



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

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### ***FROM THE PRESIDENT***



So, we've finally seen an end to the unseasonably warm weather through Autumn, and the cold temperatures arrived on schedule for the first official day of winter, which also coincided with the Men's June Medal. And what an impact that had on the scores with I think only one player managing to post a nett score below par. Either the course was playing particularly hard or the temperature really did have a significant effect, as there was not much precipitation to make things tough. But the scores were I think, the highest I've ever seen across the field, with only two players managing to crack 80 well done Peter Doherty and Mark Spence and two thirds of the field failing to crack ninety, myself included.

Congratulations to Doug Cameron who I believe was the sole player to beat his handicap with a Nett 61. I have to wonder if the call to the tee from the pro shop for the 11:40 group which included "Sir" Douglas Cameron and this newly bestowed LCGC Knighthood provided a boost of confidence. Either way I for one, certainly think that the title Sir Doug has a nice ring to it and his golf on the day lived up to the title.

With the advent of winter we now have the annual Pennants comp' to look forward to. The 2019 draw for the Warren & Gibson Trophies looks like this:

Round 1	Saturday 27 July Home	Warren	Gibson
	Lane Cove v Massey Pk at Lane Cove	11.10am	11.34
Round 2	Sunday 4 August Away		
	Antill Pk v Lane Cove at Antill Park	11.30	11.54
Round 3	Saturday 10 August Home		
	Lane Cove v Antill Pk at Lane Cove	11.10am	11.34
Round 4	Sunday 18 August Away		
	Camden v Lane Cove at Camden	10.54	11.18
Round 5	Saturday 24 August Home		
	Lane Cove v Camden at Lane Cove	11.10am	11.34
Round 6	Sunday 1 September Away		
	Massey Park v Lane Cove at Massey Park	10.30am	10.54am

Some long drives out to Camden & Antill Park coming up!

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## ***FROM THE PRESIDENT continued***

The Antill Park Country Golf Club, is near Picton at the southern slopes of the Razorback Mountains and according to the website, is a beautiful 18 Hole course which contains a challenging Par 70 layout, including many picturesque holes flanked by water hazards. There are water and sand challenges, long and short shots and different speeds on the greens throughout.

Massey Park is a shorter course like ours and quite flat. At just under 5000 metres, the course is not long by championship standards, however tree lined fairways and strategic bunkering should provide for a good and enjoyable test of golf.

Camden is a much longer course and has a very comprehensive course guide, which should be a big help to those who've not played there before.  
<http://www.camdengolfclub.com.au/golf-club/course/>

Pennants is a great opportunity to represent the Club, which, is a proud achievement, and it's a great way to enjoy some very competitive golf at different venues. Thanks in advance to the Team Managers for their work in selecting and coordinating the teams and good luck to all our rep' players this year.

On the social front we've had a busy few weeks with the "Drag" Trivia and Bingo drawing good attendance. Don't forget to book in for the next Trivia Night Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June. Friday night saw May end with one of the Club's favourite guest artists George Washingmachine joining the Billy Burton Quartet.



You will see in your mail along with your Annual Membership Fee advice, a request for social event ideas. Please give this some thought and send through your ideas, as it's important that we maintain a social calendar that attracts members, prospective new members and their guests to the Club on a regular basis. Your input is essential to help the Club provide events that have broad appeal and there's a bottle of Champagne (apologies to any members of French Origin - I of course mean "Australian Sparkling Wine") on offer for any ideas, which are adopted.

On a final note, please if you can, get your sub's paid as early as possible as this helps Kent & Angela to get on with other important tasks rather than chasing up late fees, and do remember to take advantage of the <https://www.payasyougolf.com.au/> system if you'd prefer to pay fortnightly or monthly.

## ***ALAN MOSS***



LANE COVE GOLF CLUB PRESENTS

# DRAG TRIVIA

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## WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB

### BILL BURTON QUARTET



***Fridays 7.00 – 10.00***

### ***GUEST ARTISTS***

***7 June – Lorraine Silk***

***14 June – Dorian Mode***

***21 June – Armondo Hurley***

***28 June – Nik Jeffreys***

***7 July – TBA***

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

## BLUNTS PLAYER OF THE MONTH AWARD



Consistency is always a key to winning on a regular basis. If you continue to put in solid scores, eventually success will come your way. Consistency is the hallmark of the winner of the May Blunts Player of the Month award.

**Joan Weine** always puts in good scores and this sees her often winning both scratch and nett events.

This year she has already won the Goodwill Plate and a Veterans Challenge Brooch as well as playing a round of the Weekend Pennants at Northbridge, where she and Margo Anderson squared their match.

