

The Caddie

Victor Harbor Golf Club



March 2009

KEY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday 14th March	Irish Team Stableford
Wednesday 18th March	Ladies Stableford M Kavanagh St Patrick's Trophy
Saturday 4th April	Stroke Monthly medal 1st round Eclectic
Wednesday 22nd April	Ladies—Par Gwen Basham Trophy. Zonta Day
Wednesday 29th April	Ladies—Past President's Trophy
Saturday 2nd May	Stroke Monthly medal 1st round Captain's Trophy
Sunday 3rd May	Senior Pro-Am
backed by <i>Bendigo Bank</i> and <i>Scarpantoni Estate Wines</i> with proceeds to the Victorian Bush Fire Appeal and the Victor Harbor hospital.	
Friday 8th May	Ladies Gala Day
Wednesday 13th May	Ladies Shylie Rymill & Handicap Foursomes 1st round
Saturday 16th May	Par (Irish) Aggregate Best Two Scores
Saturday 24th May	1st round Men's Handicap Match Play to be completed
Saturday 30th May	Geoff Bohnsack Ambrose Cup

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FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT

Following my election at the Club's Annual General Meeting on 26th February I would like to thank you for the honour of representing you as Club President.

Many of you will remember me as a seventeen year old when I first joined the golf club and many of you would know me from my past five years on Committee and the three years I served as Club Captain. I am a professional social worker and have worked in this field for thirty years. I bring these same qualities and skills to the role of Club President. I am passionate about this golf club and will undertake this role with that same passion and enthusiasm. I look forward to working with you and to the challenges that we will face as a club.

I would like to say thank you to our immediate Past President, Peter Reynolds. Peter's leadership and guidance over the past two years has enabled the club to be in a strong position for the future. His contribution to Committee over the past five years has been invaluable. Peter has always had the club's best interests (and its finances) at heart. Peter, your contribution will be long remembered.

Life Members Badge

At the conclusion of the AGM a presentation of a *Life Member's Badge* was presented to the club's life members in recognition of the contribution each has made to the golf club over a number of years, and the contribution they continue to make.

Committee of Management

At a brief *Committee of Management* meeting on 3rd March 2009 the following portfolios were assigned:

		<i>Portfolio</i>
President	Michael Bade	Admin and Finance Sponsorship Centenary Celebrations
Vice President	Kevin Sorrell	Admin and Finance
Club Captain	Mike Rice	Course and Match
Ladies Captain	Lyne Reynolds	Ladies Sub Committee Match Committee
Committee Members	Alan Snowden	Membership and Marketing
	Kirsten Jensen	Social and Fundraising
	Jack Roberts	Social and Fundraising Course and Match
	Murray Tucker	Admin and Finance

Each *Committee of Management* member will set up a specific sub committee and will be seeking representatives from the club's membership to assist with sub committee activities.

In particular Kirsten Jensen, *Social and Fundraising* and Alan Snowden, *Membership and Marketing* will need representatives on their respective sub committees. Your input will make a difference. If you are able to assist in any way please contact either Kirsten, Alan or speak with Club Manager, Dennis.

Each sub committee has been asked to develop a plan for the next twelve months, outlining the objectives to be achieved and the activities to be put in place to meet those objectives. Through this approach all sub committees will be working hard to help the club meet the challenges that we will face in the next twelve months, with the aim of strengthening the foundation of our golf club for the future.

I will give you regular updates through *The Caddie* and via the noticeboard of the outcomes and discussion from the monthly *Committee of Management* meetings.

I look forward to meeting many of you over the next few weeks and months and will be available to you to answer questions or concerns that you may have. If I am not around when you need to contact me, please talk to Dennis and I will get in touch with you as soon as I can.

Michael Bade

FROM THE CLUB CAPTAIN

Hi, my name is Michael Rice and I am married to Lois and have two children and three grand children. I retired from paid employment two years ago and I live in Yankalilla. I look forward to my time as captain of the club and intend to see out Jack's remaining term and then a further term of two years, providing that health, circumstance and the members allow.

