

General Manager's Report



Dear Members,

As we move through winter, it has been fantastic to see member embracing the cold and making the most of the events at the Club. We recently hosted the Christmas in July (also known as the Ugly Sweater event). This event was enjoyed by many members and has become an annual hit on the Club's social fixture. We were also fortunate enough to have representatives from Golf NSW deliver the 'State of Play' presentation to our members. This was particularly timely, as the Club looks to trial some changes to our competition formats.

Upcoming Events

There is plenty happening over the coming weeks, with a full calendar of golf, social events and entertainment. In August, the Club is hosting a bingo event – keep a look out for this, as it's not your average bingo night. Tickets are selling fast so make sure to book so you don't miss out. We encourage everyone to keep an eye on the Club's website, social media pages and noticeboards so you don't miss out on what's coming up.

Vets Week of Golf

One of the highlights of the month will be the upcoming Veterans Week of Golf, which once again brings golfers from across the region to Murwillumbah Golf Club.

Events of this size simply don't happen without an enormous amount of work behind the scenes. On behalf of the Club, I would like to sincerely thank the organising committee, volunteers and everyone who has contributed their time and effort to make the event possible. From planning the competition to course preparation, registrations and hospitality, your commitment is greatly appreciated and showcases our Club at its very best.

We wish all participants an enjoyable week of golf and hope our visitors leave with wonderful memories of both our course and our Club.

Weddings at Murwillumbah Golf Club

Many members know what a wonderful venue our Club is, but not everyone realises that we are also available for weddings and wedding receptions. During July the Club held a fantastic wedding. The weather looked after us, and helped make the day (and the photos) just that little bit special.

With beautiful views across the golf course, flexible function spaces and excellent catering, the Club provides a fantastic setting for both intimate celebrations and larger receptions.

If you have family or friends planning a wedding, or other function, we'd love the opportunity to show them what Murwillumbah Golf Club has to offer. Our team would be delighted to discuss venue options and help create a memorable day.

Thank You

Finally, thank you to all of our members, volunteers, staff and directors for your continued support of the Club. Your ongoing involvement helps make Murwillumbah Golf Club such a welcoming place for members, guests and visitors alike.

I look forward to seeing you around the Club over the coming weeks.

Kind regards,

Shaun Breheny.
General Manager

House Captain's Report

Welcome, everyone, to this month's newsletter.

In the month of June, we've held both the Men's Foursomes (38 pairs) and the Mixed Foursomes (35 pairs). It was great to see such strong fields and plenty of support for both events.



Congratulations to David Crutcher and Peter Taylor, who claimed the gross title in the Men's Foursomes with a score of 120. The nett winners were James Hardie and Jonty Van De Scur with a score of 109.

In the Mixed Foursomes, congratulations go to Les Gorton and Sheridan Gorton, who made it back-to-back victories by winning the gross event with a score of 125. The nett winners were Lachlan Newman and Trudi Cox with an excellent score of 107.

A big thank you to everyone who played over the two Sundays, and a special thank you to our greenkeeping staff. With the amount of rain we've received recently, it was touch and go whether the events could go ahead. Thanks to their hard work and dedication, the course was presented in great condition and play was able to proceed.

Many members will have noticed the blue lines that have been painted around several holes on the course. These lines are in place to help protect the wet surrounds of our greens, so we ask that everyone please respects them. **Motorised carts, bikes, and trikes must not cross the blue lines under any circumstances.**

If you are using a motorised cart, bike, or trike, please stay on the designated paths wherever possible and keep all four wheels on the path at all times. Your cooperation will help protect the course and keep it in the best possible condition for everyone to enjoy

As the days become shorter, maintaining a good pace of play becomes even more important. While this is something we should all be mindful of throughout the year, it's especially important during the winter months when daylight is limited.

A few simple Ready Golf habits can make a big difference:

- **Be ready to play at least 5 minutes before your tee time.**
- **Remember that every player is responsible for the pace of play of their group.**
- **Keep up with the group in front whenever possible.**
- **Move promptly between shots and be ready to play when it is safe to do so.**
- **The rules of golf allow three minutes to search for a lost ball. Thus, when your three minutes are up, they're up**
- **While others are putting, read your putt and prepare so you're ready when it's your turn.**
- **Complete your scorecard on the next tee while others are teeing off.**

These are just some of the simple things we can all do to help keep the game flowing. A good pace of play makes golf more enjoyable for everyone and helps ensure all groups can complete their round before daylight fades.

Thank you for doing your part to keep our rounds enjoyable for all members.

Shannon Murnane
Captain

An advertisement for Dr Chris Slater, a chiropractor. It includes a photo of Dr Slater, his name and title, his qualifications (BSc (Neuroscience) MChiro), his address (Suite 2, 7-11 Nullum St, Murwillumbah NSW 2484), his phone number (02 6672 2994), and his email and website (reception@positivechiropractic.com.au, www.positivechiropractic.com.au).