I'm sure everyone knows Joan who can often be found "encouraging" male members on a Saturday or Wednesday to part with their money whenever the ladies have an upcoming charity day. Joan is always willing to volunteer and encourage new members and her enthusiasm is infectious.

Well played both on and off the course Joan

***WAYNE BELGRE***



## **CAPTAIN'S CORNER**

This month I just want to mention a couple of upcoming events for the Men. Firstly, nominations for the **2 Ball Knockout** will start Saturday 15th June. This is one of our "Major" events for the year and is highly prized by our members.

The first round will be played on Saturday 13th July and matches will continue until the Final on Saturday 17th August. The date of all rounds can be found in the fixture book so please set aside these weekends as we will not be able to postpone any match.

The other upcoming event is the **Warren and Gibson Trophies (W & G)**. Older members know all about the W & G contests where we play against clubs from all around Sydney. The T.L. Warren Trophy or W. Gibson Trophy Pennant competitions is a teams scratch match play competition.



Teams are made up of 6 players, playing as 3 pairs in 2 ball, scratch match play. We play each club home and away, with the winner of our division moving through to the playoffs. It also provides an opportunity to play a team event in what is usually an individual sport.

This year we are drawn against Massey Park GC, Camden GC and Antill Park GC (Picton). These are relatively new opponents for our club in W & G.

Matches are on Saturday at home and Sunday away. The first match is on 28th and the event continues each weekend until 1 September. This is a wonderful way to be able to access other courses in Sydney.

To be eligible for Warren your handicap must not have dropped below 11.0 since January. To be eligible for Gibson your handicap must not have dropped below 17.0, also since January.

Please keep these events in mind as we might come calling for you to represent the Club. The golf is very competitive and it can be testing, but it is great fun and it adds a new dimension to your regular weekly golf experience.

**WAYNE BELGRE**

## **WOMEN'S GOLF**

We have had great golfing weather this month, and the course has been in fantastic condition for all our events.

### ***Our Visitors Charity Day***

We had a beautiful autumn day for our Charity Day. We had visitors from several clubs and some ladies from Kasey's group. We played a 2 Ball game with a Singles in Conjunction. The game was made a little easier with the purchase of gimmes, free drops and mulligans....all for a good cause, of course!



The new Pro, **Shaun O'Toole**, took payment for shots over the gully and tee shots on the 18th. **Ralph Sadler** had a good return on his investment, as Shaun hit a hole in one for him!

The winners of the team golf event were **Elizabeth McMurray** and visitor **Shane Donohoe**, with a score of 48. **Evie Nikellys** and **Geoff Reed** were runners up with 47.

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

**Ralph Sadler** won the gents' Singles with 44 (that 1/5 on the gully helped!) and **Hamish Anderson** was runner up with 37. **Shane Donohoe** won the ladies with 43 points and **Barbara Oliver** was runner up with 39. **Hamish** also won the fellas' NTP and **Annabelle Burley** won the ladies. Longest Drives were won by **Geoff Reed** and **Rosemary Hurford**.

There was also a 9-hole competition, and that was won by **Nic Walser** with 17 points, and **Louise Cook** with a terrific 24 points.

Thanks to all those who donated wine and chocolates for the raffles, and those who were so generous in buying tickets, and goodies from our stall. Most of us went home clutching prizes or baked goodies from the stall (though quite a few brownies and cookies didn't make it past lunch!).

We also celebrated **Margaret Tanner's** 99th birthday on that day, with a delicious cake baked by **Jackie Sun**.

Many thanks to **Evie Nikellys**, **Monica Cowper**, **Joanne Hannay** and **Sue Kallas** for helping to make the day so successful. In total we raised \$1453, to go to our charities.....The Flying Doctor Service and Bear Cottage.



### ***Medals***

Two medal rounds have been completed this month. There was also a medal playoff from the previous month, and that was won by **Angela Pearson**. Congratulations, Angela.

On Thursday 9 May, **Joan Weine** won the Medal, with a nett of 69. She also won the scratch with 90. **Janet Lean** won Division 2 with a nett of 75. Janet won the scratch too, with 113.

**Margaret Collins** had the best nett in the 9-hole event, a very good 30. **Monica Cowper** had the best scratch in the 9 holes, with 46. **Evie Nikellys** won Division 1 putting with 30 and **Robyn McElvenny** won Division 2 with 31. **Jackie Sun** had 16 in the 9 holes.

And on Sunday 12 May, the Medal went to **Tilly Torrevillas**, who now plays off 17. She had a nett of 64 and a scratch of 81. **Sue Woodman** won Division 2 with nett 73. **Rosanne Antico-Hall** had the best scratch of 115. **Margot Vaughan** had a nett of 41, to win the 9 holes and also had the best scratch of 62. **Angela Pearson** won Division 1 putting with 28, and **Rosanne Antico-Hall** won Division 2 with 35. **Bronwyn Arnold** had 20 putts to win in the 9-hole competition.