Vice Captain

The club currently does not have a Vice Captain and to provide succession I am seeking a person who feels that they may be able to go on and be the captain. Previous captains have left a wealth of information on what is required to be captain and many are still around the club and all have offered help which gives me confidence and I am sure that my successor would have the same support, so even if you feel that you don't have the experience or knowledge now is a good time to start to learn.

Function volunteers

Many members of the club have offered their assistance with functions and events and I would like to set up a committee system where volunteers can put their name to a particular event or events so that the work load can be shared

as I have found that it is easy to overlook certain requirements, such as notifying catering about requirements. I realize that members may not be able to help with every event but any help would be appreciated and I will put up a list or you can approach me directly.

Events

Since January 1st the club has held the *Group 4s Stableford Championship*, the *Opening Day Ambrose* and the *S.A. Ambrose* and all have been successful with excellent participation. The *Club Championships* have been moved back to August, as trying to fit them in March, April was difficult, especially next year with coring, Adelaide Cup and Easter all in close proximity.

This year's *Pro-Am* will be a *Seniors Event* on Sunday 3rd May and will be a charity event with the proceeds going to the Bush Fire Appeal and The South Coast District Hospital. As part of the Pro-Am a dinner and charity auction is to be held with some wonderful items up for auction along with some smaller items, something for every budget. Entry forms will be available shortly and we anticipate strong demand, so get your entry in early as this Pro-Am will be different.

Well done!

Congratulations to Cathy Huppatz and Pam Woodward for their Hole-in-One effort, it was wonderful to see the celebrations in the clubhouse. Congratulations also to Michael Bade our new President and thank you to Peter Reynolds our Past President for all that he has done and for his help which I am sure he will continue to offer.

At the time of writing coring and scarifying is in full swing and once again the volunteers led by Warren have done a great job and enjoyed some fellowship at the same as working fairly hard. Our thanks to Carol for the morning and afternoon tea, and our thanks to Frank for the little black book update although some of them are a bit dubious but entertaining.

NTP marking

It has been brought to my attention that the marking of the nearest to the pin markers by scoring the green with a V to indicate it's position is causing problems for those who follow and have to putt through the marks made, which cannot be repaired. It would be much better if a small marker is used when the NTP Marker must be moved and if that is still on the line move it a putter head away rather than scratch a large mark on the green.

Bunker rakes

Another area of concern is the raking of the bunkers and the placing of the rakes. Of late I have noticed that some bunkers have more footprints than Glenelg beach on a hot day and that rakes have been left in every imaginable po-

sition except the correct one. Remember:

- The rakes should be left in the lowest part of the bunker preferably facing the direction of play.
- If your ball comes to rest against the rake. If you move the rake and the ball moves - you can replace it without penalty.
- If the rake is left outside the bunker and the ball comes to rest against it. If you move the rake and the ball moves - a penalty is incurred and the ball must be replaced.

If the rake is left on the slope of the bunker and the ball comes to rest against it. If you move the rake and the ball moves - it must be replaced on the slope.

And I for one don't like playing from the down-slope of a bunker, so please rake and replace the rake properly!

Mike Rice

FROM THE SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Another golfing year has started with a great turn out for the Opening Day Ambrose. Over 60 people enjoyed our wonderful course and later a fine choice of meals from the restaurant. An Ambrose is a great way to enjoy the social aspect of golf. Everyone has an equal opportunity to sink that impossible putt and contribute to the score at the end of the round. The best part— no pressure!!!

The weekly raffle will continue throughout the year and you will all be pleased to learn that the proceeds from this popular raffle are being directed to the upgrade of the road leading to the first fairway. Mind you we will need to sell a lot more raffle tickets to pay for the extensive work needed. Tickets are always available at the bar, so if I don't get around to your table please try to buy a ticket once a week. The \$50 on your club card comes in very handy, just ask the previous lucky fifty winners.

