

Senior Men's Golf Chair's Report – 13th November 2025



As most of you will know I will be in Australia when you read this month's Recorder. I am grateful to Clive Nicholson for stepping up in my absence. He will be presiding at the Christmas Lunch on 10th December and handing out the trophies to the Seniors at the Dinner next week. I am back on 7th January to relieve Clive from his duties after which he will have his time in the sun.

Thank you for re-electing me as Senior Men's Golf Chair at the AGM last month. Clive's mastery of the finances was apparent as we are nominally still well in the black. There are a number of us who owe match fees. Please respond promptly to Matt's request for funds. The Committee were also re-elected and my thanks to them for their support particularly running the matches. I also had the pleasure of awarding trophies to the winning combatants.



It was suggested at the AGM that we should have a social evening perhaps with a short quiz on the Rules of Golf. This was welcomed by the meeting so I will try to organise something with Matt.

October and November results

The October Grail took place on the wettest day that I can recall when golf was played at the Club. A number curtailed their suffering early. Some even managed to score reasonably well. The upside was the good humour at the start with over 50 of us milling around the changing rooms and the practice areas discussing everything, particularly the weather, and lunch together afterwards in the dry. Ken Pratt was the deserving winner with 37 points. Richard Lurcott was second with 36 points (countback). Tim Russell came third with 36 points. Martyn, Ryan, Tim Russell and Peter Ryan-Bell came respectively 4th, 5th and 6th with 35 points.

On a mild November Guy Fawkes day David Bouch, Danny Gesua and Clive Nicholson won the Joker competition with 87 points. The runners up were Duncan Christie-Miller, Nicholas Brown and Tim Dennis with 85 Points on countback. All competing teams found the new format at the first hole challenging – not a complaint but a statistical fact.

On Wednesday 12th November 35 Seniors competed in a Texas Scramble. Congratulations to Suresh Vara, Julian Bass and Malcolm Bricknell winning the competition with a very impressive nett 47. The runners up were tied at a nett 61: Hassan Dajani, Peter Ryan-Bell and Peter Sabine tied with Tim Russell, Paul Parkinson and Brian Hall.

Forthcoming Events

I should remind you about the Men's Golf Dinner on 21st November. There is already at least one Seniors Table. Clive Nicholson will be handing out trophies to some of our trophy winners assuming that they attend!

Please support the Christmas lunch on 10th December. I hope that there will be a good attendance. Clive has spent some time choosing a suitable menu and an impromptu wine tasting was instigated last week (thank you Simon Lucas). You will recall that the wine is heavily subsidised. I tried the red and was suitably impressed. There is a 9 hole competition in the morning with a shotgun start at 9.30am.

The Grail in December is on 17th.

As I will not be in a position to write a report next month. I should wish everyone a very early Merry Christmas. I should also wish you all a happy and healthy 2026. I look forward to seeing you all in January.

Nicholas Brown, Senior Men's Golf Chair