











Welcome to the newsletter.

Hard to believe that in the time I have been Chairman of the Club we have rotated 6 Prime Ministers?

Anyway back to the Club, we are now in possession of five additional golf carts for hire and this will greatly assist on those busy days and give us the capability to cater for more visitors to the Club.

It would be nice to get some back up rain to the showers we had last week, while the course is in excellent condition some bare patches are starting to appear and again it is important that cart users abide by the rules and follow signage instructions staying on paths and away from greens. We have now put them in pictures to make it easier to understand.

As a duty of care to all members and visitors, if you observe an issue that could be unsafe could you please report it to the administration office or to the staff at the golf shop. This can then be reviewed and the appropriate action be taken.

Major projects – planning continues on a number of projects including but not limited to work on the 3rd green, additional and extensions to cart paths, removal of tree roots extending onto the fairways in particular the 13th hole. Add that to researching alternatives for other requirements and there is a busy time for all.

Date to remember – the AGM will be in November at this stage on Sunday 18th– please check the website closer to that date to confirm, notices of meeting will be sent out in due course.

The Mount Warning Classic and the Veterans week of golf have again proven successful events and congratulations to the Women's Golf Committee and the Veterans Committee for the running of these events, you do the Club proud with well run and coordinated events every year.

The Murwillumbah Pro Am has been run and won congratulations to Adam and the crew at the Golf Shop for their efforts in not only running a very successful event but also for the backup and unseen work they do in the running of all events on the course.

Comments on the course from all three events were very favourable and in line with the thoughts we all have, including a comment from a

Pro that he will remember the 6th green for ever – I think he got above the hole, then well below it.

With that big thanks to Brian Cox and in particular Trent Butterfield who has been leading the crew "on the field" while Brian has been sidelined.

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Something to remember while on the course, the foot you use when your playing partners can't see you, could mean other players behind you or neighbours to the course see what your up to, don't get the title "soccer" in front of your name. The old advert we had on TV is an attempt at humour, it does not create forgiveness. Soccer players will be dealt with accordingly and transferred to the appropriate grounds.

Friday night members draw, an opportunity for all members to create an increase in their bank account, but only if you are there. Draw times are flexible so be there early to ensure you don't miss the draw.

Be safe, have a Plan B, the courtesy bus is an excellent Plan B and available on given days to be used by patrons, please use it and be safe to yourself and those around you.

Good health and good golfing, see you at the Club.

Chairman Keith O'Grady

Manager's Report

August has been a very busy month both on the golf course and in the club house. Congratulations to the Vets and Ladies committees for running very successful tournaments again, the Week of Golf and Mt Warning Classic.

This year's Pro-am has been run and won. I had the pleasure of playing with the winning professional, Steven Jeffress who finished 5 under par 66. A great round to watch and one of only three players to be under par on the day. Congratulations to Adam and his team in the golf shop for a job well done organising the tournament along with Nicole from the PGA. Thanks to Schweppes for again being the major sponsors and to all the other sponsors, hope you all enjoyed the day.



The Club recently participated in the Great Northern "Let it Pour" Drought Relief. A keg was donated by Great Northern and all proceeds from the sales, a total of \$660 has been donated to the Drought Relief Fund (administered by Rotary Australia). 1,000 kegs were donated to venues on the east coast and \$1 million is expected to be raised including an upfront donation by Great Northern.

This month we have an introductory price for Peroni Leggera stubbies \$5 and Peroni Nastro Azzurro \$5.50. Thursday and Friday Happy Hour between 5 and 6pm is still proving popular. Schooners, basic spirits and basic liqueurs are all still \$4 during Happy Hours.

Bring dad along to the Club on Fathers Day, this Sunday and enjoy lunch or dinner at the Hot Wok & Grill, entertainment on the deck, meat raffles and prize giveaways.

Good golfing, until next time,

Gary Thatcher Secretary Manager





Golf Shop Report

Sales have been good during the month due to extra foot traffic throughout the tournaments and the golf shop is primed for the arrival of new stock in the next few months. September/ October is the scheduled date for fresh new stock from Titleist and Footjoy to be launched. The new products include an exciting range of Men's and Ladies Footjoy shoes, Footjoy apparel, Titleist golf bags, Titleist drivers & fairway woods and Ladies apparel. There will also be a Titleist fitting day on Friday 14th September to coincide with the launch of the new TS driver and fairway woods. If you would like a chance to be professionally fitted for any Titleist equipment please see the golf shop for available times.

The Pro am was held on Thursday 23rd August and the event attracted 70 professionals from as far as New Zealand. Our major sponsor Schweppes once again contributed the lion share of the sponsorship fund and supplied Gatorade and Water to distribute on the day. The field on the day was 187 players split between two shotgun starts in the morning and afternoon. Steve Jeffress was the worthy winner with a round of 5 under 66 and the rest of the field was left in his dust. The event ran smoothly and everyone involved had a great day. A massive thanks to Brian and his team for presenting the golf course in fantastic condition, once again the amazing greens were the showcase of the tournament. I would like to personally thank everyone who helped make the day a success and a special mention to the golf shop crew for their hard work during the event.



Pictured Steve Jeffress - Pro-Am Winner

Jeffress' round included six birdies and just the one bogey resulting from a missed green with a wedge from centre of the fairway.

"I played really well today, I only missed the one shot which was on the 17th," said Jeffress. "I finished 5-under par for my last eight holes which was really pleasing, I'm feeling good about the remaining events here in the Northern Rivers."

Paul Hayden has finished in outright second position after shooting a 3-under par 68. "My day started so well, with a chip in for eagle on my first hole," said Hayden. "I played great but had a disappointing finish with a 3 and a 4 putt over my closing holes."

The club championships are the next major event on the calendar with the ladies scheduled for the 28^{th} & 30^{th} August/ 4^{th} & 6^{th} September and the men's 15^{th} , 16^{th} , 22^{nd} and 23^{rd} of September.

Good luck to everyone competing in the championships this year.

Have a great golfing month, Adam Causley, Golf Operations Manager



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Women's Golf Mt Warning Classic

The Mount Warning Classic was contested by 165 players from 21 different clubs from Perth to Bribie Island to Tenterfield to Port Sorell in Tasmania. One Hundred and eighteen were visitors. The weather was perfect and everyone enjoyed playing on our beautiful course in peak condition.

2018 Mount Warning Classic Champion, Sunny Moon from Gold Coast Burleigh, was presented with her trophy by Bill Townsend from Coolabah Cooling, our major sponsor.

Mount Warning Classic Champion Runner up is Rachel Byecroft from Tally Valley.

Division 2 36 Hole Winner is Marg Reynolds from Murwillumbah

Division 3 Winner is Nola Chappel from Coolangatta Tweed Division 4 Winner was Lyn Harcourt from Ocean Shores.



Murwillumbah Veterans "Week of Golf"



Approximately 190 golfers from all over Australia attended this annual event from July 30 to August 3. Over the four days of golf 765 rounds were played.

The Men's Shield was won by local, Kerry Bullen. The Ladies Shield winner was Elisabeth Brown from Coolangatta/Tweed. 373 golf balls were given to the other event winners.

I'm very proud of our Vets Committee who did a superb job of organising this major event with special praise to Tournament Director and Vets captain, Ray Kent, Vice

Captain Gary Fidler, Treasurer Gary Hughes and his assistant John Belshaw.

A major event like this requires many volunteers: "Spotters" Bunker rackers -Score Enterers, etc. All of whom performed their tasks with efficiency and a "SMILE". Kev Blyth manned the 2nd Green all four days from daylight till Dusk raking the Bunkers 185 times.

We received lots of deserved praise from the players for:

Course presentation by the Green Staff.

Golf Shop assistance (well done Brad)

Bar staff efficiency and friendliness

and the Hot Wok and Grill restaurant (great food).

We are still getting Emails of thanks from visiting players with a commitment to be back next year!

"A great team effort"

Bob Green (Hon Pres)



Promotions Report

Last Chance to book in for Fathers Day Lunch, please try and support our event.....

There are fantastic prizes up for grabs along with our usual meat tray raffle and live music out on the deck, Jerome from 12-2pm and Kristie Lea 4-6pm.

Plenty of reasons to pop out with dad whether it's for lunch, dinner or just to relax and listen to some afternoon music out on the deck.....

Trivia is on next month, the 5th and 19th September. Trivia starts at 7pm sharp so make sure you are here a few minutes beforehand. Trivia is fun and free to enter. The top three teams all get loyalty points and the losing team even gets a free keno ticket. Give our trivia a go and you might become one of our regular teams who love it!

Friday Nights are starting to draw large crowds again with the members badge draw now at a very respectable \$6400 (at time of printing*) Bill Quantrill is on holidays and will be dearly missed on the microphone, but will be back in 4 weeks time. Enjoy your well deserved break Bill! Thanks to Ian Campbell for helping out in Bill's absence.

Saw this picture on Facebook the other day and found it rather interesting, something for the smokers out there to think about.....

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If you have any jokes or articles which you think might be of interest to other members please email them to myself at promotions@murwillumbahgolfclub.com.au or drop them into the office.

-Natasha Bolden, Promotions Coordinator



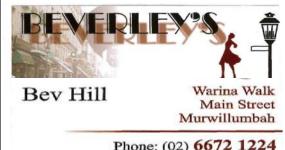


Happy winners of their first ever meat tray after years of buying tickets!!!!

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Dad Jokes, just in time for Fathers Day....

My wife was furious at our neighbour who sunbathes topless in her backyard...... Personally I'm on the fence....

Thanks for explaining the word "many" to me..... It means a lot.....

Did you hear about the restaurant on the moon..... Great food, no atmosphere.....

Two guys walk into a bar..... The third guy ducks.....

My wife handed me two kayak paddles and asked, "Which one do you want?" I said I'd take either/Oar....

I got sacked from my job at the bank today..... An old lady came in and asked me to check her balance..... So I pushed her.....

Fun Facts to think about....

- When the first Census was conducted back in 1911 the typical Aussie was represented as a 24-yearold male, but according to the 2016 Census the typical Aussie is now a 38-year-old women. Married with 2.2 Children, completed year 12 and lives in a three-bedroom single level house.
- The term "Hard Yakka" Aussie slang for hard work—has indigenous origins. It's a derivative of the word "Yaga" which is the Yagara word for "work"
- Fraser Island off the east coast of Queensland, is the world largest sand island with an area of 1840 square kilometres.

Bill's Bush Tucker (Had to be included in the Newsletter.....)



- 1 whole barramundi, gutted
- Bed of hot coals
- Paperbark or banana leaves plates
- Gum leaves for resting the fish

Method; The scales are left on to protect the tasty flesh. It also makes turning easier. Place gutted barramundi on hot coals. To avoid any burning, turn fish frequently. Cooking time depends on the size of the fish and the heat of the coals. Cooked flesh is white.

When cooked remove from the fire and place on gum leaves. Insert knife along backbone halve and remove bones. Remember to eat the cheek, as this is the "prime cut."



<<<<< Play it as it lies lady!

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Unless advised, all event presentations are held at the Murwillumbah Golf Club along with weekly raffles. If you require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact Shannon Murnane

23/09/2018 4BBB (Sponsors Scotty Bartrim & Darren Van Egdom)
30/09/2018 Single Stableford (Sponsor RSL Social Golf Club)
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09/09/2018 4BBB – (Sponsors Andrew & Lynette Moore) 16/09/2018 Lefties v Righties – (Sponsor Jeff 'JJ' Baker)

Our upcoming events for September are:

Golf Fixtures September 2018

Saturday 1 st	Monthly Medal in 4 Grades
Sunday 2 nd	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley. Fathers Day
Monday 3 rd	Social Golf Day. Veteran's am
Tuesday 4th	Women's Golf round 3 WGM Championships
Wednesday 5 th	Individual Stableford in 2 Grades 4 BBB in conjuction 9 Hole Warriors
Thursday 6th	Women's Golf round 4 WGM Championships
Friday 7 th	Blue Marker Day
Saturday 8 th	Individual Stableford in 4 Grades
Sunday 9 th	Individual Stableford Medley
Monday 10 th	Social Golf Day. Veteran's am
Tuesday 11th	Women's Golf Canadian 2 Stroke
Wednesday 12 th	Individual Stableford in 2 Grades . 9 Hole Warriors
Thursday 13th	Women's Golf Single Stableford
Friday 14 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Saturday 15 th	1st.Round Members Championships Individual Stroke in 4 Grades (Course Closed)
Sunday 16 th	2nd.Round Club Championships Individual Stroke in 4 Grades (Course Closed)
Monday 17 th	Social Golf DayVeteran's am
Tuesday 18th	Women's Monthly Medal
Wednesday 19 th	Individual Stroke in 2 grades. 9 Hole Warriors
Thursday 20th	Women's Single Stableford
Friday 21 st	Open Day Individual Stableford
Saturday 22 nd 4	3rd.Round Members Championships Individual Stroke in Grades (Course Closed)
Sunday 23 rd	4 th Round Members Championships Individual Stroke in 4 Grades (Course Closed)
Monday 24 th	Social Golf Day. Veteran's am
Tuesday 25th	Women's 2 Person Aggregate
Wednesday 26 th	Individual Stableford in 2 Grades.9 Hole Warriors
Friday 28 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Saturday 29 th	Individual Stableford (Hidden Holes) in 4 Grades
Sunday 30 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley

Fairway sessions

Sunday 23rd September 1-4pm



OUT ON THE NEW DECK 4-6pm



Kristie Lee
Pop / top 40 / Classics
SUNDAY 2nd September



Candice Dianna From the Voice (Back by demand)

Amazing voice accompanied by the keyboard

SUNDAY 9th September



Raku O gaia

Singer / Songwriter Blues / Soul

SUNDAY 16th September



Josh Lovegrove

singer/songwriter/ live looping artist

SUNDAY 30th September