

Reef Breezes 29/11/19

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FROM THE CAPTAIN

Doug's Diary

The Good Scores Keep Coming

Last Saturday saw Ian Brown shoot 3 under off the stick but even that couldn't win him A Grade with Cameron Munro collecting 43 points, which was also the score Peter Goodall achieved to win C Grade. Mark Pitt recorded 42 points to win B Grade and Natalie Driver had 39 points to win the Ladies' comp. Overall, 62 players matched or bettered their handicaps.

Russell Smylie must have thought 42 points on Monday would have seen him in the winner's circle but Andy Hugill from Mona Vale, who was playing as our guest, shot a bogey free round of 6 under off a handicap of 1 to beat him by 1. A moral victory though Russell as you beat all other Long Reef members!!

Then on Wednesday, Geoff Cranfield shot a gross 67. However, again, his nett 66 wasn't enough to win A Grade as Graeme Turner shot even par off 6 for a nett 65. Chris Montgomery took out B Grade on a count-back from Greg Bourke with nett 66 and Paul Thomson won C Grade with nett 67.

And a little aside: on Wednesday I played with Mark Stevens, Jimmy Knox and Ross Kocass and we all had birdie 2s on the 13th. We hadn't been involved in that sort of achievement before (4 x par 3 is normally note-worthy!). Can you burst our bubble and tell us, "it's happened to me"?

Midweek Cup / Premiership

The second round of the Midweek Cup on Wednesday saw Craig Mott win A Grade with nett 136 while Chris Montgomery took out B Grade with

nett 137. Phil Ton-That won both the C Grade event and the Midweek Premiership overall with a net score of 134 with Geoff Osborne winning Scratch in the Midweek Premiership.

A Long Day Ahead

On Monday 2nd December, Billy Edwards, Ian Perrin and Luke Edgell, will tee it up at 5.30am and start the first of 72 holes of golf in a day! They are taking part in the Longest Day Challenge to raise money for the Cancer Council. They will have a sponsorship sheet in the Pro shop if you wish to support them financially. It's a great cause and having done it myself a few years ago, a great effort by them. Word of advice from personal experience- don't take your golf shoes off when you stop for lunch!! Good luck guys.

Course Care

It's the responsibility of all of us to look after our golf course and whilst we can't do anything about the need for more rain, we can do our bit by repairing pitch marks, sanding divots and leaving bunkers like we'd like to find them. Thank you in anticipation of your assistance.

Members' Cocktail Party

Don't forget next Thursday from 6pm for a bit of early Christmas cheer. RSVP to the Office.

Doug Campbell

Captain

RULES WITH GEORGE



QUESTION: Sam had hit his drive on the 6th hole into the light rough. After a short search Sam found a ball and said "I think it is my ball". Without marking the ball, he carefully lightly rolled the ball about half a turn and then made sure that he rolled it back again to its original position. He declared that it was his ball, and played his stroke. Which statement is correct?

- (a) Sam is penalised one stroke for touching his ball at rest.
- (b) Sam is penalised two strokes for touching his ball at rest
- (c) Sam incurs no penalty because his ball had not been moved, from its original position, before a stroke was played.

FROM THE WOMEN



Congratulations to Sue Phillips and Judy Gietz who had the best score for 2019 in the GNSW Bowl with their 50 point best ball score. It would appear they will be offered a place in the 2020 Women's NSW Open Pro Am. Excellent result from the girls.

An extremely successful Rookies Ambrose and Christmas lunch was held on Tuesday. Much appreciation to Michelle, Laura and Anthony who were great supporters of the event and took the time to explain the transfer process to ongoing membership. Our winner of the 2019 Rookies trophy is Julia Mahn who has been a great team player and hugely improved golfer throughout the year. The time and effort put in by our women members has been fantastic and many Rookies have sent their thanks each week. I look forward to ongoing support in 2020 and would like to acknowledge all those who have walked and offered encouragement - Pam Burke, Jan Daniel, Jill Hensman, Wendy Langthorne, Lynne Parsons, Karen Smith, Leonie Malcolm, Judith Kerr, Julia Deere-Jones, Fiona Bone and Julie Simpson. We look forward to welcoming the new golfers to the club.

Winners of the Ambrose event were the team led by Jill Hensman with Anne Atherton, Sam Sparke and Jen Vasseleu.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in starting to play golf please contact Laura via the Pro shop or committee members are also happy to assist enquiries.

We have had several women affected by the heat and smoke in recent weeks. Please watch out for your playing partners and all ensure enough fluids and cooling cloths are carried on course.

A reminder from the course staff. When removing your ball from the hole please take extra care. Many are reaching in without removing the flag stick and causing subtle damage. Repair of divots on the green is also actively encouraged.

We have a few fun events over the next few weeks. Next week is a 4-person dropout Ambrose and the following week (December 12) will be the Christmas Fun Day with Dress Up and Christmas Spirit on each Hole. We will play a 9 Hole competition with a shotgun start. Instructions to follow.

Tuesday next week is the Annual Women's Christmas Dinner commencing at 6pm. It is a full house and we look forward to seeing everyone there. We are all grateful for the huge effort Rosemary West has put in to ensure the success of the night.

Good golf continues with Nat Driver scoring 39 points on Saturday, Julie Preston taking the prize from Jane Hagan on Sunday with both scoring 38. The McMahons won the mixed fourball with 47. On Tuesday Gaby Bennett beat a strong field with her 36points, defeating Kathie Nelson and Kim Sloane both with 34. Lyn Harper was our 9-hole winner with 17points.

Thursday was our Annual Captains v Presidents Day and the women came out in droves to play. Not sure if it was the prizes on offer or the fact we took out the walk up 15 and 16.

