



The Belvoir Park Golf Club driving range became operational over the past weekend.

As yet, we have not managed to get the credit card reader operational, so we are selling tokens out of the ProShop. One token will cost \$5.00 and will deliver 20 practice balls. We hope to have credit card payment capability operational this week.

- Totals spend to date is approximately \$50,000
- Budget was \$62,000
- Still some fencing to be completed and some signage.
- The range drew in \$50 revenue on Sunday j

We will run the range on a “low key” basis for a while to refine our systems of operation with the possibility of a “range opening” in April 2025.

The ball machine holds 8000 balls – they are all yellow – marked Srixon with a black line on them – if you see these on the course – probably down the 18<sup>th</sup> – please knock them back onto the range and we will collect them with the ball picker next run.

- The balls are “reduced flight” so won’t go as far as a normal ball.
- The ball picker will run a couple of days a week – pending usage of the range.
- We will continue to improve the range offering over time and pending usage.

From an OH&S perspective, we ask members not to hit their own balls on the range as collection of the balls may be an issue. (If someone rolls up off the street to hit a bucket of balls while you are collecting yours, it could get interesting.)

This facility adds to the member services offering and will assist with future growth opportunities for the club.

Happy golfing – feel free to knock a couple down the range before your next round – it may just help your score.

John Kerr – Vice President