

Golf Notes for the week ending Sunday 27 January 2008

Australia Day Honours to Williams and Rakich

Graham Williams and Dean Rakich combined perfectly to amass 48 points to take victory in the AUSWOP Australia Day Fourball event last Saturday. The chalkies, proudly displaying Aussie flags, started with a modest 23 points on the back nine, caning their playing partners, before being pushed by their opponents good play to post 25 points on the front.

They had one point to spare from Jim Hine and Mick Finlay who scored an excellent 47 points to take the runner up trophy. Third on 46 points was the consistent pairing of Ed Riley and Peter Gray.

Others in the field of 21 pairs to post good totals included Joe Italiano and Ray Cooper, who partnered the winners. 27 points on the front nine alone indicating the potency of their partnership. Unfortunately, it came too late, and they finished on 45 points along with Tony Barker-May and Dave Brunswick.

The trio of Jim Tyler and Eric Annandale, Brett Smith and Danny Clayton and Clayton Flynn and Neil McDonald all got a mention on 44 points.

Four ladies contested the individual event in the morning with Shelley Barker-May the best on 39 points. Nancy Lynn played well also for 37 points.

Novelties went to Chris Bliss and Jill Burgess for nearest the pins, Alan Banks and Ed Riley for long putts, and Graham Williams took the long drive.

John Wray played nine holes square with the card to easily win Scroungers last Thursday. His 23 points was well ahead of the field of 37, taking Nett and Gross honours. Next came Neil Motion and Barry Kononen on 20 points with Peter Walsh, Jim Tyler and Ben Kononen on 19.

Novelties were won by Eric Annandale, Ray Cooper and Peter Gray.

A field of 17 Vets tackled the fairways last week and Ed Riley took top spot with 32 points. Ray Alp was next on 31 points and getting a mention were Jeff Bebbington (27), Bryan Simpson (26), Steve Farquhar (26) and Alan Davies (26).

Novelties went to Jim Tyler, Peter Gray and Alan Banks.

Scroungers will be on today. Saturday will be the Outdoor World Par event. Tuesday will be Vets and Leisure Day.