MACKAY VETERAN GOLFERS ASSOCIATION
MENS – CAPTAINS REPORT – OCTOBER 2026

2026 has been a great year for the Mackay Vets so far – Thankyou to our committee, sponsors and players for making it an enjoyable experience for all.

Please note the Veterans Calendar of Events for 2027 is being finalised soon for forwarding to the GM so that it can be integrated into the full club calendar.

Events Played / Participation

June – Mackay Veterans Championship held over 2 rounds. Winner – Steve Harris, Runner up – Tony Avery and 3rd place – Bruce Beasley

July – Mackay District Veterans Interclub Competition – after 3 rounds played at Mackay, Pioneer Valley and finally Sarina – our Mackay Vets were victorious in securing the trophy. Final results Mackay 857, Pioneer 829, and Sarina 771.

August – Wintersun – The participation numbers for all events during Wintersun were down on previous years with the most likely reason being the high cost of fuel keeping many travellers closer to home. That being said Mackay Vets successfully ran our 2-day event with a Shotgun start with a full field

Overall, Winners were Div 1 – George Sweeney, Div 2 – Eric Rickman, Div 3 – Paul Bartolo, +75 – Keith Brennan

September - Pink Ribbon / Prostate Cancer Charity Day – this event was a recent highlight with Men and Ladies raising $8,000 to be split locally between the 2 charities. Thank you to the organising team, the raffle prize donators and the players for supporting this day.

Future Events -

23rd November - Closing Day and Christmas Dinner

Elevate Technology - is our New Sponsor - for the Summer Series - 8 Rounds from the 30th of November 2026 through until the 25th of January 2027.

1st February 2027 – Opening Day – Sponsored by NQ Cleaning and Paints / Rimex

Course Conditions

The course has been spectacular condition through the winter months. The greens staff and Dads Army are to be congratulated for their ongoing efforts. Coming into the pre Christmas heat we are seeing a lot more run on the fairways which has its benefits. Hoping for some rain soon but not to too much!!

Chris Pailthorpe
Men's Captain
19th October 2026