Match report – Feb 9th 2020

The third round of the Public Course Pennants season took place on Sun Feb 9th, with all three of our teams playing at home, Division 1 to Marion Park GC, and Division's 2 and 3 to North Haven. All three teams had a good day, Division's 1 and 3 recording victories, and Division 2 halving their match. Match details are as follows;

Division 1

Our team won 7 games to 1. Stars of the show were Chantha Kong (5 and 4), Jason Mylroie (7 and 6), Oscar Moss (2up), John Filmalter (6 and 5), Chris Watson (3 and 2), Steve Darch (1up) and Barry Smith (3 and 2). Our only runner up was Alex Martinson who lost 1 down. In the clubroom after Alex said his opponent hit it a golfing mile!

Division 2

Our Division 2 team were up against North Haven, as they do not have a Division 1 team this season, our team were playing against their number one team, therefore the halved match is a great result. Game winners were; Bob Henley, after being a member of NAGC for longer than people care to remember, Bob made his debut for NAGC in fine style winning 5 and 4, Ruben Wyld (4 and 3), John Rowe (6 and 5), Luke Montgomery and Jonathan Gravenor got the important halved matches. Others that made up the team were Anthony Clapp, Wayne Innes and Greg Forrest. Special mention to the two evergreen Jonnies, John Rowe and Jonathan Gravenor who are forming a formidable partnership. With an aggregate age of 146 years they still know how to hit a golf ball, who'd have thought that Jonathan was 62! There is a photo of the two relaxing after golf.

Division 3

The team recorded a good 6 games to 2 victory. Raja Jamaleddine, playing at number 1, gave a great example of never giving up, 3 down with 4 to play, Raja somehow got up to win 1 up. Other winners were; Peter Adams (6 and 5), Dave Harrington (4 and 3), Tony Guiducci (7 and 6), Josh DeBoar (4 and 3) and Peter Mayboroda (4 and 2). Dave Holmes and Frank Ballard made up our team. Great work from Josh DeBoar, nervous as hell on the first tee, he put his tee shot on to the Greenkeeper's roof, was 3 down after 4 holes and came back to record an excellent 4 and 3 victory.

After three rounds we currently sit top in Division 1, second in both Division's 2 and 3. Many of our players are very handily placed in the divisional Player of The Year ladders. There is a full fixtures and results service for the SAPCPGA season now available on the NAGC website if you care to have a look. Our next game is next Sunday (Feb 16th) when all of our teams are at home. Division 1 start at 09.58 against Playford Lakes, 10.26 for Division 2 also against Playford Lakes and Division 3 entertain Marion Park in a crucial top of the ladder clash.

Thanks to Peter Norman for undertaking refereeing duties, Ray Saxby for support and after golf BBQ help, Murray O'Neill and Taj Darch and anyone else that was there who I may have missed. Special mention for Taj, he had nominated to play in Division 3 this season but unfortunately broke his arm the Friday before the season began. Consolation prize for Taj was winning the Bills Cup last weekend with only three of his rounds of four counting due to his injury. Apparently he's promised to buy his Dad, (Steve), a few beers with his winnings. A likely story! Well done Taj.