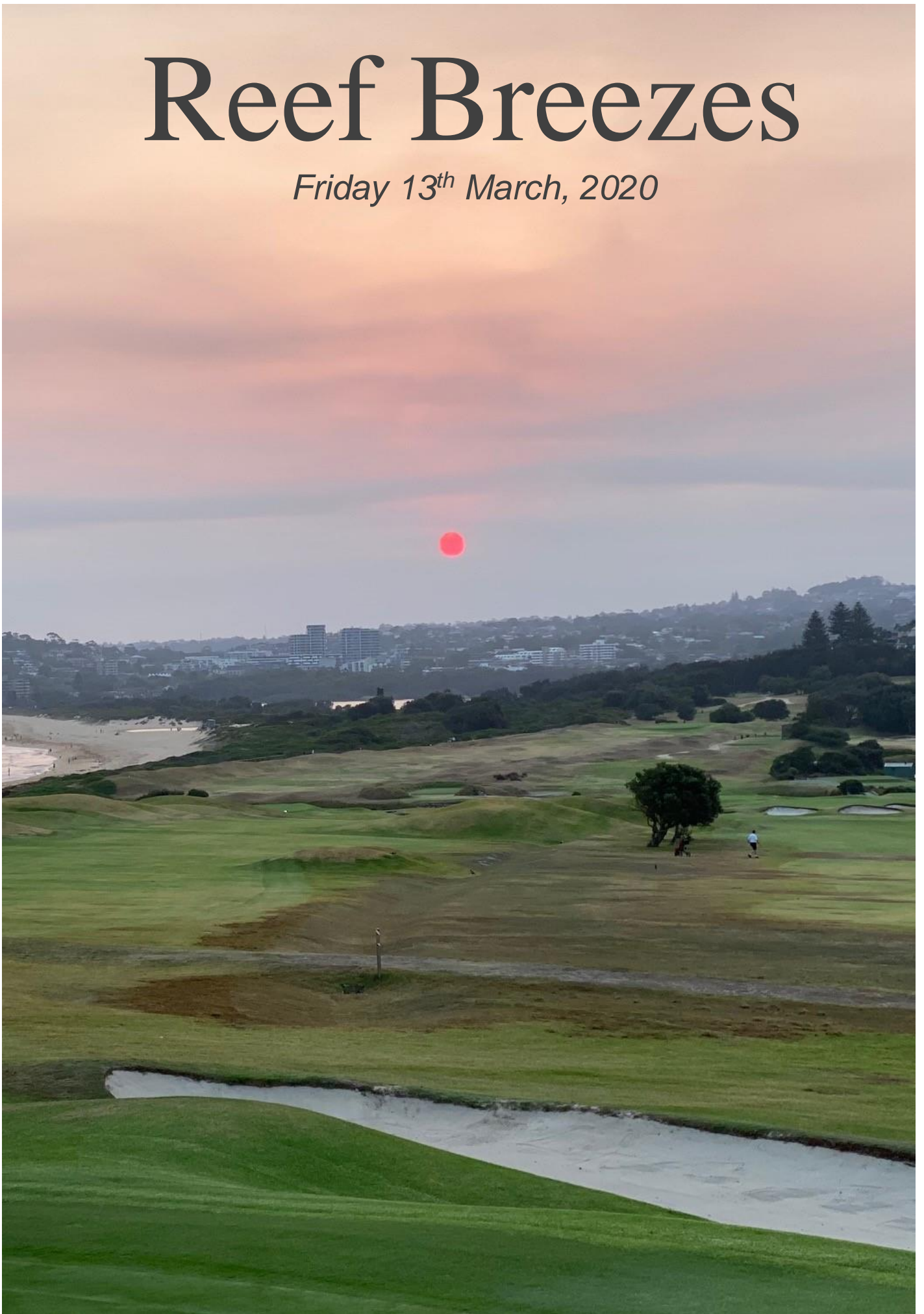


Reef Breezes

Friday 13th March, 2020



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GOLF NEWS

Doug is on holidays for the next two weeks and unfortunately Sean has also had to go overseas unexpectedly.

