



Chairman's Report

By now most members will have met our new General Manager Shaun Breheny. Our previous Manager Gary Thatcher spent two weeks with Shaun for the hand over and Gary is now enjoying a well-deserved retirement. Shaun hit the ground running and since his commencement he has given away no less than three membership draws, one on Wednesday night and two on a Friday nights.

The Mother's Day luncheon on 11th May was a roaring success and sold out quickly. Lynn prepared a special menu for the day and by all reports everyone enjoyed their meals. The Mothers Day prizes were distributed between 12 very happy Members and it was a great day had by all!

By now playing members will have received their Membership renewal notices and I encourage members to pay their fees on or before the end of the financial year on 30th June in order to receive \$100 of loyalty points on their membership card. These points can be used in the Club house or the golf shop. *If you wish to pay your subscriptions off in instalments, we offer a payment option through Pay As You Golf. This allows you to choose from either a fortnightly or monthly payment option. This is a low cost and stress free payment alternative and you can choose to pay your instalments by direct debit or credit card. . It is important members set their initial instalment before 16/06/25 to ensure settlement occurs by 01/07/25.*

Murwillumbah Golf Club is again hosting the Rotary Clubs Annual Charity Trivia night on 14th June. It is a great fun night with the proceeds going to Tweed Palliative Support and Wedgetail Retreat. Tables of eight cost a modest \$200 and Corporate Sponsorship tables are only \$350. If you enjoy trivia, I encourage you to contact Mark Moore on 0406 584 864 to book your table.

Wayne Kendrigan - Chairman

General Managers Report

Unfortunately, another wet start to the month for the Northern Rivers, which is frustrating for our avid golfers, and equally as frustrating for our course team, who are getting grey hairs trying to keep the course in top condition. Considering this, we were lucky enough to have some golfing highlights. Some of these are included in this newsletter, but the Murf Bikes Day is definitely one to mention. Whilst this was a somewhat rainy day, our Club teamed up with Murf Bikes and helped raise \$25k for a family who are impacted by MND. Our team was proud to be part of this day. Thanks to Shane and the pro-shop team for organising a great day of golf.

In the clubhouse, we had 2 lucky winners this month, Donna Kelly-Burns for the member draw and Graham Nelson for the Lion Nathan promotion of a \$2,500 in travel vouchers. The Club also took part in 'the Great Shout' campaign that raised in total more than \$300k for flood impacted communities.

During the month the Club received notice that Council approved the DA to demolish the Club's residence. This work will begin in June and is the next step towards the larger carpark project. During the demolition please be mindful of the area, as we expect there will be heavy machinery on-site to undertake the works.

Shaun Breheny, General Manager

House Chairman Report

The club has been reasonably quiet over last couple of months due to the persistent bad weather. The club house itself has held its own during this time and continues to provide the club with consistent revenue.

Wednesday night trivia continues to grow, with up to 20 teams enjoying the relaxed and fun atmosphere that Rainer provides every week, if you haven't tried trivia come along and give it a try, it's a fun way to spend a Wednesday night. The Wednesday night Badge Draw is up to \$3800 drawn earlier around 7pm.

Friday night continues to be popular with the legend Bill Quantrill continuing to entertain the members, Bill is really the heart sole of the club and with his wife Carol, their work around the club and gardens are very much appreciated. The raffles on Friday night have been going well. We have added IGA and Club vouchers to the prizes and they are proving to be very popular.

We have ordered retractable blinds for the deck which will be installed soon. The blinds will make the deck far more comfortable during winter and inclement weather. Thanks to the staff for their continued great work.

Starting Thursday 5th of June we will be running "Pizza and Pasta" Nights every Thursday. A large Pizza, Pasta menu will be available (replacing the normal menu) This will run every Thursday in June and July and we would love Members support. Lynn will also be doing a Saturday Night Promotion. Buy 1 main Asian meal and receive the second main Asian meal half price. This will run every Saturday in June.

Ian Campbell

House Chairman.



Golfers, What is your pace of play like???

As we approach the shortest day of the year, daylight is fading fast and efficient round times become more important than ever. Here are two key tips I regularly observe on the course that can help everyone play faster and enjoy their round more.

