

2017 Pennant Report

Sunday April 2nd – Pennant Rd 1 – Lancefield G. C.

It was a beautiful day for the 1st round of the 2017 pennant competition. Lancefield was in great condition however their very slick greens caught many of the visitors out. Our boys tried hard but we could not manage a win; Mick Nicholls (Snr) L – 3/2, John Freestone L – 2/1, Chris vanDerVliet L – 3/2, Rob Rea L – 3/1, Sherif Abdel-Sayed L – 3/1, Michael McCarten L – 3/2 & Scott William L – 5/4.

Lancefield **D** Romsey – 7/0

Woodend **D** Hidden Valley – 4/3

Mt Macedon **AS** Kilmore 3.5/3.5

Sunday April 9th – Pennant Rd 2 – Woodend G. C.

A very different day for the 2nd round of pennant. Woodend was in top nick but the skies opened up and there was steady rain only broken by heavy downpours, for most of the afternoon. Romsey was far more at home in these conditions and fought out a tight win over Hidden Valley; Andrew Laing W – 4/3, Anthony Freeman L – 8/6, Michael McCarten W – 5/3, Rob Rea W – 5/4, Scott Williams W – 2 up, Sherif Abdel-Sayed L – 2/1 & John Freestone AS

Woodend **D** Mt Macedon – 4/3

Kilmore **D** Lancefield – 6.5/.5

Romsey **D** Hidden Valley – 4.5/2.5

Sunday April 23rd – Pennant Rd 3 – Romsey G. C.

With around 100 mm of rain over the previous weekend followed by over 30 mm later in the week the course was in good nick however, fairways and greens were all soft. Teams hit-off at 11.00 and almost all matches were tight. Local knowledge saw RGC again pull off a good win; Sherif Abdel-Sayed L – 2 down, Scott Williams W – 3/1, Michael McCarten W – 4/3, Rob Rea W – 2 up, Anthony Freeman W – 3/1, Andrew Laing L – 2/1, Chris vanDerVliet L – 3/1

Romsey **D** Kilmore – 4/3

Lancefield **D** Woodend – 4.5/2.5

Hidden Valley **D** Mt Macedon – 4/3

Sunday April 30th – Rd 4 2017 Pennant – Mt Macedon G. C.

The Mount Macedon Golf Course was in top nick, the greens their usual high standard and the fairways lush and even after the late April rains. The RGC team were looking good for a 5/2 win with only a few holes to go but, a spot of wind here and a slice there, and we were down to an All Square. Our results were; Anthony Freeman **L** – 2/1, Sherif Abdel-Sayed – **AS**, Michael McCarten **W** – 2/1, John Freestone **W** – 2/1, Andrew Laing **W** – 3/2, Chris vanDerVliet **L** – 7/6 & Scott Williams **L** – 1 down.

Romsey **AS** Woodend – 3.5/3.5

Kilmore **D** Hidden Valley – 4/3

Lancefield **D** Mt Macedon – 5/2

The final round at Kilmore G. C. will be all important. Top team Lancefield (3 wins, 17 matches) seems in to be the final. The other spot is between Kilmore (2.5 wins, 17 matches), Woodend (2.5 wins, 14 matches) and rough outsider Romsey (2.5 wins, 12 matches)

Sunday May 7th – Pennant Rd 5 – Kilmore G. C.

The final round of the 2017 pennant season and certainly one place in the final was up for grabs. Romsey took on Mt Macedon, the day began clear and warmish but by mid afternoon the sky had clouded over and intermittent rain fell. The Kilmore course was in good nick so, with steady golf, a win was there for the taking. Our boys fought out another win to bring us within a whisker of the final with 3.5 wins (but only 17.5 matches). Tony Freeman – **W** 3/2, John Freestone – **W** 5/4, Scott Williams – **W** 3/2, Andrew Laing – **L** 4/3, Michael McCarten – **L** 2/1 Rob Rea – **W** 3/2, Sherif Abdel-Sayed – **L** 1 down

Romsey **D** Mt Macedon – 4/3

Lancefield **D** Hidden Valley – 5/2

Kilmore **D** Woodend – 6/1

The Final was between Lancefield (4 wins) and Kilmore (3.5 wins 21 matches) with Kilmore coming out on top. congrats to both teams. RGC would like to thank **Rob Rae** and **John Freestone** (Team co-captains) as well as **Anthony Freeman, Michael Nicholls Snr, Michael McCarten, Andrew Laing, Chris vanDerVliet, Scott Williams** and **Sherif Abdel-Sayed** for their time and efforts during the 2017 Pennant Golf season.