Sunday social golf is back on the agenda. The first one will be on the 26th April. An afternoon of golf with partners of your choice followed by a BBQ, a few drinks and some prizes to spur us on. Hopefully this will become a regular event so that we can have a lot more social interaction at this club. Visitors from other clubs and juniors will be more than welcome. So check the notice boards and listen to our captains at presentation if you would like to participate.

We have quite a few ideas for fundraising for this coming year, but we would welcome more, so put your thinking caps on, jot them down on a scrap of paper or please speak to me. We are all in this together and if we work as one club we should be able to accomplish whatever we set out to do.

Kirsten Jensen

FROM THE LADIES' PRESIDENT

Hello Ladies and welcome to the 2009 golf year. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed the festive season. I have been elected your *Ladies President* and I am looking forward to my role in the position and working towards everyone having a successful year both in golf and socially.

I would like to congratulate the new ladies committee, which is

Vice President	Peg House
Captain	Lyne Reynolds
Vice Captain	Linda Hodgson
Secretary	Jan Berryman
Committee Members	Ruth Kavanagh Jenny Vincent

I am looking forward to working with the committee.

We have just completed *Opening Day* and thanks are due to our sponsors, *Bal-last Stone Wines* and *L'Oreal Of Paris*. We had some wonderful scores, the weather was perfect and the condition of the course was fantastic. We raised \$144 with our raffle which was excellent.

Whilst we were playing golf my guests were delighted to see our kangaroos just sitting there, eating away, whilst we played and walked past them. It made me think how very special it is to playing on our magnificent golf course and how fortunate we are not to have suffered the traumas that the Victorians have had with the fires.

Don't forget Wednesday Ladies Golf. I will be hoping to see as many players as possible each week to enjoy our course and the newly refurbished club rooms.

Special events coming up are *Saltbush* on 25th March and *Gala Day* on 8th May so I hope to see you all there.

A big thanks to our many volunteers who work behind the scenes and keep our course and gardens in such wonderful condition, thank you.

Have a great 2009 golf season.

Julie Lindsay

FROM THE PAST LADIES' CAPTAIN

Welcome to the New Year. I trust that you have all enjoyed a well earned break over the Christmas period and celebrated the New Year in the good ol' traditional style.

Holes-in-One

Three clever ladies completed their 2008 season by netting themselves the very sought after and elusive Hole-in-One. These honours went to Di Pratt, Tanya Brooks and Glenda Holliss. Cathy Huppatz not wanting to be outdone went on to add No. 3 to her list of Holes-in-One on the 17th of January this year. Cathy has outdone herself, not only on the golf course but also in the club rooms from what I hear. A few champagnes were downed and nobody seems willing to unfold the entire story. Did you get dinner that evening Jim? Congratulations to you all. There are a few of us who are just a tiny bit jealous.

Competitions

A date to keep in mind is the stableford event to be played on the 25th March which will be sponsored by *Saltbush* from Port Elliott. Following the golf *Saltbush* will be providing champagne during lunch and a fashion parade of new autumn season clothing. Please feel free to bring a friend along for golf and or non golfing friends to join us for lunch and fun.

The *Summer Bowl* sponsored by Phil Tierney has been completed and congratulations go to:

Best Gross	Division 1	Winner	Sue Bartel
	Division 2	Winner	Barbara Parker
Nett Events	Division 1	Winner	Mia John
		Runner up	Olive Shanko
	Division 2	Winner	Heather Day
		Runner up	Bev Kluske

Many thanks to the Pro Shop for sponsoring the bowl and for organising the summer competitions. It is much appreciated.

Pennant season

The Pennant season will commence on the 30th of March. We are fortunate to have a new sponsor in *Beyond* and extend our thanks to them. Cathy Huppatz will be your pennant coordinator for 2009 and she is now asking for names to be submitted.

