

# Reef Breezes 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020



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## FROM THE CAPTAIN

### DOUG'S DIARY

#### 4 Ball Knock-out Cup

Last Saturday saw two very tight matches but in the end Alan Dean and Hugh Wilson saw off Josh Malin and Mike Hankey 2&1 while an extra hole was required to settle the afternoon match with Rex Langthorne and Peter Wilson securing their place in the final with a win over Julia Bowen and Tanya Heber. Good luck to both pairings this Saturday.

#### Representative Teams

Sean has written a detailed commentary on the great away win our Major Pennant Team delivered last Sunday - 4.5 to 2.5 at Pennant Hills. We fielded a Team with very little Major Pennant experience, up against one that had plenty and congratulations to our four winners on the day (Josh, Cam, Chun-Ta and Paul) who all delivered their first point in Major Pennant. The home fixture against Pennant Hills is this Sunday from 7am if you would like to get down and support the guys.

Congratulations also to our NPIC Team that maintained their 100% record with a 5.5-1.5 win over Bayview.

#### Preferred Lies

It possibly could have come up under "Rules with George" but to settle a debate that was going on last week, it is not **compulsory** to mark your ball before taking a preferred lie, but it is recommended.

On that subject, the Course Team is going to start scarifying the fairways from Monday 2nd March so, from that date, we will be putting a Local Rule in place that a 30 cm preferred lie will be available in the General Area that is cut to fairway height (ie. closely mown areas) on all holes.

### Match Committee

We met last Thursday and below are some of the key decisions / actions that came from our discussion.

**Rules** - all Match Committee Members to be accredited to a minimum of Level 1 and a link to that level of proficiency will be made available to all Members

**Pace of Play policy** - anecdotal evidence of heightened awareness of pace and place on the course and quantifiable evidence that the average round time reduced by 5 minutes when comparing competitions prior to the policy implementation to after.

**Practice range** - to assist in the identification of balls, all teaching lessons will be conducted with yellow balls

**Monthly Medals** - with effect from the March Medal, in the event of a tie, a count-back will determine the winner instead of a play-off the following month

**AM & PM competitions** - there has been only one variation in DSR between AM and PM in the last four months so we will review over the next two months and determine if relevant

**Dress Code** - the practice area (chipping green, range, nets and putting green) are deemed to be part of the golf course so similar standards of attire are required when practising, as playing on the course itself.

**Doug Campbell**

**Captain**

## RULES WITH GEORGE



**QUESTION:** Ossie was playing in a stroke event at Long Reef. On the first hole he hit off the white tees when play was from the blue tees. His drive went out of bounds. He corrected his mistake and played another ball from the blue tees. This ball finished safely in the middle of the fairway. How many strokes has Ossie now played?

a. 5

b. 4

c. 3

## FROM THE WOMEN



Our Grade team made the journey to Woolooware at a very early hour today to play Muirfield. The team was Emma Thurlow (F/C), Josie Garrett, Jen Jansson, Jenni Brown and Catherine Reynolds. The ever-reliable caddy brigade this week included Mick Snell, Robyn McCormick, Karen Smith, Wendy Millson and Cath Piper. Report to follow next week.

Our Knockout finals were played yesterday with Robyn McCormick against Wendy Millson in the Singles Knock out and Mandy Biffin playing Michelle Ison in the Long Markers. There was great handicap match play in the earlier matches and well done to those reaching the finals.

Robyn McCormick played very steady golf and holed some great putts to win 4/2 and win the Singles Knockout. Well done Robyn after being runner up last year.

Mandy Biffin played consistent golf despite a mid-round mini slump to defeat Michelle Ison and hold aloft the Long Markers Trophy.

Congratulations all finalists and thank you to Sue Smiles who refereed the Long Markers

Our apologies to the Tuesday members who were inconvenienced with match play playing through. Thank you to those who allowed players through with good grace.

We need to keep working on the pace of play. Really noticeable that some groups are still walking to one player's ball and stopping. It is quite safe to walk the outside of the fairway and out of the fellow player's line of sight to proceed to your ball. Please continue to send 2 from your group of 4 to the next tee to hit off

In response to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tee backlog with multiple groups waiting to play, the Match Committee has agreed to an OPTIONAL call up at the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole. As discussed at presentation last week very few players reach the green with their Tee shot. Those who are capable of reaching will use their discretion.

