

Paddy's Prattle 4 May 2021

A big field took to the course on Saturday, playing in the Murray Webb trophy and vying for places in the Watson Cup. Top pair of the day were Shane Beaven and Greg Fleming with a superb nett 61 just pipping Vince Carr and Jaeyong Jong. Both those pairs, however, are unavailable for all the Watson Cup rounds so they stood down from the matchplay, which left Paul Greer and Brian Fauth as top seeds. These boys will take on Dylan Stoddart and Jordy Bird who snuck in as 16th qualifiers.

There is, as always, some great pairings in the draw. Lefty and Ken are going for their 25th year of disappointment, well done boys. Terry K and Jase Overend look strong, Ross and Robbie will take some beating, but my pick is Hamish Niles and Tom Blacklow. A great mix of steady golf, wonderful flare, superb composure, and stunning good looks. Not sure what Tom brings to the team, maybe he supplies sandwiches! Good luck to everyone involved, the draw is on the website, and we have normal golf for those not in the knockout games.

Last Sunday we had pennants across the district. The results are not yet posted, but I did pick up a few rumours. In the top grade we had two teams playing a double header down at Levels, I believe that I heard both teams had a win and a loss. Terry and the Redpath boys had a narrow loss. I have not heard from Shane about the Alex grade, but I am sure it will have been a big win. In the Patterson grade both Toms Pups and Paddy's old dogs slipped to 11:6 losses. Captain Paddy was hoping for a bit of sympathy from the Fairlie skipper, what, with him being crook and in a buggy. The opposition though were not in a giving mood and handed down a dam good thrashing. The only saving grace the big lad had, is that it was not as big a thrashing as Old Spuds.

Eight jolly boys are heading over the ditch to the Gold Coast on Saturday for a week full of golf and debauchery. Tinwald legend David Rush is leading the group, so hopefully he will bring a touch of sensibility to the proceedings, but trying to control Davo, Bruce, Gaby and all the gang is like herding cats. Have fun boys, wish I was tagging along!

Until next time Good golfing