

On Friday 21st October 2011, the SUT held the inaugural Perth Golf Day. 92 competitors divided into 23 teams gathered at Burswood Golf Course for a light lunch of snags and “refreshments” before teeing off. Those who arrived early took the opportunity to practice their driving, putting or chipping (thanks to a pro master class) and also network with colleagues. Some early examination of the team lists made for plenty of discussion with the majority of the field seemingly novice and playing off a handicap of 27! A goody bag of sun screen provided by FMC, pitch repair provided by Greatships, USB provided by Pressure Dynamics and a polo shirt provide by Silver sponsors GE Oil & Gas and Pelagic was well received.

With the Perth sun shining at full force, everyone was glad of the buggies which had been kindly provided by gold sponsors FMC Technologies and judging by the quantity of drinks being loaded onto each buggy, the competitors were expecting it to be a thirsty afternoon of golf. Prior to leaving the clubhouse, everyone was briefed on the competition rules: an ambrose shotgun event and the location of the novelty holes (nearest the pin, longest drive, straightest drive etc. sponsored by Energy Agencies, Oceaneering, Pressure Dynamics, Greatship Subsea Solutions, WoodGroup Kenny & Genesis). Particular attention was also given to the location of the on course refreshments stations which were kindly sponsored by Castrol Offshore.

The SUT also sponsored the hole in one competition prize which was a car. This required an official observer to monitor the green and formally record the hole in one if it should happen. By the time my team made it to the hole, the observer was looking decidedly relaxed and didn’t seem to think there was any real risk of the car going home with anyone.

Burswood course provided everyone with some challenging golf and I suspect that Australian Oilfield Services & Wild Well Control got great advertising around the course from the golf balls they sponsored. I for one certainly played my part in “strategically” placing a number of their logos around the course. The sunshine held for all 18 holes (flag sponsors were Bredero shaw, Granherne, Greatship Subsea Solutions, Wood Group Kenny, Pressure Dynamics & Statewide Oil)and by around 6pm everyone made it back to the club house to share stories and more networking. MacDermid Offshore Solutions sponsored the post golf dinner, where Terry Griffiths (SUT Perth Chairman) presented a range of generous awards to the days winners. As can be seen from the scores below, a close competition was had:

- NET SCORES: 1st:MacDermid {K.McKenzie, J.Grainger, N.Henson, K.Gauld} (47), 2nd: S2V Consulting (51.75), 3rd: GE Oil & Gas (51.875), 4th: Trident (53.625), 5th: Pressure Dynamics (54.5), 6th: IntecSea.
- Best Gross Score: Wood Group Kenny {A.Burrows, E.Soo, J.Clancy, J.Attkinson} (63), Runner Up: Gensis Oil and Gas (65)
- Longest Drive: N.Broomfield (14), G.Jenner (3)
- Nearest The Pin: P.Green (2), B.Palmer-Owen(6), J.Clancy(16)
- Straightest Drive: M.Green

With the awards made and some great food served up. Everyone called it a day at around 8pm reflecting on a fun day in the sun with SUT colleagues.

Thanks to event organisers, Ray Farrier, Joyce Bremner & Chris Saunders for organising a great day out for the SUT Perth branch.



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