



Welcome to the Newsletter.

What fantastic weather we have experienced over the past four weeks. This time last year the golf course saw very little golf due to very wet conditions.

The course is in great condition and members and visitors should thank the outdoor staff for the great job they are doing.

The toilet and shower renovations have now been completed. The women's and men's locker rooms, and the upstairs disabled toilet all look great. We now turn our attention to replacing the carpet in the clubhouse and retiling the area around the bar. This will enhance the clubhouse. We are also looking at new pokie machine stools and benches.

The Board has decided to continue to sponsor Lucas Higgins in his quest to pursue his dreams in the Pro ranks. We are going to help Lucas with some sponsorship money and golf apparel to help cover some of the costs as he travels around the country. Lucas is playing in a number of Pro-Ams over the next few months and we wish him all the best!

The Board has approved the purchase of two Club Car Carryalls to be used by the outdoor staff. They had been using the Rangers Cart to carry out jobs on the course.

Membership remains steady with 716 Full Golfing Members, 12 Reciprocal, 27 Junior and 2103 Social Members.

Natasha our Promotions and Events Coordinator reports that Mothers Day went well with 165 in for lunch and a good crowd for dinner too. We received great feedback on the food and also the floral tables cards that Natasha made.

The six pennant teams playing in the Northern Rivers competition have had some mixed results. We will know more in the coming weeks as the competition concludes.

By the time you read this you would have received your annual Membership Fees. If you pay your Full Golfing fees before 30th June you will be entitled to \$80 added to your loyalty points to be used in the clubhouse or pro shop as you wish.

A joke to finish with.

Husband and wife were playing in the Club's Mixed Foursomes. He hits a great drive down the middle—she slices the second shot into the trees. Unfazed he plays a great shot onto the green a foot from the hole. She misses the putt and it goes 10 feet past the pin. He lines up the Putt and sinks it. To his wife he says, "We'll have to do better. That was a bogey five." "Don't blame me," she says "I only took two of them!"

Good golfing in this great weather we are having.

Graham Rosenbaum

Chairman

MURWILLUMBAH GOLF CLUB.

REPORT OF NEW COURSE COMMITTEE. 21st June, 1955.

The President and Members,
MURWILLUMBAH GOLF CLUB.

Gentlemen,

On behalf of your New Course Committee I now submit a report of our activities to date.

This committee was formed some eighteen months ago for the purpose of endeavouring to obtain suitable land on which to construct a new 18 hole course.

It will be recalled that at the last Annual Meeting an area of land then owned by Messrs W. Campbell and L. Blow was under consideration. Although my committee felt that this area was very suitable for our requirements no finality concerning finance was reached and eventually portion of the area was sold.

The committee then set about looking elsewhere and although numerous properties in various localities have been inspected most of them proved unsuitable. One property which particularly impressed us as a suitable site is owned by Mr J.R. Campbell whom we understood would not sell.

On, or about, the 17th May an approach was made to Mr Campbell whose land is situated adjacent to Old Lismore Road. At first Mr Campbell would only consent to sell portion of his property but was eventually prevailed upon to sell all the property consisting of 78 acres of hill and river bank flats. Although large floods do invade a small portion of land the run-off is rapid and no harm could be done to any fairways or greens constructed thereon. The price asked is £80 per acre. Adjoining this area is a small portion of Road Reserve which it is expected could be leased and eventually purchased from the Crown.

A rough layout of a course has been prepared and the committee is very confident that an interesting and excellent course could be constructed.

The proposition has been handed over to the Special Finance Committee and, subject to that Committee agreeing that it would be a sound financial proposition and that finance would be available we strongly urge the Club to purchase the property.

L. H. Butler

For: New Course Committee.