Congratulations to the President's side who won 13.5 to 9.5 matches, although the points were a lot closer 778 to 773. A great day and some wonderful scoring.

Winners

Pres	Helen Cregan/Sue Dewell	41
Capt	Pauline McMahon/Julie Preston	42
2nd	Aki Lee /Sue Rossi	40c
	Pat Williams/ Sheila Dickson	39 cb
3rd	Kim Sloane/ Rachael Loomes	40
	Mary Payne/ Gay McCorby	39
4th	Mandy Biffin/Karman Whitford	38
	Jan Daniel/ Robyn McCormick	38

NTP

7th	Catherine Reynolds
13th	Rosemary West
10th	Pam Burke

Long Drive

Division 1	Tamra Moore
Division 2	Di Muncke

Balls to the President's Team.

Wendy Millson

Women's Captain

FROM THE JUNIORS



Brett Ogle Junior Medal

Last weekend we had 3 juniors compete at Goulburn GC for the Brett Ogle JM. This is the last JNJG Junior Masters event for the year and the juniors were greeted to a very dry golf course. The consistent Harry McKerihan had scores of 88,83 to finish 17th in the Boys 12/13 years age group. Little Millie Komulainen finished the year off in style with rounds of 84,92 to win the Girls 11 years and Under Age Group by 7 shots. Kai Komulainen recently turned 14 which meant he moved up to the 14/15 Year Boys division. Facing tougher competition Kai held his nerve and fired a 2 under par opening round to sit T5 overall. Having a rough middle part to his second round Kai fought back to birdie his 16th hole of the day, and hole out for eagle on the 1st Hole (his 18th) from 25m off the green to force a playoff after another -2 round. A par at the first playoff hole was not good enough so Kai finished 14/15 Boys runner up and T2 Overall at a very solid -4 par total for the 2 rounds.



NSW Junior Open Pro Am

On Wednesday Mitchell Jones was sent by the club to compete in the NSW Junior ProAm out at Twin Creeks GC. He was fortunate enough to play with Ryan Lynch, who won the WA PGA back in 2014 and is a regular in all big Aussie events. Mitch

thoroughly enjoyed the day and the test of playing Twin Creeks set up for the big event there this week.



Billy Watson

Junior Elite Coach

BRIDGE CLUB



Results of Pairs competition 20th November

N/S

- 1st Helen Crott/Ann Campbell
- 2nd Trish Turner/Joan Fawcett
- 3rd Jan Steward/Sue Riley

E/W

- 1st Helen/Jean Morey
- 2nd Barbara Phillips/Liz Davis
- 3rd Joyce Low/Shirley Blackburn

Australian All Abilities Championship

Being played during the Australian Open next week



Good luck to our own **Stephen Prior**.



Results of competition on Friday 22nd
November

Stableford

Division 1

1 st	Ray Mathieson	(17)	37 pts
2 ⁿ	Greg Dousset	(12)	36 pts

Division 2

1 st	Wayne Grundy	(24)	38 pts cb
2 nd	Neil Townsend	(23)	38 pts

Division 3

1 st	Nicki Wiebe	(33)	38 pts cb
2 nd	Bruce Bowden	(32)	38 pts

Leading Lady

Sue Telfer	35 pts
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Balls to 34cb

The Friday club social was a tremendous success. Thanks to the LRGc for their support and to all the FC members who turned up in "loud shirts" to add to the fun.

Rob Keir

President

Expressions of interest for the NPICC team

The Northern Peninsula Interclub Challenge is a match play event contested between Manly, Cromer, Wakehurst, Mona Vale, Bayview and Long Reef each year over February and March.

Eligibility for the team is:

- Male playing members over 60 years of age from 2nd February 2020
- Handicap from 5-14GA as of 27th January 2020
- Available for all of the following dates in 2020: 2/3, 10/2, 18/2, 24/2, 2/3, 17/3

If you would like to be considered for selection in the team, please provide your name, phone number and email address to the office

Peter Frith Long Reef NPICC Manager

FROM THE COURSE



It has been a week of varied weather with some rain, dust storms, cyclonic wind, thunder and lightning, smoke haze followed by some beautiful sunny days.

Since last Friday we have had 25mm of rain which the course was desperate for and the grass certainly enjoyed every drop. The dam did fill a tiny bit but importantly we haven't required any irrigation for the past week which saves a lot of water.

It has been a busy week with Universal Concrete doing a great job pouring the slabs on the practice tee and 13th tee. We have started to fill the area behind the practice tee this area will be reshaped and levelled to remove the large hollows and uneven surfaces to make it better for access and traffic flow.

It would be nice to see a bit more rain and thunderstorms over the summer months have a good weekend and enjoy the golf.

BOOK AND PAY ONLINE FOR NEW YEARS EVE

Did you know you can now book and pay for club events like New Year's Eve online in the members portal? When you are logged into the members area, click "Club Events" and find the event in the calendar. Members and guests are still welcome to pay in the office and over the phone.

RULES WITH GEORGE



ANSWER: (a) is correct. Rule 9.4b applies. 'Penalty for Lifting or Deliberately Touching Ball or Causing it to Move'

Sam had deliberately touched his ball which is not allowed under the Rules of Golf unless the position of the ball is first marked. The fact that Sam made sure that he rolled the ball back to its original position is irrelevant. **Rule 7.3** clearly sets out the necessary steps to be taken by players in identifying a ball.



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Collaroy, NSW
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JOIN US AT
LONG REEF GOLF CLUB

NEW YEARS EVE

White Party

WITH LIVE MUSIC FROM
Slide McBride

DRINK ON ARRIVAL WITH PRAWN & OYSTER STATION
FOLLOWED BY A 3 COURSE MEAL & SPARKLING AT MIDNIGHT

FROM 6.30PM
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