

Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> September saw four of the club's juniors bus out to the 2006 VGL Annual Junior Golf Camp at Mirboo North (in Gippsland) for five days of golf, golf and more golf. The lucky participants were Mark and Ricky Baldasso, Alex and Miles Walsh. The full group consisted of 36 boys with ages ranging from 12 to 16 years. At camp they were broken up into smaller groups, each group being assigned a golf pro to work with for the 5 days. They did lots of golf practice, concentrating on technique, analysing each boy's golf swing and how to improve it, general golf coaching and golfing etiquette.

The boys came back from camp totally pumped about their golf. They said they had an "awesome time" and enjoyed mixing it with other golfing juniors from around the state, and being assisted by the golf pros for the week.

Our boys were interviewed about the camp and here is what they had to say:

#### **What was the best thing about the golf camp?**

Ricky: The pros and the golf lessons they gave us.

Mark: And the food was great too.

Alex: Yeah, the food was great, especially the bacon and eggs for breakfast.

(Congratulations to the golf camp organisers. How unusual for camp participants to say that the food was great!)

Miles: We had a great cabin of 4 guys. We had lots of fun.

#### **What was the most useful thing that you learnt?**

Mark: Distance control for pitching and putting.

Ricky: Set up position for my swing.

Alex: Working on my stance.

Miles: Getting a new swing. It's working for me (some of the time).

#### **What was your favourite hole at the Mirboo North Golf Course?**

Miles: The 16<sup>th</sup> Hole, Par 3. It goes downhill about 100ft.

Alex: Same for me, the 16<sup>th</sup> Hole.

Ricky: Yeah, it looked really cool from the elevated tee.

Mark: I liked the 2<sup>nd</sup> Hole, Par 4. It has a valley in the middle section.

The boys are so into their golf that they can be seen practicing regularly at Royal Park, especially during the October club championship period. Everyone wants to get a place on the winner's board. Good luck to the boys and their golfing aspirations.

Ricky gave a short speech on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October to the club members, thanking the club for sponsoring the four juniors to go to the camp.