

MILLICENT GOLF CLUB

FIRE PLAN

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Location: The Millicent Golf course is situated at Golf Course Road, Mount Burr. The Course is nestled between Pine forests and Native vegetation in a remote location. Despite ongoing irrigation and mowing of the course It is considered high risk for bushfires. It is not considered practical for members or staff to stay and defend the property. The safety of all personnel is paramount and as such leaving early from this location on catastrophic and extreme fire danger days is recommended.

Safer Places: The closest safer places to the Millicent Golf Course are the townships of Millicent, Penola and Mount Gambier.

Last Resort Locations: Mt Burr Oval, Glencoe West Oval and Tantanoola Oval.

Staff and members should check CFS website for fire locations before leaving for Safer Places or Last Resort Locations.

Before Fire Danger Season

Manage undergrowth, clear up dead and fallen timber. Clear areas around buildings and significant assets. Check insurances. Maintain watering and mowing of course. Photograph honour boards. Prepare fire packs, woollen blanket, water, torch, bandana, overalls, hat, gloves, battery operated radio. Identify shelter in place location, (clubroom). Water tanks of back of Ute.

During Fire Danger Season

Members to be encouraged to monitor fire danger ratings daily, which are available at 4pm on the CFS website. President to check forecast and fire danger rating on the evening prior and to update website.

Days of Severe Fire Danger Days

On days of severe fire danger days, Captains will review whether competition will commence earlier in the day and whether the competition will be shortened. They will monitor ongoing conditions at the course, temperature, wind, humidity. Regularly (at least hourly), check updates on the CFS website. At any time should conditions deteriorate so that it is thought to be unsafe to continue (even in the absence of an actual fire having started nearby) play should be abandoned and the course closed. CFS website should be checked prior to members and staff leaving to go to a safer place.

Days of Extreme Fire Danger Days

Competition of days of extreme fire danger days will be suspended. Members will be encouraged to only attend the course in the very early hours of the morning. All work and play should be completed by 10am when the course will be closed and all members and staff relocated to safer places.

Days of Catastrophic Fire Danger Days

The Course will be closed and no members or personnel should be present at the course.

Sheltering in place

Every precaution is to be taken so that members and staff are not at the course in the event of a fire breaking out on a total fire ban day. However should a fire break out while members are present at the golf course they are to check CFS website and plan to leave the course if it is safe to do so. Taking into account the direction of the fire and prevailing winds. It maybe that members will need to relocate to a safer place that is not their own town.

If it is no longer safe to do so, a member may need to shelter in place. It is considered that the clubrooms is the safest place to shelter from a bushfire. If the clubrooms are locked – breaking in is considered the only option.