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For the information of members and their guests

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## ***WHY DON'T WE SEE YOU THERE??***

### ***Friday nights at the Club, as seen by others.***

The following unsolicited article appeared recently in a Glebe lifestyle and entertainment magazine, *Cheeky Parrot Review*.

#### ***Billy Burton . . . Still going Strong!***

*Trumpet virtuoso Billy Burton, 85, has played many of the great rooms in Australia and can be heard every Friday night at the Lane Cove Golf Club.*



*After 11 years Billy Burton and the band continue to bring great music to the lower north shore. This secluded venue complete with dance floor, has seen some of Sydney's and Australia's top artists performing every Friday night. Dan Barnett, Virna Sanzone, Armondo Hurley, George Washingmachine, Bonni J Jensen, Joy Yates, Nic Jeffries, Susan Gai Dowling, Ian Cooper, Gregg Arthur, Lauren Dawes, Pat Powell, Kate Wadey, Marilyn Mendez, Johnny Nicol . . . the list goes on and on.*

*With a superb lineup of Craig Scott on bass, Ron Lemke on drums, Ray Forster on keyboard and Billy on trumpet and flugelhorn, plus guest artists, you've got the best music happening only 15 minutes from the city centre.*

*It's rare to find a venue in Sydney offering entertainment of this calibre every Friday night at Lane Cove Golf Club. From 7pm to 10pm, you can dine in (must prebook a table) and you can dance . . . and there's plenty of off street parking. Most of all you'll hear the highest quality music and entertainment every week. Families are welcome; don't miss a great night out!*

#### ***Bill Burton and recent guest Artist, Kate Wadey***

OK, we told you so, and have been telling you so for years. We have, if you will excuse the phrase, been blowing our own trumpet about the quality of performance and talent available to members every Friday night for only \$10.00, so, why don't we see you there? Look what you have been missing and right under your nose at **your** Club. If you have never been, why not give it a go. You might be pleasantly surprised.

## **WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB** **FULL SWING QUARTET**



***Fridays 7.00 – 10.00***

### ***GUEST ARTISTS***

***13 July – Nik Jeffrey***

***20 July – Virna Sanzone***

***27 July – Armondo Hurley***

***3 August – Dan Barnett***

***Note, an entry fee of \$10.00 applies - (children free)***

### ***BITS AND PIECES***

- \* Members were dismayed to hear that long-term member and ex-Club President Barry Watkin, is seriously ill. He was rushed to NSH ICU early last week. Our best wishes go to Barry for a speedy recovery.
- \* Those regulars from Friday Night Music were pleased to hear that the friendly wait person, Van Deep, is recuperating after being the victim of a hit and run accident. Greg Stephenson has been visiting Van in Liverpool hospital and providing reports of her condition. The news is that she is making a good, albeit slow recovery.
- \* Have you checked out the new Website? If you have and you like the new site, why not Like it!
- \* Thanks to that indefatigable worker around the clubhouse Hamish Anderson, last seen completing the painting at the northern end of the deck.

### ***BLUNTS PLAYER OF THE MONTH AWARD***

Winter is always the time of year when the scores seem to skyrocket. Everyone has trouble with the ball stopping in the wet fairways (well maybe not always fairway), leaving much longer shots to the green. As a result, after missing the green, our short games become much more important to submit those winning scores. Looking at the scores over the last two medals, it looks like the short game of quite a few members was not exactly up to standard. But there are always a couple of exceptions



During May/June the main exception was **John Erasmus**, who posted scores of nett 60 and nett 61 in the May and June medals to win the Blunts award handsomely.

John's play was obviously of a high standard during the winter months as he was also successful in partnering with Yve Nikellys to take out the Col Buddle Trophy during our Mixed Foursomes extravaganza over the June long weekend.

Congratulations John

***WAYNE BELGRE***

## **CAPTAIN'S CORNER**

Often members complain about the standard of the course and as I noted in my Captain's Corner list of grumbles recently, members often walk the whole course without once filling a divot or repairing a pitch mark. Their sand bucket merely serves as ballast to balance their buggy.

