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### **FROM THE PRESIDENT**



2022 has gotten off to a wet and sticky start, but while we struggle with the humidity, it is easy to see the course is enjoying all the moisture and the grass just grows and grows.

You will have all noticed the widening of the fairways, which was done to speed the pace of play, especially amongst the social golfers.

Council has also given notice that they have found some money to undertake tree trimming this year (which was initially looking unhopeful) and will be making assessments of the bridge over the 2<sup>nd</sup> gully.

Council has approved a new membership offering, which we have developed in partnership with the Pro Shop, called a **Lifestyle Membership**. For a cost of \$350 pa, the member receives five 9-hole social rounds, a discount coupon for a lesson, NSW Golf registration and Golf Link number which enables them to compile a history for handicap and a \$50 bar tab.

Lifestyle members will NOT be able to book into our BBT competitions, other than for a small number of invitational events as the guest of a member, nor do they have voting rights. The Pro Shop will enter their rounds for handicap.

This membership is similar to offerings from clubs such as Howlong Golf Club, and it fills a niche that we believe is in high demand. The Lifestyle Membership will be advertised and available online from mid-February, but if members have interested parties wanting to take it up sooner, they should contact Rob at the Pro Shop.

We are again offering the 3-month trial membership, also at a price of \$350, which provides full membership with access to competitions and a \$25 bar tab. Enquiries should be directed to the Club's admin team or online through the Club website.

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

We have promising news on the clubhouse DA. There was an extraordinary meeting of Lane Cove Council last Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January in which a motion was tabled to delay the determination by the Northern Sydney Planning Panel and to enable the councillors to reconsider the entire proposal. The purpose of the motion is to achieve some brake points in the process. I have written to all the councillors to welcome them and open up a dialogue for any questions or concerns related to the course or club and have been encouraged by their replies.

The Cinnamon Klub restaurant has been trading well, although like everyone else, they have struggled to obtain some ingredients, such as the very elusive chicken meat! We are pleased to advise that by mid-February they will be offering some non-Indian dishes which will be offered as small or large servings, as a snack or a meal. It is also now possible for members to use their prize winnings to pay for restaurant meals. Members with a current prize voucher can simply present it when settling their bill. Members who would like to use an existing balance in their bar account need to contact the Club admin staff to convert the amount to a new voucher.



Finally, it is with sadness that I inform you that the Club received notice from Dave Martin that he will be discontinuing the Tee for Two café service after Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February. In his long partnership with the Club, Dave has made major contributions to the maintenance of the clubhouse and the ambience of the weekend competitions and for this he will always have our heartfelt thanks. As this is a very recent development, we have not yet assessed how we will replace the café service, but it is our intention to do so as soon as practicable.



Once again New Year celebrations are upon us, so Kung Hee Fat Choy to you all.

**CINDY BROWN**

## **NOW OPEN - CINNAMON KLUB**



*Lane Cove Golf Club is delighted to announce that a new and exciting catering option is now operating from the clubhouse.*

*For take away orders or inhouse dining, Cinnamon Klub is open to the public Wednesday to Sunday. 5.30pm to 9.30 pm, with a delicious menu that encapsulates the best of owner and chef Kailash Bhandary's 30-year career. Kailash is a Greenwich local with many ties to the community.*

*Simply head to [www.cinnamonklub.com](http://www.cinnamonklub.com) and peruse the menu. Orders can be placed from 5.30pm Wednesdays.*

*Please join us in welcoming Kailash and his team. We hope you will all support this exciting joint venture between Cinnamon Klub and Lane Cove Golf Club.*

## FRIDAY NIGHT CHICKEN RUN IS BACK!

Come and play 9 holes on a Friday afternoon from 4.30pm onwards and compete for the coveted frozen chicken for best stableford score, or a bottle of wine for the nearest-to-the pin on the 9th green.

Regular players will see their chicken icon up on the board and watch it progress over the summer, with 3 points for a win, 2 for second and 1 for third.

It is not essential to book, you can just show up, but if you intend to play it would be helpful to the Pro Shop if you did book online as they will not be reserving spots for the Chicken Run.

Everyone is welcome, Club members and social players, adults, and junior players.

Encourage your friends to play, then stop for a drink and a delicious meal at the Club's new restaurant, Cinnamon Klub. A great way to launch the weekend!

Golf Bookings here: [lanecove.quick18.com](http://lanecove.quick18.com) or 0433 519 974

Dinner bookings & menu here: [www.cinnamonklub.com](http://www.cinnamonklub.com)



## CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Welcome everyone to our new golfing year - 2022 - and let's hope we have a great new year without the troubles of last year. We are starting the new year with the playing of two of our major events.