On Thursday 23 May, the Medal went to **Joan Weine** (again!) with a nett of 65. She also won the scratch with 86. **Robyn McElvenny** won division 2 with a nett of 75 and a scratch of 112. **Jackie Sun** won the 9-hole event with a nett of 38 and a scratch of 56. The putting was won by **Joan**, in Division 1, with 33, **Janet Lean** in Division 2 with 31 and **Jackie** had 16 in the 9 holes.

On Sunday 26 May the Medal went to **Angela Pearson**, who had a nett 68 and a scratch of 89. **Marianne Mitchell** won Division 2 with a nett of 75 and a scratch of 111. **Margaret Collins** won the 9-hole event with a nett 34 and scratch of 54. **Jo Hannay** won Division 1 putting with 32 and **Jacqui Brooks** won Division 2 with 35. **Margaret Collins** had 15 putts to win the 9 holes.

### ***The Veteran's Challenge Brooch***

Winners of this competition can look forward to receiving a brooch from Women's Golf NSW at Presentation Night later in the year. Division 2 winner was **Joan Weine**, with a nett 69. **Margo Anderson** won Division 3 with a nett 66. Congratulations to you both. *(Continued over)*

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

### ***The Singles Knockout***

We're getting to the "pointy end" of this continuing event. Here are the latest results -

**Joan Weine** defeated. **Robyn McElvenny**. 4/3  
**Angela Pearson** defeated. **Rosanne Antico-Hall**. 3/2  
**Margo Anderson** defeated **Linda Tsung**. 5/4  
**Robyn Glover** defeated. **Susan Woodman**. 4/2  
**Jo Cunningham** defeated. **Barbara Oliver**. 3/1

### ***Blunt's Player of the Month Award***

Another win for **Joan Weine**, who won with a score of 63 points. She'll be enjoying a visit to her favourite Lane Cove Shop, Zjoosh!

### ***Juniors***

Juniors **Jake Kaloz** and **Leo Letin** now play at the end of the Ladies' field on Sundays, with their Dads. Welcome to Sundays, boys.

### ***Upcoming Events***

- \* **Club Championship**  
The three rounds of the Championships begin on Thursday June 20th and Sunday June 23rd.
- \* **Ladies Golf NSW Ambrose Championship**  
You can play in the mixed event on Saturday June 22nd or in the ladies' event on Sunday July 25th to qualify for the Metropolitan Final.
- \* **The Mixed Foursomes Championship**  
This will be played on the Saturday and Sunday of the long weekend (Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June).
- \* **Riverside Oaks**  
The deposit for the weekend of golf at Riverside Oaks is now due, payable to Jackie Sun.
- \* **The End of Season Weekend Pennant Dinner**  
Let Jo Cunningham know if you'd like to go to this dinner, which will be held at Bayview Golf Club on Friday 12 July

## ***SUE KALLAS***

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

It's been a big month for Men's golf, starting with the Foursomes and culminating with the monthly Medal. This year the foursomes was played slightly differently with the first round of stroke and the top two teams in each grade to play off the following week in match play.

In A Grade, Alasdair Caush and Andrew Corish qualified first with a great round of 71. Daylight finished second but was disqualified, allowing Wayne Belgre and Pete Doherty to sneak in to the finals. I'm not usually one to apologise in foursomes, however I'll make an exception in this case and send my sincere apology to Ben Pearson for my pathetic performance. This included an air swing! Not a day to remember.

The final was played and true to form, Wayne and Pete really gave it a great go, being 2 up with 4 to play. In a very uncharacteristic manner, Wayne lipped out on a couple of relatively short putts, opening the door for Al and Andrew. They held their nerve with a par on the last to win 1 up.

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## ***MEN'S GOLF Continued***

In B Grade, the top 2 teams were Bob Staley/ Pete Siapos and Greg Kennedy and Josh Wilson. Bob and Pete showed their class and experience and shot away to a big lead. Josh and Greg started to claw back but ran out of holes. A 2 up win to Bob and Pete.

C Grade was played between Barry Watkin /John Stephenson and Howard Shaw / Kieren McGovern. The class and experience of Barry and the steady consistency of John was too much and they cruised to a 4 and 3 win. Congratulations to the winners and well done to those who qualified.

The June medal was played on a beautiful yet cold day to finish off Autumn. The results are as followed:

A Grade: Nett: Pete Doherty (8) 67	Scratch: Pete Doherty 75
B Grade: Nett: Andrew Limmer (18) 65	Scratch: Andrew Corish 80
C Grade: Nett: Doug Cameron (30) 61	Scratch: Barry Watkin 86

A big month coming up with the Mixed Foursomes, two rounds over the Queen's Birthday weekend, with the Warren and Gibson not far away. We are up against Antill Park, Camden and Massey Park. A couple of interesting ones there. It is always a great competition.

