



Chairman's Corner

Welcome to the Newsletter.

A big thank you to all members who have renewed their memberships for 2020-2021. Lots of members took advantage of paying before the end of June and received the \$50 discount off their full golfing fees. If you have not yet paid your fees please do so quickly to remain financial. Fee payments can be spread out over the year if that helps. See the office staff for more information.



Congratulations goes to Lucas Higgins who has won the triple crown. Lucas beat a very strong field to win the Murwillumbah Open and was the only player to break Par. He then teamed up with Jan Gielis to win the Mixed Foursomes. A week later he won the Men's Foursomes with his Father David. The Grand Slam beckons in September when he tries to win the Men's Championships. Good Luck Lucas. The Board would also like to thank Lucas for his contribution to the smooth running of the Pro Shop over the last few months. A job well done!

The toilet renovations have now been completed. The local tradesman have done a great job and the board would like to thank Darren Van Egdome for co-ordinating and completing the renovations inside the time frame. The new toilets are a great acquisition for the club.

The new pathway from the 17th Green to the 18th tee has been completed and looks great. The pathway will ensure this area remains fairly dry in the wet weather. A big thank you to the Greens Staff for their work in this area and also continuing to keep the golf course in such an excellent condition. Don't forget to fill in your divots as the course is experiencing a lot of traffic at the moment.

The 2020 Pro-Am, to be held in a couple of weeks, looks like it will have the strongest field we have had for a number of years. A large number of professionals have already indicated their willingness to play in the event. If you want to play in the Pro-Am please make sure you get your name down as soon as possible. It should be a great day.

Membership at this stage is very strong. Competition fields are excellent and getting a game in on Saturday is an achievement. **If you are unable to play please ring as soon as possible to let the pro shop know.** We will be changing the booking times for the Wednesday Competition for men in a couple of weeks to take the pressure off the Sunday Morning booking times. See Captain's report over.

With Covid-19 showing an increase in NSW it is vitally important to adhere to all plans that the club has put in place. **Do not forget you have to sign in upon arrival at the office or bar.** Our bar staff are doing a great job so if you are asked to follow the Covid plans please do so. We do not want to be shut down so keep up to date with all the changes. Thank you for your support.

The board is looking at a number of options for improved car parking and buggy spaces. If the club's finances remain strong and we continue to operate successfully over the next four months then the new kitchen renovations may not be far off. This project will be a huge benefit to the Club.

Continue to enjoy your golf and don't forget to use clubhouse facilities.

Graham Rosenbaum—Chairman

Manager's Notes

Thanks to all our members for supporting the club through these unprecedented times. Welcome to all our new members that have joined recently. I'm sure you are loving the quality of our great Golf Course and Clubhouse.

Inside the Clubhouse we are having to conform to a strict Covid-19 Safety Plan to ensure that we have a safe environment for all our staff and patrons. Please continue to follow all instructions from our trained staff. Please practice social distancing from members not in your household, use the hand sanitizer provided around the clubhouse and wash your hand regularly. Please be patient during busy times when signing the register, this is an essential step in keeping you and your loved ones protected.

Stay safe and happy golfing!

Gary Thatcher

Secretary Manager

Special Notes for our Members and Guests

- Many thanks to all who are placing rubbish in the bins around the course and clubhouse.... especially smokers who are disposing their butts in the sand bins near the clubhouse.
- Members are urged to take notice of notice boards indicating coming events. (Golf Shop and Clubhouse).
- Please support the Greens Staff and keep buggies on concrete paths. You paid for them so please always use them.
- Please refrain from emptying sand buckets on front garden. Return it to sand barrels on grounds. Too expensive to throw away.
- Blue Lines are back on our course. For the safety of our course please do not cross with buggies.
- These two women know about the blue lines. No Buggies to



Flash Jack

Les Gorton won \$500 cash in the "Jag the Joker" promotion last Friday Night. Money was well spent on new golfing attire.



Shop 5 / 58 Wollumbin Street

Captain's Report

The Murwillumbah Open was a huge success with lots of low handicap golfers from other clubs trying to take home the main prize. Lucas once again has shown how good he is especially on his home track posting a 2 under par to finish at the top of the leader board.

The Mixed Foursomes had a good field and was keenly contested by our better golfers with Jan Gielis and Lucas Higgins winning the title.

The Members Foursomes was played the following week and Lucas teamed up with his dad to claim his third honour board event in the same amount of weeks. With the Club Championships the only title left to claim the "Grand Slam."

The Pro-Am is scheduled for the 13th August and a lot of the top professionals are showing interest in playing here because of current travel restrictions. The format for this years Pro-Am will be a 2 Tee start and not the normal shot gun start so if you are in the field that day check your tee time!

The now normal 10am Sunday booking time for Saturdays and Wednesdays timesheet has put some pressure on our computer system and the golf shop staff so we will be changing the Wednesday booking time to either a Wednesday or Thursday. We haven't yet decided what time to open the Wednesday timesheet but it has been suggested around 6am would be the fairest for everyone. Everyone will be notified by text and notice boards around the clubhouse.

Graeme Nelson—Captain

Golf Shop Report

Once again, its been a very busy month in the golf shop with comp numbers at an all-time high. We are seeing regular numbers of over 220 men and women in our Saturday comp as well as reaching over 150 players on just about every Wednesday.

Just as you walk in the door, we have a specials section which ranges from clubs, shoes, shirts, shorts and jumpers. Once these sales go will be able to order some new gear.

This last month has seen a few Honour Board events, on at the club including the Murwillumbah Open, Men's Foursomes and Mixed Foursomes. We had great turnouts for all 3 events particularly the Murwillumbah Open with approximately 80 golfers of a handicap of 8 or less. Congratulations to all the winners over the course of these events. Next month on the Thursday 13th of August we have our annual Pro-Am. Currently it is looking like the strongest field we have had in our pro-am history. If you want a spot be sure to see the pro-shop staff for bookings. We have had to take a different route this year with our tee times due to Covid instead of a shotgun start we will be having a 'Saturday' 2 tee start.

It is also that time again where Allan Hill from Titleist will be coming to our club on Friday the 11th of September for a club fitting day. We always look forward to the Titleist fitting days and Allan is great at what he does and will find the best gear for your game.

Another great month for the shop and we hope to see more like it as the year progresses.

Great Golfing
Lucas Higgins



Matthew O'Grady & Colin Merchant

Green's Report

This year we will be renovating the sixth green. Works will commence in October. This will mean a complete rebuild to USGA standards. As well the bunker will be renovated. At the same time we will undertake some earth works on the seventh fairway which will involve the re-shaping of the main landing area of the fairway starting at approximately the two hundred metre marker through to just past the one fifty marker.

Both projects will take approximately twelve weeks weather permitting. Cost of both projects \$81 000.



The tenth tees will be re-built levelling all areas. This would have been done but with so many major golf competitions coming up Brian felt the turf would not have time to be established. Cost for this is \$10 000 a big thankyou to the Women Members for their donation.

Warren Colefax—Green's Chairman

Promotion Report

Welcome back to another Promotion Report. I have returned from Maternity Leave, and what a crazy year it has been with not much on the promotional side of things all thanks to our mate, "Covid"..... We are currently playing "Catch Up" on our Birthday Vouchers and Birthday Draws. So please keep an eye out for a text stating when to collect your Birthday Vouchers and when your missed Birthday Draw will be on. If your Birthday has just gone don't worry we haven't missed you, we are still playing catch up!

Our Friday Night Meat Raffles are back along with Jag the Joker. Due to restricted numbers bookings for dining are essential.

Trivia has also returned and is now run by myself. It is completely free and a lot of fun. On every second Wednesday Night from 7pm usually running until around 8.30pm. If you would like to test your knowledge get a table together (No more than 10 to a table) for a bit of fun. With wine, loyalty points and even a keno ticket up for grabs there is plenty to win!

On a serious note, I know quite a few people may have been effected mentally, due to Covid-19..... Whether you have lost your job or just found yourself feeling anxious, lonely or depressed, I thought I would mention that Life Line do in fact have a texting service (I only just learnt about this)..... for those that may not wish to pick up the phone and talk but would rather send a text message..... Between 6pm-Midnight every night you can text 0477 13 11 14. Alternatively you can ring 13 11 14 anytime.

Stats you may not have known;

- Eight Australians die every day by suicide and of those 75% are male.
- Suicide is the leading cause of death for Australians between the age of 15-44
- Males aged 85 and older experience the highest age-specific rate of suicide
- One in Four Australians are lonely and have no one to talk to. Please if you need help reach out.

Natasha Bolden - Promotions Coordinator





Golf Trivia....

Towards the end of his career, golfing legend Ben Hogan began experiencing problems with his putting. Often he would set up and then freeze for what seemed like ages before taking a putt, sending the ball off-line and missing the cup. His pre-shot routine for putts had finally failed him; he could no longer clear his mind of doubt and began missing putt after putt. After his competitive career was over, he would play recreational rounds of golf from tee to green then simply pick up ball off the green without putting it into the hole.

Generally considered the best bunker player of all time, golf legend Gary Player never ended a sand shot practice session until he putt one directly into the hole.

We remember Golf Moments

SOME GOLFERS WANT IT TO HAPPEN..... SOME GOLFERS WISH IT WOULD.....OTHER GOLFERS MAKE IT HAPPEN.....

A GOLF TIP FOR GREAT GOLF:TIP 1-THE RIGHT EQUIPMENT

Work with golf equipment that suits your game. Key things to look at when buying a set of clubs are length and lies, the flex of the shaft (which should suit your club head speed) and the head of your club. A club with a bigger sweet spot is better for high handicappers, a club that is a little offset is good for those who slice the ball and no offset if you are a low handicapper and like to work the ball. Check that the grip on the club suits your hand size. Grips range from standard to jumbo in size. If the grip is too thin it may cause a hook; too thick may cause a fade.

Women's Golf



Women's Golf has made a resurgence. They are experiencing their largest fields in their competitions for many years. They are an important part of the club and I would personally congratulate their committee on the success they are having. A strong Women's Committee is vital to being a successful golf club. Well Done Ladies.

Graham Rosenbaum
Chairman

Pictured Left to Right; Sandy Memin, Janice Goodall, Linda Connor, Denise MacGregor-Skinner, Kerrie Bliss, Carol Dickinson & Ruth Haw

Jokes

The Divorced Barbie Doll

One day a father on his way home from work suddenly remembers that it's his daughter's birthday.

He pulls over to a Toy Shop and asks the salesperson, 'How much for one of those Barbie's in the display window?'

The salesperson answers, 'Which one do you mean, Sir?'

"We have: Work Out Barbie , Shopping Barbie , Beach Barbie, Disco Barbie , Ballerina Barbie, Astronaut Barbie, Skater Barbie all priced at \$19.95, and Divorced Barbie for \$265.95'.

The amazed father asks: 'It's what?!'

Why is the Divorced Barbie \$265.95 and the others only \$19.95?'

The annoyed salesperson rolls her eyes, sighs, and answers:

'Sir..., Divorced Barbie comes with: Ken's Car, Ken's House, Ken's Boat, Ken's Furniture, Ken's Computer, & one of Ken's Friends,

The Cleaning Husband....

Yesterday my husband thought he saw a cockroach in the kitchen. He sprayed everything down and cleaned thoroughly..... Today I'm putting the cockroach in the bathroom!

Paddy's in the Bathroom.....

Murphy shouts to him, "Did you find the shampoo?"

Paddy says, "Yes but its for Dry Hair and I've already wet mine!"

Golfing is Better than Sex Because....

You don't have to hide your golfing magazines.

You can have a golfing calendar on your office wall, tell golfing jokes and invite co workers to golf without getting sued for harassment.

Golf Lasts for hours.

No problem changing partners regularly.



August Fixtures

Saturday 1 st	Monthly Medal in 4 Grades
Sunday 2 nd	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Monday 3 rd	Social Golf Day. Veterans am
Wednesday 5 th	Individual Stableford in 2 grades & 4 ball aggregate . 9 Hole Warriors
Friday 7 th	
Saturday 8 th	Individual Stableford in 4 Grades Glad & Laurie Jenkins 36 hole event First Round
Sunday 9 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Monday 10 th	Social Golf Day. Veterans am
Wednesday 12 th	Individual Stableford in 2 grades 9 Hole Warriors
Thursday 13 th	Pro AM Course Closed
Friday 14 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Saturday 15 th	Individual Stableford in 4 Grades Glad & Laurie Jenkins 36 hole event Second Round
Sunday 16 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley. Shootout Final 11am
Monday 17 th	Social Golf Day. Veterans am
Wednesday 19 th	Stroke White Markers/9 Hole Warriors
Friday 21 st	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Saturday 22 nd	Individual Stableford in 4 Grades
Sunday 23 rd	Open day Individual Stableford Medley
Monday 24 th	Social Golf Day/Veteran's am
Wednesday 26 th	Individual Stableford with 4.B.B.B.Stableford in Conjunction. 9 Hole Warriors
Friday 28 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley
Saturday 29 th	Individual Stableford in 4 Grades
Sunday 30 th	Open Day Individual Stableford Medley



RSL upcoming events for August are:

02/08/2020 Single Stableford - (Sponsors Craig McCalman, Calamac Elec.)
 09/08/2020 Stroke 1st Rd Champs - (Sponsor MGC Pro Shop)
 16/08/2020 Stroke 2nd Rd Champs - (Sponsor Darren & Jenny, Northern Solar)
 23/08/2020 4BBB - (Sponsor M'Bah Leagues Club) - Presentation
 30/08/2020 Single Stableford - (Hayes Toyota)

All visitors are welcome to come and play, 6am tee off every Sunday.

Women's Golf Revised 2020 Program

Aug	Sat 1 st / 4 th	NSW & Murwillumbah Monthly Medal- Single Stroke & Putting
	Thurs 6 th / Sat 8 th / Tues 11 th / Sat 15 th / Tues 18 th / Thurs 20 th / Sat 22 nd	Single Stableford
	Tues 25 th / Thurs 27 th /	Championships Rd 1 & 2

Triv?d

**WEDNESDAY
12TH & 26th August
7-8.30pm
FREE TO JOIN
LOTS OF PRIZES!!!
LOTS OF FUN!!!**

Fairway sessions

Sunday 23rd August

Great Melodic Live Music

1pm to 4pm



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