Next week we will start the HIDDEN HOLES. This is a new competition where you enter at the Pro shop on an entry sheet and pay \$2 to be part of

the competition. It is OPTIONAL and the holes are drawn at random. It is completely separate to the daily competition and prize money awarded separately. Let's see how we go.

Thank you to Cath Piper for accompanying the Rookies out on course last week. Michelle Mott was our winner. This week I had the pleasure of seeing the small group hitting some great shots and putts. Helenka O'Connell was our winner and Fiona Woolley the runner up. Keep up the practice and make use of the clinics offered by Laura. Laura has many brand new Rookies learning the game and enjoying the tuition. If you know of anyone interested in taking up the sport, please contact the Pro Shop.

A stroke round next Thursday with a medal on offer. For those who have paid their \$15 we will also be looking for the best net score across all grades. The winner will receive the GNSW badge for the Goodwill Plate at the Annual Presentation. Division 3 will again play in groups of 4 to optimise their pace of play.

Judy Gietz and Sue Phillips had a fabulous time at the Women's NSW Open Pro Am – their reward for finishing the winners of the GNSW Bowl for 2019.

### Thursday Stableford

#### Division 1

Pam Burke	40 points
Julie Preston	37 points
Diana Sier	35 points

#### Division 2

Elaine Coldham	37 points
Jude Sandvoss	35 points
Veronica Bertram	32 points

#### Division 3

Julie Campbell	38 points
Angela Brown	33 points C/B
Kerry McCallum	33 points

#### NTP

7 <sup>th</sup>	Jude Sandvoss
13 <sup>th</sup>	Julie Preston

#### Scratch

Jen Jansson

#### 9 Hole Competition

Margaret Mullins	18 points
Ann Henderson	17 points C/B

#### Wendy Millson

Women's Captain



## MAJOR PENNANTS

Away to Pennant Hills, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

A superb performance from a youthful Long Reef team saw us walk away with a prized away win in a tight divisional battle.

The golf was of a very high standard and each member of the team represented the club in exemplary fashion in a 4.5-2.5 win.

Cian Hughes led us off at number 7 and did himself proud in his first full outing in major pennants. His ball-striking was fantastic but he just came up short in a 1-down result.

Paul Rouse was typically gritty and he overcame a stubborn opponent with a great par on the 18<sup>th</sup> to win his match 1-up.

Chun-ta Wu continued to build his reputation as a doughty match-player, building a big enough lead to hold off a fast finishing opponent 2-up.

Cameron Gillespie made his bow for the major pennant team and what a performance he delivered, demoralising his opponent 5&4 in game 4. At 3-under for the holes played, all aspects of Cam's game were purring nicely. A fantastic performance indeed.

Matty Saad's opponent made some absolutely ridiculous par saves and a lesser player would have folded, but Matt showed his true resilience with a birdie on the last to grab a share of the spoils.

Josh Fuller was heard asking for the video of his tee-shot on the 9<sup>th</sup> to be deleted ☺ but all jokes aside, Josh played a fantastic game of golf in smashing their number 2, 4&2.

Finally, Captain Courageous, Luke Edgell anchored the team at number 1. He lipped out for hole-in-one on the 9<sup>th</sup> and played superbly all day but was still out-gunned by a former state representative, 2&1.

Special note to Mitch Jones who played a much more seasoned opponent in the reserve game and came away with a 2&1 win.

I know all associated with the team will have walked away with special memories from Pennant Hills. Many thanks to Dougie, Bocko, Mick, Jim H., Hodgy, Jack, Duffy, Lin, Martin and Jimmy L. for their efforts.

We will host the same opponent at home on Sunday next at 7am. Corey will be back from the Queensland Open and his battle with their Number 1 will be worth the cost of the very affordable admission fee. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sean Lee

Manager

## FROM THE JUNIORS



### Junior League

This week Cammeray Golf Course hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of the Junior League competition. Our team of Chippers took on the team from Warringah Golf Club and had a great match which came right down to the final holes.

Similar to last week's game at Wakehurst, the kids enjoyed the challenge of tight fairways and small greens as it was very different from what they are used to playing at Long Reef Golf Club.

We changed up our Ambrose pairings and the results were very close:

Alfie Helyar & Harry Worrall won 3 points  
Kristian Norgaard & Dylan Jenkins won 4 points  
Maddie Evers & Ollie Robinson won 5 points

The final result was a narrow loss by 3 points to Warringah.