1. Be Ready to Play

Always be prepared before it's your turn. If you're riding in a cart, the driver should drop off their partner with the appropriate club, then head to their own ball to get ready. This keeps both players moving efficiently and reduces downtime between shots.

2. Maintain Your Position on the Course

Your place on the course is directly behind the group in front - not just ahead of the group behind. If you can't see the group ahead, you're likely out of position. On the green, the first player to finish putting should head to the next tee and hit to help keep play moving.

💡 REMEMBER: One minute saved per hole equates to 18 minutes saved per round.

Promotions Report

May was a great Month here at the club! We started off with ANOTHER Members Badge Draw Giveaway Win!!! Huge congratulations to Donna Kelly-Burns for taking home \$3300 on Friday 2nd May! Pictured to the right House Chairman Ian Campbell presenting Donna with her very large cheque.

Mothers Day was also a great day! We had over 140 members in for lunch. We received many favorable comments about the food, music and the staff. Special thanks to Bill Quantrill for once again MC'ing the event! See one of the positive feedbacks we received below. Also pictured below is Bill Quantrill with the "oldest" Mother, Mrs Helen McEnery (84 years young) with Mrs Keerie Allison and Mr Micheal Allison who joined us on Mother's Day.



Michelle Christensen
 Top contributor 1h · 🌐

Thankyou so much for a beautiful Mother's day at Murwillumbah golf club it was so lovely the food was amazing and the staff as always lovely, kind and friendly.
 Bill as usual did his great MC work and the music was fantastic.
 My mum said this is such a beautiful friendly welcoming club ,she really enjoyed herself we all did.
 Thankyou again [Murwillumbah Golf Club](#) for a wonderful day Xx



Our next Promotional event coming up is our **FREE GOLF MEMBERSHIP GIVEAWAY NIGHTS!** This year we are giving away **TWO FULL GOLF MEMBERSHIPS**, one on Friday 6th June and one on Friday 13th June. This draw is open to all current 12+ month financial golf members to win next years membership for **FREE**. This draw will take place after our regular Friday Night Members Badge Draw. The Golf Member must be present at the time of the draw with their valid membership card in order to claim the prize.



Friday Nights are always FUN! With Raffles, Bill's Games, Free Kids Club, Free Courtesy Bus and Our Friday Badge Draw! Pictured Chairman Wayne Kendrigan, presenting a free 200 year old.... bottle of wine as a prize from one of Bills many Friday games.

Natasha Bolden -
 Promotions &
 Events Coordinator



Shane's Slice PRO TIP – HOW TO HIT THE HIGH DRAW

Ref: <https://golfhq.com/blogs/blog/how-to-hit-a-high-draw?srsltid=AfmBOorsfBuCb5fRAchXUV51XI2sqQdhaYP7hmtplVASpg7U9kygPntE>

Watching Rory win the US Masters, the stand out shot for me was in the final round, his 2nd shot on the 15th hole a towering high draw with a 7 iron, shaping around the trees, landing on the green and spinning towards the hole. Here's some quick tips for you to work on that amazing shot!

Setup

To hit a high draw, the setup before your swing is key. Start by teeing the ball higher than usual to promote an upward strike, which helps increase launch angle for a higher trajectory. Hitting on the upswing also reduces spin and maximizes distance—especially important for a high draw. Practice and experiment with different tee heights on the range to find what works best for you.

Ball Position

To hit a high draw, position the ball farther forward in your stance—start with it inside your left foot (for right-handed golfers) and test different positions on the range. This helps promote hand and arm rotation through impact to create the desired draw. Aim for a 5 to 15-yard draw and avoid hooks or pulls by experimenting to find the best ball position for your swing.

Inside-out Swing Path

Another great tip is to stand a bit further away from the ball at setup. This will allow you to create an inside out swing path which is one of the most crucial parts to hit your gorgeous high draw. This is once again something you'll just have to test on driving range to figure out what distance away from the ball is comfortable and produces the best results. So speaking of an inside-to-out swing path, let's dig into that further. If you're unsure of what exactly that means, let's explain it a bit further. During your downswing you want the club head to feel like it's going to the part of the golf ball that is closest to you. An outside-to-inside swing path creates the opposite golf shot, a slice or fade. Having an inside-to-out swing path will help your golf game in all aspects.

