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Dinner at Royal Melbourne Golf Club 7th October 2019 **Guest speaker – Geoff Ogilvy**

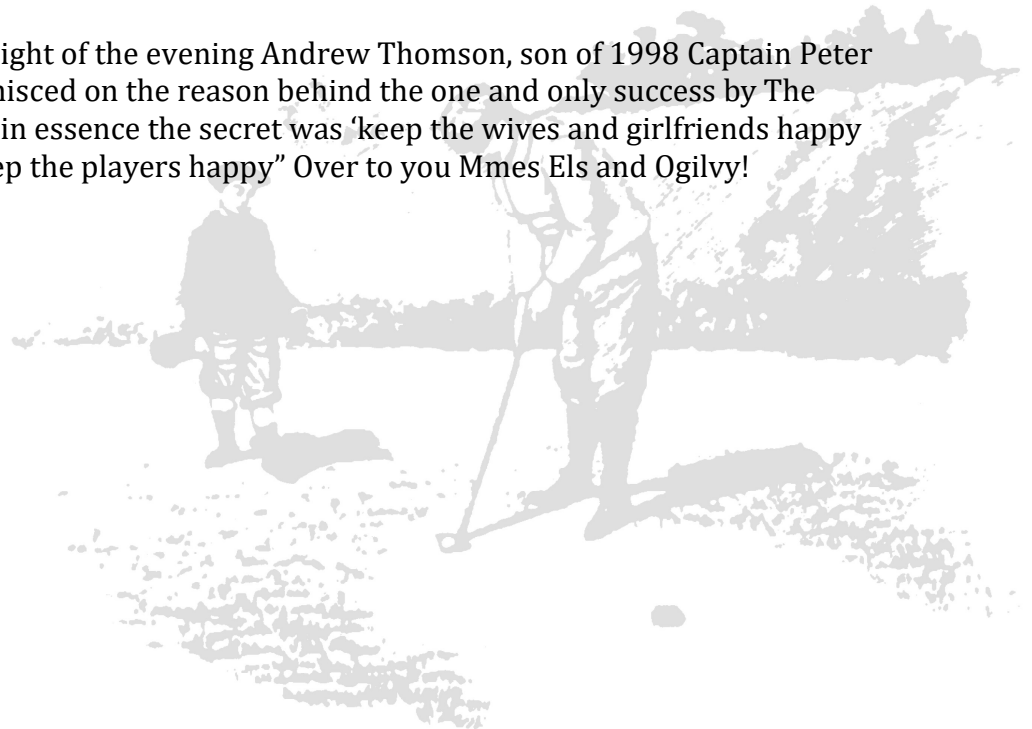
Our final dinner of the year welcomed 2006 US Open Champion and now Melbourne resident Geoff Ogilvy. In his capacity as Assistant Captain to Ernie Els for The Internationals Geoff spoke about the upcoming Presidents Cup. With a 7 – 6 – 1 record in three Presidents Cups and two World Match Play Championship victories Geoff is one of the most accomplished match play golfers of his generation.

A number of topics were covered in the course of the evening such as will Tiger play? Will the real Brooks Koepka turn up? Will Jason Day be in the Captains picks? Who will make up the US Team? What are the dynamics for a successful International Team? Geoff provided well considered and thoughtful replies to all the questions.

Leading golf journalist, Jamie Diaz, once wrote of Geoff... 'He's an intensely curious, fully engaged lover of the game with a gift for the aphoristic that is about four decades beyond his year.' This observation was clearly evidenced in the responses that Geoff gave to an engaged audience of approximately 100 members and their guests.

In another highlight of the evening Andrew Thomson, son of 1998 Captain Peter Thomson, reminisced on the reason behind the one and only success by The Internationals...in essence the secret was 'keep the wives and girlfriends happy and this will keep the players happy' Over to you Mmes Els and Ogilvy!

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