Well how about we all just do one little thing to help Bob and the green staff to maintain the course in as good a shape as possible.

The Men's Committee has decided to designate one hole each Saturday as the "**Hole of the Day**". There will be a sign on the 1st tee as to which hole is the "Hole of the Day".



The idea is for members to empty their sand bucket to repair divots as they traverse the designated hole from tee to green. Also, pitch marks must be repaired as the group reaches the green.

If all players do this, by the end of the day the designated hole will have all divots filled with sand and pitch marks repaired.

Of course, penalties apply to anyone who does not empty their bucket on the designated hole. Each member should

inspect the group's buckets and if any sand is left in a bucket, that member who still has sand should purchase a round of drinks in the club afterwards for his group!!

## **WAYNE BELGRE**

## **MEN'S GOLF**

Before reporting the happenings of the month of June, let me begin by bringing the terrible news that our great club man and stalwart **Barry Watkin**, is in hospital in intensive care at RNS with a severe bacterial infection. Barry is a past-President of the Club, presently a Club Director and a former member of the Men's Golf Committee. Barry is a winner of a number of Club Championships as well as a winner of the prestigious Alan Price Medal. Our thoughts go out to Barry and his family that he can come through this ordeal. I pray you'll be all right Baz.

The month of June hosts the most prestigious event on the Lane Cove calendar. Known as "The Fifth Major", the Mixed Foursomes is the most talked about and sought after event for the men. All the low markers played (with the exception of the two Andrews), which meant some fierce competition. When Andy Moran couldn't play due to injury, Alasdair Caush was quickly on the phone to Suzique Doughty to offer his services. Suzique had heard about "Grumpy's" antics on the golf course and reluctantly accepted with a few provisos. (No club throwing was first on the list!)

The event is played over two days; with the best scratch score over the two days declared the overall winner. So close was this years event that 4 shots was the difference between 1st and 5th place. Last year it was 9 shots between first and second - albeit with a course record thanks Joan! This year I was fortunate to witness some moments worth a mention - some great/some not so great. Here are just a few:

\* On the 4th hole over the gully, Wayne's tee shot went just short and plugged in the mud never to be seen again. Vanna had to jog back to the tee and by now there was a gallery. With no time to get her breath back, she played an amazing shot, putting the ball on the green about 5ft from the hole! (Ask Wayne if he sank the putt - I couldn't see!) (*Continued over*)

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- \* Whilst playing the 8th, I heard a great cheer coming from the 9th green. It was to celebrate Robyn Glover's fantastic chip in from way off the green!
- \* Still on the 8th hole - a not so memorable moment from team Evan and Joan. I managed to put our title defence in jeopardy by hitting my tee shot into the carpark, sending Joan back to the tee to play our 3rd. Things got worse when I once again let my partner down by missing a 1 foot putt giving us a 9 for the hole - a not so great moment!
- \* 4 holes later, Joan showed her forgiveness by chipping in on the 13th when we looked down and out.

On the second day, Joan and I were paired with leaders Alasdair and Suzique. They had a 1 shot lead on us from the Saturday so we knew where we were situated. After 9 holes and my train wreck, word got around of Pete and Robyn's great front nine and we knew that this major could be anyone's!

Come the 18th hole, Suzique who had carried Alasdair for 35 holes left Al with a 6ft putt for birdie. I said to Al, "This could be for the championship". The putt did a lap around the hole and, unbelievably, didn't drop in. And then, when the scores came in, it showed that that putt could've won Alasdair and Suzique the Championship. Instead it was a tie, for the pair with Pete Doherty and Robyn Glover. This meant another 18-hole play off to be played the following week.

True to both teams' champion form, this match was played in great spirit and with golf worthy of a 5th major play off. Both teams shot scratch scores, better than any team on either day. Then finally, it well done to Alasdair and Suzique, who won the playoff by 2 shots, and the Championship, to claim their place in Club history! Their names will forever be etched in gold on our clubhouse wall. Congratulations and commiserations to Pete and Robyn, who came so close to glory.