Importance In Grip

The last tip has to do with the grip. You may or may not need to do this but if you're still struggling to hit your high draw off the tee after trying the above techniques give this last tip a shot for an added edge. Strengthen your grip at set up. This will help your hands and release and rotate through impact closing the face just enough to hit your perfect high draw. When we say strong grip or strengthening your grip, that just means that your right hand goes under the grip more showing more palm up and your left hand will show more of the top of your hand. An easy tip to measure this is when you look down at your normal grip, count how many knuckles you see on your left-hand. Most will see 2-3 knuckles. Now strengthen your grip so you see one more knuckle. Hit a dozen balls and see what happens. Then try it even more so you see all 4 knuckles of your left hand. With this last tip, it's very important to keep a loose grip during your golf swing. This will help your hands rotate through impact to create the draw you're looking to hit. We hope this helps you lower your scores and wow everyone in your foursome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 3rd June

Friday 6th June

Tuesday 17th June

Sunday 22nd June

Sunday 13th July

Srixon / Cleveland Fitting Day

Titleist Back Marker Challenge

Ladies Foursomes Championships 27 holes

Men's Foursome's Championships 27 holes

Mixed Foursomes Championships 27 holes

Good Golfing,

Shane Miley



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Murf Electric Bikes Charity Golf Day

On Friday the 9th May we were honoured to host the first, "Murf Electric Bikes" Charity Golf Day. The purpose of this special event was to help raise funds for Steve Maloney a local dad of four currently fighting an aggressive form of Motor Neuron Disease.

The Murf Electric Bikes Team managed to raise an amazing \$25,000 for Steve and his family. 120 amateur golfers took to the course, with the wet weather holding off just long enough to get 18 holes in.

Special guests of the day included Joel Parkinson and Kelly Slater. We also had a legendary Hole In One on the second with Jamie getting his first one and taking home the ultimate prize of a Murf E-Bike!

The whole team at "Murf Bikes" should be incredibly proud of organizing such a wonderful event! We are so pleased to have been able to be apart of it!



Any club would love to have a letter just like this - Well done all involved!

Dear Murwillumbah Golf Club,

As part of a ladies golfing holiday in the Northern Rivers, Murwillumbah Golf Club member and good friend Deb Souter very kindly organised our group comprising Jenna Lyons, Jane Strange & Tracy Heading, plus past MGC member Lindy Armsden, into the Ladies American Foursomes competition on Tuesday, 25 February 2025.

Upon our arrival at the club, we were greeted by the hardworking MGC green staff diligently tidying the members carpark. Whilst we waited to enter the clubhouse environs, we chatted with and were very warmly welcomed by numerous ladies from the membership. The interest in our visiting group and the friendly interactions, set the tone for the day.

As we readied ourselves for the challenge of foursomes, Deb and the golf shop team ensured we had everything we needed. The course was beautifully presented with green speeds noticeably increasing after the dewy start. The continued investment by the club in additional cart paths was evident which made navigating the course very easy.

Two of our group combined exceptionally well, to have a net one under, clearly relishing the conditions and the company. Lindy Armsden and Jenna Lyons were thrilled to top the leaderboard. Jane Strange and I were delighted to be in the rundown. A big heartfelt thanks to all our playing partners, Susie and Kimmie, Deb Souter and Melissa ... for their easy companionship which translated to relaxed and very enjoyable rounds.

Please may we also ask that our sincerest thanks be relayed to all at Murwillumbah Golf Club, in particular, Women's President Marie Morrin and Women's Captain Carol Dickinson, who made us very welcome, and the prize donors who made the day possible. The country hospitality was outstanding. We will be back!

Yours sincerely, Tracy Heading, Jane Strange, Jenna Lyons, Lindy Armsden

Wood Misses Cut

It's going to be at least another year before Charlie Wood, the son of 15-times major winner Tiger Woods, will play the U.S Open.

