



Chairman's Report

By now many members will have met our new General Manager Shaun Breheny. In his first two weeks at the Club, he was present for the Wednesday and Friday Members Badge draws and has made two members very happy as they were present when their names came up and claimed the jackpot prize money within the allotted time frame. Shaun has also made a point of being present at various tee times and met many golfing members. Unfortunately, the wet weather during April meant that playing fields were down and he did not meet as many golfing members as he would have liked. Later on in this newsletter there will be a picture and brief story on Shaun so if you have not met him yet don't be shy, introduce yourself to Shaun.

Our former manager Gary Thatcher, had his last working day at the Club on Thursday, 24th April but he will still be a regular face around the club as he will be working on his golfing skills on the Course.

Members will have noticed that work has started on the carpark area adjacent to the club house and we have lodged a Development Application (DA) with Council for the removal of the old manager's house. Once the DA is approved, we will commence demolishing the house and we can then progress the car parking area to incorporate the vacant area into a larger car parking facility. The Board is also looking at future cart storage and car parking areas for the future growth of the club and when we have finalized our investigations, we will be calling a meeting of our financial playing members to get feedback on our preferred options before we submit any proposal to Council for a DA.

Wayne Kendrigan—Chairman

Know your course? Any idea which hole this is now?



General Manager's Report

Having worked in local golf industry for a number of years I was always aware of the reputation that Murwillumbah Golf Club had as the 'hidden gem' of the Northern Rivers. I was also lucky enough to have played in a Pro-Am at Murwillumbah a few years back, and whilst my golf was terrible, I quickly got a feel for the great course.

My first few weeks in my new role has shown me how great the Club is. This is reflected in the passion that the members have towards the Club. The level of member activity is really pleasing, and it is obvious that the Club is a valued entertainment destination for the local community. The members I have met have been incredibly welcoming and I look forward to meeting others soon. If I have not met you in person, please introduce yourself next time you see me.

I was fortunate enough to spend time with Gary, as given he was retiring, I was afforded the luxury of a generous handover which is a great head start. In my short time here, I can see that Gary has been instrumental in getting the Club to the successful position it's currently in. Gary is leaving big shoes to fill, and I hope to continue to build on the solid foundations he and team have created. There was a Northern Rivers Club Manager catch-up day held at the Club during the week, and it was very clear that Gary is well respected in the Club industry, and has made a lot of friends along the way. I wish Gary all the best in new found retirement with his 14 grand-children. This must be Gary's favourite number, as during the week numerous members have reminded Gary of the 14 shots he had in stroke round on the par 3 – 14th hole (Gary doesn't really like this story). Pleasingly, Gary will continue to be an integral part of the Club as he continues his golfing journey.

Part of Gary's legacy is the amazing team that he has setup during his 11 years. It's been very obvious that all staff have a lot of admiration for the Club. This is no surprise, as for many staff the Club has been a part of their life for a significantly long time. I want to thank the staff for how welcoming they have been towards me, and for being very patient with my overload of questions.

I have stepped into the Club midway through a lot of exciting projects, mainly the carpark improvements and the changes to cart storage. I look forward to contributing to these projects and achieving a great outcome for members.

I look forward to working with the Board, the Ladies Committee, the Vets Committee and would love to hear any feedback that you have about the Club.

Thanks,

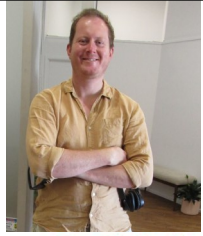
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Shane's Slice

With the relentless rain this year, you've got to feel for our course maintenance staff as they seem to be on repeat, clearing debris, fixing bunkers and not able to mow the course. A reminder to all members, we update the website and timesheet with daily course conditions and appreciate your patience when the course is too wet for carts. As our beautiful greens come into the winter season, a reminder on how to fix pitch marks correctly:

How To Repair a Ball Mark

A few extra seconds is all it takes to keep the putting greens looking and playing their best.





CHOOSE WISELY

A ball mark repair tool is recommended, but other pointed devices can be used.