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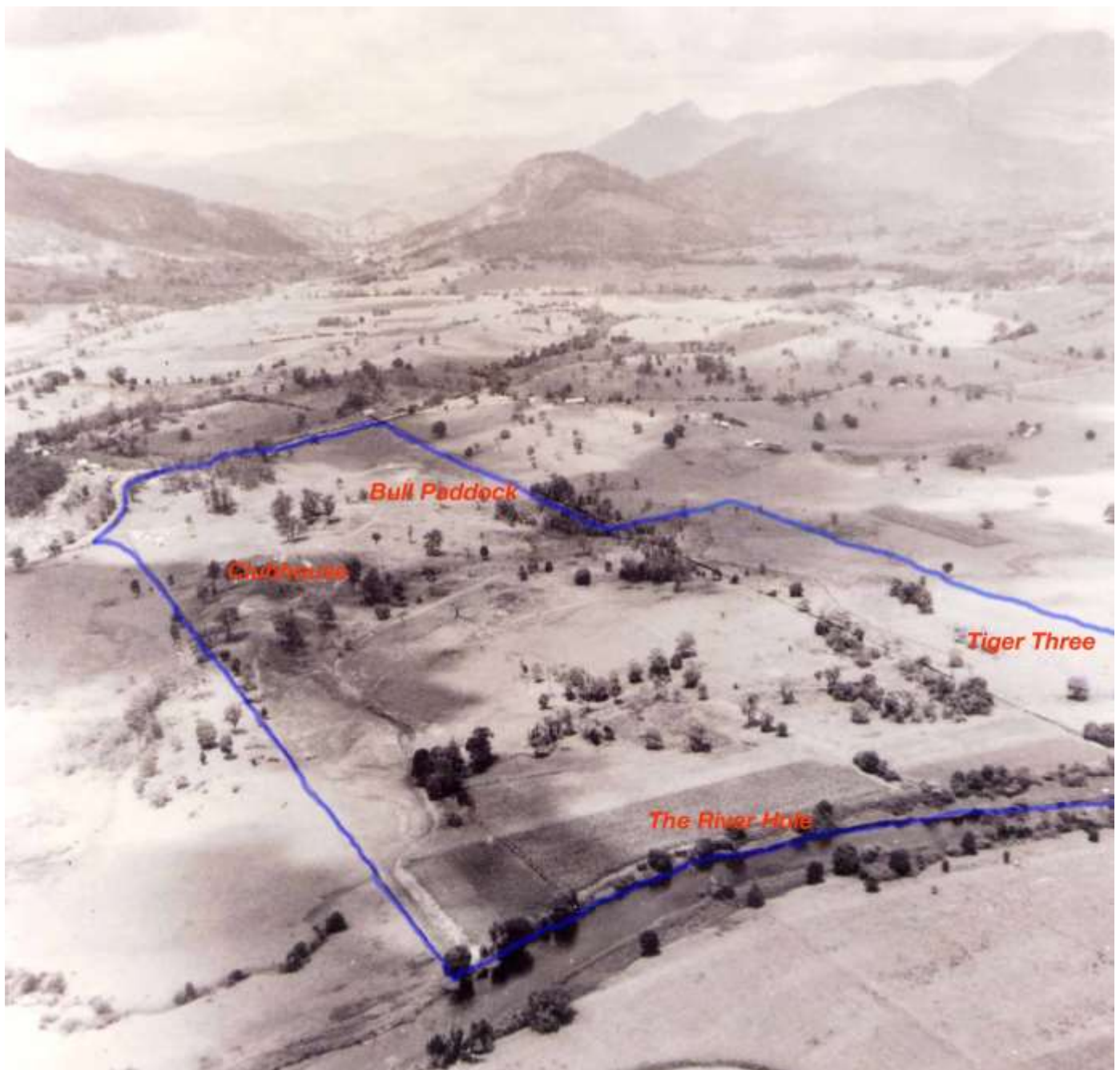
The Club purchased 2 properties, total area of 98 acres on Byangum Road at a cost of £7000 (\$14000)

The Club at this time had a cash reserve of £7000. To service its debt on the properties, the Club arranged a loan through the Rural Bank for £20,000.

There were no buildings on the properties. The land was covered in lantana, noogoora burr and was heavily timbered. Members turned up with their own tools, tractors and a slasher to clear the undergrowth and trees to establish the first 9 holes.

November 1959, Nine Hole Course was complete.

The first Championships were played in 1960.



Promotions Report

How are these for some AMAZING BEFORE AND AFTERS?

