

Don Lawrence Trophy at Woodlands Golf Club 14th May 2019

"The boys from Central Vic win a close one"

The annual Don Lawrence Trophy, our popular 4BBB event was played at its regular venue Woodlands Golf Club in perfect autumn conditions

The field of 28, made up of regular participants with guests, new members and past winning combinations, notably Tony Rule and Andrew Thomson, who were attempting a "three peat" having won the event in 2017 and 2018.

At lunch before teeing off Brendan Moloney, well known GSA member and lifelong friend, gave a humorous insight into some of his memories of Don Lawrence.

As Secretary Kim and Committee member Morag North processed the cards, it appeared the result was going to be very close.

They noted at the turn Andrew and Tony would have felt comfortably on track for a third win, going out with an impressive 27 points, a struggle on the inward nine, saw them finish with 43 points but still well positioned.

Edward Mitchell and Norm Davies pairing together for the first time, also returned a score of 43 -points to take the runner- up position from Andrew and Tony due to their better back nine. One of the last cards in was from Justin Ryan and new member Simon Sheedy, returning winning score of 44 points.

At the presentations Secretary Kim made comment, as she marked their card and could attest to their very consistent play.

So, the Rule and Thomson quest for three wins was not to be, nevertheless it was nice to see the young men from Central Victoria making the trip to play and win the 2019 Don Lawrence Trophy.

Justin is from Bendigo and Simon is from Maldon.

The after-golf presentations and buffet dinner were greatly enjoyed. Muriel Lawrence Don's widow unfortunately was unable to attend due some health issues. Muriel has moved to South Australia to be closer to her family.

See following results



Results

Winners of the Don Lawrence Trophy - Justin Ryan and Simon Sheedy 44 pts Runners up - Edward Mitchell and Norm Davies 43 pts c/b

Best score by member/and non-member guest -Geoff and Elizabeth Knight 46 pts

Best nine out - Andrew Thomson and Tony Rule 27 points

Best nine in - Justin Ryan and Simon Sheedy 25 points

NTP Men - 11th Simon Sheedy 17th Michael Church NTP Women - 17th Kim Hastie

President Graeme Ryan thanked Woodlands for their ongoing hospitality with this event and hosting another thoroughly enjoyable day.

Kim Hastie GSA Hon. Secretary

