



Murwillumbah Golf Club

NEWS FROM SEPTEMBER 2016

Chairman's Corner

Welcome to the newsletter. Well another month has rolled by and Christmas is closer than you think. If you are considering a family or work function at the Club I would suggest you book a spot now to ensure you are not disappointed by being late and missing out.

Bill Quantrill, what an amazing man he is. You can see him live at the Club every Friday night selling "winning" raffle tickets, throwing in some trivia and in general entertaining all in attendance. You never know what he will get up to which as Chairman does make me nervous at times. If you haven't been to the Club on a Friday night give it a try, its not all about the Members draw, its about fellowship at a family Club which as a Member is your Club.

We are coming up to another AGM in November and the appropriate notices will be displayed on the Club website and/or mailed where required in due course. If you are considering becoming a Director please call into the office to collect a Director's pack that shows what your duties and responsibilities include. There is a lot more to it than an allocated car park and positions are unpaid.

Our annual report will show that the Club had an exceptional year and we were able to pay down nearly all of our loan facility, more on that in the reports.

The Club is in the process of purchasing the property that adjoins the cart shed on Byangum Road this will give us a number of options into the future.

Members Club Championships (Women and Men) have been run and won. Congratulations to the winners and to those who completed the 4 rounds. For the first time in my 46 year membership I was unable to complete the 4 rounds due to work commitments, I can hear the collective sigh as I type! To complete the journey is as important as starting it.

Put the 9th October in your calendar as that is the fund raising day for Sheridan Gorton to assist in getting her started in her professional golfing career. It's a four person ambrose with a twist and you will need to be there to see what surprises are install. The day is being organised by Steve (Carrots) Walton with friends and as far as I am aware a river swim is not involved, although if someone was to put up funds Carrots may be enticed to re-enact his classic dive. Relevant details for the day are at the Golf Shop. Organise a team and get your name down for a fun day followed by an auction of some rather select items that would make it worthwhile to attend if you are into sporting goods of not only golfing connections or to just observe the activity.

Well done to Gary Thatcher and all our staff especially Joe Chilcott and the Golf Shop staff for the running of another successful Pro-Am. Brian Cox and his staff presented the course in immaculate condition, Victor and Charlene put on a great meal! The Bar staff service was excellent and the administration staff provided the back up to ensure all was covered.

Once again Natasha with her support team have put on an excellent show with the 50's Night and in-spite of some ordinary weather the night proved popular. The staff looked great in their dressing up gear as did many of the members attending.

If you haven't been to one of these nights I would suggest that you take your slippers off and come to the Club for as much fun as you can let yourself have.

A bad day at golf beats a good day at work but what if your retired? Answer that one Bill.

Good Golfing and see you at our Club.
Chairman
Keith O'Grady

Manager's Report

ATTENTION MEMBERS—The club is upgrading the Beer Reticulation system as a result draft beer will not be available on Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th October. There will still be plenty of bottled beer available.

Joe organised another successful Pro—Am, It was a great day, my golf was even surprisingly good. An enjoyable day had by all. Pictured Left to right, Guy, Jarrod, Matt, Yours Truly and Ty. Thank you to all the sponsors especially Schweppes for their continued support. Looking forward to next year.



Once again the club has decided to absorb the recent cost price increase from our suppliers. Keeping all the beer prices lower than the recommended retail price. One way of giving back to our members. Who without them we would be nothing.

The weather has started to heat up and the course in is immaculate condition resulting in larger fields and busy social bookings. The clubhouse has also been very busy with Friday Nights being a full house. The restaurant is doing an excellent job at suppling a huge amount of meals on Fridays. Please understand with a fully booked restaurant longer waits are expected and the Hot Wok & Grill are doing the best job they possibly can. Remember to get in early and to order early to try an avoid the 6.30-7pm rush.

Don't forget our FREE COURTESY BUS is running every Friday & Saturday night from 5.30pm onwards. Booking to the Office or the bar.