Personally I can't wait for next year!!

*After their great playoff match, winners of the Club Mixed Foursomes Championship, Alasdair Caush and Susique Doughty, celebrate with runners up Robyn Glover and Peter Doherty*



The nett award, the Col Buddle Trophy, went to **John Erasmus** and **Yve Nikellys**. They won convincingly with back-to-back scores of 61nett. Fantastic consistent golf! They were only 5 shots from winning the scratch, which shows what great golf they must have played. Well done to you both.

By taking the money on Saturday/Sunday and overall, they celebrated in style with a bottle of Moet! I'm sure next year their eyes will be on the prize for the big one. That's another pair we all need to look out for!! (*Continued over*)

## ***MEN'S GOLF continued***

There were some other great scores of note throughout the month. **Bob Staley** shot a massive 45 points in a mid-week round and **Wayne Belgre**, whose form has been a little "how ya goin" of late, has come back to true form. Wayne shot a fine 42 points off 11. Hopefully this brings him back to his true handicap of single figures!

July brings us a big month! We have the first round of the 4BBB Knockout commencing next week, and following this is the Warren and Gibson Trophy inter-club championship. If your handicap is greater than 16, you are eligible for the Gibson team. If greater than 12 then you are eligible for the Warren team. For

the **Gibson team**, please contact Manager Ralph Sadler on 0424 555 961. Ralph has already sent an email message to those whose handicap qualifies them for the Gibson team. If you did not receive such a message and you want to be considered for selection, call Ralph



If you are eligible for the **Warren team** and wish to join, please call me on 0410 600 223. I'm eligible to play in the Warren so if selected I won't be able to manage, however I'll do whatever I can to facilitate. Please let me know if you are keen to assist in managing the Warren team. Lane Cove hasn't won either trophy since 1976 so here is your chance to be part of history! From the looks of the handicaps of our members, we should have great teams and there is no reason why we can't go all the way this year!

Lastly, we have the July monthly medal that was played on Saturday 7 July. (Happy new year all you financial folk!) - Don't forget to pay your membership fees!

The winners were as follows:

### **A Grade**

Medal: **Wayne Belgre** 59 - Winner of the James O'Loughlin Plate

Scratch: **Wayne Belgre** 71- Winner of the Anniversary Plate

### **B Grade**

Medal: **Rod Paterson** 64

Scratch: **Jeff Back** 80

### **C Grade**

Medal: **Keiron McGarry, Ralph Sadler** to play off 62

Scratch: **Keiron McGarry** 82

Congratulations to Wayne in taking out both major events of the day. I only wish he had had that handicap of 12 since January and we would be odds on favourites to win the Warren trophy!

It's been a big month and July will be huge. If you don't get selected in the Warren and Gibson teams, please help out our team by;

- 1 turning up to show your support
- 2 offer to caddy for one of the players (a big ask I know!)
- 3 turning up to show your support
- 4 refer to number 3 (

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## MEN'S GOLF continued

As a previous representative of our great club, I can vouch for the appreciation to those who come and support, especially when they are not playing. My thoughts immediately go to Hamish Anderson, who I can constantly recall sitting on the hill on the 2nd/11th to spot balls to keep the speed of play up, and of course to Dave Martin, who does a great job catering for the teams. First home game v Rosnay GC, August 4.

This year we are playing at Wooloware, Georges River and Rosnay, three courses vastly different to Lane Cove. This is a great chance to win all our home games and throw in a couple of away wins and we'll go through to the play offs.

Thanks for your support and I'll see you on the course.

**EVAN JONES**



## **WOMEN'S GOLF**

### **Mixed Foursomes Championship**

The June long weekend was a bit rainy, but we had a good field to enjoy our Foursomes Championship.

Our Wayne Belgre described the competition as “fabulous”. There were some very close scores after the Saturday round, with much speculation about who'd be victorious. And Sunday proved to be a dramatic finish.... right down to the result of the last group in!

Here's how it happened...

On Saturday the best scratch score was that of **Suzique Doughty** and **Alasdair Caush**, with 83, while the best nett went to **Yve Nikellys** and **John Erasmus** with 61.

Then on Sunday, as each team came in, Suzique and Alasdair had an anxious wait after their round of scratch 84. And there were some really good scores. Then **Robyn Glover** and **Peter Doherty** came in with 81, which meant....uh oh... two scores of 167! As this was a Championship, an 18-hole playoff was required! And as for the nett result.... another cliffhanger!

For quite a while **Joanne Hannay** and **Dermot Duncan** were leading contenders for the nett score event, the Col Buddle Trophy, with a clubhouse score of 129. When the last group came in, everyone on the deck called out, “How'd y'go?” **Yve** just smiled mysteriously and said, “You'll see”. I think she must have had trouble putting her clubs away, as it seemed a long time before we found out that she and **John Erasmus** had carded a 61 nett, which meant that they had won the trophy with a total of 122. We all helped them celebrate with champagne (the good French stuff!)



### **And then..... the Playoff for the Mixed Foursomes Championship**

This was played on the following Saturday and it was a close game with two great scores. It came down to two strokes only when **Suzique** and **Alasdair** had a scratch score of 80 and **Robyn** and **Peter** had 82. So, congratulations to our Foursomes Champions for 2018, **Suzique Doughty** and **Alasdair Caush**.

### **Club Championships**

Our Championship is played over three rounds, on both Thursdays and Sundays.

The Sunday results were.....

Round 1 A Grade Nett	<b>Vanna Mutton .....</b> 72
Scratch	<b>Suzique Doughty...</b> 88
B Grade Nett	<b>Cindy Brown .....</b> 68 Cindy won her Silver Brooch with this score!
Scratch	<b>Cindy Brown .....</b> 104
Round 2 A Grade Nett	<b>Angela Pearson .....</b> 69
Scratch	<b>Suzique. Doughty.....</b> 88
B Grade Nett	<b>Rosanne Antico-Hall ...</b> 76
Scratch	<b>Rosanne Antico-Hall...</b> 110
Round 3 A Grade Nett	<b>Margo Anderson .....</b> 69 This was a medal Round, so Margo won the last monthly medal of the year
Scratch	<b>Suzique Doughty....</b> 89
B Grade Nett	<b>Cindy Brown .....</b> 80
Scratch	<b>Cindy Brown .....</b> 116

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## **WOMEN'S GOLF** *continued*

And the Thursday results were.....

Round1.	A Grade Nett	<b>Jan Sadler</b> ..... 67.... and the Monthly Medal!
	Scratch	<b>Joan Weine</b> ..... 95
	B Grade. Nett	<b>Robyn McElvenny</b> .... 75
	Scratch	<b>Robyn McElvenny</b> ... 112
Round 2	A Grade Nett.	<b>Susan Ridd</b> ..... 71
	Scratch	<b>Joan Weine</b> ..... 90
	B Grade Nett.	<b>Kerin Moorehead</b> ... 74
	Scratch	<b>Robyn McElvenny</b> ... 111
Round3	A Grade Nett	<b>Jan Sadler</b> ..... 70 Jan won the monthly medal.
	Scratch	<b>Joan Weine</b> ..... 90
	B Grade Nett.	<b>Yvonne Nikellys</b> ... 74
	Scratch	<b>Yvonne Nikellys</b> .... 108

**And the Winners are...(drum roll)**

<b>A Grade Club Champion.</b>	<b>Suzique Doughty</b>
<b>B Grade Champion</b>	<b>Cindy Brown</b>
<b>A Grade Nett Champion</b>	<b>Jan Sadler</b>
<b>B Grade Nett Champion</b>	<b>Robyn McElvenny</b>

Congratulations to you all!



**Happy Birthday** Thursday 21st June was a cold windy day, but, true to the tradition of friendship at our Club, many members, past and present, came to lunch to celebrate the “Special O” birthdays of two of our members, **Rosemary Hurford** and **Susan Ridd**.