BEFORE:



AFTER:



The renovation of the downstairs locker rooms and bathroom areas has been completed. This area is used for both our golfers and visiting golfers and what a massive improvement it has made! We used all local trades for this project, and would like to thank them for a job well done! Biton Building, Shawn Dorney Electrical, Shane Kight Painting, Luffy's Glass, JH Williams, Daniel Gray Plumbing, Bespoke Stone, D & L Custom Cabinets, ABP Group, Oasis Bathrooms & Tiling, James Renolds Plastering, Damplok Waterproofing, Caldera Cooling.

HAPPY HOUR IS NOW BACK TO MONDAY TO FRIDAYS 5-6PM! TAP BEER SCHOONERS AND HOUSE WINE GLASSES JUST \$5!

Since the last Newsletter, we have had, **4 Parties, 4 seminars, 2 wakes and a Wedding.** It has been another very busy month!

Natasha Bolden - Promotions & Events Coordinator



Brent McPhee Charity Golf Day



On Sunday afternoon on the 16th April, the Inaugural Brent McPhee Charity Golf Day was held on behalf of Brent's family. From the main organizer his partner Vanessa Mitchel and myself can we just say what a great day it was! A very successful one!

I reckon it would have brought a big smile to Brent's face. For those who didn't know Brent in the club, which I'd say was very few, as he seemed to chit chat to every single person out on the course every Saturday morning whilst you were supposed to be concentrating on your golf lol, but that was Brento for you. He had been a Member of the club for many years. He loved Murwillumbah Golf Club but tragically his life was cut short, but he is not forgotten.



All up we had 85 golfers compete in an Ambrose Competition and closest to the pin on the four par3s in which trophies received by the winners was fitting for the hotly contested competition out on the course. True to Brento who was such a competitive person. It was a shame that the hit and giggle haggle, closest to the pin chip off on the 9th was won by a member from Coolangatta Tweed Golf Club (He collected \$140 with the other \$140 going to charity) He was at least a golf buddy of Brents. Brento and myself have won plenty of money off him in the past, so Brento being the guy he was probably had a say in this one lol.

Member wise we had about 40 take part in the event which was a great representation from the club. Hopefully next year even more will participate. Anyway a big thanks to the Members. There were drinks, nibbles, trophies, raffles and auctions. What a great day! What a wonderful job Vanessa and her girlfriends did in generating over \$8000 for the Australian Asthma Foundation. A big thank you to the many local and surrounding businesses of Murwillumbah who got involved. Paul Windle and JH Williams, IGA Groceries, Kingscliff Athletics, The Riverview Hotel, Coolangatta Joinery and Murwillumbah Colts to name a few. The Murwillumbah Golf Club crew, Shane Davidson from the board of directors, Shane Miley in the Pro Shop, Lynn in the restaurant and Natasha at the clubhouse bar, the list goes on.

On a personal note I stood on the 17th Green and looked across the course and remarked to the boys as far as you could see there was family, friends and club members all out, doing what Brento loved! It was a really special moment for us. Oh and then the little prick made me miss that putt just to say thanks I reckon....

So on behalf of the McPhee family and Brentos partner Vanessa a big thanks to every person who attended and all the positive feedback too. Bring on next year! Hopefully next year I can win one of those much sought after trophies that he has twice won on the many golf trips, all us boys from the club have been away on. Oh and how Mr Competitive always used to remind me of it....!



Shane's Slice

As we are well and truly into the shorter days, this time of year pace of play is important to us all to ensure we finish our rounds before darkness. The following are some reminders to be mindful of for an enjoyable and faster round of golf: Confirm your tee time in advance and **make it a point to arrive at the tee early** with your golf equipment in order, ready to play. Remember essentials like extra balls, tees, gloves and appropriate clothing for the day's weather conditions.

Play ready golf – what does this mean? If you're ready, hit! Don't wait for your playing partners.

Plan your shot before you get to your ball. Once you are off the tee, think ahead. Determine your distance and make your club selection before it is your turn to play. Very often, you can do this while others are playing, without disruption. If you take your glove off between shots, have it back on before it is your turn to play. Even a small step like this saves time.

When sharing a cart, don't wait in the cart while your cart mate hits and then drive to your ball. Get out and walk to your ball with a few clubs. Be ready to play when it is your turn and then let your cart mate pick you up. Or, drive to your ball after you drop your cart mate off and then pick him or her up after you hit.

