

For the information of members and their guests

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



We received some welcome news recently from Council regarding the course maintenance contract, which has been awarded to the incumbent Green Options. Whilst the condition of the tees still needs more work, the general feedback from our members, and my own observations, suggests that the course condition has improved since Green Options commenced operations at Lane Cove.

We, of course can all help by doing our bit to keep the course in the best possible condition by repairing our pitch marks on the greens and perhaps, if time permits another one while you wait to putt.

Many thanks to all those involved in the Drag Bingo Night last week. The event turned out to be very popular and sold out quickly and was, I'm told, a great success with a wide cross section of guests attending. And, the news just to hand is that the second round of Drag Bingo, scheduled for 14 March, is already **SOLD OUT**. That is, 130 places have already been booked. There are no doubt many like me, who missed out, who will also be trying to get some tickets next time.

Congratulations to our new co-Manager Philippa Silva and the Marketing Committee for their hard work in getting this fund raising innovation off to an unqualified knockout beginning! A survey of participants at the first night has led to some changes, which it is believed will only enhance the success of the event. It is planned that Drag Bingo will be a regular once-a-month event, so look for the next scheduled date and get in early!

No official news on the proposed precinct development so far this year but I understand that Council has received a number of submissions and is working through an evaluation process before selecting the preferred parties to move forward with. Barry Watkin and myself will be attending the next planning forum, which has yet to be scheduled. So no doubt, more news will be available following that meeting.

With the men's Singles KO rounds well underway, congratulations to all those still in contention. I'm sure we can look forward to some very hard fought battles as the comp progresses into the final rounds. With some cooler Autumn weather to look forward to, I think we might be seeing plenty of low scores in the next few weeks. So good luck to you all.

ALAN MOSS



THURSDAY 14 MARCH

SORRY

SOLD OUT! Balls drop at 7.00pm Last game ends at 9.00pm Food from 6.00pm CAUTION MA15+ This is not for the kiddies!

WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB



BILL BURTON QUARTET Fridays 7.00 – 10.00 GUEST ARTISTS

8 March - Edo Santoni 15 March – Bonnie J Jensen 22 March - Virna Sanzone 29 March - George Washingmachine 5 April - TBA oplies - (Children free)

An entry fee of \$10.00 applies - (Children free)



Friday Night Chicken Run Looking for a fun way to start your weekend? Join us for the Friday Night Chicken Run!

- Tee off any time after 4.30 pm, no need to book.
- 9 holes of social golf. Members, non-members, beginners, pros, all welcome
- * Runs over daylight savings months, starting 12 October 2018.
 - Presentation on deck, with winner receiving the much sought-after frozen chicken.
- * For dinner bookings, please ring Club Bar on 9418 6159

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BLUNTS PLAYER OF THE MONTH AWARD



two medal rounds is the key to winning.

It has been very interesting looking at the winning scores recently.

The course seems to be taking some revenge as each weekend there has only been a limited number of good scores submitted. As far as Blunts Player of the Month is concerned, obviously playing good consistent golf over

Such was the case for the winner of the February award. **Bob Staley** has been playing very well recently and is always in contention. He was able to finish with a nett 61 in January and a nett 62 in February to win our Player of the Month award.

Bob's nett 62 in February was enough to see him tie (to be played off) for one of our most prestigious trophies, the Gold Medal. Congratulations Bob

WAYNE BELGRE

WOMEN'S GOLF

Our Opening Dinner

Thursday 14th February was the date for our dinner that marked the beginning of the 2019 golfing season for us. It was a great chance to catch up with friends, especially past members, who really enjoy these occasions. Your Little Secret provided a delicious meal.

A highlight of the night was the presentation of trophies to the winners of the Summer Cup. Captain **Robyn Glover**, gave us lots of interesting information about the history of the Summer Cup, for

example, the record for the best score in the Cup belongs to **Marie O'Loughlin**, who scored 79 points over 3 rounds of 9 holes. Do the maths and be amazed!

Our winners for this year were;

In the Weekend competition - **Jo Cunningham**, with 57 points In the Midweek competition - **Robyn McElvenny**, with 60 points Congratulations to you both.

Joanne Hannay ran a trivia quiz to add to our enjoyment of the night. The winners were the team called the Dalmatians (guess what colours most of that group were wearing?), who kindly shared their chocolates prize with everyone.



Many thanks to all those who decorated tables and put so much work into making this an enjoyable evening.

Information Days

To start our playing season, Janet Lean, Robyn Glover, Suzique Doughty, Kerin Moorehead and Susan Ridd, held sessions after golf to give us all the information about the new rules that we need for playing golf in 2019. Thank you ladies.

The First Medal Round

Sunday players have played their first Medal round for 2019. **Margo Anderson**, in Division 1, won the medal with a nett 65 while **Suzique Doughty** won the scratch in that division with 89. **Cindy Brown** won Division 2 with a nett 71 and scratch of 105. (*Continued over*)

WOMEN'S GOLF continued

Margot Vaughan made a spectacular comeback from recent health issues, by winning the 9-hole competition, with a nett 45 and scratch of 66. She also had the best putting result, with 19. Well done Margot.

Suzique Doughty won the Division 1 putting with 29. **Cindy Brown** continued her "winning way" by taking out the Division 2 putting, with 33.



Weekend Pennant

The first matches in this Pennant will be played at Chatswood, on Sunday 10th March. We wish our team the best of luck, and here's hoping we do as well as we did last year! Or better!

Upcoming Events

Kasey's Clinics

Kasey's next clinic will be held on Saturday 6th April. Book in at the Pro Shop.

* Weekend Pennant Host Day

On Sunday 31st March, we will be hosting the Weekend Pennant. Let Jo Cunningham know if you can help with spotting on the course or helping in the clubhouse on the day.