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2026 Winners of the Mixed Foursomes



1st Place

Above left to right—Leslie Gorton, Sheridan Gorton, Trudi Cox, Lachlan Newman, Nancy Neinert & Jason Mortimer (Absent)



Left to right— Roly Ansems, Helen Ansems, Vicki Rayner, Mike Rayner, Christine Murphy & Terry Murphy

Left to right— Duncan Crilley, Diane Frankland, Jodie Rockliff & Shane Johnston





Left to right—Gerard Meiring,
Carol Meiring, Kath
Newcombe,
Paul Windle, Grant Watson &
Janine Gear

Left to right— Keith Neinert,
Margaret Dawes, Nancy
Neinert & Jason Mortimer



Above left to right—Ian Yarroll, Kim Hobbs, Stephen King, Janice Gielis,
John Belshaw & Helen Knox

Promotion Report

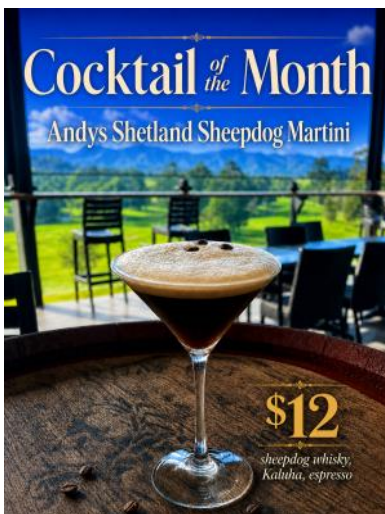
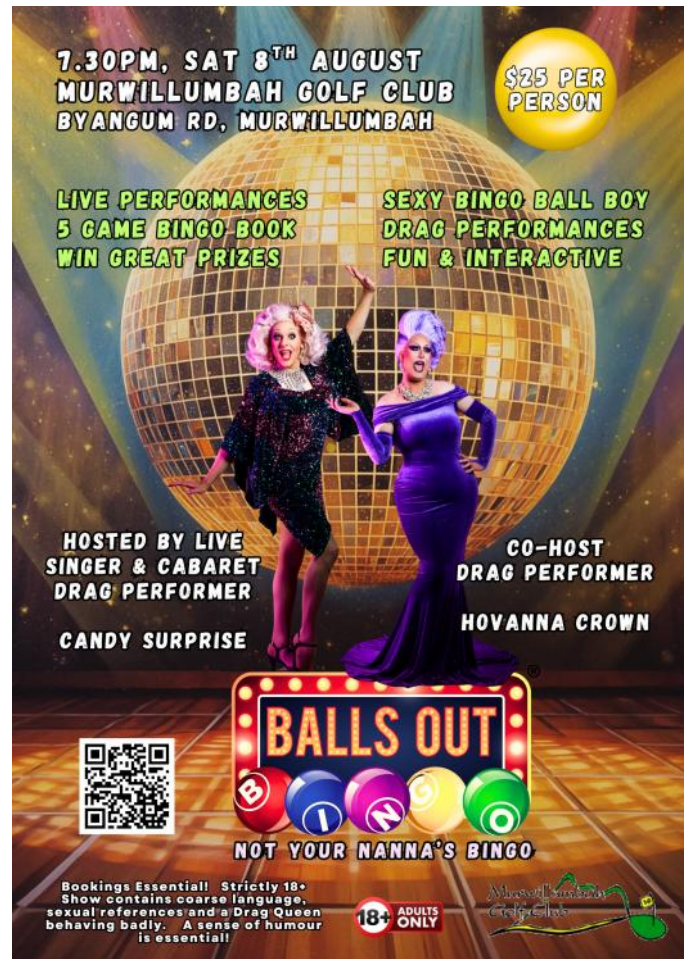
Not Your Nana's Bingo

June was a busy and exciting month at the club, with weddings, birthdays, wakes, and our popular Christmas in July celebration keeping us on our toes.

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our Christmas in July Ugly Sweater Night on the 25th. It was a fantastic evening, with a \$1,000 must win cash prize, 30 hams, a \$100 bar tab for the best-dressed table, and plenty of other giveaways.

The fun continues! Join us on Saturday, 8th August, for an unforgettable evening of Not Your Nana's Bingo—featuring live entertainment, fantastic prizes, and plenty of laughs. It's a night you won't want to miss!

If you haven't already secured your tickets, now's the time! Scan the QR code in the advertisement or book online via [TryBooking.com/events](https://trybooking.com/events)



Be sure to try our Cocktail of the Month – "Andy's Shetland Sheepdog" – available throughout August.

Our weekly events continue to be a huge hit! Join us for Wednesday Trivia Night and Friday Raffle Night. At the time of printing, our Wednesday Badge Draw has reached \$6,400, while the Friday Badge Draw is sitting at an incredible \$7,500.

