



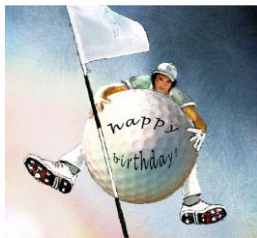
AUVGC



NEWSLETTER

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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Многая Літа / Happy Birthday

Andrew Bernyk
Alex Mazur
Richard Horban
Tony Kastropil

OUR CLUB DEMOGRAPHIC

Age Group	Members	
Under 20	0	0%
21 – 30	6	10%
31 – 40	8	13%
41 – 50	10	16%
51 – 60	5	8%
61 – 70	12	19%
71 – 80	21	34%
81 – 90	0	0%
Total	62	100%

Editor's Corner

Прывіт vsim! / Greetings!

All memberships have now been paid, but please try and pay your memberships **in July**.

Reminder about booking the next game via the website, ***book as early as possible***. It is not always possible to increase the number of players with each golf club. First in first served. Also, ***pay your green fees as early as possible***. You should have the Uki banking details saved by now! ***If you're paying cash – correct money please!***

If there are any articles / recipes that you'd like to share, then please email the editor...Peter Casey.

New Zealand Trip 2025

The club is investigating a golf trip across the ditch, that'll be organised by Go Golfing. We are thinking around the Easter holidays 2025. A new link has been added to the website home page for you to register your interest.

As a rough guide, the 9 day, 5 rounds of golf trip in OCT-NOV 2024 to Queenstown cost:

- Golfer Package
 - \$6067 / person Twin Share
 - \$7985 / person Single Occupancy
- Non-Golfer Package
 - \$5665 / person Twin Share

Information here: <https://www.gogolfing.com.au/nz-south>



Gisborne Golf Club

27th October, 2024: Another great turn out, 32 players, plus one emergency player. We might have to start booking for 36 players over summer. It was sad to see the old club house gone, but talking to the guy in the pro shop, he said it was a positive thing, as they'd get a much better club house as insurance will pay for about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the cost. It was a tad crisp in the morning, and people came prepared for the warmer weather and they were suffering a little at the start, grabbing whatever windbreaks they could find. But the weather finally warmed up. Thankfully I put some sunscreen on, but maybe not enough 😬 Overall, the course was in fantastic condition.

Alex Mazur a member of Gisborne for the last 44 years took the honour by teeing off first. Ray Galas although still unable to play shared a cart to drive around with Gerry Romanyk in the last group. They were responsible for not only picking up the feature hole markers, but also supervising 3 players that were still playing their handicap cards. Mick Masendycz did his good deed of the day by sharing a cart with Adam Semciw who played with a leg injury, which didn't slow him down too much...scoring 37 points.

- Roman Mandyczewsky played his 1st game with the club, welcome Roman. He had a solid 106.
- Adam Masendycz, rocked up very late with about 10 minutes to spare. He played his 2nd round. A nice cricket score...126. Who put those trees on the course.
- Andrew Bernyk played his 2nd game, and a not so good day, 119.
- Daniel Kohut played his 3rd game, and a steady 108. He'll have a nice handicap of maybe 28 next time.

Some excellent scores, where five players scores 36+

- Steve Felniak 40 Your handicap will drop for the next few games! Obviously you were putting better than at Werribee.
- Marek Nowak 38 Fantastic effort, all that practice at Melbourne Airport is paying off!
- Adam Semciw 37 He's very consistent! Even on one leg!
- John Semaniuk 36 Brilliant round John!
- Mykhaylo Dyachkov 36 Excellent effort. I'm sure you missed some easy putts.

And of course, just by chance the winners of division 1 and division 2 (Steve Felniak and Marek Nowak) were in the same group, scoring each other's card. 😊

Tony Kastropil was off to a flying start, he had scored 13 points in the first four holes, this included two nearest the pins on par 3's that he converted into birdies. OMG! He was thinking, today's my day out! I'm going to score 40+ today, but alas, the next two holes he scratched, but he got back on track with the next three holes scoring 6 more points, a total of 19 points for the front 9. Nice start, could have been better. But the pressure was too great as he scratched the 10th and 11th (the courses two hardest holes). He was then in scramble mode after that, with another two scratched holes. He was in top form on the par 3's with a par on the 16th, not intimidated by all that water (shown below).

Player		HEC 19 Golfink		27 OCT 2024	
Tony KASTROPIL		play 11 gol		Gross	Net
Date: event date		Time: event time		Tee: event tee	
Competition: comp type		Player K		Dariusz K	
Blue Men		Player		Red Women	
Index	Par	Index	Score	Index	Par
310	4	14	5	1	4
309	5	13	2	2	3
460	5	8	2	3	4
144	5	15	2	4	3
342	4	5	2	5	4
470	5	17	2	6	5
375	4	4	2	7	4
372	4	8	2	8	4
327	4	16	2	9	4
299	36		19	Out	35
72.0		55		2580	

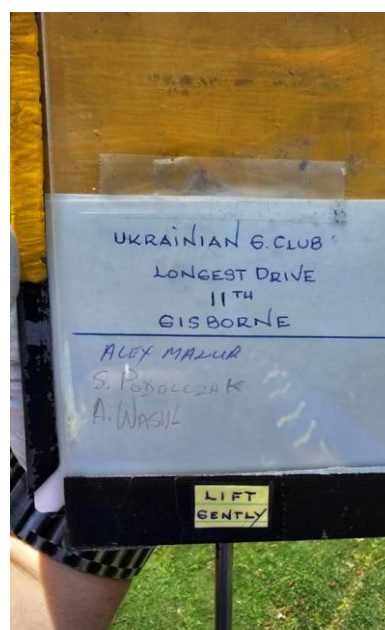
72.0		55		2580	
S/R		Total		S/R	
72.0		108		73.0	
Slope		121		Slope	



Anthony Wasyl was in my group and he was extremely happy to take out the longest drive (as you can see by the photos 😊), by about two metres. I told him after the game that the boys in the last group had taken out the longest drive. He was much happier once his name was read out at the presentations.



Anthony Wasyl was stoked...he initially thought his ball was in the trees.



Anthony Wasyl taking the longest drive off the oldest "playing" member of our club, Steve Podolczak. You've still got it Steve.

After the game, we adjourned to the temporary club house, sitting outside and chatted about the day and other BS.



Some of the new boys: Andrew Bernyk, Roman Mandyczewsky, Adam Masendycz and Matt Gembarovski




Mykhaylo Dyachkov attempting to thread his shot through the kangaroos

Birdies for the day:

- Tony Kastropil Par 3 2nd 140 metres Great birdie putt for 4 points
- Tony Kastropil Par 3 4th 104 metres Great birdie putt for 4 points


All the results



GISBORNE GOLF CLUB
27-October-2024

(0 - 25)

DIVISION 1	Daily Handicap	S'ford Score
1 Steve Felniak	21	40
2 Adam Semciw	23	37
3 John Semaniuk	23	36
4 Alex Mazur	13	32
5 George Makohon	22	32
6 Tony Kastropili	19	29
7 Michael Masendycz	21	29
8 Tom Bagala	23	29
9 Peter Casey	22	27
10 Yuri Karbanenko	18	26
11 Tony Khoury	18	25
12 Mick Gembarovski	17	21



GISBORNE GOLF CLUB
27-October-2024

(26 - 36)

DIVISION 2	Daily Handicap	S'ford Score
1 Marek Nowak	26	38
2 Mykhaylo Dyachkov	30	36
3 Stefan Moskaljuk	28	33
4 Stephen Polatajko	36	31
5 Jerry Cymbalak	29	30
6 Steve Kohut Snr	24	27
7 Matt Gembarovski	26	26
8 Steve Podolczak	30	26
9 Steve Galas	25	24
10 Wally Orfini	30	23
11 Anthony Wasyl	36	22
12 Stan Niemczyk	32	21
13 Gerry Romanyk	33	21
14 Andrew Hluchanic	29	20
15 Mike Ward	30	20
16 Tim Kril	36	10
17 Adam Masendycz	2nd Card	126
18 Andrew Bernyk	2nd Card	119
19 Daniel Kohut	3rd Card	108
20 Roman Mandyczewsky	1st Card	106

Stars of the day

Division 1	Winner	Steve Felniak
	Runner-Up	Adam Semciw
Division 2	Winner	Marek Nowak
	Runner-Up	Mykhaylo Dyachkov

Feature Holes

Drive 'n Chip	9th	Mick Gembarovski
Longest Drive	11th	Anthony Wasyl
Nearest The Pin	2nd	Tony Kastropil
Nearest The Pin	4th	Tony Kastropil
Nearest The Pin	12th	Tom Bagala
Nearest The Pin	16th	Andrew Bernyk

Ball Competition

Cutoff	29
Adam Semciw	37
Mykhaylo Dyachkov	36
John Semaniuk	36
Stefan Moskaljuk	33
Alex Mazur	32
George Makohon	32
Stephen Polatajko	31
Jerry Cymbalak	30
Tony Kastropili	29
Michael Masendycz	29
Tom Bagala	29

Next Game – Portarlington GC

Date	Sunday 24 th November 2024
Venue	130 Hood Road, Portarlington Victoria 3223 (03) 5259 2492
Meeting Time	9:30am
Game Format	Stableford
Cost	\$50, Visitors \$55 (Includes competition fee)

Members requiring carts will need to make a booking with the pro shop and advise George if they wish to share.

Members must provide proof of membership of a reciprocal rights golf club, then a credit will be raised for the discount.

Remember to book via the website as early as possible.

New Members

No new members this month.

We need more women members, does anyone know who might be interested in joining?

Marijka Kohut once wrote:



Adult membership:

- \$100 (first year – includes club shirt when available)
- \$50 every other year

Junior membership is just \$20 per financial year!

Golf Digest

Golf tip: Improve your short game: #2

How to Judge Putting Distance



Putting is often considered one of the most crucial aspects of golf. To become a skilled putter, you must not only have a good putting stroke but also an excellent ability to judge putting distance. Accurate distance judgment can significantly improve your performance and lower your scores on the golf course. In this guide, I will delve into the key factors and techniques to help you judge putting distance effectively. **Note:** The editor gets this wrong the majority of the time.

Understanding Green Speed

The first step in judging putting distance is to understand the speed of the greens you are playing on. Green speed can vary widely depending on factors like grass type, weather conditions, and maintenance practices, how many weat-bix you had for breakfast. Here's how to assess green speed:

- **Practice Putts:** Before starting your round, spend some time on the practice green. Putt from different distances to get a feel for the green's speed that day.
- **Observation:** Pay attention to how other players' putts roll on the greens. This can give you valuable insights into the green speed, and more importantly, the direction it rolls.

Right-To-Left Putts



Standing behind the ball, picture the arc of the putt from the ball to the hole and then back to the ball. Do it a few times. Using a clock-face image, identify the "time" where the ball

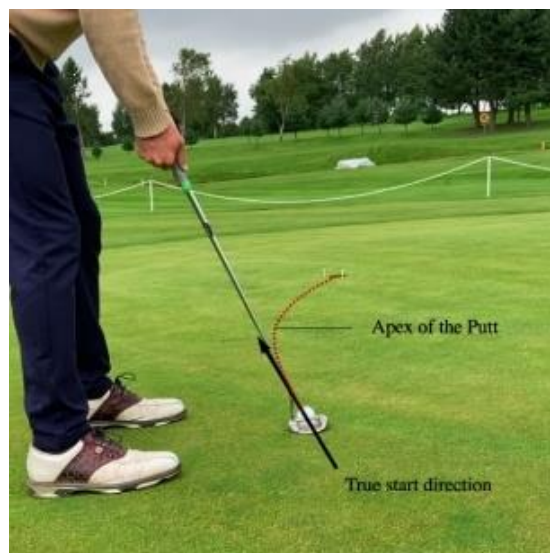
should enter the cup – in the illustration above it's 4:30. Play the last six inches of the putt in your mind, imagining the ball dropping in. That entry point, in effect, has become the centre of the cup, because the centre rotates left or right based on the direction and amount of the break.

Left-To-Right Putts



Again, picture the putt curving into the hole at a specific "time" on the clock face – in the illustration, it's 7:30. That's your new centre of the cup. Let me stress again: Trying to pick a spot along the line that corresponds to this amount of break will inhibit your ability to aim using your sense of feel, not eyesight. Curved-line players need to trust they can find the line by reacting to the target, without the distraction of drawing lines or spots.

Focus on a Spot: Choose a spot (closest to your ball) where you want the ball to roll over. This will be your target.



Adjust Your Stroke: Adjust your stroke to get the ball to roll over that spot. The amount of force applied will depend on the distance between your ball and the hole.

A True Golf Story

By Steve Kohut Snr.