SUE KALLAS

CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Just A little info for members!!

1. I'm sure during the last few weeks there have been many discussions amongst members about the new rules and their application. I would strongly encourage all members to use the opportunity to acquaint themselves with the new and old rules.

In my discussions with members recently I am convinced confusion still reigns in relation to those new rules. Should you wish to get a start over your mates in relation to the new rules, the R & A have set up a terrific website about the new rules. The website explains all the new rules and even has a quiz at the end where you can test your knowledge. To access the website all you have to do is go to www.randa.org/rulesacademy



There is certainly a lot of information on the website which you can go through at your leisure, but there is the opportunity at the end to take the R & A's Level 1 rules exam if you wish.

2. On another matter, it is great to see increasing numbers booking in each Saturday. Our morning fields have been at capacity for a few weeks now, necessitating a few regular morning players moving to the afternoon slots. It will be interesting to see if that trend continues when we get into the winter months!

3. Whilst the course has been as "lush" as it has been for some time, we are at that time of year when the greens must be cored. At the moment coring is due to take place Monday 11th March and as such it will be a few weeks after that date before the greens come back to life. *(Continued over)*

CAPTAIN'S CORNER continued

4. One final thing; the NSWGA have introduced a new event for 2019. Remember in the past where we played qualifying events in Men's and Mixed 2 Ball Championships. Well, the NSWGA have introduced a Medley Ambrose Championship.

Each pair consists of two players of any (either??) gender (male/male, female/male, female/female) who are members of the same club. A club-qualifying event is held, with the winners going to regionals and possibly later to State finals.

Watch out for more information. WAYNE BELGRE

MEN'S GOLF

It's been a big month for men's golf.

There have been some intensely played matches in the Singles Knock Out, with many coming down to the last hole. For those who missed them, here are the results:

Round 1

P. Doherty bt J. Patfield 2/1G.Kennedy by B.Hyde 7/6M.Thompson bt H.Anderson 2/1A Caush bt B.Pearson 3/1

G.Webster bt R.Virgili R.Paterson bt W.Belgre 4/3 W.Edmondson bt T.Sinclair 1 Up W.Heim bt P.Dennis

With half the field having byes, it was a big Round 2.

Round 2

P.Doherty bt G.Webster 5/4 R.Paterson bt M.Thompson W/O A.Caush bt W.Heim 4/2 D.Duncan bt E.Jones 3/1 R.Sadler bt S.Tan W/O G.Rothery bt R.Prasad W/O M.Breeze bt B.Staley 4/2 J.Erasmus bt J.Hickson 1 Up

Round 3

P.Doherty bt G.Kennedy 2/1 A.Caush bt G.Young 1 Up N.Roland bt R.Sadler W/O J.Erasmus bt A.Hall W/O G.Kennedy by B.Watkin 2 Up W.Edmondson bt D.Cameron 2/1 G.Young bt P.Siapos 5/4 R.Prasad bt J.Wilson 4/2 N.Rowland bt M.Simonsen 2/1 S.Green bt D.Martin 2/1 A.Hall bt N.Sarajinsky 2/1 M.Dooley bt G.Stephenson 4/2

W.Edmondson bt R.Paterson 2/1 R.Prasad bt D.Duncan 4/3 S.Green bt G.Rothery 4/3 M.Breeze bt M.Dooley 3/2

It's getting to the business end, with the Quarter Finals starting on the 9th of March.

If you like a punt, bookies have **Alasdair Caush** at \$2.80 after showing some fine form in beating Benny Pearson.

He backed it up with a fine win over Graham Young, giving Graham 21 shots, and coming back from a 4 hole deficit at the turn. If Alasdair can control his temper/emotions, he's a good chance of taking this out!! *(Continued over)*



MEN'S GOLF continued

We took a break from the knockout to play the March medal. March results are as follows: A Grade: Pete Doherty 59 on a countback from Jamie Lobb Scratch: Pete Doherty 68

B Grade: Walter Heim 61 Scratch: Gregg Kennedy 78

C Grade: Keiran McGarry 61 Scratch: Keiran McGarry 82

The President's Cup was taken out by Pete Doherty, adding to the plethora of trophies already on his mantle piece, while Andrew Limmer won the Gold Medal playoff over Bob Staley!! Couldn't have been won by a nicer guy! Well done to all.



Now for the big issues at the Club at the moment. Something has to be done about the seat on the Fifth tee. For most of us it's OK, but what about the likes of the vertically challenged like Dermot and Buddy who have to climb up there and have their legs swinging in the breeze once they get on it. This is a major issue at the Club that must be addressed as soon as possible!!

(Ed's note; for other VC members, another legswinger is the 1^{*}. If you want a seat where your legs don't dangle, try the 3rd or 7th)

Buddy Hyde and Dermot Duncan, leg swingers on 5th tee.

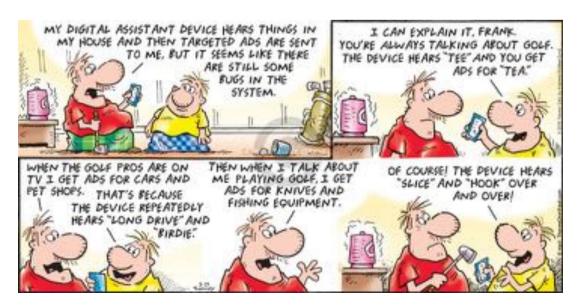
Maybe I'm just picking on Dermot because he smashed me in the Singles Knockout, but he did what those getting lessons strive for every shot. Hitting the perfect shot on the 10^a and getting it right in the middle of the practise hoops (see pic right). Great shot mate!! (Mind you, he still managed to get a 4).

Good luck to all those who remain in the knockout and I'll see



EVAN JONES

you on the course.



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