Mick Snell Handicap Match Play – Closes Sunday 15th March

The Match Play event is open to all Full Playing 7 Day Members and entry is by listing your name on the manual sheet at the kiosk.

The Singles Handicap Match Play event will run from March to October and each round will have a timeframe depending on the number of entries received. All players entered on the list will be included in the Match Play Draw.

The Match Play Draw will be randomly drawn on Tuesday 17th March and published online. **Please note entries close on Sunday 15th March.**

Mixed Foursomes Championship & Cup – 29th March & 5th April

The Mixed Foursomes Championship will be played over 36 holes on Sunday 29th March and Sunday 5th April. The Mixed Foursomes Cup will be played in conjunction with the first round of the Mixed Foursomes Championship on Sunday 29th March. Entry is via the manual time sheet at the kiosk from Friday 13th March. Please enter your Male/Female pairing in the relevant event you wish to contest.

Eclectic Results

Up to date results are posted on the Club's Website (Members portal) and Club notice board each Monday.

Course Renovations – 30th & 31st March

The green renovations were scheduled for Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th March but due to the rain forecast on these days, a decision has been made to postpone the green renovations until Monday 30th & Tuesday 31st March.

Over these two days we will be holding a working bee on certain areas around the Club and Course. The jobs carried out by the volunteers each week add to the overall presentation of the course but also let the course staff focus on their day to day duties of preparing the course to the high standard we have become accustomed to at Long Reef.

If you would like to help, the volunteers will be active between 7am and 10.30am each day. Whether you can spend the morning or just hour helping, it all makes a difference. Please report to reception on arrival.

Staff News

I would just like to thank Steph Bull and Michelle Harradine for their contributions to Long Reef Golf Club. Steph after contributing greatly to the club over the last 4 years has decided to take up a position with a medical device company. Her calm nature and friendly smile will be missed and we wish her well in her new career path. Michelle after over 6 years of working at Long Reef has decided to look at a different career path. Michelle's efforts across membership, internal marketing, the website and office administration have been greatly appreciated. Her bubbly personality will be hard to replace.

Michelle will finish on the 20th March and Steph on the 25th March.

We welcome Caroline Chappell to the role of events/duty manager. Her experience in events and pubs will bring a great skill set to the role.

Anthony Dignan General Manager



Congratulations from her fellow members to Alyssa Starc (Healy) after the great World Cup win.

FROM THE WOMEN



Congratulations to Alyssa Starc and the entire Australian women's Cricket team on being crowned T20 World Champions. Wonderful to see our Club Champion being a well-deserved player of the match.

Our Grade team played strongly last week for a narrow defeat. Good Luck at Cromer.

Thanks to Prue Bardsley who walked with the Rookies this week. Sam Sparke was our winner with 20 points and Tracey Cantwell the runner up. Keep up the practice girls and a reminder for Laura's Clinic on Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30am.

Charity Day is looking great- thank you to those who have donated raffle prizes in the last week. The format is Split Six Stableford and the instructions are on the notice board in the Locker room. Payment of \$25 to play the day must be made beforehand at Reception and receipt number noted on the Locker Room sheet. Laura will drive from the first tee for each player for a gold coin donation. Concession cards are available for \$5-one per player. Lunch to be purchased following the game. Please wear PINK.

Winners this week

Saturday	Jenni Brown	(10)	74
Sunday	Jane Hagan	(21)	38pts.
Tuesday			
Div 1	Diana Sier	(21)	37pts
Div 2	Jan Hanson	(37)	33
9 Hole	Kerry McCallum		19 pts

Thursday Par

Div 1

Gilda Severino	(20)	+3
Ali Gattas	(17)	-2 cb
Kim Sloane	(13)	-2 cb
Division 2		
Robyn McCormick	(28)	Sq cb
Veronica Bertram	(26)	Sq
Gay MCCorby	(25)	-1 cb

Division 3

Michelle Ison	(36)	+2
Jan Hanson	(37)	Sq
Betty Campbell		-1

Scratch	Tamra Moore	-6
NTP 7 th	Alyssa Starc	
NTP 13 th	Diana Sier	

9 Holes

Fay Sinnott	(35)	+1
Chris Bush	(45)	Sq

Last week's washed out Medal round will be played on April 23 and will include the Goodwill plate. It does mean 2 stroke rounds in April.

