SAPCPGA match report – Jan 31st 2021

Our first home match of the season in the Public Course Pennant season versus Mawson Lakes was a great achievement as all of our teams were successful. Details as follows:

Division 1

Missing our number 1, Alex Martinson, we managed a comfortable victory 5.5 to 2.5 victory. The victory meant that we are now top of the ladder and in good shape to make the finals. Our victors were: Ian Scriven (3 and 2), Captain Chantha Kong (5 and 4), Steve Darch (2 and 1), Oscar Moss (6 and 5) and Chris Watson (4 and 3). Shaun Dawson, making his debut as a NAGC Pennant player, got a credible half. Credit to Alex M, he did turn up later in the day to support his team, or maybe to enjoy the after golf free food.

Division 2

The team enjoyed an excellent likewise 5.5 to 2.5 success. The absolute star of the show was Anthony Clapp's merciless 10 and 8 victory. Anthony was in such a rush to broadcast his magnificent, fantastically magnificent victory, he missed out on the Beachport crayfish, Coffin Bay oysters and the Tamworth Peel River Cod delights that Alex so enjoyed at the BBQ. Other victors were: Peter Stolz (also making his debut) (7 and 5), the Scouser John Samaras (2 up), Jonathan Gravenor (2 up), Di Biebrick (4 and 2) and Damian McGrath (halved match). Damian added a couple of more letters to his name, SQ, meaning squared match!

Division 3

The thirds produced a much-needed win, 7-1. Playing at number one, Anton Holmes, making his seasonal debut, won 4 and 3, other winners were Dave Harrington (2 and 1), John O'Connor (5 and 4), Captain Dave Holmes (2 and 1), Dee (don't ask me the score) Bennett (2 up) and Frank Ballard (5 and 4). Kevin Naughton, with the aid of Murray O'Neill as caddie, seemed too much for the Mawson Lakes player who conceded before the games started, and Kevin received a walkover win 5 and 4.

Individually, our players are doing very well. Di Biebrick currently leads the Division 2 Player Of The Year for the Association; Chantha, Steve Darch and Ian Scriven are 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} and 4^{th} respectively in Division 1 and John O'Connor leads the way for us in Division 3 in sixth place. All results and ladders are on the NAGC website, if you would like to have a look.

Next week we all have a well-earnt rest, with a bye week. But on Sun, Feb 14th, all our teams play North Haven away. As for me, I'm off to catch some more crayfish, oysters and cod ready for the next BBQ. You may be lucky and also get some squid. The next home game is on Sunday, Feb 21^{st,} versus Regency Park. All welcome to support your fellow Club members and enjoy the after-match culinary delights!