This week Long Reef are hosting the final round of the Junior League and our team are excited to get out and take advantage of playing at their home course.

### Ben Russell



## LONG REEF FRIDAY CLUB

Friday Club Notes for Friday February 21

### Division 1

1 <sup>st</sup>	John Dertateossian	17	37
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Trevor Chappell	15	36 cb

### Division 2

1 <sup>st</sup>	Neil Townsend	24	41
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Denis Watchorn	21	37

### Division 3

1 <sup>st</sup>	Kim Cook	33	43
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dale Ronald	29	40

### NTP

Div 1	7 <sup>th</sup>	(-)
Div 2	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Greg Heathcote
Div 3	13 <sup>th</sup>	Graham Carlton

Balls to 35 c/b

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

Peter Miller



Peter Miller 2013.  
Getting ready to play in Friday Club

Kaye Miller has kindly donated more of her late husband Peter's notes and folders to the archives. When he died Kaye brought along all his Friday Club material, now it is the turn of Reefcare. Within the two folders and a photo album, the many reports, charts and copies of letters give us a comprehensive description of those early days of the Reefcare project. Peter was a man of many talents and many interests.

Peter became a certified Bushcare Volunteer following a training program with the North Sydney Council. In 1997 he established a "Thursday Club Bush Volunteer Group" at the Golf Club for Reefcare and golf club members. His drive led to the club and the community looking at Griffith park as a whole, from the most easterly rocky outcrop to the Pittwater Road and the group became a key component of the Griffith Park plan of management.

There were both eradication and planting projects to co-ordinate. He studied extensively the varied habitats which included the aquatic reserve and produced an educational pamphlet of Long Reef for distribution to residents and visitors.

Within Reefcare he established a wild life watch programme to monitor migratory birds as well as the behaviour of local birds such as the Blue Wren. The folders include results of these surveys. Peter also kept a sample of the Golf Club newsletters, many of them refer to the group and its projects, but the additional material in the newsletters reminds us of the goings-on in the late 90s and early part of the new century at the club.

We are reminded of all those Green and Golden Bell frog tadpoles that were put into the prepared

ponds. Our gesture to help their survival and give them a new home as the Olympic site was constructed at Homebush.



In 1999 there is a page-long welcome and description of the talents of the new club Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Board. Also, Peter Donkers is welcomed to the club as the Assistant Course Superintendent. Mark Pitt and Roger Ehret were given support and best wishes as they entered the Variety Club Big Bash and headed off to Broome.

Ross, Steve, Lucas, Shaun, Kirk and Geoff were all playing major pennants. (No surnames given, but I think those of us who were members at the time can work it out-glancing at the Club Championship board is a big clue.)

The Barrenjoey Peninsula Week of Golf delegates were hoping for "better weather than last year"- sounds familiar, and a decision was made to introduce an electronic leader board. In July a system of handing out tickets on Friday afternoon by the Captain or his representative, ready for putting names on Saturday timesheets was introduced. In June the 3 ball team qualifying to represent the club in the WGNSW Ladies Classic with 11 up were Lorraine Dickinson, Judy Hore and Meriam Matheson.

In Oct 1999 188 members attended the AGM. The same month the club won a Council sponsored Garden Award in the commercial street frontage category. By December the women reported how much the Annual dinner and concert had been enjoyed and "everyone had a great time, particularly Patsie McConnell [she want to know how she got home — if anyone knows could they please let her know)."

The newsletters are only 20 years old, but some of the content is like ancient history. We are so thrilled to have been able to add them to our collection.

Thank you, Kaye (and Peter).

**Sandra Mellowes**

## NORTHERN PENINSULA INTER-CLUB CHALLENGE

3<sup>rd</sup> Round 24/2/20

Long Reef vs Bayview at Manly GC

Teeing Off at Manly Golf Club against Bayview G C and the only other undefeated team in the NPIC the pressure was on with both sides realizing how important a win would be .We had the inform and undefeated Mark Curnow away and having their first starts were Terry Hill and Brian “Sheldon” Ferguson .Also the HCP situation unfortunately forced us to sit out the inform and undefeated Jimmy Moore . So with the pressure on, all the Longy Lads had to perform.

With the tees well back (thanks Manly GC ) hopefully this would be suitable to our solid ball striking Long Reef team of over 60 golfers . After nine holes Longy had the advantage being up in 4 of the matches with Twiggy, Frithy, Pete Munro and Mike Buckley in control. All the other matches were up and down and very tight indeed. To make matters worse Terry Hill, teeing off somewhere about the 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> hole, had the head of his driver come apart from the shaft. So Terry was forced to fight on using his 3 wood from the back tees .

