

LIZARDS

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July 1987

WELCOME to PAT PURCELL, the Lizards Golf Club's 42nd President, and our thanks to HARRY WARNER our current Immediate Past President.

Today is EPPS-MEREDITH Day. These donors have been kicking off the Lizards "new year" for a few years. Usually a trophy worth keeping, they have been trying to win it themselves, with abysmal success. Better luck this time.

VICE-PRESIDENT's DAY, a Purcell production, came up with the following numbers :-

First Lizards	: Peter Grimes	37 Points off 21 Handicap
Second Lizards	: Ken Bond	36 Points off 7 Handicap
Vice-President's Trophy	: Nev Meredith	19 Points (best first nine)
First Visitors	: Noel Simmonds	47 Points off 25 Handicap
Nearest the Pins -		
1st	: Marty Plim	2nd on 2nd : A. Skinner
8th	: Len Le Mon	2nd on 15th : Denis Carey
Putting	: Len Le Mon	30 Putts
Bradman	: Bill Sheehan	22 Points off 22 Handicap

CONGRATULATIONS to PETER GRIMES on his win - in doing so he defeated title holder ANDY WARNER in the final of the hard fought Lindenberg Knockout Competition and narrowly beat BILL SHEEHAN for the prestigious Club Championship, to take the 1/2 metre tall silver cup - the Lizard showpiece.

The Cup is awarded for attendance as well as golfing prowess. Three points for attendance, 14 points for a win, 13 points for second etc. down to 4 points for competing. Bill has spent more time at Avalon than the 9th hole and had won two monthly events - so had Peter, till he toted up the treble (14 points). Bill finished as Bradman for the day (4 points). Peter won by 11 points - close !

KEN BOND, playing off a handicap of 7 and always a cert for a place bet, was lucky NOT to win. He romped home in the Annual "WOODEN EYE" Trophy awarded for the most Championship points WITHOUT winning a monthly event.

MARK MACMILLAN, our present Captain/Handicapper with 2 monthly wins, was 3rd in the Championship only 9 points in front of Ken and cursing the knee injury that kept him off the hallowed greens for two months.

KEN, over the past 12 months, has had to contend with an average winning score of 41.3 points ! If he breaks 36 his minimal handicap could be reduced and, if he came in with 42 points (that's 1 over par off the bat), it could be confiscated. He would then join Greg Norman and Seve Ballesteros by playing off scratch.

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was conducted at the Civic Club on Monday 6th July. In the absence of Pres. HARRY WARNER, on temporary sick leave, V.P. PAT PURCELL filled the edge of the chair. The meeting was attended and graced by the presence of long standing Life Member LANCE TRY. Lance became a member 2 months after the Club was founded in 1946. The financial statement, showing an expenditure of over \$5000, was of general interest as was the discussion to up the annual subs for membership to \$20. Country membership is now \$5.

The ELECTION of Officers, a cross between "Have a Go" and "New Faces", churned out the Committee for 1987/88 :-

PRESIDENT	:	Pat Purcell
VICE-PRESIDENT	:	Dave Gilchrist
SECRETARY/TREASURER	:	Paul A. Hennessy L.M.
CAPTAIN/HANDICAPPER	:	Mark MacMillan
CHEF-CATERERS	:	Garry Bird and Peter Grimes
PLAN ENGINEER/BAGGAGEMAN	:	Bill Sheehan L.M.
EDITOR	:	Bill Epps
ASSISTANT HANDICAPPER	:	Alan Lewis
ASSISTANT CATERER	:	Neville Meredith
ASSISTANT COOK	:	Gordon Donald L.M.
CROUPIER	:	Len Le Mon
VICTUALLER	:	Ken Bond

CHANNEL 2 re-hashed the election results, thus :-

DAVID GILCHRIST as VP - a bit of a turn up for the books ;

Thank heavens for bright sparks to fill the void left by Cordon Bleu Supreme, ANDY WARNER ;

ALAN LEWIS as Asst Handicapper - well - he had been Captain Handicapper when computerised scores and statistics, whereas the Club now revels in its improved technological facilities ; and

As for the rest of them, they resemble the infamous faceless possums - apart from KEN BOND, one of the contenders for the Asst. Handicapper's position, for obvious reasons.

CONCLUSIONS : It looks like a "Good Year Steel Radial" for Lizards and it's hoped PETER and GARRY be given every encouragement and that the numbers men reduce the inflated 41.3 average.