Hand-over

This captain is now signing off and handing you over to the very capable Lyne Reynolds. Lyne will bring a wealth of experience having been down the captain track previously. We wish her and the new committee every success for 2009. Thanks to everyone for your help and support during my year.

Trish Bohnsack

FROM THE LADIES' CAPTAIN

Our *Opening Day* on the 25th February was a great success with 74 ladies participating. Visiting Clubs were South Lakes, McCracken, Willunga, Murray Bridge and McLaren Vale. The winners of each grade were

A Grade	Olive Shanko	43 points
B Grade	Pam Woodward	41 points
C Grade	Di Dutton	37 points
9-Hole	Anna McBride	21 points

Congratulations to all winners. *Ballast Stone Estate Wines* was our major sponsor for the day with *L'Oreal of Paris* providing nearest the pin prizes. *Veg Out* provided a lovely fruit basket for our raffle and I would like to thank all our sponsors very much for their support.

The format for our *Saltbush Day* on the 25th March is a shotgun start at 9 am. The sign-on sheet for this event is on the notice board in the ladies locker room. We hope to make the day enjoyable with a lovely fashion parade and some bubbly.

Pennant Season

Our Pennant teams Divisions 1, 2 and 3 have been selected and a new shirt has been chosen for this season. Thank you to *Beyond* for their sponsorship of our Pennant teams and to Cathy Huppertz for coordinating the teams. Good golfing to all our ladies who have agreed to play this year and I hope you enjoy the pennant season.

Hole-in-One

Congratulations to Pam Woodward for her Hole-in-One on the 14th on Saturday 21st February. This is her fourth Hole-in-One.

Lyne Reynolds

FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

With the AGM now over we have settled back down to organizing the many events/functions the club has on the go. One of the big events happening is on the 3rd May 2009.

Legends Pro-Am

Victor Harbor Golf Club in conjunction with Pete Ormsby (of *Pete's Golf* fame), Shane Robinson of Tanunda Pines Resort and Whyalla Golf Club have established a *Legends Tour* in South Australia. This event will attract the over 50's professional golfers such as Roger Davis, Terry Gale etc. Professionals we of the same age can relate to.

The tour is backed by *Bendigo Bank* with a total prize pool over the week of \$60,000. *Scarpantoni Estate Wines* will also sponsor the Victor Harbor Charity event. Proceeds of the tour will be donated to the Victorian Bush Fire Appeal with some money from the Victor Harbor event going to the Victor Harbor hospital.

Information regarding the tour is published on the PGA website. In regard to the Victor Harbor leg, we will be having a morning tee off and an afternoon tee off and expect approximately fifty professionals to participate.

- The morning game will cost **\$60** which includes lunch and a drink and there will be prizes for the morning amateur competition.
- The afternoon tee times will cost **\$100** for individuals which includes the presentation dinner in the evening.

Members who wish to attend the dinner but not play in the event are welcome to do so. Contact the office for further details.

Michael Bade has already attracted a large number of sponsors for the event, however we would still like some more. Sponsorships start from \$750 for a three-person team which includes the evening dinner. Please contact the club on 8552 2030 if you want to be involved.

The club will be running a number of silent auctions, as well as some big ticket items auctioned on the night.

Derek McIlroy of *McIlroy Auto Group* has put up a Mitsubishi car for a Hole-in-One on the 14th hole by a professional and golf equipment to the value of \$1,000 for an amateur Hole-in-One.

The event stands to become a major annual tour event and we aim to make it a very successful one for the club. The organizing committee will be looking for members to become involved in all sorts of ways, from entering the event to assisting the organization and catering for the event. If you wish to offer your services please don't hesitate to contact me in the office – let's make our leg the best of the rest.

Clubhouse Operations

At the recent AGM a number of questions were asked regarding the staffing of the bar and kitchen and food quality. Our retiring President, Peter Reynolds addressed those issues. However for those who did not attend I have addressed a couple of those issues hereunder.