WHILE WORKING AT L. ARTHUR PTY. LTD., I WAS INVITED BY MY BOSS LOU ARTHUR TO PLAY GOLF AT VICTORIA GOLF CLUB.

VERY HAPPY TO ACCEPT SINCE IT IS A PRESTIGIOUS SAND BELT COURSE.

EVERYTHING WAS GOING SMOOTH UNTIL WE WERE HELD UP BEHIND A SLOW GROUP. MY BOSS HOWEVER SAID HE COULD NOT HIT FAR AND PROCEEDED TO DRIVE HIS BALL STRAIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE. IT WENT LIKE A ROCKET AND HIT A GUY ON THE LEG.

WE WATCHED IN HORROR AS HE JUMPED IN THE AIR AND HOPPED AROUND IN PAIN. TURNING TO MY BOSS I SAID --- " WHEN WE GET BACK TO THE CLUBHOUSE LOU, YOU HAD BETTER FIND THE GUY AND APOLOGIZE ".

AFTER OUR GAME, WE WALKED INTO THE HALLOWED CLUBHOUSE AT VICTORIA GOLF CLUB. WE LOOKED AROUND TRYING TO FIND THE INJURED GOLFER. SUDDENLY, A JAPANESE GUY CAME RUSHING TOWARDS US. GRABBING LOU ARTHUR'S ARM, I SAID --- " WATCH OUT LOU --- HE IS GOING TO KARATE CHOP YOU!"

THE GUY STOPPED, BOWED HIS HEAD AND SAID --- " VELY SOLLY MISTER, I STOP YOUR BALL, VELY SOLLY!!! "

Golf Fixture

2024

<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Meeting Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
December 15	Yarrambat GC	9:00am	S'ford

2025

<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Meeting Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
January 19	Growling Frog GC	7:30am	S'ford
February 23	Mt. Derrimut GC	8:00am	S'ford MP Qualifier
March 22 - 23	Cobram Barooga GC	Sat. 11:30, Sun. 8:30	S'ford Club
Championship			
April 27	Werribee GC	8:00am	S'ford MP1
May 25	Melton GC	7:30am	S'ford MP2
June 29	Goonawarra GC	7:50am	Stroke and Putting Comp.
July 26 - 27	Shepparton/Mooroopna	Sat 8:00am, Sun. 8:30am	S'ford Winter Cup
August 31	Curlewis GC	9:30am	S'ford MP Final
September 21	Melbourne Airport GC	8:00am	Foresome Pairs AGM
October 26	Gisborne GC	8:00am	S'ford
November 30	Werribee	TBC	Ambrose, Melb/Geelong Challenge
December 14	Freeway GC / Yarrambat	TBC	S'ford

Handicaps

Inclusive of October 2024 game at Gisborne:

* Indicates Formal Handicapper Discretion

Indicates Informal Handicapper Discretion

Note: Sometimes we don't receive the "full" handicap list, and just the daily handicaps. Therefore, the number of games played and the GA/AUVGC handicaps may not be accurate.

ID	MEMBER	GAMES	GA HCP	AUVGC HCP	DAILY HCP
1.	AITKIN Lee	50		19.4	
2.	ANOLAK Greg	264	15.7		
3.	BAGALA Tom	18		26.5	23 #(-2)
4.	BERNYK Andrew	1		2 nd Card	
5.	CASEY Peter	60	23.6		22
6.	CHARENKO Mykola	323	21.4		
7.	CHARUCKYJ Leon	236	22.6		
8.	CROMBIE Josh	16	28.6		
9.	CROMBIE Lydia	52	14.8		
10.	CYMBALAK Jerry	363	30.1		29
11.	DYACHKOV Michael	30	30.9		30
12.	FELNIAK Steve	147		21.9	21
13.	FLUNT Myron	75		26.9	
14.	GALAS Ray	288		19.9	
15.	GALAS Steve	343	26.6		25
16.	GEMBAROVSKI Mathew	19		26.8	26
17.	GEMBAROVSKI Michael	251		18.4	17
18.	HERCZANIWSKI Paul	11		40.3	
19.	HLUCHANIC Andrij	341		30.3	29
20.	HORBAN Richard	193		28.3	
21.	HUBIK Steve	77		28.4	
22.	JUDD Jason	7		34.3	
23.	KARBANENKO Yuri	5		19.0	18
24.	KASTROPIL Tony	383	20.3		19
25.	KHOURY Tony	61		19.4	18
26.	KOHUT Daniel	3		3 rd Card	
27.	KOHUT Marijka	195	20.0		
28.	KOHUT Slawko	211	19.7		
29.	KOHUT Steve Jnr	130	8.2		
30.	KOHUT Steven Snr	205	25.0		24
31.	KRIL Tim	7		42.5	36
32.	KWAS Michael	291		28.5	
33.	LESIW Michael	82	26.3		
34.	MAKOHON Daniel	1		1 st Card	