Woods, 16, fired a 3 over 75 at Wellington Golf Club in local qualifying in Florida for next months U.S Open at Oakmont.

That left Charlie Woods 7 strokes shy of taking one of five spots on offer for the field of 84 into the 36 Hole Final Qualifies on June 2.

It was the second time Charlie Woods has tried to qualify for the U.S.Open. His father Tiger, a three-time US Open winner, is expected to miss the rest of this year with a torn left achilles tendon.



Northern Rivers Women's Pennants

NR Women's Pennants finally got underway for our 2 teams in Division 2 playing each other on their 'little bit wet' home course.

As luck would have it, the score was even with 2 wins, 2 losses and a tie for each team.



Warren Colefax's Exceptional Round

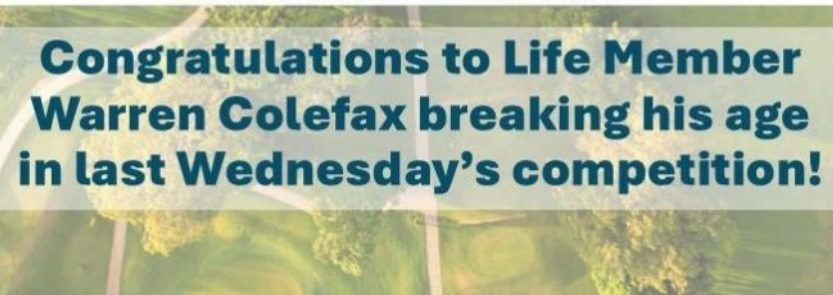
Rank	Name	GA Hdcp(Dly)	Club Name	Round 1 Stableford
1	COLEFAX, WARREN	0.2 (0)	Murwillumbah GC	42 (-29)

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
PAR	4	3	4	4	5	4	4	3	4	35	3	5	4	4	3	4	5	4	4	36	71
STROKES	4	2	3	4	5	4	3	2	3	30	3	5	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	35	65
POINTS	2	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	3	23	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	19	42
TOPAR	-2	0	-1	-2	-3	-2	-1	0	-1	-12	-1	-3	-2	-2	-1	-2	-2	-2	-2	-17	-29

■ Albatross + ■ Eagle ■ Birdie ■ Par ■ Bogey ■ Double Bogey +

Congratulations to life member Warren Colefax shooting a bogey-free 65, one better than his age. What an inspiration to us all, keep up the great golf Warren!

Editors note Ex-President and Life Member Keith O'Grady had an exceptional round also.... Will try to get more details for next months newsletter.....





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June Golf Fixtures

Monday, 2 June 2025	Vets Single Stableford White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 3 June 2025	Ladies Monthly Medal Single Stroke + Putting Red Tees
Wednesday, 4 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 5 June 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Friday, 6 June 2025	Titleist Back Marker Challenge Single Stroke Blue & White Tees
Saturday, 7 June 2025	Meat Merchant Casuarina Monthly Medal Stroke Blue Tees Ladies Monthly Medal + Putting Red Tees
Sunday, 8 June 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 9 June 2025	King's Birthday Public Holiday Single Stableford Medley
Tuesday, 10 June 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Wednesday, 11 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 12 June 2025	Ladies Single Stroke Red Tees
Friday, 13 June 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 14 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 15 June 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 16 June 2025	Vets 4BBB Aggregate Single Card Rd 1
Tuesday, 17 June 2025	Ladies Foursomes Championships 27H Red Tees
Wednesday, 18 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 19 June 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Friday, 20 June 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 21 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford V Par White Tees Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 22 June 2025	Men's Foursomes Championships 27H
Monday, 23 June 2025	Vets 4BBB Aggregate Single Card Rd 2
Tuesday, 24 June 2025	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Wednesday, 25 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 4BBB in conjunction
Thursday, 26 June 2025	Ladies Canadian 2 Stroke Foursomes (Team event) Red Tees
Friday, 27 June 2025	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 28 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 2B Aggregate in conjunction Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 29 June 2025	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Monday, 30 June 2025	Vets Monthly Medal Single Stroke White & Red Tees