2, 2025.

Prior to this launch date, the only thing members need to do is check that their existing golf.org.au account details are up to date.

If you don't already have an online account, and you wish to view your handicap history online or use the new GA App following the transition, you will need to create an account at golf.org.au.

4. 2025 Russell Vale Ladies Open Championship



The Russell Vale Ladies Open, to be held on Monday 8th September, is quickly approaching. This great day is sponsored again by Ray White Woonona. Don't delay, click here and fill out a nomination form. It will be a shotgun start starting at 8.00am.

5. Russell Vale Bushrangers - our volunteer gardening legends



Many gardens adorn our golf course. They are beautifully cared for and maintained by our volunteer gardeners, known as the Bushrangers.

They meet every week on a Wednesday morning at 8.30am. A big thank you goes to them for doing such a great job in general, and particularly for the lovely job they did recently on the garden outside the clubhouse. If this is something you would like to help with, just come along on a Wednesday morning and introduce yourself. Stay until after the work is done to enjoy a drink and a pie.

6. Call for potential Sponsors

Each major event at our club is sponsored. It therefore goes without saying that sponsors are constantly required! If you, or someone you know, can sponsor an event, please contact Joy at office@rvgc.com.au.

7. Junior Players

We are pleased to announce that we have welcomed several new junior members to our club. Our club is dedicated to building our junior base and the development of their skills. Our aim will be building and maintaining a child-safe environment which is inclusive, transparent and promotes children's participation. If you are playing in a competition with a junior player, please behave in a manner that is respectful and supportive of their age and ability.

8. Annual General Meeting

The 39th Annual General Meeting of Russell Vale Golf & Social Club Ltd is scheduled to be held in the clubhouse on Sunday 14th September 2025 at 11.30am.

All nine (9) Board of Directors' positions will become vacant, and the Executive (President, Vice President & Treasurer) will be elected by the Board at the first meeting after the AGM.

Nominations for the nine (9) positions on the Board of Directors, for a two-year term (2025-2027), are requested and the relevant nomination forms are available in the clubhouse and office. **Nominations for the Director positions will close at 5pm on Saturday 23rd August 2025.**

Should more than nine (9) Director Nominations be received for the Board, members will be able to vote for the Directors positions in the Clubhouse on voting days and times listed below:

TUESDAY 26th August 2025 -11am to 1pm THURSDAY 28th August 2025 -11am to 1pm

SATURDAY 30th August 2025 - 9am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 5pm

TUESDAY 2nd September 2025 -11am to 1pm THURSDAY 4th September 2025 -11am to 1pm

SATURDAY 6th September 2025 - 9am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 5pm



The first round has been completed, so four remain. The dates for the remaining 4 rounds are; 6th September, 13th September, 4th October and 18th October. The final will be played on 1st November.

Don't forget, out of the five qualifying rounds, only three count. You only need three solid rounds to qualify for the Club Final and earn your shot at Australia's Ultimate game of skins for golfers.

Congratulations to Mel Perrin for winning our first round!

Remember, rounds one, three and five include a LVTONG NTP chipping competition on a Par 3 of the club's choice. The winner of the NTP will receive an invitation to take part in the LVTONG chipping competition held during the National Championship 2026.

Major Events Results



The Woonona Eye Care WGU Medal was held on Tuesday, 5th August. The medal was won by Trish Whant, fantastic effort Trish.

The Woonona Eye Care WGU Medal was held on Saturday, 9th August after the scheduled game from 2nd August was postponed due to rain. The winner of this event was Mel Perrin. Congratulations Mel!



The Cleanaway AGU Medal was held on Saturday, 9th August after the scheduled game from 2nd August was postponed due to the rainy weather.. Congratulations to the following winners;

Grade A -Jarrod Woolmer.

Grade B - Alan Wood.

Grade C-Ben Piggot.



The AGU and WGA Cadifern Cup Stableford event was successfully held on Saturday 16th August. The winner was William Hiscox. Our highest achieving female was Trina Laman, congratulations to you too Trina.



Congratulations William, fantastic effort.



Initially the Mixed Foursomes Event was to be held over two rounds. Unfortunately, the first round was cancelled due to heavy rain, and the event was changed to be a single round which was held on Sunday, 10th August. **The winners of the event were Jane and Frazer Davey.** Congratulations to both of you, fantastic result.

AGU Single Match play.

This competition is underway, and the quarter finals are due to be completed by 13th September. See the draw <u>here</u>.

Upcoming September Sponsored Events



Tuesday September 2nd- WGA Medal. And Saturday September 6th- WGA Medal, both sponsored by East Coast Rods and Restoration.



Thursday September 4th- Parsons Medal.

Saturday 13th September -2025 Spring Bowl – sponsored by Fairy Meadow Plumbing.





CONGRATULATIONS to our recent **Hole in One** achiever!!!
Kath Adrian.