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FROM THE BOARD

We wish to advise that Alan Moss has resigned as President and Director of the Lane Cove Golf Club. We wish to thank Alan for his leadership over the last three years.

Alan has resigned as he has a business relationship with a Lane Cove Councillor and did not want this to impact on the Club's dealings with Council concerning the precinct development.

Dermot Duncan has agreed to fill the position of President with the vacant Director position to be filled at the AGM.

Many of you will be aware that Lane Cove Council (LCC) has commenced the community consultation process for the proposed re-development of the clubhouse, tennis facilities and associated car parking areas.

The current LCC proposal is very different from the extent of works discussed and agreed by the Recreational Precinct Advisory Committee (RPAC) and does not comply with the terms expressed in the LCC Expression of Interest which required the development to maintain a Par 64 golf course on the existing footprint. The new proposal removes holes 8/17 and 9/18 entirely and replaces them with a driving range and an 18 hole mini-golf course. In addition the first tee will be moved forward and will include an integrated practice putting green, thus shortening this hole.

If this proposal goes ahead it will have a devastating impact on the course and our members. We have therefore commenced a Petition to the Legislative Assembly and urge **EVERY MEMBER** to obtain as many signatures as possible so that we can demonstrate significant opposition to this proposal. If every member could obtain about 100 names for the Petition it would go a long way towards saving the golf course we know and love so much. Copies of the Petition are available in the clubhouse and they should be returned by Friday 31 July.

On this important issue, directors Barbara Oliver and Dermot Duncan, addressed the Greenwich Community Association (GCA) meeting held at the Club on 1 July, where they highlighted the lack of consultation in the whole process. The GCA meeting passed a motion demanding that Council engage in genuine consultation and engagement with stakeholders. The GCA was also concerned about the lack of detail in relation to the costing and funding of the proposal. *(Continued over)*

FROM THE BOARD continued

We are also in communication with the Mayor, who is also Patron of our Club, and her fellow Councillors.

Council has prepared a video in support of the precinct project and this can be seen on Council's website <http://www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au/CouncilConsultations/Pages/SportandRecreationPrecinct.aspx>.

On this website there is also an online survey, which members can use to express their thoughts on the proposed changes to the golf course, as well as other documents which are of interest.

Of particular benefit would be if all members emailed their objections to the General Manager at gm@lanecove.nsw.gov.au with a copy to (cc) lcccgolf@bigpond.net.au.

David Stevens, Manager Commercial Operations, accompanied by others, will be at the Club at **9.00 am through to 11.30 am on Saturday 25 July and Saturday 1 August** to answer questions and elaborate on the project. **It would be good if as many members as possible could be in attendance.**

If anyone has additional ideas to help in the fight against Council's changed proposal please let us know.

Finally, some really good news, functions are slowly coming back to the Club. Under current guidelines we can have 50 guests so a number of events have been held since restrictions were eased.

CAPTAIN'S CORNER



Well isn't it great to be back on the course and as close to normal golf as we have had for some time!

Our booking sheet is as full as it has ever been. We are very sorry some members have missed out on booking a game but unfortunately we are constrained by Council as to the times we are allowed to play our competitions.

Just to let members know, we have approached the pro shop about getting additional lines for each Saturday. Hopefully this will be resolved in the near future. To this point, I would ask members to be mindful of others when booking.

We have had instances recently where members have booked only to cancel at the last minute, or not even turn up! Last minute cancellations often mean a member who is on the waiting list does not have the opportunity to play.

Obviously, this cannot be helped in some circumstances, but as soon as you are aware you cannot play, please either cancel on line or ring the proshop and cancel the booking.

We have several big events coming up in the near future and the one that will impact our Club the most is the Warren and Gibson interclub matches. Dates for our home matches are 25th July (v's Barnwell Park), 15th August (v's Woollahra) and 22nd August (v's Cammeray).

On these days the Warren and Gibson matches will take up all the 11.00am to 12.30pm timeslots. This means the only times available for members not selected in the Warren and Gibson teams, will be 8.00am to 9.00am. Unfortunately, this will not be enough time to accommodate all members and the Committee is currently looking at what we can do to help as many members play as possible.

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CAPTAIN'S CORNER continued

One way to ensure you get a game on the 25th / 26th July weekend is to book in for the 2 Ball Mixed Ambrose on Sunday 26th July. If you wish to play, even if you don't have a partner, just book yourself in via One Golf and the ladies will find you a partner.

This is a great event with the winner going through to the Regional Playoff and maybe the State Final if good enough.