Well, Winter is here now so let's rug up and I'll see you out on the course!

***EVAN JONES***

## ***FROM HEAR AND THERE***

\* A big welcome to new pro Shaun O'Toole, pictured left, who will be assisting with Kasey Dive's junior program.

Shaun has 43 years of Australian PGA experience with countless wins on the Pro Am circuits. He has a teaching background of Australian Amateur Champions, American Collegiate players, also state Junior Champions and Professionals. He has been nominated several times for PGA Coach of the year, most recently in 2017. He was the Professional and Director of Golf at Kiama golf club where over 3 years the club won 11 club Pennants including the last 3 Junior Pennants and the State Pennant. Sean has only just returned to business having had an enforced lay off while an injured hand was repaired.



Shaun made himself known to members recently when, on the ladies' Visitors Charity Day, he was stationed at the 4th tee where he offered to hit across the gulley for any player wanting to pay a gold coin.

Hitting for Ralph Sadler, Shaun managed a hole-in-one, giving Ralph a score on his card of 1/5. With the one stroke showing on his card, Ralph (aka Ace) is contemplating lobbying the Men's Golf Committee to have his name placed on the HIO honour board, with an explanatory asterisk of course.



\* How intelligent are criminals? Ladies playing in their Thursday comp recently were disappointed to see that a vandal or vandals, had used the spike on the flag to punch a number of holes on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> greens. Obviously not the sharpest tools in the kit, the vandal/s used the spike to leave a calling card by scratching two names into the green, Mal and Meg. Anyone know a Mal and or Meg? And if you do, give them both a boot up the backside!



## ***THE GOLF PRECINCT PROJECT; Progress or problematic?***

Last month, *Links* reported on Lane Cove Council's plans for development on what has been called the Golf Precinct Project, basically involving the course, clubhouse, pro shop, tennis courts and surrounds. Council has called for "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."

In the North Shore times several weeks later (16 May), under the heading Senior Housing Plans Changed, a story appeared which included the following – "Australian Unity has made changes to plans for an \$81 million aged care and seniors housing estate at Lane Cove, after neighbours and planning experts aired concerns. The aged care provider wants to build 82 homes for seniors, and a 70-bed nursing home, in three buildings at 266 Longueville Rd.

The disused bowling greens and Lane Cove Music and Cultural Centre, which occupy the site, would be demolished. The project would also provide shops on Longueville Rd, a park, and an underground carpark for 122 vehicles. The three buildings would stand up to seven storeys in some parts, but appear as two storeys due to a slope. Lane Cove Council had the land rezoned for high density residential use in 2015, and later released the site to Australian Unity."

Why is this of interest to the Club and its members? Several years ago, when the 266 Longueville Rd development was first announced, Lane Cove Council indicated that the finance for the proposed Golf Precinct project would be derived from the profits made from the 266 Longueville Rd development.

The development is planned to take place west of the first fairway of the golf course. The buildings would cascade down the steep hill from Longueville Rd, and the proposal says that the buildings when viewed from the course will be largely screened by the retention of bushland.



Australian Unity recently lodged updated plans to Sydney North Planning panel. The traffic consultant said the traffic generated by the project would not impact nearby intersections. No time frame has been given for the panel decision. The updated plans are available on the Lane Cove Council website. On this site there are already a number of lodged complaints regarding the development.

Interestingly, last week, some of our lady members found on the seat near the 4th hole, a number of pamphlets that contain content that represents a strong protest to the Longueville Rd development proposal. Headed *Say no to building 160 units on play fields save golf course and local amenity*, the pamphlet claims the project represents gross over development non-compliant with councils (sic) own DCP. There will be, it is claimed, a drastic impact to local amenities, including, amongst other claims, a loss of playing fields and three holes of the golf course, "will have multi-sport courts built, leading to its demise." There is no way of checking the veracity of this document. Several members recall this pamphlet first appearing when the 266 Longueville Rd development was first proposed. It seems to be sourced from Richardson St West, the street immediate to the northern side of the planned amenity.

Members have not heard where Council is currently with the Expressions of Interest for the Precinct project. If there is a bit of a struggle around the Longueville Rd proposal, it may well delay the start to the Golf project development. Keep watching for news about this proposed Longueville Rd development and its possible impact on the Golf Precinct Project.

***THE EDITOR***

# DAVE MARTIN'S TEE 4 TWO BBQ CAFE

*Now open on the terrace*

*Thursdays & Fridays from 9.00am  
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