Jan Sadler and Kerin Moorehead spoke of the birthday ladies’ golfing achievements, and both responded with thanks and stories of happy days at Lane Cove. Like both these very active ladies I have found that retirement and golf go very well. Susan spent her actual birthday trekking in Uganda looking for gorillas!

After champagne and Kerin’s delicious cake, the birthday ladies took home many gifts and cards. We wish them many more happy birthdays at Lane Cove Golf Club.

### **The Knockout**

We’re getting to the pointy end of this competition. The next matches will be....

Joan Weine v Robyn McElvenny

Cindy Brown v Jo Cunningham

### **Medal Results for 2018**

These ladies have had the best total of three rounds of the medal competitions.

**Sunday** Division 1/2 **Suzique Doughty** (what a year she’s had!)

Division 3 **Jacqui Brooks**

**Thursday.** Division 1/2 **Joan Weine**

Division 3 **Yve Nikellys**

Congratulations to these ladies, who may represent the Club at Metropolitan playoffs later in the year.

### **Our Charity Day Total**

Last month’s Charity Day turned out to be our best ever, raising \$1700. This will go to our two charities, The Flying Doctor Service and Bear Cottage. (*Continued over*)



## WOMEN'S GOLF *continued*

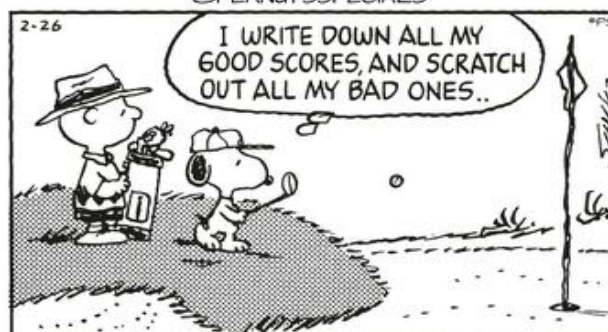
### Upcoming Events

- \* **Captain's v President's Day (Memorial Day)**  
This famous rivalry will be played on Sunday 15th July. (There will be cake!) Check Tee Time for your team placement.
- \* **Bronze IV Pennant** starts Friday 13th July at Gordon. Good luck, team!
- \* **Pennant Host Day**  
Let Susan Ridd know if you can help with this event, which will be held on Friday 27th July.
- \* **Keno Women's Golf NSW 4BBB v Par Championship**  
This will be played on Sunday 22nd and Thursday 26th July with a \$5 entry fee. The pair with the best score will play the Metropolitan Final on October 5th
- \* **Riverside Oaks**  
The \$200 deposit for this weekend away is now due and the final payment will be due on 21st September
- \* **Membership.** Make sure your fees are paid by the end of this month
- \* **Changed Dates.** Check Tee Time for changes in some fixtures. The Foursomes Championship will start on 30th August.
- \* **Also** check Tee Time for new local rules regarding bare spots on greens

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# **DAVE MARTIN'S TEE 4 TWO**

## **BBQ CAFE**

*Now open on the terrace*

*Thursdays & Fridays from 9.30am*

*Saturdays & Sundays from 10.30am*

<u>TEE 4 TWO</u>	
<u>BBQ CAFE</u>	
Coffee . . . . .	\$3.5
Bacon Egg Roll . . . . .	\$5.5
Sausage + Onions Roll . .	\$5.5
BLT . . . . .	\$6.0
Ham, Cheese + Tomato (roasted)	\$5.5
Pancakes w/ Maple Syrup	\$8.5
Eggs, Bacon + Tomato (on toast)	\$10.0
Big Brekky . . . . .	\$13.5
Beef Burger . . . . .	\$9.0
Chicken Burger . . . . .	\$9.0
Veggie Burger . . . . .	\$9.0
Cheese Burger . . . . .	\$9.5
Burger <u>WITH</u> Chips . . . . .	\$12.0
Chips . . . . .	\$5.0
Wedges (with Sweet Chilli + Sour Cream)	\$6.5
Fish + Chips (+salad) . . . . .	\$14.0
Chicken Schitzel + Chips (+salad)	\$14.0



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