Keep your pre-shot routine short. Pick your line of play once and trust yourself. Try to take no more than one practice swing, then set up to the ball and play your shot. Most importantly, **be ready to hit when it is your turn.** Be efficient after your shot too. Start moving toward your next shot promptly.

Aim to play in 20 seconds. From club selection to pre-shot routine to execution, strive to hit your shot in 20 seconds when it is your turn to play. Help keep play moving at a brisk pace.

Keep up with the group in front of you. Your correct position on the course is immediately behind the group in front of you, not immediately in front of the group behind you. Arrive at your next shot just before the group in front leaves the area in front of you. If you are consistently not able to keep up and a gap opens in front of you, invite the group behind you to play through, irrespective of the number of players in the group.

Pick up your ball – in a stableford event. If you've had more than your allocated shots, move to the next teeing ground ready to tee off. Ref: <https://www.usga.org/pace-of-play-resource-center/tips-and-suggestions-for-improving-pace-of-play.html>

REMEMBER..... One minute saved per hole equals 18 minutes saved per round!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Titleist Back Marker Challenge

Callaway Fitting Day

Ladies Foursomes Championships 27 holes

Men's Foursomes Championships 27 holes

Friday 2nd June

Wednesday 14th June

Tuesday 20th June

Sunday 25th June (SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 1:00pm)

Good Golfing,

Shane Miley

Golf Shop Manager



Jokes



"You have fits of rage, followed by temporary spells of euphoria, all within several hours. Are you, by chance, a golfer?"



Member of the Month

MARK ADAMS Age: 58

Thanks to Peter Heath who has opted to provide the newsletter editors with this regular feature!

I Joined Murwillumbah Golf Club in 2007 as I live in Nobbys Creek so it was very handy.

I am Owner/Manager of WORKWEAR HUB in Burleigh Heads Qld.

I love being a member of Murwillumbah as it is an amazing Golf Course with down to earth people as members and I am so proud of our beautiful little Country Course.

Apart from the incredible golf it offers on a top quality Course, it is also a great place to spend time with "Like Minded and Friendly People".



LIVE MUSIC

Elliana & Dave



SUNDAY 11TH JUNE 1-4pm on the deck

LIVE MUSIC

Fairway Sessions



SUNDAY 25th JUNE 1-4pm Inside room

June Golf Fixtures

Thursday, 1 June 2023	Varella & Swift Pharmacy NSW & Monthly Medal Single Stroke & Putting in 3 Divisions
Friday, 2 June 2023	Titleist Back Marker Challenge Single Stroke
Saturday, 3 June 2023	Men's Casuarina Meat Merchant Monthly Medal Blue Tees Ladies Single Stroke + Putting
Sunday, 4 June 2023	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 5 June 2023	Vets Monthly Medal Stroke
Tuesday, 6 June 2023	Ladies Open Day (rescheduled)
Wednesday, 7 June 2023	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 8 June 2023	Ladies Single Stableford
Friday, 9 June 2023	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 10 June 2023	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford
Sunday, 11 June 2023	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 12 June 2023	Public Holiday Single Stableford Medley
Tuesday, 13 June 2023	Ladies Single Stableford
Wednesday, 14 June 2023	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 15 June 2023	Ladies Single Stroke + Putting in 3 Divisions
Friday, 16 June 2023	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 17 June 2023	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 4BBB in conjunction Ladies Single Stroke + Putting
Sunday, 18 June 2023	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 19 June 2023	Vets 4BBB Aggreg Single Card R 2
Tuesday, 20 June 2023	Ladies WGM Foursomes Championship (27 holes)
Wednesday, 21 June 2023	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 22 June 2023	Ladies Single Stableford
Friday, 23 June 2023	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 24 June 2023	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford
Sunday, 25 June 2023	Men's Foursomes Championships
Monday, 26 June 2023	Vets 3 of 4 Stableford
Tuesday, 27 June 2023	Ladies Single Stableford
Wednesday, 28 June 2023	Mens Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 29 June 2023	Ladies Single Stableford
Friday, 30 June 2023	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees