

## Wintersun Report 22.09.2025

- There were 224 nominations for Wintersun 2025 across the four Whitsunday Golf courses.
- There were 172 nominations for the Mackay 36 hole Wintersun event. Not all of these played as there were some withdrawals prior to the event.
- There were 146 payments received for the Mackay presentation dinner.
- Noticeably Mackay Veteran Golfers nominated for participation across all four competitions. This was not reciprocated by all the other clubs for the Mackay event. Some communication should be undertaken with the other clubs, to seek their views about how we can improve participation from within our four clubs for our four events.
- For our own Mackay competition some improvements and suggestions could be made. The committee will be looking at the process for the draw to help with getting a mix of local members and visitors in each of the groups and to ensure all competitors receive a morning and afternoon tee off time. How do we gather more involvement from our regular membership for Wintersun tasks, including ticket selling and marshalling on the two days. [We had a couple of groups that were quite late at the end of the morning field.] The nominations for cart hire and sharing a cart continues to present as an issue for some groups. Maybe we just let golfers hiring a cart to work directly through the proshop. The charge for hiring a cart through the proshop has to be reviewed. The cost is approx. five years old, Jeff would like to discuss this.
- From all reports the dinner was very successful and enjoyed by all. The Mackay Wintersun event went off quite smoothly thanks to our committee that chipped in with support. Special thanks to Tony Bell for his time and efforts, I would have been lost without his involvement.
- The use of Stableford scoring allowed for a seamless organisation of results and trophies. Was this the reason for the higher number of nominations?