# VICTORIAN VETERAN GOLFERS' ASSOCIATION Inc.

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# **Captains Report**

# VVGA Annual District Teams Championship September 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Portland Golf Club** 

Forty teams of veteran golfers from seventeen Districts met at Portland Golf Club to compete in the VVGA annual District teams championship. At the planned briefing meeting on Sunday evening, it was quickly evident that we were in good hands and we were in for a well organised event. The only thing that hadn't been accounted for was the weather and we braced ourselves as we contemplated the forecast gale force winds for Monday.

Following the VVGA annual general meeting on Monday morning, player registration took place, lunch packs were distributed and players were briefed on local rules by Portland Golf Club Vice President, Brian Murphy before being sent out for the shotgun start at 11:00am.

Day one presented challenging conditions with extremely strong winds and damp fairways that were drying out nicely with the help of the wind. Although the course was set up with very fair tee and pin positions for the enjoyment of the "ageing" golfers, the wind seemed to negate that bonus.

At the conclusion of play, an afternoon tea to be remembered was provided and appreciated by all. It was a truly magnificent array of food put on by the golf club. Also on the catering topic, it was pleasing to see the function room at capacity as most golfers took advantage of the opportunity to enjoy an evening meal and reminisce on the days fortunes. Congratulations and thank you to the catering team.

There were some anxious moments on Monday evening with a bit of thunder and lightning, topped off with a considerable drenching of rain. Fortunately though, the radar was fairly clear by morning and the tee off was actually a bit earlier than scheduled. Unfortunately, the field were treated to some severe driving rain that did manage to dampen player enthusiasm. (Yes, pun intended!)

Lunch was served prior to the raffle draw and prize presentations. Brian Murphy thanked the dedicated team of volunteers, club staff and sponsors who had worked tirelessly to bring the event to fruition.

VVGA President Ern Kraulis invited Portland Golf Club President Tom Bibby to address the veterans and Tom was presented with a plaque to display in the club commemorating the event and acknowledging the appreciation of the VVGA.

Thank you to Zone Councilor/Secretary Ann Dickinson for the work she has put in to planning this event.

# Results of the two day annual teams district championship were:

#### **Monday**

18 hole Best Stableford score: Alan Kinnaird

#### NTP 's Day 1

Hole 5 Tim Tulloch
Hole 8 Robert Law
Hole 11 Ray Drady
Hole 18 Stephen Smith

25% of the field received a ball.

### **Tuesday**

18 hole Best Stableford score: David Beggs

36 hole Best Stableford score: Greg Gebhart Runner up: David Baker

# NTP 's Day 2

Hole 5 Graeme Ray
Hole 8 Allan White
Hole 11 Kevin Frost
Hole 18 Marc Edelsten

25% of the field received a ball.

# 36 Hole Team Championship

1st Place:Rob Bride Rod McBride and Stephen KaneSouth Gippsland DistrictRunners up:Graeme Ray Raymond Borschmann &North Eastern District

**Robert Taylor** 

Congratulations to South Gippsland District, winners of the 2025 VVGA Annual District Teams Championship.

Pete Turner VVGA Captain