



Murwillumbah Golf Club

NEWS FROM JULY 2016

Chairman's Corner

Welcome to the newsletter.

Well those who took the opportunity to attend the Christmas in July event would have totally enjoyed the evening. I must admit to being a little skeptical about the fireworks but they were spectacular and capped a great evening, another well organised function by Natasha. The Club was full with Patrons and many very favorable comments passed, well done. As seen in the photo, "I had the best seat in the house for the 'Cracking' display!"



The Board has formed a committee to formulate, design and cost the addition of the new proposed extension to the Club. There are a number of design options being considered and once settled on details will be placed on the Club's website and notice board.

Other issues being given priority are repairs to our car parks and road entrance. The car park work will be undertaken when the design for the extension is completed given the possible opportunities that could be created to open up more area in the car park. Some temporary repair work is being priced for consideration. As for the road entrance a quote has been accepted and repairs will be completed in the next weeks, subject to availability of the tradesman and weather.

The new card entry system is up and going and there have been some teething problems but we must thank the majority of members for their patience in the change over. If you remember when we changed from manual handicapping and score entry to automated some years ago we had start up problems so issues raised politely will be rectified as fast as possible. Change is not for change sake but for continual long term improvement.

Must thank Graham Nelson for the many hours being put in investigating a number of possibilities the Board is giving consideration. Add to that some strong knowledge and he becomes an excellent Board member and Club member.

Our final year end financial results have not been audited as yet but we can report that last year was a very successful one not only in the trading performance but in the significant reduction of debt. This allows us to continue to develop our facilities and remain a viable enterprise.

Yes to achieve we had reasonable weather but the efforts of the staff cannot go without recognition, all sections of the Club met budget and bettered expectations. As Chairman; rest assured targets set by the Board are closely monitored. So thanks to Gary Thatcher and his team for their contribution.

Lucas Higgins, how good is he! 6 under par in the Rous River open in not so easy conditions, great score and a deserved win. Congratulations.

Veterans week of golf coming up and we hope for good weather for our veterans who run their highly regarded event as do our Women's Club with the Mount Warning Classic.

Good Golfing and see you at our Club.

Chairman
Keith O'Grady

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Manager's Report

Congratulations to Emily Martin who came 19th overall, in the World Stars of Junior Golf in Las Vegas. The experience gained is sure to help with all her future endeavours and on behalf of the Golf Club we wish her all the very best.

The Murwillumbah Veterans committee are to be congratulated on the organisation and preparation for the up coming week of golf. We would also like to thank the Greens Staff for their continuous hard work in having the course in excellent conditions for this event. Well done to all involved I'm sure it will be another successful year.

Our Friday Night kids club is becoming extremely popular, bringing many families out on a Friday Night. Bronwyn Parry is our newest addition to our staffing team, and comes with prior child care experience, perfect for our kids club. We warmly welcome her to our team.

The Friday Night Badge Draw is still high currently sitting at \$6600 at time of printing. We have increased our Meat Raffles every week now, as to give more back to our Members. Bill Quantrill continues to do an excellent job as MC and we cannot thank him enough for his time.

Car parking would have to be one of our biggest issues and we are still investigating many options. We are looking into options of trailing a courtesy bus and if this was successful we would look into purchasing one in the future.

Until next time,
Gary Thatcher
Secretary Manager

This beautiful picture was snapped up by Keith O'Grady at day break whilst Teeing off with the RSL social Golf Club, last Sunday. Isn't it a beauty!



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Pro Shop Report

Congratulations to all the winners of July!!

We have had an epic month of tournaments here at Murwillumbah Golf Club with the Rous River Open and the Mixed and Mens foursomes. Congratulations to the following winners:

Rous River; Men's: Lucas Higgins. Womens: Dallas McCabe

Men's Foursomes: Lucas Higgins & Brett Baker

Mixed Foursomes: Darren Van Egdom & Florence Chadwich

CONGRATULTIONS AGAIN!!!

A side note for the Rous River open is that Lucas shot a blistering score of 6 under par 65 to take the title by 6 shots! Lucas joins a long list of champions that have also been crowned the unofficial prince of Murwillumbah by winning the Rous.

Charlie the Champion

Former member and club captain of Murwillumbah Golf Club Charlie Kaehler is playing in the over 50's pennant series for Lynwood golf club. There are 100 teams that have entered in the tournament and Charlie's team are into the semi finals of the event which is a top effort! Charlie is also undefeated in all of his rounds and plays number 1 for his squad. In a recent interview with Charlie he credited his unflappable play to his time here at Murwillumbah playing with some fierce juniors. We wish Charlie all the best and miss his face around the club!

Golf Operations Manager
Joe Chilcott

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Veterans Working Bee

A well-earned coffee break for some vets golfers after a few torrid hours on the course digging in and concreting some fairway distance markers. All this to help our green staff have our course in "tip top" condition for the VETS week of golf on Monday August 1 to Friday August 5 . 190 golfers will arrive in town from all parts of Australia tackle our great course and enjoy the facilities of our club.



Emily Martin takes on Las Vegas!

Emily and her family would like to thank all those for supporting Emily Martin in getting to the World Stars of Junior Golf in Las Vegas.