Enjoy the warm weather, great golf and cold beers.
Until next time,
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Secretary Manager

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Congratulations to High School Sweethearts Joe & Maz who will tie the knot on Saturday the 1st October. On behalf of all the staff and the Board we wish them all the best for their future together. I'm sure we will have to photo's of the wedding in the months Newsletter, so keep an eye out.

GOLF Rules of the Weird

1. Decision 23/6.5 If you encounter a snake during your round (and are brave enough to inspect it up close) remember this distinction: A snake that's alive is considered an outside agency, but a snake that's dead can be treated as a loose impediment.

Pro-Am

The Pro-Am is over for another year and the 2016 event went off successfully with Deyon Lawson and Cory Crawford having great rounds of 4 under par. It was great to see the quality field that we had with players like Michael Sim, Steven Jeffress and Steve Jones. Apart from the rain it was a fantastic day. Thanks to all the sponsors and players that made it such a successful event.

Jokes for Joe.....



**BEING MARRIED IS
LIKE HAVING THE FREEDOM
TO DO WHATEVER
YOUR WIFE TELLS YOU.**

MATH MADE SIMPLE.



**IF YOU HAVE \$20 AND YOUR
WIFE HAS \$5, SHE HAS \$25.**

Quotes Worth Reading.....

- 1) Greg Norman was the hardest practiser I ever saw, period. When he went to the range to change something, he didn't leave until he had it. It could be 5 minutes, or it could be 12 hours - NO EXAGGERATION ! Steve Williams, Caddie.
- 2) Robert Allenby, Stuart Appleby, Adam Scott and Jason Day hold the honour of winning the Australian Boys' Amateur Championship. They share the common trait of being outstanding teenage golfers who made the transition into becoming stars on the US PGA Tour.
- 3) "If you don't play any good, you don't get paid. That's the simple fact. You can't keep missing cuts because you run out of money and then you're bugged." Something every pro golfer soon learns! - A seasoned Pro.

Meet the Old Boys

The Old Boys Club, officially titled Murwillumbah High School Old Boys Social Golf Club, is a group of MGC players ranging in age from twelve to eighty one who tackle the beautiful Murwillumbah course every Saturday morning taking up the first four groups on 1st and 10th tees.

The Club was first constituted on 9th August 1973 at a meeting in the M'bah Imperial Hotel, a drinking hole for many of the early members. Inaugural office bearers elected included Bill (Magoo) McGuinness, a MHS teacher, as President and Peter Dimond, local rugby league hero and hotelier as Patron. A 40 Year Reunion Dinner was held in 2013 at which nine of our 15 Life Members attended. Our current playing membership is fifty which at times becomes difficult to accommodate all those wishing to play, but our member's book remains open.

The Club runs their competitions over three grades using a handicap system distinct from the current AGU system but one which is more forgiving and which embraces the 'social' culture of the Club. The events are generally in line with MGC events and include fourballs, medals, matchplays, ambroses and our own Eclectic.

I had been playing in a group immediately behind Old Boys for a few years after joining MGC and we became involved in their 19th hole celebrations. In 1995 the group, which included MGC Legend Ray 'Crusty' Molloy, joined Old Boys and I was subsequently elected to Committee in 1998. In 2004 I was elected Handicapper, a position I still occupy and thoroughly enjoy, despite the heckling and jokes at presentations. - Jack Harris.

Editors Note - Every Successful organisation has someone like Jack!

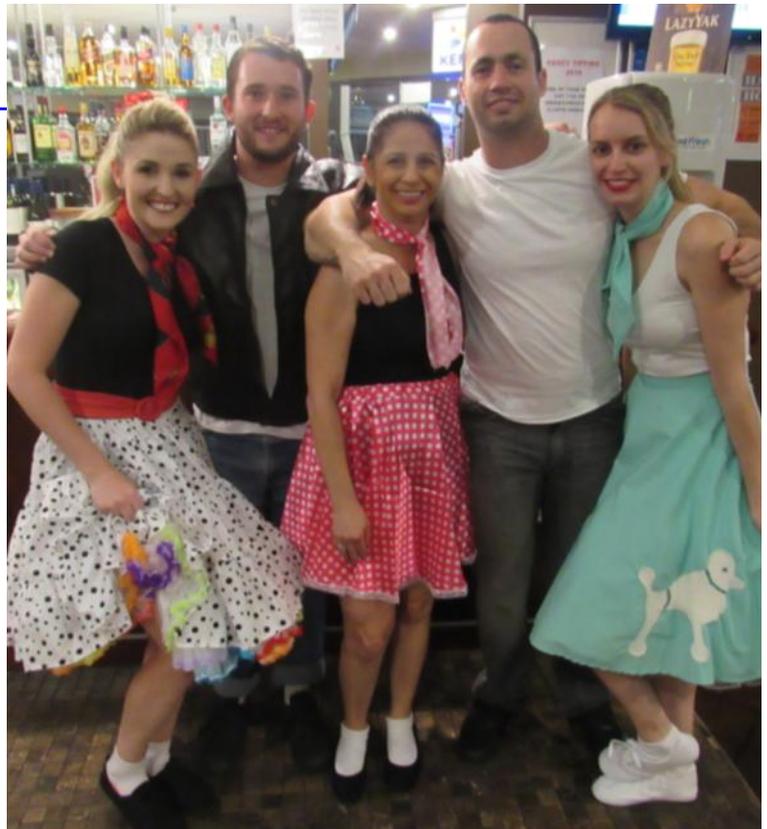


The real old boys of "Old Boys"

Promotions Report

Our Back to the 50's Rock & Roll night was a lot of fun! Pictured the bar staff getting into the theme of things. Callic Rockers were outstanding and got the diners up and moving. Many favourable comments were passed . We will be looking at doing another Rock & Roll night again next year!
Pictured Jess, Cody, Mary, Eric & Myself.

The club definitely seems like the place to be on a Friday Night with the badge draw now up to a staggering **\$8400** it sure would be worth being here if you name was called out. Friday Night ensures a fun, humorous night with plenty of laughs. Why not come on out and see what all the fuss is about?



THEME NIGHT—THEME NIGHT— THEME NIGHT—



Yes another theme night has been planned. This one is **our first ever Oktoberfest theme night here at the club!** Come on out to see what costumes the bar staff will have on this time. We will be stocking German Beer Stubbies as well as limited Stein glasses available to purchase with the beer. Get in quick as the glasses wont last long! For the ladies we will be stocking German Raddles (Shandies) There will be Veal and Chicken Schnitzels from the Restaurant and Free Table Pretzels. Plenty of prizes for best dressed. If you're after a fun night out, why not book a table and catch the **FREE** courtesy bus!

Natasha Bolden - Promotions Coordinator

Joke Time-The Blonde on the plane.....

A blonde gets on an airplane and sits down in the first class section of the plane. The stewardess rushes over to her and tells her she must move to coach because she doesn't have a first class ticket. The blonde replies, "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful, and I'm staying in first class until we reach New York."

The disgusted stewardess gets the head stewardess who asks the blonde to leave. The blonde yet again repeats "I'm blonde, I'm beautiful, and I'm staying in first class until we reach New York." The head stewardesses doesn't even know what to do at this point because they still have to get the rest of the passengers seated to take off; the blonde is causing a problem with boarding now, so the stewardess gets the co-pilot.

The co-pilot goes up to the blonde and whispers in her ear. She immediately gets up and goes to her seat in the coach section. The head stewardess asks the co-pilot in amazement what he said to get her to move to her correct seat. The co-pilot replies, "I told her first class wasn't going to New York."

Joke Time - Ever Wondered.....

Why do supermarkets make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.

Why do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke.

Why do banks leave vault doors open and then chain the pens to the counters.

Why do we leave cars worth thousands of pounds in our driveways and put our useless junk in the garage.

Why do we buy hamburgers in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight..

EVER WONDER ...

Why the sun lightens our hair, but darkens our skin?

Why can't women put on mascara with their mouth closed?

Why don't you ever see the headline 'Psychic Wins Lottery'?

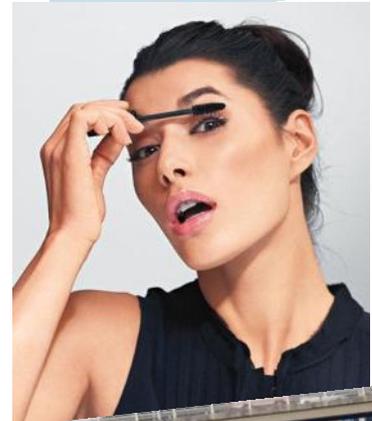
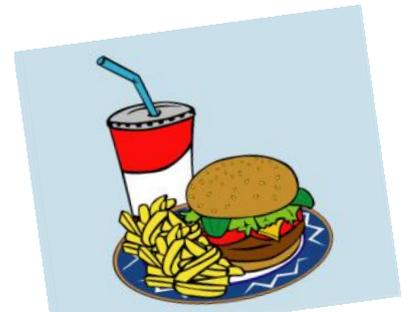
Why is 'abbreviated' such a long word?

Why is it that doctors call what they do 'practice'?

Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavouring, and dishwashing liquid made with real lemons?

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?



Golf Program for October

Saturday 1st	Monthly Medal
Sunday 2nd	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Monday 3rd	Social Golf Day. Veteran's Individual Stableford in Grades.
Tuesday 4th	Ladies Single Stableford & Tweed Travel Trophy
Wednesday 5 th	Individual Stableford in 2 Grades
Thursday 6th	Ladies Golf Medal Play off Single Stroke in 3 grades
Friday 7 th	Back Marker Challenge
Saturday 8 th	Individual V's Par in 4 Grades
Sunday 9 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Monday 10 th	Social Golf Day (GREEN RENOVATIONS) Veteran's Individual Stroke in Grades
Tuesday 11th	Ladies 4 person Heartball
Wednesday 12 th	Individual Stableford with 4. B.B.B. Stableford in Conduction 9 Hole Warriors
Thursday 13th	Ladies Single Stroke
Friday 14 th	Open Day Individual Stableford
Saturday 15 th	4 Person Ambrose Green Keepers revenge day
Sunday 16 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Monday 17 th	Social Golf Day. Veteran's Individual Stableford in 2 Grades AGM
Tuesday 18th	Ladies 3 person Ambrose
Wednesday 19th	Individual Stableford in 2 Grades. 9 Hole Warriors
Thursday 20th	Ladies Single Stroke Flag Event
Friday 21st	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Saturday 22nd	Individual Stableford with 4.B.B.B. Stableford in Conjunction
Sunday 23rd	Rick Rattray Memorial Day 4 Person Ambrose.
Monday 24th	Social Golf Day. Veteran's Individual Stableford in Grades
Tuesday 25th	Ladies Single Stableford
Wednesday 26 th	Individual V's Par in 2 Grades. 9 Hole Warriors
Thursday 27th	Ladies 4 Person Ambrose Medley—Young Talent Fundraiser.
Friday 28 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Saturday 29th	Individual Stableford in 4 Grades
Sunday 30th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley Guest Day



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Wednesday Nights 7pm
12th & 26th October



Every Thursday 3pm

Fairway Sessions

Sunday 23rd October 1-4pm

Good Melodic Live Music



Sheridan Gorton Fundraiser Day



9th October
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4 Person Ambrose
Shotgun 7.30 and 12.30
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