



Stirling Golf Club

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Information For New Members

The Stirling Golf Club was founded by employees of the Stirling City Council in the early 70s and was initially based at Hamersley Golf Course. We have been based at the Wembley Golf Complex since 1978.

We currently have over 40 financial members with handicaps ranging from 5 to 27 and a similarly wide age range.

We play on Saturday mornings and alternate between the Old and Tuart courses. Presently, our first tee time is approximately 8:00 am.

The Club's season runs from the first Saturday in March (usually the Labour Day long weekend) through to early December. The Club still has a permanent booking with Wembley through the summer months for those that want to play all year round.

The membership fee is \$150 per annum with an additional once off \$75 nomination fee for new members. The nomination fee provides the new member with a Club shirt and cap.

Green fees are currently \$35 and are to be paid to the Club Treasurer. This is a few dollars more than the standard fee charged by Wembley but all of this extra money and the membership fees get put back into the club for the weekly prizes and various subsidies such as playing at private clubs and a golf weekend down south.

We pay our green fees in advance in order to secure a regular group booking. If you have paid but cannot make it on the Saturday morning and arrangements can't be made by the Club to fill your position, you may have to forfeit your money. However, the likelihood of this happening is rare.

If necessary, Wembley will usually allow us to increase our numbers as long as we phone them by late Wednesday afternoon.

We have competitions every week with a number of two-week events interspersed throughout the season and culminating in our Club Championships during November.

We also have five novelty hole prizes each week consisting of four closest to the pin on the par 3s and an additional novelty hole determined each week.

The Club subsidises a weekend golfing trip to Bunbury each year, where we usually play the Capel Golf Club and Bunbury Golf Club courses. We leave Perth on Friday night in a hired bus and trailer and return Sunday afternoon. The cost to members in recent years has been \$140 and included the bus hire, two nights accommodation at the Koombana Bay Holiday Resort in Bunbury, green fees for both days and a barbecue lunch after the game on Sunday.

The Club also subsidises a game at two resort courses each year on a Saturday morning in lieu of our normal Wembley fixture. In recent years we have played at The Golf Club Kennedy Bay, Araluen Golf Resort, The Vines Resort and Country Club, Secret Harbour Golf Links and Meadow Springs Golf & Country Club. The cost to members is usually around \$40, including a motorised cart.

Prospective members are required to play five (5) stroke rounds as visitors, regardless of the Club's normal fixtures and hand in their cards to the Captain in order to have their handicap calculated.

Members are required to have played a minimum of ten (10) games (of any format) prior to the commencement of the Club Championships in November to be eligible to win the Club Championship. For new members, this includes the five stroke rounds used to calculate their handicap.

Members are required to have played a minimum of ten (10) stroke rounds to be eligible to for the annual Stroke Round Trophy, which is calculated on the lowest ten stroke rounds for the year. For new members, this is in addition to the five stroke rounds used to calculate their handicap.

The season culminates with the holding of our Annual General Meeting (AGM) which takes place immediately following our last game of the season in December. All prize money and trophies for the season are distributed at the AGM and the Club also provides a meal and beverages to all financial members attending the AGM.

The Club has a website, www.sgc.org.au and members, once financial, are given the User Name and Password to allow them access to the Members Only area which contains members contact details and results.