

Newsletter of the Lane Cove Golf Club
For the information of members and their guests

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Wow. What an exciting finish to the US Masters this year, and what a great comeback for Tiger after all his back problems.

One thing that really did stand out for me, aside from the great golf, was the reply Tiger gave prior to the last round when asked about his routine for the final day. As you may recall, the weather forecast for the afternoon final round was not great, so play was brought forward to a morning start. This meant a Tee Off time for Tiger's group at 09:30am.

So, when he was asked what his routine for the day would be, I expected his reply might be, "a good night's sleep and say a 6:30am start". Not for Tiger... his day started at 3:30, some six hours before he was due on the tee, and comprised breakfast, massage, range warm-up, putting etc...

Sometime earlier, Justin Thomas had apparently asked him what his daily routine was when he was his age (JT's about 24 yrs.). Here was Woods' answer -

"Well, I used to get up in the morning, run four miles. Then I'd go to the gym, do my lifts. Then I'd hit balls for two to three hours. I'd go play, come back, work on my short game. I'd go run another four more miles, and then if anyone wanted to play basketball or tennis, I would go play basketball or tennis. That was a daily routine. I'm not doing any of that now."

And back then there was presumably still time for his infamous extracurricular activities!!!

Food for thought for those like me who arrive at the course in time to Stretch (e.g. Bend down & put my golf shoes on), Warm Up (e.g. Brisk walk to the Tee Box from the car park) and then expect to play like Tiger!!!

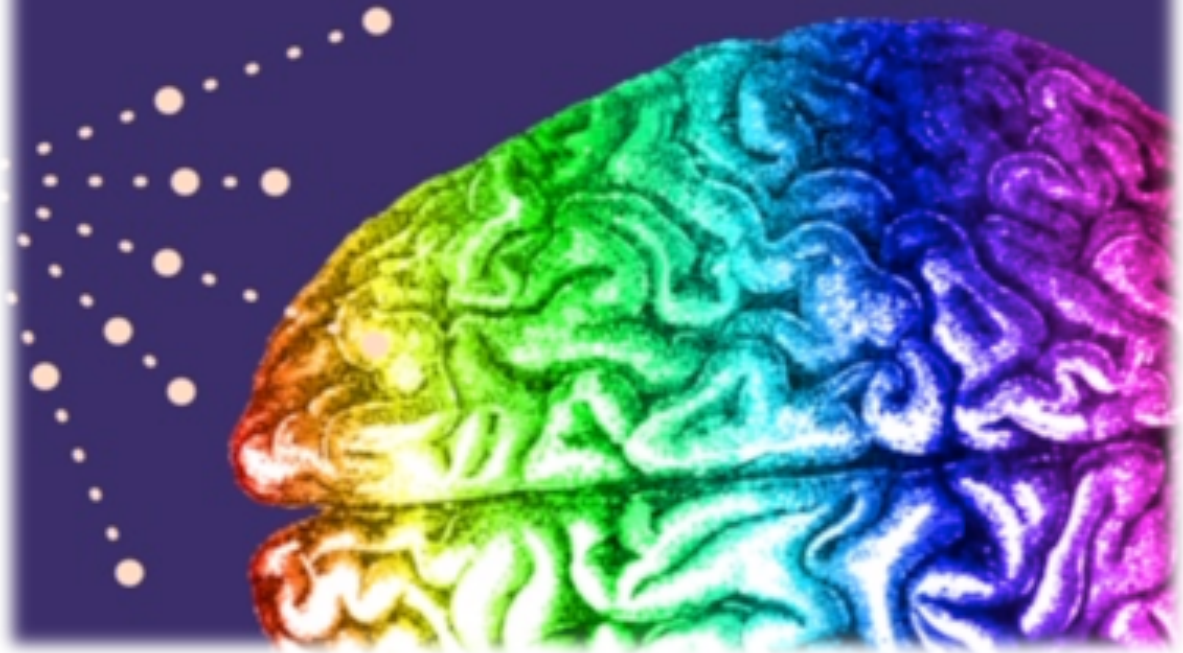
No doubt we'd all benefit from a more professional approach to our pre-start routine and so I'd best leave this here as I head off to the gym.

ALAN MOSS

LANE COVE GOLF CLUB PRESENTS

DRAG TRIVIA

180 RIVER ROAD, NORTHWOOD



DRAG TRIVIA, THURSDAY 9 MAY, 7.00pm

If you missed Drag Bingo, Drag Trivia may be your scene.