Another event currently being played is the 4 Ball Knockout – one of our four “Majors”.

The draw is on the noticeboard, and please note that it is the responsibility of each team to ensure matches are played as scheduled. Because we have such a tight playing schedule, postponement of any match cannot be allowed.

Finally, with the clubhouse now open, members are reminded they must enter their scores into the computer and write the scores on the whiteboard. Some groups have not been doing this and it leaves a lot of work for members on duty to finalize the results.

Wishing everyone “good golfing”

WAYNE BELGRE

WOMEN'S GOLF

After the unusual and rather subdued months of April and May, the Lane Cove women golfers have returned to serious competition in June and have enjoyed being able to socialise once more on Thursdays and Sundays.

Thank you to Dave Martin for opening his café again after the Covid restrictions were eased. It has been very nice to welcome back some of our ‘retired’ golfers including Anne Reilly and Claire Climpson for lunch on Thursday and to be joined by two visiting golfers on Sunday.

On Sunday 28 June the Club Championship for 2020 was settled and it was absolutely appropriate to cheer the lifting of restrictions with a glass of champagne and to celebrate Suzique Doughty's win. Congratulations Suzique! Playing off a handicap of 19, Suzique played three excellent rounds scoring 89, 94 and 86 off the stick. Once again it was a close-run thing between our mother-and-daughter competitors Joan Weine and Suzique. Congratulations also go to the B Grade champion Marianne Mitchell.

It has been a busy month with three Medal rounds being played in conjunction with the Bronze I and II trophy competitions, Veterans' Cup and the Club Championships mentioned above. The Singles Knock Out competition also continues.

RESULTS

Bronze I Trophy (0-33)

Winner: Angela Pearson, best 2 scores of 3: 60 points

Bronze II Trophy (34-54) and Veterans' Cup Winner: Sharon Johnson: 69 points

Margaret Tanner Trophy (Super Vet)

Winner: Yvonne Nikellys

Patti Ayers Award (OBE)

Winner: Margaret Collins

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WOMEN'S GOLF continued

1st Medal: Thursday winner Yvonne Nikellys (33) 71
Sunday winner Sharon Johnson (43) 65 (Traill Trophy and Silver Brooch)
2nd Medal: Thursday winner Joan Weine (22) 64, and winner of the Goodwill Plate. Sunday winner Jo Cunningham (23) 69.
3rd Medal: Thursday winner Joan Weine 72, Sunday winner Suzique Doughty (19) 67.

Veteran's Challenge Brooch

Division 2 (20-29)	Winner: Jo Cunningham (23)	score 70
Division 3 (29-54)	Winner: Marianne Mitchell (35)	score 70
Weekend player	Cindy Brown (31)	score 76 (C/B)
Senior Veteran	Joan Weine (21)	score 72

Club Champions 2020

A grade Champion	Suzique Doughty	89+94+86	269
A Grade Nett Champion	Jo Cunningham	68+69+70	207
B Grade Champion	Marianne Mitchell	105+119+105	329
B Grade Nett Champion	Rosanne Antico-Hall	78+77+76	231

There will be some relief from the stroke rounds in the coming month with two Golf NSW team competitions scheduled for July.

SKO Out Results

Suzique Doughty def Bronwyn Arnold 9/8
Jo Cunningham def Robyn Glover 4/2
Rosanne Antico-Hall def Angela Pearson on the sudden death 19th hole!

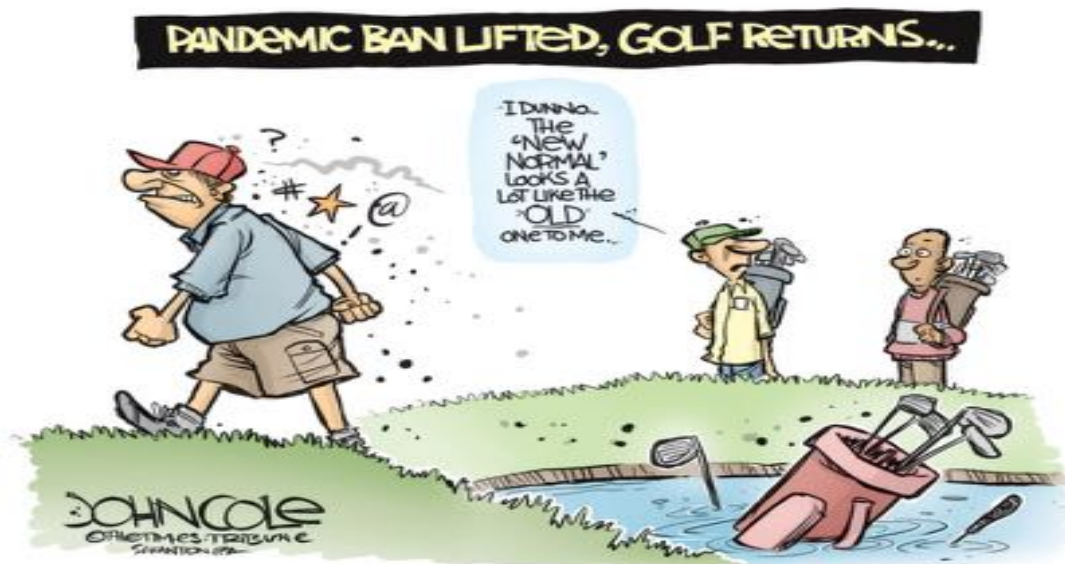
Dates for the Diary

16 th and 19 th July	Golf NSW Bowl
Sunday 26 th July	Golf NSW Ambrose Championships
30 July, 2 nd August	4 th Medal Round



- * Welcome Back to Lisa Blackwell who has re-joined after 13 years spent raising her daughter. Lisa put her first card on Sunday and will be a Thursday player.
- * We are pleased to let you know that our favourite 'senior' retiree, Patti Ayers, is now out of hospital and in rehabilitation. Our best wishes go to Patti and her family.

SUSAN RIDD



MEN'S GOLF

June has been a big month for men's golf. With the clubhouse now open and Dave back in business serving up his delicious breakfasts, there is a sense of normality back at the Club.

The month started with the monthly Medal and culminated in what many call "The 5th Major" - The A Grade Foursomes!

The Medal was played in great conditions albeit a little wet under foot. The results are as follows:

A Grade

Medal: Evan Jones 64
Scratch: Pete Doherty 74

B Grade

Medal: Greg Rothery 64
Scratch: Rick Mayhew 80

C Grade

Medal: Frank Hurford 69
Scratch: Buddy Hyde 92

Moving right along to the 5th Major!

This Year the Foursomes was played under two rounds of stroke which can be very challenging. Players often are put in places on the course by their partners that they have never been before!

A Grade was no surprise with defending champions, Wayne Belgre and Pete Doherty, taking the lead. The top three in A Grade were as follows:

Pete Doherty & Wayne Belgre	75
Ben Pearson & Evan Jones	76
Chris Taylor & Andrew Corish	81

B Grade was set for a grandstand finish, with plenty still capable of producing a quality round to take the title. The top 3 in B Grade after round 1 are as follows:

Rick Mayhew & John Erasmus	83
Dave Leckie & Jeff Back	86
Mark Simonsen & Bob Staley	87

Anything can and did happen in **C Grade** this year. The top 3 after Round 1 were as follows:

Steve Tan & Wayne Blair	86
Chris Tan & John Dowey	98
Pete Siapos and Stuart McDonald	99

The final round produced some interesting rounds.

In **A Grade**, the defending champs were on their way to Roosters back-to-back status until disaster struck on the 16th. Ben and I played regulation golf - nothing too fancy, but we managed to sink our putts and got away with the win. A Grade results are as follows:

Champions	Ben Pearson & Evan Jones;	76 - 74 - 150
Runners up	Pete Doherty & Wayne Belgre;	75 - 82 - 157

B Grade turned into a massive tussle between Mark Simmo / Bob Staley and John Erasmus/ Rick Mayhew. After 36 holes they couldn't be separated. I'm sure there were sleepless nights by each player thinking of "if only!" The scores were as follows:

John Erasmus & Rick Mayhew;	83-88-171
Mark Simonsen & Bob Staley;	87-84-171

The playoff ensued the following week and John and Rick proved too consistent to take out the title.

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MEN'S GOLF continued

C Grade was another story. I'll let the scores speak for themselves. Congratulations to new members Michael Sharp and Geoff Carrick who get their name on the honour board with a win over Biggsy and Haughy. Scores as follows:

Geoff Carrick & Michael Sharp;	99-97-196
Richard Biggs & David Haugh;	100-99-199

Congratulations to all!

The following week Wayne Belgre produced the only round above 36 to take out the Singles and Foursomes partner Pete Doherty took on fellow A grader Alasdair Caush in the Singles Knockout final. Al was given 5 shots but it was 1 less than what he needed. Pete held his nerve and took out what is what I think is the hardest to win especially for a low marker. Pete finished 1 up. Well done mate!

Going into July we also have the July Medal results:

A Grade:

Medal: Ben Pearson 66 and Scratch 71

B Grade:

Medal: Jeff Back 66 and Scratch 81

C Grade:

Medal: Graham Young 69

Scratch: Mark Thompson 96

Ben also took out the Lane Cove Plate and Cup for best net and Scratch.

Well done to our winners.

Warren and Gibson interclub competition begins on Saturday 25 July. I am managing the Warren and editor-in-chief Ralph Sadler, is managing the Gibbos. Please note that if your GA handicap is above 11.0 for Warren and 17.0 for Gibson the Sunday before your match then you are eligible to play. This year we are playing Barnwell Park, Cammeray and Woollahra.

Ralph and I will be in touch with eligible players, however, if you don't get an invitation, please feel free to express your interest to us. Selections will be a nightmare as there are many now available in each grade.

If you're not selected, make sure you get your name down early and if you can't get in on the Saturday, play on the Sunday- let's fill the field!

Well it's been a big month and we have the 2 Ball Ambrose and 4 ball knockout coming this month so it just gets better! See you on the course

EVAN JONES



ALL YOU WANTED OR NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GOLF BALLS

PART 1

How many dimples on a golf ball?

The truth is, there is not a single answer to this question. That's because the number of dimples varies depending on the model and manufacturer. Most often the number of dimples per golf ball falls somewhere between 300 and 500. For example, the 2017/18 model of the Titleist Pro V1 has 352 dimples, while their flagship ball from the same year, Pro V1x, has 328 dimples. For one manufacturer, the answer to the question was a whopping 1,070, which happens to be the record for the most dimples on a golf ball.



Having caught your attention, the next question I am sure you want answered is why do golf balls have dimples? Golf manufacturers don't put dimples on golf balls because it looks good. There is real science behind their use. Now follows the lecture. A flat or irregular object moves through the air in an inconsistent, fluctuating manner because of how air flows over it. So, golf balls without dimples would travel unpredictably through the air. Essentially, golfers would have little hope of controlling a smooth golf ball.

When dimples are added, it creates a tiny layer of air around the ball that significantly cuts down drag. This forces the air to flow over a larger portion of the ball, which results in as much smoother ball flight. (Note; dimple science doesn't just work for golf balls, apparently it works for cars too).

Finally, golf balls have dimples for the purpose of lift. As much as half of the lift a golf ball receives is caused by a backwards spinning motion. When a ball spins backwards, the air pressure under it is greater than above it, so the ball rises in the air. Dimples magnify this effect, contributing as much as 50% of the total lift.

When did golf balls get dimples?



It seems that the invention of golf ball dimples happened accidentally. In the mid -1800s, the most widely-used golf balls were known as gutties, created by using moulded tree sap from the gutta tree, found in the tropics. When golfers inevitably dinged up these balls, they found that the damaged ones had more consistent flight than the new, undamaged balls.

After that discovery, golf ball makers began etching raised protrusions into balls. In the early 1900s, another inventor found that indentations in golf balls performed far better than raised protrusions. In 1905, an English manufacturer, William Taylor, registered a patent for a golf ball dimple design. Before long, all golf balls featured dimples that would be more or less recognizable today.

As ball technology advanced, so too did dimple science. In the modern era, dimple patterns are thoroughly tested using high-tech equipment to find the optimal design for distance and control.

To be continued, where answers to those questions that you no doubt will want addressed. For example, *how big are dimples on golf balls, how much does a golf ball weigh* and more fascinating information about that golfing essential, the ball.

From Golf Magazine, Kevin Cunningham, March 2019

Tee 4 Two BBQ Café

Opening Hours: Thursday & Friday (12.00pm to 3.00pm)

Saturday & Sunday (10.00am – 4.00pm)

MENU

ALL DAY BREAKFAST

Bacon & Egg Roll	\$6.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato Toastie	\$6.00
Pancakes w/o Maple Syrup	\$8.50
Egg, Bacon & Tomato on Toast	\$10.00
Big Breakky	\$13.00

BURGERS – with chips add \$3.00

Choice of Beef, Chicken, Veggie or

New Yorker Burger	\$9.00
Cheeseburger	\$9.50
Schnitzel Burger	\$10.00

CLASSICS

Sausage & Onion Roll	\$5.50
BLT	\$6.50
Fish & Chips (w/o Salad)	\$14.00
Schnitzel & Chips (w/o Salad)	\$14.00
Pie & Chips	\$10.00
Chicken ‘Parmy’ & Chips	\$14.00
Coffee	\$3.50
Bowl of Chips	\$5.00