* The SBS version of the 'lection was too hot to print (it jammed the AMP's Laser Printer !!!!).

THE EVENING got under way with the presentation of trophies. LANCE TRY was invited to participate in the handover ceremony - and told us more about the individual trophies than we had previously known :

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP : PETER GRIMES

Peter was introduced to the Club by Ray Walsham. The Trophy, the enormous silver cup, was brought out from America in the late 20's and later hocked to Bluey Caines, an embryonic Lizard and proprietor of a second hand cum auction emporium. He eventually presented the piece to the Club on its inception, because no-one could afford to buy the bloody thing. The latest rumoured value of this asthetic plus bullion laden item was \$2000. What a heap of owl's feathers - say \$1500 for a quick sale. Don't sell it Peter, we need it again next year.

SCRATCH ECLECTIC : LEN Le MON

Awarded for the computed best score on each hole over 12 months. Par for the course is 62, Len had a seven under par 55 - with TONY DELLA, DAVE GILCHRIST and MARK MACMILLAN on his hammer with 56.

HANDICAP ECLECTIC : PAT PURCELL

A double armful of E.P.N.S., resembling the TAJ MAHAL, and deemed to be the second wonder of the Lizard's Treasure Chest. Presented by the Civic Club in the Dream Time it was misconstrued as a takeover bid in the early days. President Pat just managed to whisk this one away from BILL SHEEHAN and NEV MEREDITH.

LINDENBERG TROPHY : PETER GRIMES

A Trophy presented by AUB LINDENBERG, in memory of his son, by virtue of LEN Le MON being at the right place at a similar time when Aub decided to make such a gesture to a sporting body.

THE HIC CUP : LEN Le MON

Presented by DAVE GILCHRIST for the best aggregate stableford score for October, November and December each year.

THE WOODEN EYE TROPHY : KEN BOND

Inaugurated by MARK MACMILLAN and NOEL CORLEY for reasons you have already gleaned from this publication. The name of the trophy is somewhat obscure, although latest fiction has it that it has something to do with an often heard complaint around the Shed along the lines of "Wouldn't I have done better if I had've".

THE BRADMAN TROPHY : MARTY PLIM

A trophy made for NEV MEREDITH till he suddenly became Club Champion - then the Handicapper got to him by the scrote and reduced him to an average player like the rest of us.

The ex Vice-President presented his trophy for the JUNE game, on the night :

NEV MEREDITH - the prize a CIG Little Beaver (strike me lucky).

Nifty will have to take a tech. course to do it justice.

The ultimate trophy, THE PADDLE, is awarded by the President, without any outside advice, so following a 'phone communication with HARRY WARNER I.P.P., President PAT PURCELL made the presentation to NEV MEREDITH. Congratulations Nev, you have joined an elite group.

A motion was put by the Secretary/Treasurer that Life Membership be bestowed on a Lizard who has spent the last 20 years on the Committee. Following some flattering words by other members, the newly elected President dubbed BILL EPPS a Life Member. Thank you chaps.

THE NIGHT proceeded whereupon past members JOCK ROSS and DAVE TREHARNE sent a couple of jugs of beer up to the Mezzanine Floor for the welfare and benefit of those present. The Civic Club management followed suit. A few Lizards, including LANCE TRY who has conceded that Life Members may be fined, had paid a few two bobs into a saucer by way of fines. When seen by the President he uttered "What happens to this particular revenue?" When advised that the Act was not specific as to its disposal on the occasions of AGMs, he decided it should go towards another jug. It's nice to see a man of decision at work.

MARK MACMILLAN was given 2 official M.I.D's during the proceedings - one for setting up the lottery ticket "agency" at Avalon and putting \$35 into the Club's coffers and also for being the Inhouse Printer - a great advantage for the Club.

THE NIGHT faded as the steward turned out the lights the Lizards retired.

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Back to matters of interest for today's game, the CAPTAIN/HANDICAPPER, trying to maintain a consistent approach, has again put the razor away and made the following "New Year" increases to some of the members' handicaps.

- Plus 1 - Catch
- Tony Della
- Bill Sheehan
- Harry Thurston
- Andy Warner

Nearest the pins are the 1st, 4th, 17th and 18th holes for all players.

LOTTERY TICKETS will be available in the shed after the game.

Good Golfing

EDITOR