When the club took over the catering operations on 1st October 2008, it was evident we would have some difficulty finding quality staff at that time of the year as most people had already committed themselves to various positions. We were aware that as the busy season fell away some of these people would then become available. In the meantime we trialed a number of people in an effort to either find someone suitable or fill the gap until a more suitable person was found. This policy also applied to staffing the bar.

We make no apology for the turn over of staff as we have some very high standards we wish to maintain. Some of the changes have resulted from staff choosing to pursue other activities while others have not met our standards. As manager of this club I will be continuing this process until we have the staff we need who meet our requirements.

Food costs and the quality of food are items that continue to be raised. I hear time and time again complaints about the club not being competitive with its pricing.

Competitive pricing is a very subjective field and relates directly to an individuals perception of what they are prepared to pay. Since our move into the catering field we have studied various prices at other establishments and we consider our prices are competitive with them, particularly when it is considered the club does not have Pokey revenue to subsidise this aspect of our operations. Let us not forget, the club still has to cover its outlay.

In terms of food quality, we had a period prior to Christmas where the quality was not to our liking. This was largely due to the loss of quality staff in the kitchen. Hopefully this matter has now been resolved, as we now see attendances at the Friday night bistro returning to levels of old.

One other aspect of food quality is the relationship of food presented to price charged. Let's face it, there are people who will not be satisfied regardless. The kitchen staff endeavour to provide a reasonable range of food for members and guests within the operating constraints required - that is to maintain an operation which at the very least breaks even. Under current spending patterns catering services to members is clearly a loss making activity. We will however continue to make every effort to satisfy member requirements.

While the provision of services to members is a loss making activity, members must accept the club has to attract major functions. This obviously means there will be some inconvenience at times. To assist in providing alternate facilities for members, I have now placed the renovation of the old kitchen as a top priority – Kathy Whyatt's partner Ned has done a great job stripping the room and we are now close to the stage where we will need help from members to remove the old ceiling, replace it, plaster walls, repair the rotting boards in the floor and many other jobs. As we mentioned at the special general meeting when members gave approval to extend the club, this specific project will require members to assist in its renovation - the timetable for its completion is largely in your hands. I am compiling a list of members who can offer their time/skills to complete this project – please see me if you wish to become involved.

Dennis Wilden

WHAT SKILL!

Well done to these players for great achievements recently:

Holes in One

Di Pratt	on the 14th hole	on 6th December
Glenda Hollis	on the 14th hole	on 27th December
Tanya Brookes	on the 7th hole	on 7th December
Cathy Huppertz	on the 3rd hole	on 17th January
Pam Woodward	on the 14th hole	on 21st February
Bill Bush	on the 14th hole	on 26th February

Eagles

Time Hunt	on the 13th hole	on 3rd January
Brian Neville	on the 6th hole	on 8th January
Dave Haddrick	on the 13th hole	on 17th January

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the following 42 new members whose membership applications have been confirmed by the Committee of Management. We hope you enjoy your time in our lovely club and make many new friends. Please make a point of introducing yourself to other people you meet.

7 Day Members	Kevin Chapman Cheryl Chapman Margaret Kavanagh	Darren Hart Peter Crawford
6 Day Members	Leslie Hill	Gloria Heidrich
9-Hole Members	Anita Leak Paul Collins Neil Huppatz William Smith Lynda Daish Norman Pitt	David Beck Mark Davis Beverley Jackson Regina Brown Brett Giles Helen Smith
City Members	Michael Howard Richard Clark	Catherine McAuliffe Frank O'Connor
Country	Gary Hill	
Casual	Julie Smoker	Mark Wheaton
Interstate/Overseas	Stephen Trew	
Social	Brian Bullen	
Junior 13-17	Cameron Monaghan	Patrick Monaghan
Junior Under 13	Aaron Birnie	Aaron Hives
Baylen Raggatt		

Former members John and Margaret (former Ladies Captain) Kavanagh are welcomed back as 7 Day members whilst staying in Victor Harbor on holiday from England.

