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NOVEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

Dear Lefty,

There has been a lot happening since our last newsletter.

Firstly our Presidents Trophy at Lonsdale Golf Club was to say the least very poorly attended and we are not sure what the reason was for this and member feedback would be appreciated. Instead of running a 2 ball Stableford event we used the aggregate Stableford event for the day and the results for the day are as follows-:

Winners Leigh Greening (12) 38 Les Davey (27) 42 80pts

Runners up Gary Mackay 34 Don Mitchell 35 69pts

Golf Ball Rundown Martin Evans 38, Barry Gust 34 and Alan Maloney 34

NTP 10th Brian Lynch 15th Trevor Golding

Long Drive **A** Clem Powers **B** Les Davey

Apart from the normal congratulations to both Leigh and Les the highlight of this day was a **hole in one** by Brian Lynch on the 10th hole. Apparently it was a very impressive shot which covered the flag all the way and we have a special trophy to be presented to him at Woodlands for this achievement.

The next event after the Lonsdale Event was when quite a number of Victorian Lefties travelled to Orlando, Florida for the World Championships. The Victorian Representatives were Brian Lynch, Martin Evans, Clem Powers, George Kay, Keith Marshall, Leigh Greening, Alan Maloney, Cec Bailey, Peter Nolan, Dave Direen (we call him a Victorian) and myself. What a fantastic week it was played on 2 of the Disney Complex Courses called Palms and Magnolia (they played a recent US PGA event there). The weather was very humid and we were very lucky to stay clear of the thunderstorms during the week. The world delegates meeting was held during the week and I am able to report that the following future world championships have been confirmed as follows-:

- 18th – 22nd June 2012 – Dundee Scotland (go to www.conferencebookings.co.uk delegate code DNDWALG2012)
- 1st July – 5th July 2013 – Japan
- ??? 2014 – South Africa ?

One of the highlights of the week was a trip to the Golf Hall of Fame which had a complete history of the game and the golfers – we could all have spent a whole day there and the golf shop was the biggest I have ever seen (the prices were also very cheap). The organisers of the event did an excellent job for the whole week and there was nothing but glowing reports about how the whole event was conducted. For your information I provide a copy of all the final scores.

Following on from the World Championships was the 45th National Championships held at the Fleurieu Peninsula from 24th to 29th October and the courses were all in excellent condition. The organisation for the week was 1st class culminating in the Friday evening presentations. The Victorians who attended the week were Ian Anderson, Noel Bond Hector Caruana, Martin Evans, Michael Gargan, Leigh Greening, George Kotaridis, Brian Lynch, Alan Maloney, Gary MacKay, Ian MacKay, Chris Morris, Graham Taylor, Max Williams and myself. Barry Gust and Adrian Dumsa were both late scratchings due to illness and we wish them both a speedy recovery to be back on the Golf Course.

The winners from Victoria were Brian Lynch who won the Veterans Trophy and Gary MacKay who won the Doug Bachli aggregate/stroke trophy. Very well done to them both and as for every one else the course won every day. I almost forgot that Chris Morris won 4th prize in the lucky door raffle.

We all wondered why the greens were extremely slow on all the courses except for Victor Harbour and we worked out why on the Saturday morning leaving for home when the wind off the ocean was hurricane force. The courses would have been unplayable if the greens had been normal pace.

The National delegates meeting was held on the Thursday of the Championships and Bill Mace of Tasmanian Division was made a Life Member of the Association. Bill has been a member of the leftys in Tasmania for 43 years and many of those years were as President and Captain and included many National Championships in Tasmania in an official capacity. Also voted upon and agreed was that the national body fund the educational expenses of a trainee lefty professional to be administered by the PGA Australia NSW/ACT division as we considered this may give us some exposure apart from our website, etc. We will let you know how this transpires.

It was also confirmed that the future national championships will be held as follows:-

Host Division	Venue	Dates
Riverina	Cobram Barooga	16 th – 21 st October 2011
National Body	Darwin??	2012
Northern Rivers	Byron Bay/Ballina	2013
Victoria	Bellarine Peninsula	2014

Martin Evans will be our man in charge to organise the Victorian Golf Courses and we propose to play at this stage Lonsdale, Barwon Heads, Torquay and Torquay Sands.

In relation to the next year event at Cobram Barooga I am providing to you the letter and entry form for the event. Accommodation will be at a premium for that week and you should do something about it **NOW** even though the event is some 12 months away.

In addition to all the future events above the New Zealand national championships will be held at Otago and it is best to go to their website at www.nalg.co.nz. At this stage I am aware of at least 6 Victorian leftys going to that event.

Future Victorian Events

We are giving some thought to having a weekend at Barnbogle in Tasmania and it was thought that the best weather was in the months of March to June. Member feedback is required to gauge some interest remembering that right handers and ladies would be most welcome to attend.

If any member has thoughts on other venues please let me know. St Andrews beach was also being considered.

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Next Event

This is our State Championships at Woodland Golf Club on 26th November 2010 with a 9.00am hit off. Cost of the day will be \$ with snacks available at the bar at your cost. Please endeavour to contact me by 22nd November 2010 if you wish to play and it would be great if we had a super roll up for our last event for the year.

Good golfing. 🏌️
Trevor Golding