

Ashburton Golf Club

Well, all the smoke has settled and we have our top 19 finalists for the Property Brokers Shootout.

It was a massive day last Saturday with loads of players all trying to get themselves a decent score to weasel their way into the big race. Top mover was John Duncan who got himself 42 points which catapulted him from 31st to 9th, top work. Other big movers were Tonee Hurley and Terry Kingsbury who both shot steady 36 pointers that went with the great 40 pointers that they already had banked. The cut off was 76 points, with all of those getting through but no space for the 75's. The full list of finalists from 19th place is Brian Fauth, Dave Hampton, Tonee Hurley, Terry K, Al Jopson, Jason Overend, Hayden Mc, Simon Cabout, Brendon Davo, Henry Lawrence, John Duncan, Ken Clucas, Matt Young, Geoff Wright, Rob Coyle, Adrian Hopwood, Gary Stratford, Perry Hunt and top seed Mark Smitheram. The big race kicks off at 10am on Sunday morning. It is always a great spectacle so pop along and watch a wonderful day of ups and downs. Before that, we have an auction to sell all these gorgeous beasts, which will be held around 5pm on Saturday evening, after golf. A form guide has been written, which is on the website and hard copies are in the clubrooms. Have a read and pick your favourite and come along to back them. Many thanks go again to Hamish and Karen and the gang at Property Brokers who, I believe are now into their 12th year of sponsoring this competition. They both have really got behind it and turned it from a wee bit of fun and sport through the quiet holiday period into the most followed game that we play at the club which has grown a life of its own. See you there.

First up though, we have Club opening day on Saturday playing for the AC Browne cup for mixed pairs and the Smith salver for men's pairs. Both games are pairs Ambrose, just to get you ready for the Harvey Norman classic which is coming up soon.

Speaking of the Harvey Norman Classic, entries have gone off like a chop in the sun. The afternoon times are now full, and we only have a few morning tee offs available. Better get in quick. Good golfing

Many thanks,

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