PUSH DON'T PRY

Starting from the back and sides, gently push & stretch the turf to the center of the mark.



WORK AROUND

Work around the ball mark until it's filled in. Avoid lifting & twisting the turf harshly.



FINAL TOUCH

Use your putter to lightly tap down the mark. Fix other marks in addition to yours.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Titleist Back Marker Challenge

Friday 2nd May

Earle Williams 4BBB Qualifying (top 32 teams)

Wednesday 7th, OR Saturday 11th May,

OR Wednesday 14th OR Saturday 18th May

Murf Bikes Charity Golf Day

Friday 9th May 12:00pm Shotgun

(members only 18H before 7:30am, 9H between 7:40 – 8:40am)

Ladies Open Day 2T start

Tuesday 13th May

Men's NRDGA Pennant Season Starts (teams finalised)

Sunday 18th May

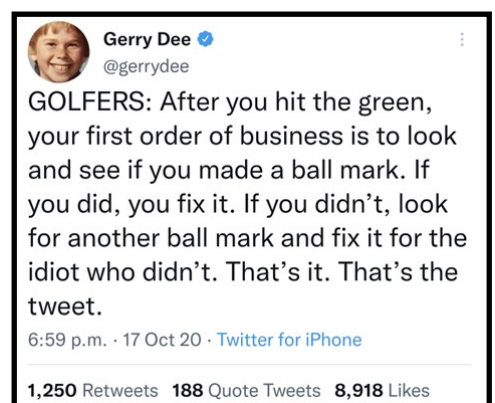
Vets Open Day 7:00am & 12:00pm Shotgun

Monday 2nd June

Good Golfing,

Shane Miley

Golf Shop Manager



Promotions Report

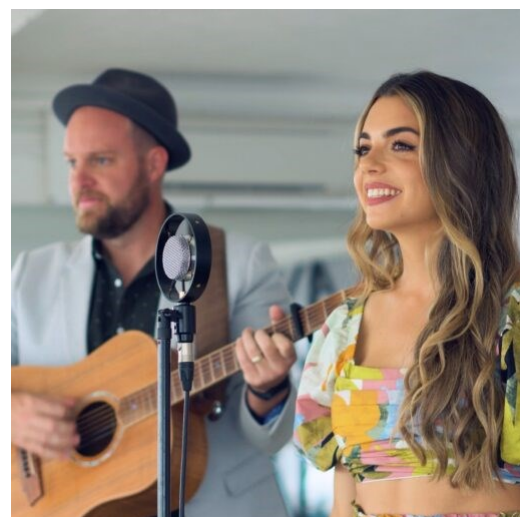


What a start to April! Shaun's first week as General Manager and we gave away nearly \$18,000 in ONE WEEK! I think our new manager was in shock wondering what on earth was going on,,,, Massive congratulations to Desmond and David for taking home the very large sums of money! Great to see the money going to two very regular full playing members. Can you believe the Wednesday Badge draw went for a staggering 64 weeks before won and the Friday draw went for 54 weeks before won and to think they BOTH went off in THE SAME WEEK, What are the chances?

Mothers Day is coming up Sunday 11th May. Always a lovely relaxing day here at the Golf Club. We will have a special set menu (see the full menu on the next page) our Free Members Hamper Prize Giveaway, a meat and flower bouquet raffle and **live music by Danny Dyson & Tayla Mae.** This duo is booked just about every weekend for weddings so we are super lucky to have them playing here for us!

Table bookings are essential and we will book out. Treat mum to something extra special this year. Members get a ticket into the **FREE Mothers Day Prizes** with each purchase at the bar from 11.30am on Sunday 11th May. Prizes drawn at 2.30pm. Tickets into the draw will only be given this day only, no prior tickets given. See the Free Mother's Day Prizes set up next to the bar!

