

Bernardi wins Mafia Cup

Matt Bernardi returned to good form to score 39 points and survive a countback to win the Mafia Cup last Saturday. The early rain looked like putting a dampener on the day but fortunately for Bernardi, who has recently returned from an injury enforced layoff, the afternoon was ideal, as he proved to be the best of the 47 players. Runner up was the consistent Trevor McCormick, also with 39 points.

Hudson Hopewell (38) was once again in good form and reduced his handicap to three, equal to the lowest in the club. Joe Italiano shared that score to take fourth place, and the honour of bettering the CCR of 73.

Eric Annandale and Denis Cocker on 35 points along with those on 34, Alan Banks, David Laird, Jan Van Vollenstee and Dave Czerniawski - who sunk a number of long putts which left his partners shaking their heads in disbelief - made the top ten.

The Mafia group provided trophies and extra novelties to suit the Italian theme, which is always well received by the players.

Novelties were claimed by Graeme Miffing, David Laird and Danny Clayton for nearest the pins. Alan Kent, Danny Clayton and Hudson Hopewell won long putts, and Matt Bernardi took long drive honours.

Colin Giblett was once again to the fore with a win in the Scroungers competition last week. Giblett was one of a trio on 22 points, getting the spin of the wheel ahead of Dave Broadbent and Des Hebb. Alf Sanford (21), Graham Williams (21), Bruce Roberts (20), Jim Larsen (20), Eric Annandale (20) and Jeff Lee (20) filled the minor positions.

Colin Giblett also had the best gross with a 38, while Betty White with an excellent 23 points and Helen Annandale with 19 points topped the ladies competition. Michael Stocks, Bruce Roberts and Rod Simmonds won the novelties.

Frank Battista claimed top spot amongst the Vets last week with a tidy 30 points. Peter Gray (27), Ernie Sullivan (25) and Hugh Annandale (25) finished in the top four on a day when the course proved tough.

Novelties were won by Frank Battista, Phil Warburton, Jeff Crowe and Des Hebb.

Trevor McCormick put the writing on the wall for the weekend event with 38 points and victory in the Leisure Day event. Denis Cocker was next with 37 points.

Scroungers is on today. Saturday will be an 18 Hole Stroke event for a Captains Trophy. Tuesday is Vets and Leisure Day.