First up is the **Gold Medal**. For those who may be unaware, the Gold Medal is a playoff for all those who won a monthly medal in any grade throughout 2021. A list of all those eligible is on the noticeboard.

It is played in conjunction with the February Medal and the best nett score of those eligible will be crowned the winner of the Gold Medal.

The player to look out for this year will no doubt be Noel Rowland. Noel has won the last two Gold Medals, so it appears he brings his best game every February, and he certainly will be the player to beat.

The other Major, commencing on the 12th February, is the **Singles Knockout**.

Probably the hardest trophy to win, this event pits high and low handicappers together in what can be a real shootout, with some great stories to be told after each round.

I would like to remind all members playing in the Singles KO, that each round must be played on or before the date specified. We cannot allow postponements as it causes severe disruption to later rounds of the event.

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## ***CAPTAIN'S CORNER continued***

The KO draw is now on the noticeboard so please look to see who you have been drawn against and make sure you contact your opponent to arrange a tee time that suits.

We have a lot of new members playing the event for the 1st time this year. If you are unsure of the rules, please ask any of the older members who will be happy to help.

One thing I mention every year about this time, especially in relation to this event, is "slow play". Playing match play, as in the Singles KO, does not mean you are entitled to take as long as you want. Any slow group affects every group playing behind them so let's be fair to all on the course.

Remember as soon as your match is completed you must leave the course. Members are not allowed to continue to play "just for practise". Also please remember, your position in the field is directly behind the group in front - not just in front of the group behind.

I'm sure members will have noticed that recently the fairways have been widened a little which will make it a little easier to find your ball when it strays offline a little. Remember, "preferred lies" are available only in the mown portions of each hole, so make sure you check that you are on a mown portion before picking up your ball. The other thing to remember is that you must mark your ball before preferring it.

A reminder also that we no longer allow preferred lies in bunkers. This rule was brought in during COVID but no longer is in force. As such, a reminder that it is important that each player rake the bunker after playing a shot. No one likes playing out of footmarks in bunkers!

Good luck to all over the next couple of weeks.

***WAYNE BELGRE***

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

The holiday is over and we're just about to start the new season of 18-hole competitions.

The Opening Dinner is to be held at the Club this week (Thursday 3 February) and the Opening Days, or 'Rules Days' as they're affectionately known, will be held on Sunday 6 and Thursday 10 February after 9-hole games.



November was a busy month for the ladies at Lane Cove with the Presentation dinner, 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations, and Junior championships all occurring within a week or so. Due to a shortage of space, and your correspondent submitting her copy from Narooma, some items and photos weren't included in the last edition. Here are some more photos to remind you of those happy occasions.

### **2021 Presentation**

Our Captain, Robyn Glover, pictured left, acted as MC for the presentations and also received the prize for being co-winner of the Foursomes Nett with Jo Hannay.

Cindy Brown, our busy Club President, won the Veterans' Challenge Brooch, and Treasurer Sharon, won the Bronze II Trophy (34-54). Cindy's handicap has tumbled from the low 30s to the low 20s over the summer.

Two other winners in December were Robyn McElvenny, winner of Thursday Singles Knockout and Lisa Blackwell, whose handicap dropped more than 14 points during the year. ***Continued over***

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

### **90<sup>th</sup> Birthdays**

Pictured is another photo of the very happy occasion when the ladies celebrated the 90th birthdays of Margaret Collins and Monica Cowper on 2 December.



### **Junior Championships**

On Sunday 28 November, seven juniors competed in the Championship competition, playing with nine senior members. In a week of very damp conditions, they were lucky to be able to play in reasonably dry weather.

The competition had two divisions for the juniors:

A Grade	daily handicap 0-22	Scratch
B Grade	daily handicap 23-54	Stableford

The winners were -

Club Champion **Sebastian Grehan**, pictured left, with a scratch score of 81.

B Grade Champion **Cecilia Ko**, pictured right, who had 37 points on a 36 handicap



Congratulations to you both. It has been a pleasure to see so many young players on the course during the school holidays.

On the matter of Juniors, the Women's Committee is sponsoring another group of five girls under the Australian Golf Foundation Scholarship Program. Lane Cove is one of only 40 clubs throughout Australia to be chosen to run this program. Our professional, Kasey

Dive, will provide a 24-week coaching program for the girls. The Induction ceremony will be held at the Club on Sunday 6 February.



### **Summer Cup and Tuesdays**

Our 9-hole Summer Cup competition has been played over six rounds on Thursdays and Sundays. The final rounds were played on Thursday 20 and Sunday 25 January. The conditions have been mostly very pleasant with the weather being warm and humid but not too hot and any rain more often than not staying away until the players had completed their game. The results will be announced at the Opening Dinner.

What is it about Tuesdays at Lane Cove? Yes, the course is usually shorter, and the scores don't count towards anything special making us more relaxed perhaps, but is this enough to account for the excellent scores submitted on Tuesdays that have messed with our handicaps?

Here are some examples:

<b>7 December</b>	18 holes	Sharon Johnson (34)	36 points
	9 holes	Barbara Dorsch (35)	22
<b>14 December</b>	18 holes	Cindy Brown (27)	40
	9 holes	Susan Ridd (26) 21 CB	Mary Suter (42) 21
		Tiffany Huang (47)	21
<b>21 December</b>	9 holes	Jan Sadler (31)	22
<b>4 January</b>	18 holes	Robyn Glover (28)	40
	9 holes	Robyn Seale (39)	20

***Veteran's Brooch Winner***

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***Cindy Brown***

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

11 January	18 holes	Lindal Tearle (40)	40		
9 holes		Tiffany Huang (41)	23		
18 January	18 holes	Lisa Blackwell (34)	41		
9 holes		Susan Ridd (26)	19 CB	Jan Sadler (30)	19

It has been decided that Tuesday golf will now be played on the Blue Course.

It is a real pleasure to be able to finish with the tennis results! After a 43-year drought in Australian Open tennis, Ash Barty has won the title in a thrilling match. Let's hope some of that warmth and positivity rubs off on us all.

Enjoy your golf this year and stay well.

***SUSAN RIDD***

## ***MEN'S GOLF (Backy's Blurb)***



Greetings and salutations to all you pandemic survivors.

It seems to me the personal choice of a continued self-imposed lockdown is the best defense one can apply to this covid situation. Given immediate family has held 'super spreader luncheons', we as a couple have decided to put our heads down and luckily for us, just work and go nowhere. Covid safe, but pretty boring if not for the blessing of Netflix etc.

But there's always memory lane. May we take a stroll?

I've mentioned before my love of cycle touring and our ornithological friends. Also, I love the concept of the '6 degrees of separation' (Which I prefer to the 1 degree of separation.)

On one of our cycle tours, Perth to Sydney, we rolled into Streaky Bay on the Eyre Peninsular and bumped into cycling legend Doug Chandler. He was on his fourth and last lap of OZ well into his 70's.

You see, when he retired, he heard about a seniors sporting event in Adelaide, so decided to get the old treadley out of the shed and cobble together a trailer and pedal his way from his hometown of Carnarvon via the great northern road. Then, a simple turn right at Katherine and of course it's all downhill to Adelaide from there.

Unfortunately, it was straight into a head wind and when he ran out of water, he chose a salt bush to lie down under and prepared to meet his maker. He woke up to see a hi-vized clad road worker talking into a walkie talkie saying, "Wait a minute, he's not dead. He just opened his eyes."

Old Doug then told me, "And bugger me, they drove me all the way back to their camp where I'd just come from!" Now, in true Doug fashion, he endeared himself to his rescuers and they took him back to his pickup point to continue his journey.

One, that made many friends and supporters along the way, some of which I have met on my travels thanks to the one degree of separation.

*(Editor's note – not all readers may know that Jeff, pictured, has twice circumnavigated our wide brown land, once on a pushbike and the other on a motor bike. This history suggests he still has a large source of tales as above and following.)* ***Continued over***



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

Trundling along on a quiet South Australian Road, a lovely hippy family pulled up in their 'bongo/flower power mobile' to offer me some fruit. They then proceeded to tell me their tale of this eccentric old cycle tourist who always overstayed his welcome, and incidentally, mentioned his hometown of Carnarvon.

"Not Dougie Chandler", I declared to their surprise! The old one degree of separation again!

On another trip a few years later back in WA, at a little-known place called Binnu, I rolled into the 'town'. There's a couple of silos and the general store/servo/postoffice/bar/bottleo/etc run by none other than another Doug, a fellow bird lover.

He's got a great pet galah named Buddy, who greets all the big hairy truckers and bikers with, "Hello daaaarling. Who's a pretty boy?"

On Fridays Doug sorts the mail into the post boxes and Buddy says, "What ya doin' Doug?"

"I'm sortin' the mail Buddy!"

To which Buddy replies, "Oh yeah!"

Doug then went on to tell me a story of how he got his second pet galah. A lady used to pass through on her way for medical treatment (he speculated), and quizzed him about his love of birds and asked, "Do you like cats?"

"No, I shoot cats", Doug replied.



Then one morning after hearing a car pull up and then take off fairly quickly, Doug opened the shop door only to find a galah on the front step.

At first, he thought, "What's Buddy doing outside?" Only to find it was another bird, and he thought that he saw the lady's car disappearing into the distance, never to be seen again.

The little feathered friend didn't say a word for weeks until one day it piped up and said, "Hello Dougie."

Doug then realized the lady must have called him Dougie but said there was only room for one Doug in this 'town' so he called him Bundy.

Then, I'm not sure how it came about, but Doug mentioned another 'physcologist' he knew named Doug.

"Not Dougie from Carnarvon!!" I declared. Yep! Sure enough the one degree of separation again!

Just love it!

And don't we all love golf and here are the winners.

### **January Medal –**

A Grade	Dermot Duncan (12)	72/60
B Grade	Alan Moss (15)	78/63
C Grade	Dave Martin (21)	82/61

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**BINNU servo (and bar, and bottleo etc)**



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

### **2021 MENS Presentation Day**

**Club Champion** - Tony Happell

**B Grade Champion** - Dave Leckie

**C Grade Champion** - Kieron McGarry

**Nine Hole Champion** - Ron Jeffrey

**A Grade Foursomes** - Chris Taylor and Alex Harris

**B Grade Foursomes** - Ian Butters and Bill Edmondson, pictured right

**C Grade Foursomes** - Mark Dooley and Dave Martin

**4 Ball Knockout** - Peter Siapos and Dermot Duncan

**Singles Knockout** - Mark Simonsen

Runner Up - Chris Taylor

Runner Up - Bill Edmondson

Runner Up - Dave Martin

Runner Up - Doug Lyle



***Ian Butters & Bill Edmondson***



**Mid-Week Championship** - Adrian Hall

**J O'Loughlin Plate** - Ralph Sadler

**Gold Medal** - Noel Rowland

**President's Cup** - Bob Staley

**Anniversary Plate** - Tony Happell

**ALAN PRICE MEDAL** - Dave Martin

Well done all, and happy golfing to all our fellow members. Cheers.

**Captain Wayne Belgre with 2022 winner of the prestigious Alan Price Medal, Dave Martin**

(Editor's note – Sad to see Dave close shop, but let's hope we don't lose him from our playing ranks!)

## ***BACKY (Bacculus) for and on behalf of EVAN JONES***



**Colouring picture for lazy people.**



**"FREE HAMMOCKS, all over town. It's like a miracle!"**



# Tee 4 Two BBQ Café

## MENU

Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate	\$ 4.00
Bowl of Chips	\$ 5.00

### **ALL DAY BREAKFAST**

1	Bacon & Egg Roll	\$ 6.00
2	Ham, Cheese & Tomato Toastie	\$ 6.00
3	Pancakes w/o Maple Syrup	\$ 8.50
4	Egg, Bacon & Tomato on Toast	\$10.00
5	Big Breakky	\$13.50

### **BURGERS – with chips add \$3.00**

10	Choice of Beef, Chicken, Veggie	\$10.00
11	New Yorker Burger	\$11.00
12	Cheeseburger	\$10.50
13	Schnitzel Burger	\$11.00

### **CLASSICS**

14	Sausage & Onion Roll	\$ 5.50
15	BLT	\$ 8.00
16	Fish & Chips (w/Salad)	\$15.00
17	Schnitzel & Chips (w/Salad)	\$14.00
18	Pie & Chips	\$10.00
	Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate	\$ 4.00
	Bowl of Chips	\$ 5.00

**Opening Hours: Friday (12.00pm to 3.00pm)  
and Saturday & Sunday (10.00am – 4.00pm)**



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# PLAY 9 HOLES AND WIN BIG!

Our very own Play 9 event is being hosted  
right here at Lane Cove Golf Club.

The event enables players to enter a draw for  
a chance to win:

**SET OF SRIXION IRONS\***

**(Valued at \$1800)**

Every 9-hole social round you play at Lane  
Cove Golf Club, is one entry into the final draw  
for the “Play 9” major prize!

DATES: 3/12/2021 to 1/3/2022

To enter, simply grab a ticket from one of our  
staff members and enter online!

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