Tickets \$10.00 per person

Prizes and game night menu available

Booking at www.trybooking.com/bcdue

WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB

BILL BURTON QUARTET



Fridays 7.00 – 10.00

GUEST ARTISTS

3 May – Dan Barnett

10 May – Rebekka Neville

17 May – Johnny Nicol

24 May – Jo Fabro

31 May – George Washingmachine

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

NIC CORISH MEMORIAL DAY

Thanks to the 72 people who participated in the Nic Corish Memorial Golf Day on Saturday 4 May.

Congratulations to Cindy Brown and husband Adrian Sue, pictured below, as the inaugural winners of the Nic Corish Trophy for best score by a family team; closely followed by the Andersons, Margot and Hamish, in second place.

Congratulations to Claudius Sithole with a fabulous 49 points, only 4 over par, to win the individual, as well as Greg Rothery, who assisted him win the 4 Ball as well, with 52 points.

\$338 was donated on the day and added to nearly \$8,000 raised to date for the "Nic Corish Memorial Fund-Golfers Supporting Beyond Blue". (Google it to see the site.)

We are grateful to Lane Cove Council and others for constructing the beautiful bubbler on the 5th tee, where we have scattered Nic's ashes, one year after his death in London on 1 May 2018 and which will always be a special place for us. Nic loved Lane Cove Golf Club and playing here. Sadly, overseas he seemed to lose his way and succumbed to an undiagnosed depressive illness.



The family are grateful for the love and support we have received from our golf community. We enjoy and are uplifted by the family golf event in memory of Nic. And we hope it may in a small way, assist some other young people facing issues of depression and anxiety, to seek assistance in their times of need.

It was a great day and enjoyed by all those who participated.

ANDREW and MAIJA CORISH



BLUNTS PLAYER OF THE MONTH AWARD



Well, what a contest we had for the April Blunts Player of the Month Award.

Two players could not be separated after playing 36 holes of excellent golf.

With the course being so lush at the moment and the ball not rolling very far, good scores were few and far between, with only a couple of members able to produce their best golf.

Jamie Lobb and **Peter Doherty** were the two exceptions. Jamie and Peter produced identical scores for the March and April medals. Both finished with nett 59 in March and nett 62 in April to share the spoils

Jamie is a relatively new member who has been playing exceptionally well since joining the Club, reducing his handicap from 13 to a current low of 7.

Peter, one of our longest standing members, has always been a threat in Medals and played extremely well to produce a prize-winning score. Congratulation to both Jamie and Peter.

WAYNE BELGRE

CAPTAIN'S CORNER

The Men's Golf Committee has made an important change to one of our upcoming fixtures - the **A, B and C Foursomes Championship**. Previously advertised as two rounds of scratch Foursomes, the Committee has decided to change the format.

This year we will have one round of qualifying on Saturday 18th May. The top two teams in each grade will then play off the next week (Saturday 25th May) over 18 holes of match play to decide the winner. Should more than 2 teams in any grade have the same score in qualifying, a countback will be used to decide the placings.

Foursomes has been a longstanding event within our club and while some members are not keen on the event the Committee feel it is important to continue the tradition. Remember, players from different grades can play together but they will play in the grade of the lower handicapped partner of the two players.



So now is the time to find yourself a partner who will not shout at you should you hit that really terrible shot.

Another Major event coming up soon is the **Mixed Foursomes**. Played over the Saturday and Sunday of the June long weekend, this is an event that produces all the drama normally associated with our beloved game. The booking sheet will be open Saturday 25th May, so go and find yourself a partner and look forward to spending two days having fun.

If you are unable to find a partner let me know or just book in and we will find someone for you. **(Continued over)**

CAPTAIN'S CORNER continued

Finally, we have a new event scheduled for later this year, as the NSWGA have replaced the 2 Ball Championship with a **2 Ball Ambrose event**.

Our qualifying event will be held on **Saturday 22nd June**, with the winners going through to the Regional Qualifying later in the year. Teams have a chance to go through to the State finals to be held at Bonville late November /early December.

So please keep this event in mind.

WAYNE BELGRE

WOMEN'S GOLF

The Weekend Pennant Continues....

There have been some really good results in some matches in this Pennant, such as the 7/6 win **Jo Hannay** and **Angela Pearson** had at Wakehurst on 28th April (backed up by **Margo Anderson** and **Joan Weine's** square on that day).

