

### Committee Car Park

It's not as flash as you might see at some places but it does give a little recognition to those who find time to work for the Members. If you are not a Committee Member please respect those who are, by not parking in their spots.

### Summer's a Coming

Club covers, mobile phones, golf clubs and car keys are popular items to leave on the course. Most are handed in and find their Owner. The exception is car keys with most found in the Golfers Bag nestled in one or another of those sneaky little folds.

But beware, shortly SUN GLASSES will become our most found item. Keep an eye on yours!

### Bamboo

You will have noted our Bamboo Saplings on the west side of the Fourth Hole. They seem to have survived the winter frosts okay and eventually should grow to a fairly substantial size. Their purpose is mainly to stop errant shots from going O.O.B. Believe it or not we truly run a Golfer Friendly Course.

### Course Rating

Golf Australia has advised that Village Links is to be rated under the new slope system on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> October. The three G.A. Representatives are expected to take five hours to complete the rating task. Under the now obsolete course rating system, course length dominated the calculations with much less emphasis on course difficulty. The slope system also has regard to course length but more consideration is afforded the degree of difficulty.

Village Links will be rated for their Championship Tees, Standard Men's Tees and the Ladies Tees. Every tree, bunker, slope, water hazard, etc, etc will be considered in arriving at our slope ratings. Our par is 71 so a slope rating of 113 would be a good outcome. No matter what the rating is it will not effect our Members Handicap in Competition play at our home course. However, if you play at another course your handicap may vary subject to that Club's Slope Rating.

Changes bring changes. We have about 10,000 scorecards that are no longer exactly spot on and all our signs on the tees will need amendment.

Oh Well!

### Hazards

The mind thinks of bunkers and water but there are other hazards. The boat on the seventh dam is part of the water hazard. Any golfer attempting a recovery from the boat will almost certainly drown. The Committee could well name the dam after you.

On the subject of hazards, recently Dad purchased Son his first set of Clubs and onto the first tee for his very first real game of golf. Whacko! A great practice swing hits Dad mid-forehead. With the new Driver. Dad remains unconscious for some minutes and golf is called off for the day. And John O'Neil knows a bit about golfing hazards too.

### Myths and Legends

All our Golfers are well aware that a Par on the First leads to inevitable disaster on at least one of the next three holes. Similarly it is a well established fact that Members who attend their AGM risk catching a variety of serious diseases including duck hooks or even the dreaded yips. But not all legends always hold true and we are most pleased to report that those attending the 2010 AGM remain in jolly good health. Brave souls one and all.

### Joke of the Month

Brett Liebke's golf. Made Par on 17 after travelling down the second fairway.