This was sent in by Emily's Mother Karen;

" Round 3 was today and she had a great tournament. Round 1 was a PB for her with an 86 and she was coming 14th. She didn't have the best Round 2 with a 91 which dropped her to 20th, however today she hit a fantastic 83 (13th on the day) and ended up 19th overall. We are extremely proud of her and it was a wonderful experience playing against very experienced competition. She plays in the West Coast Junior Olympics next week in California."

We are certain there is a very bright future for Emily Martin along with many other Juniors. A credit to Greame Trew for all his dedication and hard work with everyone that he teaches.



Promotions Report

On Saturday, 23rd July Murwillumbah hosted a "Christmas in July" Event which was accompanied by a massive fireworks display. Families flocked to the club for a glimpse of the big Fireworks spectacular. The Restaurant was fully booked out with over 250 diners. Was great to see so many family out supporting our event and due to the great numbers I'm sure there will be many more events such as this one, planned for the future. Once we have our new open deck a fireworks show is sure to be even more spectacular! See below some photos of what was a great night!



Cartoon



Punography

I tried to catch some Fog. I mist.....
Broken pencils are pointless.....
A dyslexic man walks into a bra.....
I didn't like my beard on me at first. Then it grew on me.....
When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.....
I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me.....
I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down.....
Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.....

Veterans Week of Golf

The Vet's Annual Week of Golf is coming up again. The tournament runs on the 1st/2nd/4th/5th August. There is around 190 members and visitors booked in to play. This event attracts visitors from all over the county. This year there are visitors from Victoria, Tasmania, New Zealand, Queensland and all over New South Wales.



The Murwillumbah Vet's Week of Golf is run in conjunction with the NSW Golf Association, run by Veterans for Veterans. This will be the 8th Year running for Murwillumbah. For anymore information on the event contact Rob Bradford - Tournament Director, Ray Kent - Vets Captain or Gary Hughes - Treasurer

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Previous Visitors who played in the Vets Week of Golf and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. I'm sure many will return again this year.

Golf Program for August

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| Monday 1st | Vets Week of Golf |
| Tuesday 2 nd | Vets Week of Golf |
| Wednesday 3rd | Individual Stableford & 4. B.B.B. Stableford & 9 Hole Warriors |
| Thursday 4 th | Vets Week of Golf |
| Friday 5th | Vets Week of Golf |
| Saturday 6th | Individual Stableford in 4 Grades Glad & Laure Jenkins 36 hole event First Round |
| Sunday 7th | Open Day Individual Stableford Medley |
| Monday 8th | Veterans Single Stableford. Social Golf Day |
| Tuesday 9th | Ladies Single Stableford |
| Wednesday 10th | Individual Stableford in 2 Grades. 9 hole Warriors |
| Thursday 11 th | 1 st Round Mt Warning Classic (No social play until 3:30pm) |
| Friday 12th | 2 nd Round Mt Warning Classic (No social play until 3:30pm) |
| Saturday 13th | Individual Stableford in 4 Grades Glad & Laurie Jenkins 36 hole event Second Round |
| Sunday 14th | Open Day Individual Stableford Medley Bring Guest Day |
| Monday 15th | Social Golf Day. Veterans 4.B.B.B.Stableford Mixed & Members (2nd.Round Mixed Championships) |
| Tuesday 16th | Ladies Patrons Day Single Stableford |
| Wednesday 17th | Individual Stableford with 4. B.B.B.Stableford Conjunction 9 Hole Warriors |
| Thursday 18th | Ladies Monthly Medal Single Stroke in 3 grades |
| Friday 19th | Open Day Individual Stableford Medley |
| Saturday 20th | Individual Stableford in 4 Grades |
| Sunday 21st | Individual Stableford Medley |
| Monday 22nd | Social Golf Day Veteran's Mixed & Members 4.B.B.B.Stableford |
| Tuesday 23rd | Ladies Single Stableford |
| Wednesday 24th | Individual Stableford. 9 Hole Warriors |
| Thursday 25th | Ladies 4BBBV PAR + SINGLE PAR in conjunction |
| Friday 26th | Open day Individual Stableford Medley |
| Saturday 27th | Individual Stableford in 4 Grades |
| Sunday 28th | Individual Stableford Medley Bring a Guest Day |
| Monday 29 th | Social Golf Day. Veteran's Individual Stroke in 2 Grades |
| Tuesday 30th | Women's Championships round one Single Stroke. |



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Our Golfing Rabbit

Spot the white rabbit.....

Many have noticed our little white friend roaming the golf club grounds. This friendly rabbit is often seen in the gardens behind the clubhouse. Where have you spotted him? Picture supplied by Tom Brown.



Tree of the Course - Wattle Tree

It's Wattle time on Murwillumbah Golf Course. This beautiful Cootamundra Wattle is in full bloom and is being admired by two "dapper" dressers who always look colourful on our course..... Like many others.

Fairway Sessions

Sunday 28th August 1-4pm

Good Melodic Live Music

BINGO

Every Thursday 3pm

Triv?d

Wednesday Nights 7pm

3rd, 17th & 31st August