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Captains Report

VVGA 4BBB Championship Myrtleford Golf Club. March 23rd & 24th, 2026

A number of veteran golfers accepted Myrtleford Golf Clubs generous offer of "free golf" to have a practice on Sunday in preparation for the VVGA 4BBB Championship on Monday and Tuesday, 23rd and 24th of March.

A capacity field of 59 pairs teed off on Monday morning having been welcomed by Club President George Browne and briefed on playing conditions and local rules by tournament manager John Costello.

It was pleasing to see the event made up of pairs of men, pairs of women as well as mixed pairs competing in this medley format of 4BBB Stableford.

Tee master Dick Matthews did a splendid job under stressful conditions adjusting the draw to accommodate changes required as a result of a few late withdrawals and substitutions.

The course was presented in A1 condition and players were treated to spectacular views of the district landscape as they negotiated their way around the picturesque golf course.

A bagged lunch was delivered to competitors on course to enjoy during the round. Play progressed at an acceptable pace and most players were back in the clubhouse rehydrating and enjoying a lovely afternoon tea after about four and a half hours.

The best score recorded on Monday was 46 points achieved by Robert Forrest and John Arthur. Great golfing!

Day 1 Ntp's:

Hole 1		Hank Van Der Veen
Hole 4	(2 nd shot on)	Ian Wales
Hole 8		Gerry Ypelaan
Hole 14		Raymond Drady
Hole 16		David King

25% of the field were rewarded for their efforts receiving a golf ball each in the run down.

About 80 players and partners reflected on the day while indulging on a smorgasbord dinner enjoyed at the Savoy Club, a sponsor of the event.

Day 2 Tuesday.

The 9:00am tee off on Tuesday was moved forward by ten minutes as all players had managed to register and enjoy the scrumptious egg and bacon roll breakfast prepared by club volunteers ahead of time.

There was still quite a dew on the fairways as the shotgun start commenced but that quickly disappeared as the perfect autumn conditions prevailed.

Lunch and refreshments were served in the clubhouse before presentations took place.

Day 2 results:

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Hole 1		Jeremy Gray
Hole 4	(2 nd shot on)	Gerard Hanson
Hole 8		Janet King
Hole 14		Graeme Smith
Hole 16		Anfrew Lane

36 Hole 4BBB Stableford results:

1st John Arthur & Robert Forrest. (H/Cap 10,17) 88 Stableford points. (46,42)
2nd Saowapa McDowall & Struan McDowell (H/Cap 22,10) 87 Stableford points C/B (39,48)
3rd John Keiley & Julie Berick (H/Cap 11,18) 87 Stableford points (43,44)
4th Charlie Coleman & Andrew McIntosh (H/Cap 16,7) 84 Stableford points C/B (40,44)

Congratulations to John Arthur & Robert Forrest the 2026 4BBB Champions.

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VVGA Vice- President Geoff Cook presented Myrtleford Golf Club President, George Browne with a plaque in appreciation of the effort put in by everyone involved at the golf club who had made the event the success that it was.

Pete Turner
VVGA Captain.