At Northbridge on 5th May, **Margo Anderson** and **Robyn Glover** had a 6/5 win. That was the last game of this Pennant, with Wakehurst and Bayview tying for first place. Lane Cove tied for 6th place. Well done team!

Our thanks go to Jo Cunningham for organising teams for the matches.

A special Birthday

On Thursday 11 April, there were lots of familiar faces at the Club to help celebrate the special big O birthday of **Joan Weine**. Most of them were wearing Joan's favourite colour....pink!

Evie Nikellys and Rosemary Hurford made arrangements for the party. The clubhouse looked lovely. **Jackie Sun** decorated a beautiful cake for Joan and the champagne flowed.

Joan was overwhelmed with the gifts and good wishes of so many of her golfing friends.



Vanna Mutton and **Monica Cowper** compiled a "brief" history of Joan's achievements at the Club.....well....not too brief as Joan's been involved in so many activities!

She's been President, Club Champion (quite a few times), Foursomes Champion, Mixed Foursomes Champion, Pennant Team member, as well as winning just about every other trophy in the cupboard!

Joan's been such an asset to our club with her friendly, helpful ways. She even played matchmaker to Angela and Ben Pearson!

As Joan said in her speech of thanks, "Joining this Club is the best thing I've ever done."

We're so glad you did, Joan. Happy Birthday.

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WOMEN'S GOLF continued

The Centennial Cup

Congratulations to the winners, **Angela and Ben Pearson**, with a score of +8. **Cindy Brown** and **Andrew Corish** lost on that annoying thing in golf.....The Countback! But **Cindy's** persistence was rewarded with her win on the Nic Corish Memorial Day. Good on you Cindy.

Jan Sadler had the best ladies' score in the Centennial Cup.... a very nice +4. And **Janet Lean** and **Rosemary Hurford** won the Nearest the Pins on the day.

New Members

A big welcome to new members **Ji Min Kim** and **Hannah Xuan**. Hannah has completed her three cards for handicap and is now playing in the Sunday competition. Enjoy your golf at Lane Cove, Ladies.



Dormie House Visit

It was "short sleeves" weather for this year's trip to Dormie House, compared to last year's icy days. Eight of our ladies enjoyed playing golf at the lovely Moss Vale course.

Congratulations to the winner of the main event, **Angela Pearson**, with 27 points and the runner up, **Joan Weine**, who had 25 points. In Friday's 9 hole Canadian Foursomes, the winners were **Angela Pearson** and **Robyn Glover** with a nett 45.5. The runners up were **Elizabeth McMurray** and **Joan Weine**, with a nett 47.5

Many thanks to **Joan Weine** and **Jo Hannay** for organising this midweek break.

The Singles Knockout

More results in this ongoing event.

Joan Weine	d.	Susan Ridd	4/3
Rosemary Hurford	d.	Robyn Seale	1 up
Janet Lean	d.	Evie Nikellys	2/1
Marianne Mitchell	d.	Cindy Brown	4/3

Upcoming Events

- * **The Mixed Visitors Charity Day**. Book in now for this event which will be held on Thursday 16th May.
- * **Kasey's Clinic**. The next clinic, focusing on course management, will be on Saturday 1st June at 9.30 am.
- * **Mixed Foursomes Championship**, will be held on Saturday / Sunday 8th/9th June. Bookings will open soon.

SUE KALLAS



MEN'S GOLF

Another big month in competition highlighted with the first ever Nic Corish Memorial Trophy being played. It's sad that it had to be played as we miss Nic dearly. But it's also great that we can remember him and celebrate his life on this occasion. I have a sip from the water fountain each time I play the 5th/14th and think of Nic!

One of the biggest fields seen at the Club for many years was testimony to the regard in which Nic was held. It was great to see former president and legend of our Club Mike Meade on the course on the special day. Mike of course now resides in Perth and he has been having a great time with his golf in that state.

Andrew Corish has contributed an article to this month's *Links* so I will leave it to him to announce the winners. Congratulations to you all.

During the month we had what was going to be the qualifier for the NSW Championships. This was a par event, which was won by Jamie Lobb and Mitch Starky with a score of 10 Up. Great scoring gents.

Unfortunately the event has been changed to a 2 ball Ambrose so they'll have to perform again for that chance to get to Bonville.



We had a great result in the mid-week comp with Bob Staley and Jimmy Patfield coming in with 50 points, 28 of them on the back 9! Very impressive gents!

