



Reef Breezes  
1<sup>st</sup> February, 2019



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## CAPTAIN'S CORNER



The hot weather has not deterred the good scores. Last Sat Steve Moore had 43pts only to be beaten on cb by Nigel Mahoney. This also occurred on Wed when Fred Handley dropped his welder and recorded 44pts to edge out Phil Ton-That on cb. He also combined with Gus to win the 4BBB (50pts). Young Kai K is running hot with 4 under on Wed, he also shot 1 under last Sat only to be headed by the Bonnie Doon Captain, Greg Bell with 4 under. Greg's last appearance here was when he squared with a 14yo Billy in Pennant and in 2002 he shot a course record 67 to win the Long Reef Medal. Before Jimmy Little could celebrate his 'Circle' win of 36 balls his mates put in their 'claim' and he finished with only 6 balls on his account!!!

### Men's AM & PM Prizes – Sat & Wed

It is evident, generally due to weather conditions, a disproportionately higher number of 'morning' players are in the prizes (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) than the 'afternoon' players.

As a trial, for each Grade, there will be an overall winner and a best AM and a best PM player (This replaces the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>).

If the winner was in AM then the 2<sup>nd</sup> place AM would receive the AM winner's voucher and likewise if a PM is player is the winner. Normal count-back applies.

The trial will start after the Feb Medal for a month.

Note; Scratch and Women's Saturday prizes won't be affected.

### Saturday Summer Eclectic – ended 26 Jan

420 players competed in the annual event, the prize winners are;

#### A Grade

Gross – 56 Mitch Bockman,

58 Jimmy Knox, Kai Komulainen, Richard Smith.

Net - 52 Richard Smith, Michael Buckley,

53 Matt Savage.

#### B Grade

Gross – 65 Ian Wilson, 66 Jani Komulainen,

Shane McLoughlin, Ken Turner.

Net – 51 Graham Davies, Alan Dean, Ian Wilson.

#### C Grade

Gross – 72 Neil Hitchcock, Nicholas Chung, Greg McHugh, Guy Phillips.

Net – 49 Mark Stevens, 50 Neil Hitchcock, 51

Denis Watchorn, Harry Maynes, Chris Payne

#### Women

Gross – 64 Julia Bowen, Jenni Brown

Net – 55 Jenni Brown

Vouchers will be on accounts next week

### 4 Ball Knock Out – Sat 9 Feb to Sat 2 Mar

This year we have implemented a small format change in line with last year's successful Mick Snell Cup...details:

- Qualifying – Sat 9 Feb
- Teams need to enter prior to Qualifying date. Entry form at Pro Shop –
- 4 Pairs qualify from AM field & 4 Pairs from PM field
- Match Play- R1 Sat 16 Feb, R2 Sat 23 Feb Final Sat 2 Mar.
- AM Qualifiers play matches at 8.30am. PM Qualifiers play matches 11.30am. Final 8.30am
- Eligible teams – 7 Day Male/Male, Male/Female, Female/Female.
- Handicaps are on the day of play.

### Founders Cup & Summer Cup

The final round is next **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb**;

Leaders published in last week's Newsletter.

### Red Penalty Areas – 12<sup>th</sup>

The 'wasteland' area just short of the 12<sup>th</sup> green has been designated (and marked) as a Red Penalty Area.

### Card Return – Timing

Can you please ensure you enter your card at the Kiosk promptly after your round. This helps enormously in compiling the day's results.

It is a Condition of our Competition that cards are to be returned within **10 minutes** of the completion of your round.

### Postponed R2 Midweek Stroke Play - Wed 13

The washed out second round (on 28 Nov) is rescheduled for Wed 13 Feb. Leaders;

A – 66 Rob Cordaiy, 69 Michael McKerihan

B – 64 Glen Lovelace, 68 Peter Frith

C – 68 Sami Gaundar, 69 J Dertateossian, C

Thomas

### Postponed R2 Midweek Premiership - Wed 13

The washed out second round (on 28 Nov) is rescheduled for Wed 13 Feb. Leaders;

A Grade

Scratch – 1<sup>st</sup> Geoff Osbourne 81, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark

Curnow 84

Net – 1<sup>st</sup> Mark Curnow 73, 2<sup>nd</sup> Geoff Osbourne 73

B Grade

Scratch – 1<sup>st</sup> Trevor Chappell 85, 2<sup>nd</sup> Neil

Armstrong 86

Net – 1<sup>st</sup> Trevor Chappell 70, 2<sup>nd</sup> Neil Armstrong

70

C Grade

Scratch – 1<sup>st</sup> Geoff Luck 93, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bill Nunn 97

Net – 1<sup>st</sup> Phil Brown 72, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ken Taylor 72

### Pace of Play

At Long Reef we play 'Ready Golf'. What is it?

**Goal:** Play round in 4 hours or less. Keep sight of the group in front of you, not behind you. If the group in front of you is in the fairway, your group should be on the tee. Be ready to hit when group in front moves to next shot. Pick up if you can't score on the hole.

**Before Hit-off** – Report to Pro Shop 10 minutes before your hit off time and be ready to play when called and group in front is out of range.

**On the Tee** - No "Honors"-(except in Match Play). The first player ready tees off. Shorter hitter should hit first. Carry an extra ball in case you need to re-tee.

**On the Fairway** - Hit when ready, but safely, no "your turn". Shorter hitters should hit, if longer hitters are waiting. Watch other players hit shots to avoid looking for golf balls. If carting drop off rider (with 2 or 3 clubs) driver proceed to their ball.

**Lost Ball** - Best to hit a Provisional if may be Lost. All other players go to your own ball, hit and come back to help look for lost ball (in most cases it is found by the player). Note it's now a maximum of 3 minutes to search.

**On the Green** - If one player is having trouble, or not ready, around the green, others should putt up until player is ready. Get ready to putt before it's your turn. Whenever possible continue putting until holed out. Move quickly off green. If out of position the two who have puttied out go to the tee and hit off.

**Marking Score Card** – Don't delay play by marking card around green... hit off and then mark card while others are teeing off.

Taking these actions will reduce the time taken to complete a round.

### New Rules - Review

**Flagstick** – A positive rule is where you can leave the flagstick in when putting. There is some evidence that it is beneficial, it does however speed up play if no one is close to attend flagstick.

However, there are some issues if the player asks for the flagstick to be held, when his ball is on the green, and the putt hits the flagstick, what's the Rule?

Rule 13.2b - If it is accidental that the ball hits flagstick, while being held... no penalty and ball is played from where it finished.

If deliberate the player *holding* the flagstick incurs the General Penalty and the ball is replayed.

I was asked – "It is a very windy day and the flagstick won't stay upright in hole. A asks B to hold flagstick upright in hole, so ball can better go in. A's ball hits flagstick while it is being held!!!"

Advice from GNSW is – "If they knew this wasn't allowed they should be DQ under 1.3b(1), for agreeing not to apply a penalty. If they didn't know, they both cop the general penalty".

Les Browne

Captain

### CAFÉ ALTERATIONS

On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February White Rock Café kitchen will be closed due to a scheduled refurbishment. We Our front operations will remain open on the day providing coffee, cakes and sandwiches to members.

We appreciate your understanding.

## FROM THE WOMEN



Welcome back everyone after a fabulous summer break, although I note our hardworking committee and Barrenjoey delegates have been busy as usual. Thank you all for your efforts.

We welcome Shar Votano and Ingrid Bianchi to the playing membership having transferred from our Rookie programme. Thank you once again to those women who have assisted the new members greatly over the holiday break.

Pennant Practice on Fridays remains popular, although less so last week with the heat. I encourage all women to attend any Friday from 3pm, meeting at the pro shop.

Our Opening Day was well supported with over 110 women competing in an Ambrose competition. After a wonderful new style of lunch we awarded several annual prizes. Julia Bowen had the best Scratch Score for 2018 with a score of 78. Our most reduced handicap was won by Natalia Chriss who reduced her handicap by 23 strokes in one year. Robyn Lyon and Jude Sandvoss both reduced their handicaps by 13 shots and Wendy Thomas by 12 strokes. Lots of wonderful and consistent golf. Thank you to Lynne Parsons for her compilation of these results. On Sunday a smaller group of Weekend Women players will have their Opening Day and again we will present prizes whilst sharing in well-deserved refreshments.

During Barrenjoey Week we have offered some times to Wakehurst players. If anyone would like to play on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February at Wakehurst (when we are hosting the teams here) they have offered 9:22am and 9:30am. Please let Ben Russell know if you would like to take this offer. Competition Fee of \$12 will apply.

### SLOW PLAY

This is an ever-present problem on a golf course. It is essential that the lowest marker in your group monitors your place in the field. PLEASE could the newer players play alongside some established players. Send 2 players to the next tee whilst we are

in groups of 4. Do not mark your card as a first option at the next tee. Nobody ever thinks they are

slow to play golf so perhaps everyone should think I am directing this at them!

Great golf during the week highlighted by Fiona Bone with 43 points on Tuesday and Judith Kerr and Pam Martin both scoring 21 points for 9 holes.

Our Opening day saw even better scoring for the 4 Ball Ambrose

<b>Scratch</b>	Jen Jansson, Gaby Bennett, Sohee Kim and Karen Smith	69
<b>Net</b>	Shar Votano, Ingrid Bianchi, Aki Lee and Catherine Gould	61.75
	Julie Simpson, Jan Hanson, Muriel Dawson, Kathie Nelson	62.25
	Nan Crump, Lyn Ashton, Sue Kiproovich and Helen Cregan	63.25

Well done to the 9 Hole team of Rae Milsted, Ann Henderson, Judy Lockhart and Robyn Hill  
Great to see our new members in the winners' circle and so quickly.

In future for team events the Pro shop has asked us to book carts early (cancel if not needed). They were working very hard to meet the demands today.

**Wendy Millson**

**Women's Captain**

## RULES WITH GEORGE



**QUESTION:** In a Stableford event playing the second hole from the tee, a player took an over-enthusiastic swing at the ball, struck the turf in front of the ball taking a massive divot and his club passed over the ball which remained on the tee. He realised that his ball was in play for one stroke but had grave doubts about his ability to successfully play his next stroke with the very large, still attached divot between him and the ball. He picked up his ball, cleaned it and re-tee'd it some distance away from the original position. This drew a lot of comments from the other players. He played his next stroke onto the green. Which is correct?

- (a) He is on the green for 2.
- (b) He is on the green for 3.
- (c) He is on the green for 4.
- (d) He is disqualified for the hole.

## SF team with His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Governor of New South Wales.

LRGC was honoured this week to have His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Governor of New South Wales play a round of golf. His Excellency is the patron of the Sargood Foundation and played with Sargood Directors and Club Members Gregor Millson OAM, Graham Anderson and paragolfers, James Gribble and Nick Taylor. In June he will become the next Governor General of Australia. He hopes to be able to play some early morning games of golf as Government House is located next to Royal Canberra Golf Course.

**Stephen Twigg**

**President**



Two Members of the Club were honoured in the in the Governor-General's Australia Day Honours list on the 26th January 2019, Geoff Luck for service to veterans and their families and Greg Millson for service to people with a disability were both awarded OAMs.

Congratulations to Geoff and Greg on being recognised for their outstanding contributions.

Frank Bruce lost his seat at the table of knowledge the other day when they found he had no letters after his name. It is believed they are looking for a spot for him on the table of no knowledge

**Stephen Twigg**

**President**

## CLUB ACCOUNTS

A reminder that as from 31st March 2019 all 3 club accounts will be purged at the same time.

This means that your House Account, Voucher Account and Ball Account will be treated exactly the same way. On 31st March every year if you have not utilised the total value of your account it will be purged and the value of the accounts will return to zero.

The only amounts from your voucher and ball accounts that will not be purged are any winnings won in the **month of March** of each year. These amounts will be carried over to the next financial year. Please note this length of time has increased by two weeks from the original time length sent out to members.

The only amount from your house account that will be purged is anything not spent from the original \$250 placed in your house account when you pay your yearly subscriptions.

Please take advantage of this notice so as to utilise all accounts by 31st March 2019.

**Anthony Dignan      General Manager**

## Dates for the Diary – Feb

### Feb

- Fri 1** Friday Club AGM
- Sat 2** Medal – R3 Summer Cup  
Sat Eclectic starts
- Mon 4** Barrenjoey Week (Membs Comp pm)  
NPIC at Wakehurst v Cromer
- Tues 5** NSW Police Golf Day 11am,  
Quixote Golfing Society 1pm
- Thur14** Barrenjoey Week of Golf (No Women's  
Comp)
- Sat 9** 4 Ball Knockout qualifying
- Sun 10** Major Pennant - @Bonnie Doon
- Mon 11** NPIC – v Wakehurst @ Manly
- Wed 13** Postponed R2 Midweek Stroke Play
- Tues 19** NPICC @ Long Reef
- Sun 17** Major Pennant @ Long Reef
- Fri 22** Special Olympics Golf Day
- Sun 24** Major Pennant @ Long Reef

## NORTHERN PENINSULA INTER-CLUB CHALLENGE

Long Reef vs Mona Vale at Cromer G C

With some retirements from last year's team and some new/old faces in Ken Dewell and Les Browne our expectations were high teeing off against last year's wooden spooners.

Brian Cronan and Brian Ferguson were the first of the Long Reef Team to tee off in the oppressive conditions at Cromer, Brian Cronan playing at 8 got off to an average start, never playing his best golf and found himself having a shower with a 5 and 4 loss. Brian Ferguson on the other hand got off to a good start and controlled his match for the majority but did find himself still having to fight for his 1 up win.

Next to tee off Steve Buchan playing at 6 and Ian Donnelly at 5 ...and the same thing again. Steve, falling well behind after 8 or 9 holes and with the putter letting him down found the clubhouse and a beer with a 5 and 4 loss. Ian played very steady golf and controlled his match for the majority but still had to fight hard against his opponent and the terrible heat to eventually get his 1 up win.

Playing at 4 and 3 were Peter Munro and Kenny Dewell. Ken played 10 holes to get an early shower and a win with his opponent retiring suffering badly from the heat. Peter had an arm wrestle all day with his opponent and was either one up or square for the 17 holes, unfortunately losing 1 down on 18.

Michael Buckley and Les Browne were last to tee off. Michael got to a strong 3 up lead while Les was in a battle all day to stay in his match. Teeing off 18 Michael was 1 up and Les was one down and with the state of play being Long Reef 3 matches up to Mona Vale's 2.5 matches, it looked like we needed Michael to win his match to get Long Reef the win. Michael left himself a very difficult up and down from 30 metres and played a great shot with the ball hitting the downslope and running off the green with Michael eventually taking a 6 and a loss of hole for a squared match.

So it was up Les to win the 18<sup>th</sup> hole for a squared match and the team win. His opponent found the centre of the fairway while Les found the right hand rough. Les had no choice but to lay up while his opponent was in the go zone. The Mona Vale number 1 thinned his next shot into the fairway bunker. This gave Les the opening he needed. The Mona Vale number one caught the lip of the bunker and was playing his fourth shot to the green and

needed it close for the Mona Vale win but he hit it a good 20 foot short and 2 putted for a 6. Les played a beautiful wedge to the back of the green and 12 feet and 2 putted for the win and and more importantly a Long Reef 4 and 3.5 win.

Peter Frith

Team Manager



Results of competition on 25<sup>th</sup> January

### Division 1 (1 – 19)

1<sup>st</sup> Dave Ronald (15) 41 pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Patrick Ford (18) 38

### Division 2 (20 – 27)

1<sup>st</sup> Geoff Page (22) 40 pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Reg Stevens (25) 37

### Division 3 (>27)

1<sup>st</sup> Charles Gay (30) 34 pts

2<sup>nd</sup> Dale Ronald (28) 31pts c/b.

### NTP

Div 1 Nil

Div 2 Graham Carlton

Div 3 Dani Montgomery

Balls to 35 c/b

## BRIDGE CLUB



Results of Teams competition on 23<sup>rd</sup> January

1<sup>st</sup> Judy O'Malley/Joyce Low/  
Kaye Miller/Edith Oldfield

2<sup>nd</sup> Jan Herringe/Lilith Gollan/  
Helen Crott/Mary McAdam

3<sup>rd</sup> Barbara Huntingdon/Noeleen Stewart/  
Rae Milsted/Margaret Verrills

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

Graham Clark

Graham Clark is a LRGCLife member. He presently lives in Casino NSW, but has sent along some of his memorabilia via his granddaughter who lives locally. Of course there are things of interest and we thank them both for the pieces and photographs. Graham was born on the 29<sup>th</sup> May 1929, so will be celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday this year.

Graham was nominated for Life Membership in 1984. He had joined the Club twenty years before. A successful businessman – as in Clark Rubber – he brought his management skills to the Club Committee. He served for six years on the General Committee from 1969, was Vice-President for two years before becoming President from 1977-84 for a seven-year term. He served on the committee for fifteen years continuously. Graham made an outstanding contribution to Long Reef.

Under his Presidency in 1978 the committee drew up a five-year plan establishing priorities for the future –

- automatic watering of tees and greens
- new pro shop
- extension of locker room,
- construction of junior's room at SW corner
- a snooker room to be placed next to member's lounge on western side.

In the 80s

- the practicality of dam water storage
- the practicability of extending the clubhouse by adding another storey.

Some ideas proved to be many years away, but a plan was in place. One of the Club's greatest golfing achievements was in the time of Graham's Presidency and he stands very proudly by the 1982 Junior Team Premiers in the photograph. This is the men's only major team win in the history of the club.

Ross Lanes describes Graham as a golfer in his book as - "a keen golfer who played on a handicap mostly in the upper teens and low 20's. On these marks he is more than a useful golfer."

As an example, Graham has sent to the Archives the Programmes for the Group One Pennant dinners held at the The Royal Sydney Golf Club in 1982 and 1983. The 1982 Programme is signed by all the players in the winning Junior Team led by Frank Maiolo and the 1983 Programme is signed by the Major Long Reef Team, that includes the likes of Les Browne, team Captain Ray Robinson and Michael Yates.

One of the newspaper cuttings from the early '80s reminds us of the then golf promotion system. Sydney clubs were then graded by the association

into three groups according to the standards of their courses and clubhouses, not on the ability of their players. At this time only 24 of the 68 clubs in Sydney were eligible to win a major pennant flag because of a "feudal system" of status grading. It may have been a way to encourage clubs to improve facilities, but 'snob values' seem to have been a striving force. Inspections were held and a minimum of 525 points were needed. The system was replaced with a promotion- relegation system that was already operating in other states.

The newspaper cuttings and dinner Programmes will be included in the display in the memorabilia cabinet in the Members' lounge in weeks to come.



Graham at work at the Clark Rubber offices. A family business first started in Victoria with his brother.



Graham the golfer



Junior Team 1982 Premiers

Back L-r Graham Clarke (Club President), M. Hanlon, J. Blackburn, R. Burke (Club Captain), T. Andrews, P. Hain, J. Hopf, R. Cordaiy (Former President)  
Front L-r J. Brand, S. Jackson, F. Maiolo (c), G. Davenport.

**Sandra Mellowes**

## Welfare Notes:

Rod Macqueen was hospitalised recently for corrective surgery and Members will be pleased to know that everything has gone very well and rehabilitation has already started. I am sure all Members wish Rod a speedy recovery though, understandably, it will be some little time before he will be able to grace the fairways.

**Brian Cummins**      **Welfare Coordinator**

## LRGC RENEW CREW

Dear Members,

If you have some spare time and are looking for some physical activity then we would love you to help down at the club.

The ageing club and bunker upkeep for the club is ever-increasing and we struggle to keep up with what is required to maintain both.

We are looking for members who have a couple of hours each week to help maintain this great club that we are a part of.

Jobs that you could assist with include:

Painting, rust proofing, tile cleaning, sanding, general cleaning, bunker raking, and gardening.

Once we have a list of volunteers we will agree on a morning or afternoon that the help maintain Long Reef Golf Club will take place. 2 hours on the designated day each week is all that we are seeking to fill.

Each day the group of volunteers that assist with the program will be provided with refreshments and finger food for their efforts for that day.

If you are interested in volunteering and joining the LRGCRenew Crew please email [reception@longreefgolfclub.com.au](mailto:reception@longreefgolfclub.com.au) over the next month so we can get the program started by March.

Thanks for your consideration

**Anthony Dignan**      **General Manager**

## RULES WITH GEORGE



**ANSWER:** (a) is correct. **Special Rules apply when A Ball in Play Lies in the Teeing Area.**

**Rule 6.2b 'Full Rules of Golf' applies.**

This situation would apply after a stroke which missed the ball or left the ball in the teeing area. The player may

- i) Lift or move the ball without penalty
- ii) Play that ball or another ball anywhere in the teeing ground from a tee or the ground, including playing the ball as it lies.

As a result, our player has played two strokes and incurred no penalties in what he did.

Unfortunately, the *Player's Edition* of the **Rules of Golf** does not cover this situation fully but refers players to the **Full Rules**.



**Special Olympics**  
New South Wales  
Sydney Northern Beaches

invitation

## 2019 JUDY BUCKLEY MEMORIAL GOLF DAY & LUNCHEON

Long Reef Golf Club  
Friday 22nd February

Special Olympics provide the opportunity for people with an intellectual disability to participate in year-round sports training and competition. In the Sydney Northern Beaches, we currently provide support and training for athletes in 10 sports with weekly training and regional and state competitions.

**EVENT.** Team Ambrose (Maximum handicap for non-golfers, Men 27, Women 36)

**TIME.** 8am Shotgun start.

**REGISTRATION.** From 7am (Inc. light breakfast-juice, bacon & egg roll, tea & coffee)

**ROUND OF GOLF.** \$100 (Inc. breakfast & lunch)

**HOLE SPONSORSHIP.** \$800 (Inc. Golf for 4. breakfast & lunch, 2 carts, signage on designated hole, acknowledgement on communications)

For Entry forms, please see reception, the website (under golf > golf events) [Or click here](#)