With 5 or 6 holes to go the Longy team had gained some momentum and the upper hand and was up in 6 of the 8 matches . Twiggy and Mike Buckley were the first to gain Long Reef wins soon followed by Brian “Sheldon” Ferguson who was able to tame the “Beast” and Frithy both winning on the 16<sup>th</sup> hole .

Pete Munro and Ian Donnelly were next to get the win on the 17<sup>th</sup> hole whilst Terry Hill and Paul Harrison were still in the contest.

Terry Hill lost on the 17<sup>th</sup> while Paul Harrison was all square heading down the 18<sup>th</sup> Hole for the second week running. Paul was unable to repeat last week’s heroics at Long Reef, losing at the last hole. The team performed exceptionally well and now are the only undefeated team remaining. But under the current format we still have not played a home side as yet which will be the last week before the finals against Mona Vale at Mona Vale . Next Monday we are at the very tight Wakehurst G C layout against Cromer . .So we still need that win next week at Wakehurst to be assured of that finals spot .

Thanks again to Brian Cronan and Steve Buckley, our on course managers on the day, for their usual encouragement and re hydration .

Terry Hill lost 3 and 1  
Steve Twigg won 4 & 3  
Michael Buckley won 6 & 5  
Paul Harrison lost 1 down  
Ian Donnelly won 3 & 1  
Peter Munro won 2 & 1  
Brian “Sheldon” Ferguson won 3 & 2  
Peter Frith won 3 & 2  
Long Reef G C won 5.5 matches to  
Bayview G C 2 matches

Frithy

## BRIDGE CLUB



Results of Pairs competition on 19<sup>th</sup> February

**N/S**

- 1<sup>st</sup>** Lilith Gollan/Ellen Kassel
- 2<sup>nd</sup>** Arthur Goodman/Gerard de Jong
- 3<sup>rd</sup>** Liz Davis/Joan Fawcett

**E/W**

- 1<sup>st</sup>** Helen Crott/Kay Brideau
- 2<sup>nd</sup>** Val Miller/Helen Kook
- 3<sup>rd</sup>** Jan Herringe/Kaye Miller

## DINE IN MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>



Due to popular demand we are putting on another night for our Thursday night DINE IN on March the 19<sup>th</sup>.

Get in quickly, bookings can be made on 9971 8113 or at the front desk.

Your Dine In voucher gets you a free 3 COURSE MEAL to the value of \$60 when you buy one 3 course meal.

## BAR UPGRADE

### Scheduled Install

We are excited to announce the first stage of our Bar makeover. All beers taps will be upgraded on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. The install will take 2 days with completion on Tuesday evening should there be no unforeseen delays. Please note that all tap beer will be unavailable during the install. Bottled beer will be available at a discounted rate during this process. On completion, new and improved taps and a wider range of selection will be available for your enjoyment.

Thank you for your understanding during this first stage upgrade.

### LRGC Management

## Volunteer Day During Course Renovations

The course will be closed on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March for the biannual green renovations and over these two days we will be holding a working bee on certain areas of the course.

The volunteers will take on tasks such as clearing out gardens and bush vegetation areas, mulching, trimming trees and filling divots on tees and high traffic areas.

If you would like to volunteer your time on either of these days, please email [ben@lrgc.com.au](mailto:ben@lrgc.com.au)

### Ben Russell

## Juniors



Alfie



Dylan



Maddie

## RULES WITH GEORGE



**ANSWER: c. is correct. Rule 6.1b applies.** Ossie gets the **general penalty (two penalty strokes)** and fortunately has corrected his mistake by playing a ball from inside the teeing area.

The ball played from outside the teeing area is not in play. That stroke and any more strokes before the mistake is corrected (including strokes made and any penalty strokes solely from playing that ball) do not count.

As a result his score is two penalty strokes plus his tee shot from the correct teeing area, for a total of three strokes.



Harry



Kristian



Ollie



Committee Cup – (Singles Knockout) Robyn and Wendy



Long Markers winners and runners-up



Mandy Biffin And Michelle Ison



### Stop Press

The Grade Team squared two and a half matches each with Muirfield. Our winners were Catherine Reynolds, Jen Jansson and Josie Garrett was a square.