ID	MEMBER	GAMES	GA HCP	AUVGC HCP	DAILY HCP
35.	MAKOHON George	452	23.3		22
36.	MANDYCZEWSKY Roman	1			1 st Card
37.	MASENDYCZ Adam	2			2 nd Card
38.	MASENDYCZ Michael	220	21.9		21
39.	MATKOWSKY John	14		29.7	
40.	MAZUR Alex	190	13.6		13
41.	MELNYCHUK Alex	12		33.7	
42.	MOSKALJUK Stefan	8		29.4	28
43.	NIEMCZYK Stan	141	33.8		32
44.	NOWAK Marek	84	27.5		26
45.	ORFINI Wally	335	31.6		30
46.	OSIDACZ Ross	3		2 nd Card	
47.	PODOLCZAK Steve	310		31.7	30
48.	POLATAJKO Jarema				
49.	POLATAJKO Stephen	24		39.7	36
50.	POPOWYCZ Roman	178		25.1	
51.	ROBERTSON, Adrian	23		24.9	
52.	ROMANYK Gerry	312	33.9		33
53.	RUDEWYCH Nicholas	7		31.0	
54.	RUDEWYCH Victor	113			
55.	SELEMBBA Taras	9		45.0	
56.	SEMANIUK John	375	24.3		23
57.	SEMCIW Adam	29		24.0	23
58.	WARD Michael	15		32.7	30
59.	WASYL Anthony	8		39.5	36
60.	WASYL Nicholas	10		37.4	
61.	YAREMENKO Areta	3			
62.	ZACHARIAK Roman	140			

Membership Form

Do you know someone who is interested in joining, get them to fill out this form and send it to the Club President, Wally worfini@bigpond.com. It will then be discussed at the next Committee meeting.



Association of Ukrainians in Victoria – Golf Club

3 – 11 Russell Street, Essendon Victoria 3040 Australia

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Version – 17 January 2022

Surname: _____ First Name: _____

Wife / Partner's First Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post Code: _____

Telephone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Mobile: _____

Date of birth: ____/____/____

Are you a member of the AUV or one of its affiliates (Y / N): ____

Which AUV Affiliate: _____

Ukrainian Heritage: Are you or your partner of Ukrainian Heritage (Y / N): ____

Membership category: Full / Junior (please circle)

Official GA Handicap (if any): _____ GA Number: _____

Membership of any Golf Club: _____

Email: _____

Declaration: I hereby wish to apply for membership of the AUV Golf Club. I undertake to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Club, and any future amendments. I further agree to pay all fees and costs relating to my membership of the Golf Club.

(Junior membership – Signature of either parent is required) Dated: ____ / ____ / ____

CONFIRMATION BY THE AUVGC COMMITTEE

The AUVGC Committee resolved that the above member be accepted as a member of the AUVGC Golf Club.

Membership: Full / Associate No. allocated _____ Dated: ____ / ____ / ____

Signatures: _____
(President) _____
(Secretary)

Committee

President	Wally Orfini	worfini@bigpond.com	+61 418 587 874
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	Marijka Kohut	mkohut3222@gmail.com	
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Do you want to join this committee?

Send in an application form to the Secretary, and at the AGM it'll be discussed.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

21st September 2025

NOMINATION FORM

**NOMINATIONS ARE SOUGHT FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS,
WHICH ARE ALL VACANT AT THE TIME OF THE AGM:**

- 1 President
- 2 Secretary
- 2 Treasurer
- 3 Club Captain
- 4 Handicapper
- 5 Bookings Officer
- 6 Website Manager
- 7 Match Committee Officers (x3)

I

Nominate:

(Myself) or

For the position of:

.....

I confirm that I am a financial member of the AUVGC.

Signature: Date:

I confirm that I am a financial member of the AUVGC.

Witness: Date: