



## Chairman's Corner



### **Our brand new State of the Art Kitchen!**

Welcome to the Newsletter.

2021 has rolled around and the Board would like to wish all members a happy New Year and we hope you realise some of your golfing dreams. Let's hope this year is a lot better than 2020, the year we would like to forget.

The New Kitchen is up and running and it looks great. It will take Victor, Charlene and their team a little bit of time to adjust to their new surroundings, so please be patient with all the kitchen staff. The Board is looking at purchasing some new dining room furniture in the near future to compliment the new kitchen.

Painting the northern side of the clubhouse will begin shortly. This will complete the outside painting and rendering of the Clubhouse.

The disabled toilet renovations will also be done soon. This is not a large job and disruptions should be minimal. A new fan will also be installed in the men's locker room to help with air circulation.

On behalf of the Board I would like to give a big thank you to the Green's Staff for getting the course back into playing condition after the December floods. They were hampered with water going up and down on the course a couple of times. They did a remarkable job with the course fully closed for only 5 days. Once again we had a number of volunteers come in and help the Green's staff in cleaning up after the floods. Your help is greatly appreciated and your efforts do not go unnoticed. Some rakes floated away in the floods and additional ones have been purchased to replace these. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused you when playing your round.

The 6th Green and 7th Fairway are progressing well. The 7th Fairway is beginning to grass over beautifully and the recent rain did not wash away any recent work. With fine weather we should be back playing these holes by the end of March.

**SLOW DOWN!!!! ARE YOU GOING 30K PER HOUR IN AND OUT OF OUR DRIVEWAY??  
WE HAVE HAD SOME NEAR MISSES!!! PLEASE SLOW DOWN!!!**

Just a reminder to please adhere to the speed limits in the car parks and the entrance road. We almost had a serious accident recently and we do not want to see someone hurt through speeding. Thank you for your support in this area.

We have appointed a new Golf Shop Manager. We welcome Ben Lindskog to our club and we wish him all the best in his new role. Ben has worked in a number of Pro Shops in Sydney and decided it was time for a change in scenery. He sure has picked a great place to work!

With the hot weather upon us do not forget to Slip Slop and Slap before your round. You can find free sunscreen provided by the Cancer Council Australia in the locker rooms and on the 1st and 10th Tees. It is great to see that competition numbers have remained high despite the hot humid weather.

Natasha Bolden, our Promotions Co-ordinator, ran two successful Events over the Holidays. The Christmas and New Years Eve Events were both a success considering we are still under covid restrictions. Thanks go to Bill Quantrill and Ian Campbell for their efforts on these nights. Due to the overwhelming response from Members we will have the Club Calendars back next year. Because of Covid restrictions we did not do the calendar for this year but they will defiantly be a priority for next year.

Enjoy your golf, enjoy the Clubhouse facilities and look forward optimistically to a better 2021.

Graham Rosenbaum  
Chairman.

A racehorse is an animal that can take several thousand people for a ride at the same time.....

## Meet Ben the New Golf Shop Manager



Good Luck Ben Lindskog

I raced Motorcross and Supercross up to the age of 20 and got tired of breaking bones. So I took up Golf as I thought that it had longevity and it looked easy to me. Little did I know how much trouble I was getting myself into and the obsession and heart-break that would follow. Constantly, being knocked down and having to get up again. As an Amateur I started at Kellyville County Club which has moved to Lynwood and Ashler golf club which has moved to Stonecutters Ridge.

2001 I started as a trainee professional and I did my apprenticeship at Oatlands Muirfield and Concord Golf Club. I thoroughly enjoyed my traineeship.... playing and travelling with mates to golfing tournaments.

A couple of highlights.....

1. First time breaking 300 in the Queensland Championships at the Hyatt Coolum with a score of 299.
2. Winning a 2 day pro-am shooting -4 and -2 (6 under total.)
3. In 2005 I became a fully qualified golf professional.
4. Worked at St Michael's The Australian in the Pro Shop. Then Lane Cove Country Club in the Pro Shop and finally teaching the last 3 years at both Lane Cove and Gordon Golf Club.

## Meet the faces behind the 2021 Board of Directors



**Graham Rosenbaum**  
Chairman



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Greens Director



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Captain



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Director



**Shane Davidson**  
Director



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Director



**Bill Quantrell**  
Director

## Murwillumbah Ladies

### Incoming Committee of Women's Golf

**Patsy Brady (President), Jenny Dobinson, Dallas McCabe, Mary Walden, Kerrie Bliss, Linda Connor, Anne Russell, Karyn Mottershead (Treasurer), Di Carroll, Carol Quantrill, Marie Morrin, Marilyn Parkes, Denise Banner, Jennifer Adsett (Secretary) and Julie Connell (Captain) Jan Walpole (Absent)**



## Golf Trivia

### SET1.

**TRIVIA...Believe it or not, the first golf balls were made of feathers tightly packed into a hand-stitched covering. Called featheries, they took a long time to make and were very expensive to buy. A feathery did not travel nearly as far as today's balls do.**

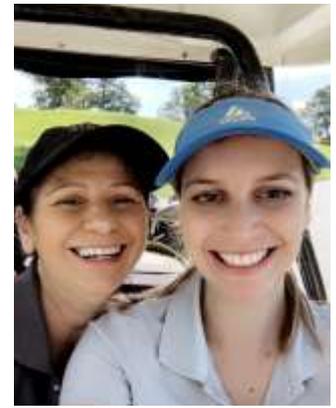
**...Today golfers use wooden or plastic stakes to tee up the ball. However, the tee did not come into use until the 20<sup>th</sup> century. For hundreds of years before its invention, a small amount of sand was used to tee up the ball. The sand was kept in a small box next to the teeing area.**

**The first golf clubs for women came into existence in the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, though for many years it was considered indelicate for a lady to lift the club above her head.**

# Promotion Report

Welcome to the first Newsletter of 2021! 2020 seemed to fly by and it still seems weird to write and say 2021, wonder how many times I will get the date wrong.....

Since the last Newsletter Mary and I had our Annual Golf Day with the RSL Golf Club Members, who play every Sunday Morning. We played with JJ and Macca and as usual had a ball! The day started early..... 6.30am with a special home-made passionfruit liquor (by the Campbells) in one hand and plenty of snacks in the other. We played an Ambrose. (Us girls are not quite up to stroke play yet.....we may need to play more than once a year....) The day started off with a fluke by me putting the first ball in for a long putt. The surrounding teams must have thought we won lotto or something..... Safe to say this did not happen again on any of the next 17 holes..... There were many amazing shots by the boys and when JJ hit one bad shot, well Mary let him know.....(apparently this isn't what you do to your partner) Thanks to our playing partners and thanks to the RSL Golfers for having us. If you are interested in joining a social club I highly recommend these guys!



**Congratulations to Col Chapman on winning the Friday Night Badge Draw. Col took home \$2900 simply for being in the clubhouse with his card! It's as easy as that! Col is one of the very few lucky Members who has won the draw not once but twice. Congrats Col, great to see the money going to a regular who is out every Friday Night.**

Remember our **FREE COURTESY BUS** is back up and running. All you have to do is pre book the bus. Get in early and book the day before so you get the pick up time you want as the bus is very popular and books out very quickly especially on Friday Nights. The bus also runs on Saturday Nights so if you ever feel like coming out for a meal and a few drinks and do not feel like driving. Let us worry about getting you home safely.

**TRIVIA** is also back up and running after a short break over Christmas. Trivia is **FREE** to join and you can win lots of loyalty points on your card. The losing trivia team even gets a free keno ticket, so what have you got to lose? February trivia dates are: 10th & 24th February from 7pm-8.30pm



**Fairway Sessions** is also back after taking a break and is held on the 4th Sunday of every month. Fairway Sessions runs from 1-4pm. The next session is Sunday 28th February

Keep an eye out for our Cocktails of the Month. January cocktail was the Frozen Nutella and was very popular! **February's Cocktail of the Month is the Espresso Martini!**



Natasha Bolden—Promotions Co-ordinator

**Craig Read, having just celebrated reaching 50 is the 2020 Murwillumbah OLD BOYS Monthly Medal Overall Winner! Well Done Craig!**



## ALLELUJAH! IN HIS OWN WORDS

I, Paul Walden at 86 years young, shot 85 off the stick on Wednesday, 9th December 2020. Needed a 5 on the 18th and, "The Golfing Gods smiled on me!"



## Another Hole-In-One

Congratulations to Alex Hunt on getting his career 4th Hole-in-one on the 6th January on the 8A, downhill Par 3! Well Done!!!

A business card for Martine Brinsdon, an optometrist. The card features a logo of a pair of glasses at the top. The text includes: "Martine Brinsdon OPTOMETRIST", "Optometrists Martine Brinsdon Les Jacobi", "• Eye Examinations Bulk Billed", "• Direct Health Fund Billing", "20 Wharf St | Murwillumbah", "02 6672 3284", and "www.martinebrinsdonoptometrist.com.au".

## Golf Quotable Quotes

1. As you walk down the fairway of life you must smell the roses, for you only get to play one round... Ben Hogan.
2. Golf is a game where guts and blind devotion will always get you absolutely nothing but an ulcer.... Tommy Bolt.
3. Competitive golf is played mainly on a five-and-a-half-inch course, the space between your ears.... Bobby Jones.
4. I'm hitting the woods just great, but I'm having a terrible time getting out of them..... Harry Tofcano.
5. Relax? How can anybody relax and play golf? You have to grip the club don't you? Ben Hogan.
6. If I hit it right, it's a slice. If I hit it left, it's a hook. If I hit it straight, it's a miracle..... Bill Quantrill

An advertisement for COOL-A-BAH COOLING SERVICES. It features a blue background with a sun and snowflake icon. The text includes: "COOL-A-BAH COOLING SERVICES", "Air-conditioning • Refrigeration", "1300 TOO HOT (1300 866 468)", and "WWW.COOLABAHCOOLING.COM.AU".

An advertisement for active life PHYSIOTHERAPY. It features a black background with a white logo of a stylized figure. The text includes: "active life PHYSIOTHERAPY", "PHYSIO • PILATES", "PHONE (02) 6672 8495", and "www.activellifephysio.com.au". A photograph of a man in a blue polo shirt is visible on the left side of the ad.

# Jokes

A woman in a supermarket is following a grandfather and his badly behaved 3 year old grandson.

It's obvious to her that he has his hands full with the child screaming for sweets in the sweet aisle, biscuits in the biscuit aisle, and for fruit, cereal and pop in the other aisles. Meanwhile, granddad is working his way around, saying in a controlled voice, "Easy, William, we won't be long. Easy, boy."

Another outburst and she hears the grandfather calmly say, "It's okay William, just a couple more minutes and we'll be out of here. Hang in there, boy." At the checkout, the little terror is throwing items out of the cart and granddad says again in a very controlled voice, "William, William, relax buddy, don't get upset. We'll be home in five short minutes; stay cool, William."

Very impressed, the woman goes outside where the grandfather is loading his groceries and the boy into the car. She said to the elderly gentleman, "It's none of my business, but you were amazing in there. I don't know how you did it.

That whole time, you kept your composure and no matter how loud and disruptive he got, you just calmly kept saying things would be okay. William is very lucky to have you as his grandpa."

"Thanks," said the grandfather, "but I'm William. The little brat's name is Kevin!"

## My Trip To The Store.

There was a bit of confusion at the store this morning. When I was ready to pay for my groceries, the cashier said, "Strip down, facing me." Making a mental note to complain to my Local Member about Homeland Security running amok, I did just as she had instructed. When the hysterical shrieking and alarms finally subsided, I found out that she was referring to my credit card. I have been asked to shop elsewhere in the future.

They need to make their instructions to us seniors a little clearer!

My Young son ran out of school shouting, "Mum! Mum! Are you a prostitute?"

"No," I replied, aghast.

He looked at me quizzically. "Well, what religion are you, then?"



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# 72 holes of Golf in One Day!

## The Longest Day – 72 Holes of Golf in One Day!

On the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2021, five golfers from the Murwillumbah Golf Club, Shannon Murnane, Glen & Natasha Wyborn, Sam Rasmussen and Joel Dunne, took up the Cancer Council challenge to complete 72 holes (4 rounds) of golf in a single day. Originally set for the 14<sup>th</sup> December, we had to reschedule since the course was underwater that day.

The day started early with first tee off at 5.40am and round 1 was done and dusted in record time. Then the real fun started with torrential downpours during round 3 slowing our progress somewhat, but for the final round the golf gods smiled on us and the sun came out. In total it took us 14 hours to complete, but we made it with some daylight to spare.

In total our team raised \$2,757, a great effort by all involved.

This challenge raises money that goes towards many initiatives brought about by the Cancer Council such as SunSmart school program, research and support back to those affected by cancer. We would like to thank everyone that supported us and the Murwillumbah Golf Club for their support on the day.



### RSL upcoming events for February are:

- 07/02/2021 Stroke Monthly Mug- (Sponsor Darren ‘Çormo’ Cormick)
- 14/02/2021 4 Person Ambrose/AGM - BBQ – (Sponsors -Card Connection – Craig, Anthony, Robbie & Darren)
- 21/02/2021 Single Stableford at Twin Towns – (Sponsor Mick Rosolen)
- 28/02/2021 4BBB – (Sponsor Chris Webster – Webster Bus Services)



# See updated February Golf fixtures on our Website!



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### Lucas Higgins



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- Murwillumbah Golf Club member;
- NSW Working With Children Check number: WWC2212380E (valid to 02/12/2025);

### Weekly Junior Clinics

Term 1 (27 January to 1 April, 2021)

Wednesday (3.45pm - 4.45pm) OR Saturday (9am - 10am)

Golf is a safe, long term sport that teaches life skills, sportsmanship and etiquette. The weekly junior clinics encourage participation and facilitate age and skill level appropriate golf development for beginner to intermediate junior golfers. The children enjoy having fun and developing their fine motor and athletic ability, golf and social skills, and most importantly, a love for the game of golf.

\$130 / term or \$18 / session

**30 days unlimited access**

## MONTH PASS

# \$50

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- No contract
- Practice 6 days a week (Tue - Sun)
- Use on any size bucket

Conditions apply: Each bucket, no matter the size, has a usage fee.

• \$2 / bucket for MGIC members. Call  
• \$3 a bucket for non-MGIC Members

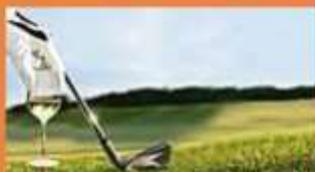


### Social Chip & Sip

On course Chip & Sip women's & men's clinic  
Friday (from 3.00pm)

*Whether you're new to the game, or a seasoned veteran... whether you're 18 or 88... if you want a relaxing hit with family or some mates that is flexible, friendly and fun, join us Friday afternoons to improve your short game, enjoy a cold one and finish with a quick 3 holes.*

**\$35 / session** (includes hire cart); or  
**\$30 / session** (with own cart).



### NEXT DEMO DAY

Tuesday 9 February, 2021  
12.00 pm to 4.00 pm