August Birthday Celebrations

If you're celebrating your birthday in August, join us on the first or last Wednesday of the month to redeem your complimentary birthday rewards, including: A free drink, Raffle tickets, and An entrée voucher

Plus, you'll automatically go into the draw to win \$100 Birthday Cash!

Please note that dining reservations and courtesy bus bookings are essential.

Be sure to keep an eye out for our August edition, where we'll be sharing all the photos from the night!

Chelsea Booth

Admin, Promotions & Event Coordinator

Fun Fact

Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different.

The secret is in your tempo

When you're standing on the tee with your driver, I'm sure you're not thinking about distance control. It's all about how far you can hit it. A 3-wood is a different story. Whether you're using it on the tee or from the fairway, you should think about hitting the ball a specific distance. That's why my coach, Grant Field, says tempo is so important to this shot.

Here's a tip for better 3-wood tempo: pretend your swinging a wedge. This gets you to slow down— you rarely put extra effort into a wedge shot—and it syncs your body motion to the swinging of your arms and club. If you make every 3-wood swing with the same tempo, you'll start to dial in a distance the ball typically flies. Then if you need to take something off, grip down an inch on the shaft, or fade it by holding off the release of the club a little longer.

Here's another tip: when the ball is in the fairway—particularly on a tight lie— don't try to hit up on it. That's just going to produce a low, spinny shot that goes nowhere. Instead, play the ball a little farther back in your stance than you do with a driver— that will help you hit down on it—and make a swing that takes a little divot or brushes the grass after contact with the ball. Combined with that smother tempo, your long game is going to get a whole lot better.



RAFFLE FOR SICK AND DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN

Congratulations to Thea Curby and Cliff Cannon who both won \$250 each in the raffle for the Sick and Disadvantage children's Organisation. Editors note: Well done Peter.

Members - this space is reserved monthly for you to submit articles of golf / club / social news items / pictures / hole in ones



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Once in awhile we older golfers also have a “day out”.

Last Wednesday 24 June it was Roly's turn, in a big way.

The weather had finally improved and the fairways had started to provide just a bit of run, though still wet from overnight rain. This helped make the green just barely reachable in Roly's regulation one-over (playing off 19 hcp on the day) But the wind was a fresh SW 10-20 km/hr so that made the long white tees really tough on the south facing holes.

The greens were magnificent, freshly cut and rolled thanks to our dedicated Greens Staff. The bunkers in particular were beautifully groomed: you'd never know we had been flooded out just 5 weeks prior! However the Super must have been grumpy because the pins were downright nasty.

We Note.....

Roly is especially proud of his regulation bogies on 15, 16, 17 and 18 all made with fast breaking putts.

In total he managed just 30 putts on green that Roly estimated at approximately 11ft stimp rating on the day.

He attributed his improved putting to:

1. A nice new thicker putting grip thanks to great advice from our knowledgeable Pro staff.
2. Carefully studying green reading techniques with Terry Murphy, (who Roly reckons is just about the greatest putter he has ever seen in over 50 years playing serious club golf).
3. An hour a week putting practice which Roly hates, but knows it's the only way to improve when the conditions are tough.

The day finished with Roly scoring 44/43 strokes gross, and 19/20 stableford point for 39 points and a clear winner in Vets, Warriors and overall (C grade).

The extra few dollars invested in the VW competition added up to an amazing overall win of \$221 on the day!

Roly wants to give particular thanks to his playing partners, Phil Taylor and Barry May, for their excellent companionship and their kind support, which took all the stress out of another challenging but memorable round at the great Murwillumbah Golf Club!



Fun Fact

Featheries: Before modern materials, old golf balls were leather pouches stuffed tightly with wet goose or chicken feathers.

Jokes of the Month

Traffic Camera

A man was driving when he saw a flash of a traffic camera. He figured that his photo had been taken for exceeding the limit, even though he knew that he was not speeding...Just to be sure, he went around the block and passed the same spot, driving even more slowly, but again the camera flashed. Now he began to think that this was quite funny, so he drove even slower as he passed the area again, but the traffic camera again flashed. He tried a fourth time with the same result. He did this a fifth time and was now laughing when the camera flashes as he rolled past, this time at a snail pace...

Two weeks later, he for five tickets in the mail for driving without a seatbelt.

- ♦ I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes. She gave me a hug.
- ♦ What's Forrest Gump's password? 1forrest1

Riddles....

1. A monkey, a squirrel, and a bird are racing to the top of a coconut tree. Who will get the banana first, the monkey, the squirrel, or the bird?
 2. If it takes one man three days to dig a hole, how long does it take two men to dig half a hole?
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1. **None of them because you cannot get a banana from a coconut tree!**
 2. **You can't dig half a hole.**