Natasha Bolden -
Promotions &
Events Coordinator





Mother's Day

SPECIAL LUNCH MENU

MAIN ONLY \$32.50, ENTREE & MAIN \$44.50

ENTREES

- * POPCORN CHICKEN WITH SPICY ASIAN DIPPING SAUCE
- * CRISPY PASTRY ROLLED PRAWN CONES WITH GARLIC AIOLI SAUCE

MAINS

- * STEAK MIGNON SERVED WITH STEAMED VEGETABLES, ROASTED POTATO & GRAVY
- * ROASTED DUCK LEG, PLUM SAUCE SERVED WITH BOILED RICE AND STEAMED GREENS
- * RICOTTA & SPINACH STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST SERVED WITH MASHED POTATO AND STEAMED VEGETABLES
- * FETTUCCINE PASTA WITH CREAMY GARLIC KING PRAWNS

VEGETARIAN MAINS \$22.50 EACH

- * VEGETARIAN SINGAPORE NOODLES
- * VEGETARIAN HOKKIEN NOODLES

DESSERTS IN CABINET SERVED WITH ICE CREAM \$8.50

KIDS MEALS ALSO AVAILABLE
\$12.00 WITH KIDS JUICE POPPER



Yes! Back of the 12th / Path leading to the 13th



30 years on....

30 years ago Murwillumbah Division 2 pennant team played fantastic golf to win the 1995 pennant. We were all playing off 5 or 6 at the time. As you can see below we all continued playing and are generally on a similar or much lower handicap than 30 years ago.

You gotta love golf!!!!

BACK ROW: Glen Bartlett (current member h'cap 6), Darren Chapman (Club Pro in Asia), David Higgins (current member h'cap 2), Alan Woods(ex course superintendant, now living Forster area).

FRONT ROW: Peter Budden (now Harrington Golf Club), Warren Colefax (Life Member, 7 times Club Champion and still playing off scratch. Not bad for an old man.), Peter Heath (current member, full PAY-ING member, 0 times club champion, playing off 2. But as a young man I can still idolise the GOAT, Warren Colefax).

It is hard to believe it is 30 years ago as Warren and Peter haven't changed a bit!!

- Peter Heath



5 Fun Facts

1. A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.
2. Perspiration is odourless. Bacteria on the skin is what creates odour.
3. Pigs can get sunburnt.
4. Starfish do not have brains.
5. A cat keeps purring when inhaling and exhaling.

Little known fact: Every time you fix a pitch mark on the green, the golf gods deposit one additional birdie into your Lifetime Allotted Birdies Account 🏌️‍♂️



The Way Golfers Travel The Course Part 2



These Golfers travel the course fuelled with a love of golf and a little liquid amber.....



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May Golf Fixtures

Thursday, 1 May 2025	NSW & Murwillumbah Monthly Medal Single Stroke + Putting Red Tees
Friday, 2 May 2025	Titleist Back Marker Challenge Single Stroke Blue & White Tees
Saturday, 3 May 2025	Meat Merchant Casuarina Monthly Medal Stroke Blue Tees Ladies Monthly Medal + Putting Red Tees
Sunday, 4 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 5 May 2025	Vets 4 Person Ambrose White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 6 May 2025	Ladies 2 Person Ambrose Red Tees
Wednesday, 7 May 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 4BBB in conjunction
Thursday, 8 May 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Friday, 9 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees (Before 7:30am)
Saturday, 10 May 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 4BBB in conjunction Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 11 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 12 May 2025	Vets Multiplier Stableford White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 13 May 2025	Ladies Open Day Red Tees
Wednesday, 14 May 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 4BBB in conjunction
Thursday, 15 May 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Friday, 16 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 17 May 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 4BBB in conjunction Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 18 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 19 May 2025	Vets Best 3 of 4 Stableford White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 20 May 2025	Ladies Single Stroke Red Tees
Wednesday, 21 May 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 22 May 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Friday, 23 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 24 May 2025	Men's Single Stroke White Tees Ladies Single Stroke Red Tees
Sunday, 25 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 26 May 2025	Vets Monthly Medal Single Stroke White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 27 May 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Wednesday, 28 May 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 29 May 2025	Ladies 4BBB Stableford Red Tees
Friday, 30 May 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 31 May 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees