

Reef Breezes 30th August



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CAPTAIN'S CORNER



We were on Tuesday's Channel 7 News – Highest rainfall in Sydney. Long Reef 35mm. Great for the course but a disaster for some of the newly laid turf.



Wednesday, with the bunkers out of play there were some terrific scores... In C grade 4 players had +5 but Michael Manning won on cb from Bill Chapman, John Cranfield & Brian Moran. In A grade Tony Smithyman (+5) thought he had cleaned up until he saw +9!! from Dwane Stockini. his card :

Rank	Name	GA Hdcp(Oly)	Club Name	Round 1 Par
1	STOCKINLDWANE	5.8 (M)	Long Reef GC	9

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
PAR	5	3	4	4	4	3	3	5	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	31	66
STROKES	4	2	3	4	4	-	3	3	4	-	3	4	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	31	-
POINTS	1	1	1	1	1	-1	1	0	1	-6	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	9

This is a feature on our new web site... just click the + button on the right of the players name on the result page.

But a question arose on the day. When can a Rabbi swear? How about when he sinks his second shot

on the 3rd for a 5 pointer only to be told it's a Par event!!!

It is good to see Peter French back on the course after a break but he forgot there was water on the left of the 5th and when his partner called 'fore' he moved left and took the plunge into the lake. He didn't bother to recover the ball.

Green Vandalism

The course staff have done a terrific job with the repair and although the greens are not great they are putting OK. We will do the 6th as soon as the weather permits.

The vandalism is covered by our insurance, both for remedial work and loss of public green fee income.

Please try and not walk on the new turf, unless putting. If you ball in on one of the 'seams' you can take relief (up to 20cm), however there is no relief if you are on or need to put through the new turf... See Local Rule.

Men's Foursomes Champ, A Res, B & C Grade

Time sheet out Fri 6 Sept.

Some changes for this year

- With the renovations there will be 4 pairs to qualify.
- Introduced A Reserve as a trial..

Schedule -

- Sat Sept 14 - Qualifying
- Sat Sept 21 - Semi Final Match Play – 18 Holes
- Sat Sept 28 - Final Match Play – Championship 36 Holes, B & C Grade 18 Holes

Handicaps:

The following refer to the players GA Handicap as displayed on Golf Link on the day of the qualifying round.

Championship - Open to all

A Res – 6.3 to 11.2

B Grade 11.3 – 16.6

C Grade 16.7 and above

Lower handicap in each side shall determine the grade.

Club Championships

The following are scheduled;

- Men's
Club Champs – Qual Sat 12 Oct, Sat 19 Oct
Match Play Sat 26 Oct, Sun 27 Oct, Sun 3 Nov.
- Women's
Weekend Premiership – Sun 15 Sept, Sun 22 Sept
Club Champs – Qual Tue 15 Oct, Thu 17 Oct
Match Play Thu 24 Oct, Tue 29 Oct, Thu 31 Oct.

Les Browne Captain

RULES WITH GEORGE



QUESTION: In a Stableford event Peter was playing the 17th hole. He hit his second shot well right and it ended behind and fairly close to the wire screen on the 6th tee. When he reached his ball he found that he had a good lie but the screen interfered with the line of sight to the 17th green.

"No way I can get a ball up over the screen" he said. He claimed that because the screen interfered with his shot to the hole and was an artificial object, he was entitled to free relief under Rule 16. Which is correct?

(a) Peter may drop his ball with free relief at a spot where he has a clear line to the pin, because the screen is an immovable obstruction **interfering** with his stroke.

(b) Peter is not entitled to free relief because he does not have **interference** by the screen under The Rules of Golf.

FROM THE WOMEN



A very quiet week for the Women this week – the captain went to Noosa and took all the sunshine with her! Wet weather saw very little play on Tuesday and Thursday.

Winners for the week:

Sat 24th	Natalie Driver (11)	sq cb
	Elaine Coldham (22)	sq
	Louise Millward (27)	sq
Sun 25th	Janet Atchison (16)	35cb
	Veronica Bertram (22)	35pts
Tues 27th	No Competition but two brave souls played	
	Maryann Ward (39)	32pts
	Trish Timms (45)	27pts
Thurs 28th	No Competition	

COMING EVENTS:

5th Sept PAR enter online in Divisions
 19th Sept CHARITY DAY – BRINGA WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S REFUGE
 Wear Purple – entry sheet in the locker room
 24th Sept LONG REEF v CROMER - entry sheet in the locker room

Karen Smith for the Women's Committee

BRIDGE CLUB



Results of Pairs competition 14th August

N/S

1st Joan Rutherford/Elaine Luscombe
2nd Val Miller /Joan Fawcett
3rd Gerard de Jong/Mary Farrell

E/W

1st Helen Crott/Kay Brideau
2nd Helen Kook/Ellen Kassell
3rd Jan Steward/Martin Beech(V)

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Coronation Medal

On the 9th September the results of this year's GNSW Coronation Medal will be known. The medal has a long tradition in Australia and is just one of the events in the extensive women's programme at Long Reef. The players are nominated by the match committee.

This year the women representing the club will be Rosemary West and Susan Hay who are playing at Camden, and Emma Thurlow and Leonie Malcolm who will head out to Randwick. Congratulations on the selection and good luck!

The 'Coronation' referred to is that of King Edward VII. He came to the throne when his mother, Queen Victoria, died in 1901. The Coronation was held on August 9th 1902. (The invitations had been sent out for June, but Edward was unwell and by the time he had recovered most of the special guests, including the old Royal families of Europe had headed home!)

The Coronation Medal has been played by women members of participating NSW Golf Clubs since 1909. In 1913 it became a team event. Presented to Women's Golf NSW (then NSW Ladies' Golf

Union) by the English LGU, it is contested by a team of four Silver Division Members from the same Club, with two players each playing a round at one of the two host courses. Presently the handicap range is from plus to 22. It is won by the aggregate net score of all team members.

It has been a while but it is nice to know that the Long Reef team won the Coronation Medal in July 1962. There has only been the one win for our club. This 1962 newspaper article comments on the card of one of the team of four.

“Long Reef’s first win 1962 -

The L.G.U. Coronation Medal decided on the best aggregate net score of four players from any club is undoubtedly the most exciting event of the season. Last Friday played at Killara and Roseville courses, the medal was won by Long Reef for the first time, with their four players only 8 over. The players were Mrs Ruby Watts, who has been in 15 of the club’s last 16 teams and Mrs Bebe McLean playing at Roseville, and Mrs Mollie Langdale and Mrs Jean MacKenzie at Killara.

Mrs McLean’s round included an 11 on the par five ninth hole, followed by a **34** off the stick for the home nine.”

(The Sun newspaper, Monday 9-7-1962)



Bebe had joined Long Reef Golf Club on the 20th October 1960, and was almost immediately a star! She won the Bronze Premiership in 1961 and then played that see-sawing scoring exciting game in the Coronation Medal. Bebe went on to be a complete champion golfer, and also served on the Associates Committee as Treasurer, before becoming Captain from 1976-78. There is a long list of achievements in all the club’s major competitions, which include not only being a member of the Winning Grade teams in 1968 and 1970, but also the fact that she was Club Champion in 1972, and her name can be seen on the Course Record Honour Board in that same year. She was the first

Long Reef player to win the Club’s Silver Salver in 1974 and won the LGU Silver medal in 1978. Bebe died in 2018.

Sandra Mellowes



Results of competition on Friday 23rd August

Division 1

1 st	Michael Smiles	(16)	46 pts
2 nd	Peter Verrills	(16)	40 pts

Division 2

1 st	Phil Ton That	(25)	43 pts
2 nd	David Brown	(20)	42 pts

Division 3

1 st	John Ritson	(36)	46 pts
2 nd	Bruce Bowden	(35)	42 cb

Leading Lady Nicki Wiebe (35) 42 pts

NTP

Div 1	Brian Ratcliffe
Div 2	Evan Kontoulas
Div 3	Brian Brennan

Balls to 38cb

Too much rain!



VOLUNTEER OF THE WEEK

Our volunteer of the week is **Russell Smylie**. Russell spends his Friday afternoons out on the course with a large bucket of soil filling and repairing divots on the tee boxes particularly focusing on the par 3's and short par 4s. With close to 60,000 rounds of golf a year, there are a lot of divots created on the tee boxes and even though the majority of players make an effort to fill the divots, there are still a lot left un repaired. The work that Russell does on a Friday afternoon adds to the terrific presentation of the course for the members on a Saturday morning. Whilst out filling divots, Russell will also rake any bunkers that have been left in an ordinary state.



Thank you to Russell and all the volunteers for donating your time to improve our great course.

There are numerous jobs around the course and clubhouse that require attention. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact reception@lrgc.com.au

HOLE IN ONE



Congrats to Geoff Page on the 7th hole, 20th August

Wetlands Project – 29th August Update



Pond filling up through 'balance pipe' from 5th

The torrential downpour on Monday night swept away some of the new turf. The boys spent Tuesday and Wednesday repairing the damage.

With the wet conditions the remaining turf on the top section down to the fence won't be done until late next week (weather permitting).

Some questions answered;

- Are we on budget? – Yes
- Are we on schedule? – Almost, depending on weather over next week.
- How will the new pond be filled? – When completed the flow from Anzac Ave is piped under our carpark to in front of 9th tee then enters the pond from the open drain in front of 8th green. This won't be implemented until the landscaping is in place and the pond banks secured.
- How is the pond filling now? – The 'balance pipe' from the 5th pond has been opened and water from there is flowing to the new pond instead of out to sea.
- When will the contractors be finished? – Expect mid September when all 'major' work will be completed (weather permitting), which is on schedule.
- How is the practice green going? - It will be a properly constructed green and we have increased the size from original plan to 400sm. The grass surface will be the same as our other greens. This will be achieved by using small corings from the practice green and a couple of greens on the course.

The work that has or will be done over the next month;

- Turfing down to the fence.
- Practice tee widened and lengthened.
- The 'haul roads' used by the trucks refurbished.
- Practice chipping green and bunker.
- Practice fairway, trimmed and grassed
- Landscaping the edges of the Pond
- The safety fence will be moved outward to protect the construction and landscaping around the edge of the pond and particularly on the 18th where it will further encroach on fairway.

The 8th hole will stay a Par 3 until the landscaping is in place, for safety reasons.

The 10th, 14th and 15th will stay as temporaries until the new grass has established, hopefully play (with GUR) in October.

As the fairway has been grassed on the 16th it may not be fully playable until November.

Playing the course over the next few weeks;

14th – With the vandalism we will continue to play the temporary green.

16th – Will continue to play to 14th green, giving the 16th green extra time to recover.

18th – On weekends we play the normal tees.

Midweek we will play the shorter tee until the

practice fairway is completed. The Stroke Rating will stay the same no matter which tee we use.

Note players **can't** enter the fenced off area.

NOTE – ALL new work, including tractor marks are GUR.

CRAZY WHIST



Friday 6th September – 6.30pm for a 7pm start

Fun and Easy to play

\$20 pp including Dinner

Bookings Recommended Please see Reception

RULES WITH GEORGE



ANSWER: (b) is correct. The screen is an immovable obstruction, one of the Abnormal Course Conditions covered by **Rule 16.1.**

Except on a putting green, Interference by these conditions occurs only when:

* The player's ball **touches or is in** the condition.

* The condition **physically** interferes with the player's area of intended stance or area of intended swing.

Since none of these things apply in this situation, Peter is not entitled to free relief.

Peter's best options would have been to declare his ball unplayable under penalty of one stroke, or change his line of play, or his club selection.

FROM THE JUNIORS



South Coast Junior Medal

Last weekend we had 4 Juniors compete in the South Coast JM at Catalina Country Club. Congratulations to Kai and Millie Komulainen for their performances. Millie finished 2nd in the Girls U11 age group with rounds of 91,89. Kai had a disappointing start to the event being 10 over par thru 8 holes, but rebounded in great fashion. Starting the day 6shots back Kai's second round of -1 was the second best round of the day to win the U12/13 Boys age group by 1 stroke and finish T4 overall. Well done guys!!

Billy Watson



Millie and Kai

FROM THE COURSE



A very wet week on the course with over 80mm of rain and some major damage to the new turf up on top fairways. On Monday night a huge storm cell was above long Reef and dumped 35mm of rain in half an hour causing rivers of water to erode away large areas of new turf. The greenstaff have spent the week repairing the damage and preparing for more rain Thursday & Friday. Water diversions have been put in place to try and stop more erosion and so far it has helped reduce more major damage. We currently have the balance pipe between the old dam and new dam open which is helping to fill the new dam hopefully by the end of the weekend there will be substantial water in the new dam. We have made substantial inroads into repairing our poisoned greens repairs have been made on the 1st, 4th, 5th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 16th and 17th greens with some major re-turfing and lots of plugging out damaged areas. We plan on working on the 6th green next week. All areas that have been repaired will hopefully recover well in the coming weeks with some warmer weather predicted next week recovery should speed up. The warmer weather will also help all the new turf establish quicker on the new mounding.

Dates for the Diary

September

Sun 1	Fathers Day
Sat 7	Monthly Medal
Fri 13	Entries for Club Champs
Sat 14	Men's Foursomes Qualifying
Sat 21	R 1 Foursomes
Sat 28	Final Foursomes.
Mon 23	Combined Services
Sat 28	Final Foursomes

LONG REEF GOLF CLUB COMBINED SERVICES CHARITY GOLF EVENT

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO



Hole Sponsorships \$800, includes 4 players, 2 carts and the inclusions of the day and your signage around the hole

\$20,000 Hole In One Prize and plenty of prizes

DATE: Monday 23rd September 2019

TIME: 7am Breakfast, 8am Shotgun start, 12.30pm Lunch and presentations

COST: \$75 Members, \$90 Visitors



Entry forms available from reception