DAD'S ARMY

We are back to normal now after our holiday break and are getting up to fifty players out most weeks. It is good to see several new faces in the group and I welcome these new members. Players are now benefitting from the even greater prizes which are being awarded each week which are:

1st prize: 3 bottles 2nd prize: 2 bottles 3rd prize: 1 bottle

All for the player's outlay of the great sum of 50 cents for the game!

Any other retired club members are always welcome to join this happy group of members.

Alan Wells

A SLIPPERY GUEST

Recently Des from the Pro Shop was working just outside the back shed when he spotted a red bellied black snake in the garden area. A lifetime of experience had taught Des that the red bellied black snakes can be very aggressive and this one was certainly showing no signs of being an exception to the rule. It was certainly showing no signs of friendship and in fact quite the opposite so Des made a hasty retreat into the shed to arm himself. The best weapon he could find was a heavy old battery but when he went outside again the snake had vanished.

A few days later a lady who was playing some evening holes came up the slope from the 18th green just in time to see the slippery intruder vanish under the door into the pro shop. Phil Tierney was informed and he and Linda then performed a search of the inside of the building but without success.

Then a few days later Phil saw the same invader on the gravel path by the roller door at the back of the shed but the noise of his movement caused the intruder to vanish into the nearby bushes. Once again that stalwart warrior Des was advised and a couple of hours later he saw the guest sunbaking on the gravel path. Cautiously retreating he armed himself with a long handled shovel and then with the utmost stealth advanced and managed to dispatch the unwelcome guest.

Dennis was summoned to the arena and he and Des found that the intruder stretched from Des's shoulder to the ground in length and had a diameter of at least 50 mm. No small creature and certainly one that is unwelcome in the vicinity. It has now moved to pastures greener. A red bellied black can be very aggressive and this one was no exception.

Richard House

JUNIOR GOLF

During the summer school holidays we saw a few very dedicated juniors attend Saturday golf as well as inviting their friends and family along on competition days during the week. Our juniors are well received throughout the club and we pride ourselves with their involvement and their display of excellent etiquette whilst on the course and in the club.

Some juniors have left the district, to attend other schools. This is quite normal and although the numbers may have dropped a little, the enthusiasm and commitment from juniors and families is evident. Thank you to all those members, who volunteer their donations of coins, to the "swear" pig each week, we have raised small amounts of funds for junior development priorities. Money raised assists us with the ongoing costs of coaching juniors and providing them with affordable shirts and caps. Being able to identify our juniors in their shirts is an asset, helping us give good advice and set high standards as role model to these young golfers.

Recently four of our senior juniors have joined the 18-hole members and gained their 18-hole golf link handicaps. Please assist them in any way.

Our junior squad committee will recruit new junior members next school term and continue to coach the "older" ones, and so it evolves. We predict that at the end of this year we will have fifty juniors out playing 9- or 18-holes.

Thank you for your enthusiasm and positive comments to our juniors and the encouragement we receive from our members.

**Phil Tierney
Linda Hodgson**



SCARPANTONI ESTATES

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KEEPING YOUR DISTANCE!

The last edition of The Caddie had an article about ride-on carts. In the guidelines for usage an error stated that carts should be driven no closer than 30 metres from the green. It should of course have been 10 metres from the green. Did anyone notice the error? No! Did anyone do anything about it? No! Oh well it was a try.

The guidelines for carts are:

- Maximum of 10 kph
- Drive in the rough if possible, particularly when wet
- No closer than **10** metres from any green
- Don't park in front of greens
- Don't drive onto tees

Thanks!

PEG'S PIECE

Here I am again just to tell you what is going on re the plants and garden. Such happy times I spend up here especially very late in the evening when the only company I see are little rats and kangaroos. The odd golfer of course but they are not half as interesting as the other species.