The Monthly Medal is this week and keep in mind that the Warren and Gibson trophies are just around the corner! Give serious thought to nominating for these prestigious inter-club contests. I believe that the Gibson team in particular will have to be rebuilt with so many of last year's team having broken the magic 17 handicap!

I've included a pic of Bob Staley's muted celebration after his hole-in-one on the 3rd last month. Well done Bobby!!

Looking forward to seeing you all out there on the course.

EVAN JONES

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

The North Shore Times 2 May 2019

Plans afoot for Lane Cove golf rebuild Expressions of interest being assessed for new clubhouse

In an era when many green space areas are under increasing pressure from development, it is refreshing to see that at least one local council is actively committed to preserving these priceless environmental and community assets.

Lane Cove Council has embarked on an exciting program to rebuild the Lane Cove clubhouse built by the Members, and is currently assessing Expressions of Interest to redevelop the single storey building and surrounding car park to provide a brand new venue with bar and bistro facilities, a state of the art multifunction sports facility and community hub to complement the golf course, which Council is committed to retaining. Through the EOI process Council will look to partner with the successful organisation to invest in initiatives that provide environmentally sustainable outcomes that benefit the community. ***(Continued over)***



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT continued

The club continues to welcome new members who enjoy being able to book tee times online for the regular competition events. It is often difficult to get a booking on many courses but at Lane Cove there are almost always spots available on all our competition days.

Unlike many clubs, waiting lists for membership and expensive joining fees do not apply and an introductory membership offers three months golf for \$165, to check out the club, get a handicap, meet new people and enjoy some exercise in the great outdoors.



Club professional Kasey Dive has a thriving junior group with a regular intake of enthusiastic new players taking advantage of the “NSW Active Kids Program” which helps parents offset some of the costs of lessons and membership.

In addition to the planned club facility works, the course itself has received a welcome boost from Council initiatives, including the installation of a new footbridge to allow motorised buggies to access the course and benefit some of our less mobile members. Council has now outsourced course maintenance to expert greenkeepers, which has seen an improvement in the greens and fairways.

Socially the Club is a great place to gather after a round or just for a visit. The massive deck offers a great spot to watch fellow competitors or just enjoy the peaceful bushland setting, which is unique given the urban location between Greenwich and Lane Cove and minutes from North Sydney.

BARBARA OLIVER

FROM HEAR AND THERE

Some years back, it was the practice that some of the Directors were named on a list of people who could be contacted by the Club’s security if the alarm indicated that there might have been a break-in at the clubhouse. If such a call was received, and invariably such calls were received in the very small hours of the night, the director was expected to attend the clubhouse immediately to check what may be happening to have activated the alarm. Directors’ responsibilities were wide-ranging, to say the least.



A number of directors were so involved during a time when the alarm seemed to go off on a regular basis. Fortunately, those who were required to make these middle of the night attendances were never actually faced with the reality of a break in. But, there was always the possibility that such had actually occurred or may even be occurring as the intrepid director arrived at the clubhouse.

On one occasion when he was the director who received the call to attend the clubhouse, Ian Butters, obviously in a somewhat somnolent state, armed himself with a 4 iron that he thought might be used as a possible deterrent if required.

Happy to say that there was no sign of any criminal activity as Ian arrived, club in hand, prepared to do battle with any miscreants if needed. Fortunately the 4 iron was not needed, which fellow-director Barry Watkin suggested was just as well, as Ian had never been able to use a 4 iron!
(Editor’s note – Ian should have selected a rescue club!)

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> BBQ CAFE	
Coffee...	\$3.5
Chips...	\$5.0
* <u>Breakfast</u> - (All day)	
Bacon + Egg Roll	\$5.5
Ham, Cheese, Tomato Toastie	\$5.5
Pancakes w/ Maple Syrup	\$8.5
Egg, Bacon + Tomato (on toast)	\$10.0
Big Brekky	\$13.5
* <u>Burgers</u> - w/ chips add \$3.0	
Beef...	\$9.0
Chicken...	\$9.0
Cheese...	\$9.5
New Yorker	\$9.0
Veggie	\$9.0
Schnitzel	\$10.0
* <u>Classics</u>	
Sausage + Onion Roll	\$5.5
BLT	\$6.0
Fish + Chips (w/ salad)	\$14.0
Schnitzel + Chips (w/ salad)	\$14.0
Pie + Chips	\$10.0