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North Haven Golf Club Newsletter—Issue 3, Sept 2023

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"You have fits of rage, followed by temporary spells of euphoria, all within several hours. Are you, by chance, a golfer?"

Message from The Pres.

Welcome to our third newsletter.

It's great to see the weather warming up and the mornings a little less icy for golf.

I hope to see more of you on the course more often in the next couple of months enjoying the sun and the course which is in great condition.

Graham has had the pump repaired so watering can continue with the warmer days. He's also been busy on sprinkler maintenance for the upcoming summer months.

The new grassed areas on the fairways have now taken hold and are looking greener every week.

They certainly have improved the bare areas and we will continue to look at ways to improve our course.

The final round of the Vice Captain's trophy was played last Wednesday and won by Dave Neumann. Congratulations to Dave.

A number of members attended the Penfield Golf Club on the 8th September for their 'Blue' day in support of Prostate Cancer. Although the weather was cold and windy, we all had a great morning, and the Penfield Club made us feel very welcome.

Please also support and encourage our Juniors where you can. They are now playing a regular 9-Hole Comp on Saturday afternoons.

You can also access the booking sheet and competition results portal through the new website. I hope soon to have a link to Golf Australia and your GA Handicap. There is also a calendar of events and other club news to explore. If you have any feedback, please send it to either the Club Secretary or myself.

Nadine and I also had the pleasure of playing in the SA Senior Amateur Golf Championships at Kingston SE a couple of weeks ago. Although we both finished well down in the field, it was a well run and fun competition on a great golf courseonly negative was the strong winds. The Kingston Club did a fantastic job welcoming visitors, preparing the course and supporting the competition.





I will be away over October but am looking forward to catching up in November. I will unfortunately miss the midweek cup in October. I will also miss the start of the grades championships but wish you all the best if entering.

Justin

New Website

The new website is now up and running. You can access it by going to northhavengc.com.au

If you encounter any difficulties in accessing the website or any of the links, please let Justin know and he will make the necessary changes.

Committee Matters

In our previous newsletter we said that committee meetings minutes would be published on the new website.

However, because the website will be accessible to the general public we have now decided that we will make the minutes available only to Club members.

I intend to set up a distribution list of any members who want to receive the minutes. If you interested in receiving a copy of the minutes please send me an email to secretary.northhavengc@gmail.com and I will include you on the distribution list.



Course conditions

As advised in the last newsletter the committee has appointed Dave Neumann as the Course Liaison Officer. If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the course please write them down in the book that Dave has set up and put your name beside those comments. These will then be passed onto JAG.

You will have noticed that the new turf that the committee purchased has been laid on several fairways to repair bare patches and it is establishing itself well and will continue to improve with time.

Calendar of Events

A calendar of events going through to February 2024 has been drawn up to assist all members to know when important events will be happening within the Club.

Events listed in the calendar include

- Weekly competition formats for Wednesdays and Saturdays
- Ladies competitions on Fridays
- Major club competitions
- Social events

I have attached a copy of the calendar to this newsletter in case anyone wants to print it out.

However a copy of the calendar is included on the new website.

Social Events

You can look forward to the following social events being planned for the next couple of months: -

- 6 October—First of Twilight golf, BBQ and Happy Hours.
- 8 October—Macabre Mixed 9 hole event followed by lunch
- 27 October NHGC vs Penfield Ladies friendly at Penfield
- 12 November Macabre Mixed 9 hole event followed by lunch
- 24 November—Twilight golf, BBQ and Happy Hour
- 8 December—NHGC Christmas function
- 10 December—Macabre Mixed 9 hole event followed by lunch
- 15 December—Ladies comp and Ladies Christmas lunch

If you have any suggestions regarding any social activities you would like to see at the club please contact

Carolyn, Trevor, Nadine or Justin.





Message from the Club Captain

Local Rules

The new Local Rules have been modified recently and have been placed on the Notice Board beside the Pro-shop.

Remember that there are also permanent Local Rules and these can be found on the back of the scorecard.

Presidents Trophy

The President's Trophy has been won by Joe Fazzalari.

Well done Joe and congratulation to Justin Ruth for reaching the final.

Thank you to all who participated in this event.

Rules Quiz

In our last newsletter we included an attachment to test your knowledge of the rules of golf.

Attached to this newsletter is the answers to those questions.

We encouraged you to look up the Rules of Golf if you were unsure of any of the answers.

How did you go? Hopefully by referring to the rules where necessary you got them all right.



Message from the Ladies

The warmer weather and beautiful mornings have seen lots of ladies out playing golf on Friday mornings.

Our 'invite a friend' Friday a fortnight ago included a couple of new ladies who joined us to play an

Ambrose round, one of which signed up to the club and played again last Friday. We had a special treat on the fourth hole as a brown snake crossed our path slithering from one side of the fairway to the other and back again. They are out there so please be vigilant over the summer months and watch your step in the long grass. That stick that you go to move out of the way may bite!!!



October is full of extra golfing opportunities with the long weekend, twilight golf when daylight saving kicks in and the second Macabre Cup round along with a 'Penfield Friendly' invitation later in the month.

We will finalise our Cambodian Cocoon contributions on the 20th October with the raffle draw and the opportunity to help a community of people in Cambodia with a water well or bags of rice.

SAVE THE DATE Ladies Christmas lunch 15th December.

Happy golfing! May the course be with you!



Message from the Juniors

Junior Clinics and weekend competitions

September saw the start of the Junior Clinics and weekend competitions. Program for future events are:-

- Saturday October 7 1pm 2pm FREE Member Clinic
- Wednesday October 11 Tee off 10.30am 9 Holes Red/White Tees
- Saturday October 14 1pm 2pm FREE Member Clinic
- Saturday October 21 Tee off 1pm 9 Hole Comp Orange Tees
- Saturday October 28 1pm 2pm FREE Member Clinic

Please contact Christine if you know of any juniors who may want to join in with these programs.

It is great to see that Juniors out playing their 9 hole Club Competitions on Saturdays.

Upcoming Major Club competitions

The next upcoming major competitions are:

- Mid Week Cup Starts on Wednesday 11th Oct & played on Weds over 3 weeks
- Grades competition— Starts on Sat 28 October & played on Saturdays over 5 weeks
- Ladies Captains Trophy Played on Wednesdays over 2 weeks in November

Rules Quiz

Attached to this newsletter is the repeated questions from the Quiz included in the July Newsletter just in case you have forgotten them but this time I have included the answers.

How did you go? Did you look up the Rules of Golf to get the right answer?

JAG Social Competitions

The Mixed 9 Hole Macabre Cup comp began on Sunday 10th September at 10am followed by lunch. The winners were last years champs Anne and Ron. They will be hard to beat again this year. The next Macabre Cup round is October 8th. Book in with your partner for a fun morning.

Friday Twilight Golf competitions are on 6th October and 24th November. These Friday night events will be followed with a BBQ and Happy Hours.



If it wasn't for the 19th hole I would have quit this game a long time ago!

Our Sponsors

The Club is very lucky to have support from these Sponsors so please show your support to them as well.





Finally

That is it for another members newsletter.

Don't forget to let me know if you have any suggestions on content for a future newsletter.

Ron Baskett Secretary