I have started to offer books again for a gold coin donation as this helps to buy plants and keep our garden looking attractive. Kathy Huppatz' roses at the front of the clubhouse are always special so I have a standard to maintain. I have ordered some new plants to complement our fountain so I hope they are a success. Last week I put the books out early on Tuesday with some CDs and the Dad's Army men really appreciated this so I will continue this practice. If you have any books or CDs which you no longer want please bring them along to me on Wednesdays. Every little helps.

We have a new ladies committee now and it will be interesting to see what challenges lie ahead for us but never fear we are a strong group of ladies who will do our best for the members and the club. Lovely rain so get out there and enjoy it.

Peg House

I am so glad Peggy has said that she will make contributions again!

Richard House

Volunteers coring the greens



Mike Rice, Frank Skuce, Neville Clough, Bruce Watkins, Warren Francis, Robin Scott, Kevin Harrison



David Beck, Peter McMichael, Peter Reynolds, Alan Wells, Peter Francis, Russell Parkes, Ray Tuckey, Ray George

VOLUNTEERS

As you play your way around the magnificent Victor Harbor golf course, reflect for a moment on how it gets to look so good all year round.

In recent times I have spent some time on the course as a volunteer and have come to appreciate the wide range of work the course maintenance staff and volunteers are involved in. The small team of course maintenance staff, Shane, Buck (Justin) and Wade, under the skilled leadership of Michael Bohnsack, make the job look easy as they carry out the well planned course management program.

To prepare the course for all the different competitions and to minimise disruption to the players, as well as well as overcoming the hurdles that wind and weather present at times, this small dedicated team works flexible rosters and at times, long hours and split shifts. Their financial rewards are not great, but I know they do feel rewarded when they get complimented about the course. When I told them I was impressed by the obvious pride they take in their work, the response was “well it’s our course too”, and isn’t it a bonus that they are also golfers.

Whilst the paid team are great achievers, the fact there are only four in that team puts time constraints on what they can achieve. This is where **volunteers** play such a massive part in assisting the staff to keep the course looking so good. Warren Francis, who assists in coordinating some of the volunteer activities, advised me recently that there were over seventy volunteers regularly assisting with work on the course and with other club activities last year.

Activities carried out on a regular basis include; regularly assisting staff in moving tee markers, sanding divots on tee blocks, relocating the hole on greens, trimming around sprinkler heads, and spot spraying of kikuyu. Other tasks carried out randomly and when required include; garden maintenance, tree trimming, bunker maintenance, clean-up operations and wasp detection and control. There is no doubt there are numerous other volunteer activities carried out that I have not listed.

Volunteers are of course not limited to course maintenance. A large amount of volunteer work has been carried out assisting with the clubhouse upgrade. Your Committee of Management, other committee members, club captains and assistants and pennants coordinators are also important volunteer roles. These and other volunteer workers, all assist the paid club administration

team to achieve the high standards we have come to expect, and for which they should also be applauded.

So, enjoy the course, the clubrooms and the competitions, but spare a thought for the staff and volunteers who make the Victor Harbor Golf Club **magnificent**.

Ian Morris

Thank you Ian for volunteering the above article for *The Caddie* about volunteers. And here's a piece about one of the seventy:

DOUGHTY DOUG DIGS AND DOES IT!

I am sure everyone has noticed the new garden area which is being established on the left hand side of the path by the 18th tee. But how many people know who is doing all that work? Well, it is Doug Jenkins – a modest and unsung hero. The garden is going to look lovely when it is finished. Doug is having a massive job getting all the weeds to die so that he can get the new plants established without competition. We look forward to seeing the results.

Doug looks after a number of the course gardens and should not remain anonymous. He has already done the work establishing the gardens on the right hand side of the 8th tee and at the back of the 17th green. So now this work by the 18th tee is his latest project. Thanks Doug.

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Mechanic	Wade Sweet

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Scarpantoni Wines
South Australia Brewing Company

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