

Prepare your game for the NEW YEAR!



Hi Everyone,

Welcome back to Victoria Park for the New Year. I trust your break was relaxing and that you are ready to make some progress with your game.

What are your golf goals for 2008?

Think about what you'd like to achieve with your game for the year.

Then think about the steps you need to take to achieve them.

Those steps may mean having a really good look at your current game. An analysis of a few rounds should give you a reasonable snapshot of your current situation. Take note of how many fairways you hit, how many greens you hit, what is your conversion rate when you have shots from less than 75 metres? How many 3-putts am I having. Is it distance control or speed control? What % do I make from 2-4 meters?

I can give you a round analysis chart to help with this project.

Once you have this information, your coach is able to formulate some plans with you to take you to the goals you set.

What are some of my clients doing?

Bronwyn Mullins has earned her European Ladies PGA tour card. She's been playing some events in Australia over the last few weeks with mixed success (including a hole-in-one at the NSW Open).

Andrew Dodt has earned tour cards both in Asia (5th at the Q-School) and Australia (2nd at Q-School). Andrew was leading amateur at the Australian Open in 2006 and had been in the National Squad for 3 years before turning pro at the end of 2007.

Adam Blyth will start his 4th year on the Asian Tour soon after finishing 23rd in 2007 on the Asian money list. Adam has steadily improved his position in the Order of Merit over the last 3 years and is looking forward to that upward trend again this year.

I will be in China from Mar 16-30 as part of an Australian PGA delegation, training the Chinese PGA in the area of coaching.

Short game clinics

I've developed 3 separate sessions to cover a wide range of short game options. This will be limited to groups of 6 only to allow everyone to get the most from the session. A fortnight after each of these sessions I plan to run a review session of one hour.

Dates:

Session 1: Sand & Chipping Principles- Feb 16 and then a review session on Mar 1

Session 2: Pitching Distance & Specialty Sand- April 5 and a review session on April 19

Session 3: Sand Distance control & specialty shots- May 3 and a review session on May 17

Cost: The cost will be \$139 for the 3 hours over the 2 dates for each course. Do all 3 (that's 9 hours) for \$360.

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