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***PROFILE OF
DEBRA LUKE***



If you are reading my profile I can only guess that your Netflix account has expired or the local newspaper hasn't arrived.

I was born in Bendigo in 1958 and grew up there with my wonderful parents – Betty and Bill. They had six children. I am the second eldest and the only girl. I have fond memories of growing up. Back then we lived on the outskirts of town surrounded by bush and adventure. One frightening memory was when my mother asked if I would like to learn ballet.

I met Trevor in 1977 and married at the end of my nursing training in 1981.

My mother played golf so there was the odd swing of a club in the backyard. I joined a local golf club in the early 1980s and played until our first of three children was born in 1988.

Trevor started work at the University of Newcastle in 1998 so we said goodbye to all our friends and family. We ended up in Rathmines because we liked the open parkland.

I drove past the golf club for 20 years but only played with friends a few times because with work and family and having two girls on the ballet run – OMG! – I just didn't have time.

When I retired in 2018 Leonie McKibbin encouraged me to attend a golf clinic at Merewether. The bug was still there. A beginners group started playing 9 holes at Toronto on Wednesdays and we were always encouraged by the Wednesday Comp Ladies. I played one year as a social member then joined as a full member in July 2020.

I started attending yoga classes in 2008 and this has been woven into every aspect of my life. It has helped (some of the time) with my physical ability to hold and swing a club. The focus is to look at a little white ball and the non-attachment to allow a good or bad swing to pass and just focus on the next shot.

I have found the Toronto Golf Club to be friendly and encouraging from the Pro Shop, Committee members, regular members (male and female), groundsmen and volunteers and Bar staff. And, of course, the Friday night meat raffle.

I look forward to playing and enjoying my golf.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

6th – Nikki Craig
22nd – Marie Jordan
26th – Wilma King

MARCH RESULTS

Wednesday 3rd

Saturday 6th

Wednesday 10th

Saturday 13th

Wednesday 17th

*Saturday 20th
Wednesday 24th*

Saturday 27th

Wednesday 31st

Note: The Saturday competitions for Ladies are played in one grade.

Stableford

Div.1: Linda Woolard 32 c/b, Judy McDonald 32 c/b.

Div.2: Elaine Reed 33 c/b, Cathy Hughes 33, Debra Luke 30 c/b.

Div.3: Wilma King 33, Olga Meijer 29, Lyndsay Dickson 28.

Par

Maureen Skeet 0, Helen Winter -2 c/b, Rhonda Penfold -2.

Scratch

Div.1: Meagen Auston 86.

Div.2: Debra Luke 96.

Div.3: Wilma King 107.

Nett

Div.1: Meagen Auston 75 c/b; Linda Somerville 75;
Helen Winter 76.

Div.2: Debra Luke 71 c/b; Sandra Jordan 71;
Sheree Bambrook (Corowa) 77.

Div.3: Wilma King 74 c/b; Sue Randall 74;
Carmel Edmonds 76 c/b.

Stableford

Helen Winter 40 c/b, Cheryl Webb 40, Cheryl Drinkwater 38 c/b.

Par

Div.1: Narene Anniwell -2; Kerry Allen -4.

Div.2: Debra Luke -3; Carol McCrohon -4.

Div.3: Barbara Royle -4.

No competition played.

No competition played.

Stableford

Narene Anniwell 31, Cath King 27, Cheryl Webb 26.

Stableford

Debra Luke 39, Cathy Hughes 38, Sheree Banbrook (Corowa) 37.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT

There's not a lot to report this month. Due to the deluges experienced our golf has been somewhat disrupted with some damage to the course. A few have played in the past weeks but, on the whole, the majority chose to stay warm and dry - I was one!

The farewell to Elaine was a great turnout with the letter from Linda a high point. The reaction and expressions from Elaine showed her appreciation.

Gala Day is well in progress. Please get your entries in a.s.a.p. as the response is already encouraging from other clubs.

We know that Marie Jordan is going to look at the course with a new clarity and we hope to see her back when possible.

- Kerry Harris

ELAINE'S FAREWELL OCCASION



Kerry reading Linda's wonderful epistle highlighting Elaine's long and sometimes hilarious career.



Kerry presenting Elaine with a trophy/souvenir commemorating her Club Championship win in 2007.



Olga presenting Elaine with a beautiful floral tribute with our thanks for such a great contribution to our Club over many years. We wish Elaine every happiness in her new environment.

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