Course Renovations have been rescheduled to 30 /31 March so timesheet bookings are now available on Monday and Tuesday next week.

Wendy Millson **Women's Captain**

STOP PRESS

Square 2.5 with Cronulla. Joise 6/5 Jenni B 2/1 Nat square Emma 1 down Alyssa 3/2 loss

RULES WITH GEORGE



QUESTION: Neroli was playing the 17th hole. She hit her second shot and it finished on the right in the rough. She looked briefly for her ball but did not find it. She went back and dropped another ball under Stroke and Distance. The other members of the group kept searching and before the three minutes search time had elapsed one of them found Neroli's ball, before she had played the dropped ball.

Which statement is correct?

- Neroli must play her original ball as it is not lost. She will be playing her third stroke.
- Neroli must play the ball which she dropped under stroke and distance. She will be playing her fourth stroke.



GNSW GRADE

Last Friday our Grade team ventured to a soggy Muirfield to take on Lakeside in our second match. The team was Jenni Brown, Jen Jansson, Josie Garrett, Emma Thurlow and Nat Driver.

We had another very close day, only losing narrowly 3-2. Josie and Emma both had good wins securing their matches 3/2 and 5/4 respectively. Nat and Jen played well but lucked out against tough opponents on the 17th, and Jenni fought hard until the 18th, unfortunately losing 1 down.

This week we welcome Alyssa to the team for our match against Cronulla at Cromer. The team will be Alyssa Starc, Emma Thurlow, Josie Garrett, Jenni Brown and Nat Driver. With 4 teams on equal points, a win this week would certainly boost our position in the division.

Emma Thurlow

Team Captain

MAJOR PENNANTS

Major Pennants away to Concord, March 8th

The weather couldn't have been more different from last week, and we were greeted by rain and more rain when we arrived at the course. The team put up a valiant effort but were outgunned 4.5-to-2.5 by a strong Concord outfit on their home track.

Dougie Campbell played at Number 7 and didn't let us down, registering a fighting 1-up win against a strong opponent. His putting was reminiscent of another Long-Reef Scotsman, and the downhill 20-footer on the 18th is sure to get longer and more difficult over time. A fine win indeed.

Paul Rouse was the standout winner, walking off with a fine 4&3 win in Game 6. Again it was the putter which clinched Paul's win, making numerous clutch 5-8 footers throughout the day. The art of matchplay was on display on numerous occasions, and Paul has now won 3-in-a-row. Well done!

Chun-ta Wu, playing at Number 5, was down early against a very seasoned opponent but fought back magnificently to lead 1-up going down the last. Unfortunately, this time Chun-ta was on the receiving end of a ridiculous up-and-down courtesy of an 80-metre bunker shot and a 25-foot downhill

putt! Such are the vagaries of golf but Chun-ta again did himself proud.

Cam Gillespie birdied the first 3 and would normally expect to be 3-up in testing conditions, but he was playing a top-class opponent and only held a 1-up lead after this excellent start. Cam continued to play very well but a few shorts putts here and there saw him eventually lose in Game 4.

Cian Hughes played a fantastic game of golf at Number 3 and really stepped up to the big challenge we gave him. He was playing a well-credentialed opponent on his home track, yet he never gave up and came pretty close to causing a huge upset. A few putts here and there were the only difference.

Matty Saad got out of his sick-bed (NO, not the unmentionable) and lost a tight one in Game 2 to a current representative player. Matty made plenty of birdies and never gave up but the onslaught of top-class golf from his opponent was simply too good this time. Hats off to their guy.

Luke Edgell took on the difficult task of playing their Number 1, also a NSW state representative. Bomber started really strongly and held a 1-up lead for much of the match, but he was also worn down by a constant birdie barrage and shook hands on the 17th. No disgrace there either.

Congrats also to Jack Davies, who won the reserve match on the 18th. Jack's golf has been coming along in leaps and bounds in recent months and we can expect more highlights from him in the near future I'm sure.

Thanks to those who turned up and caddied in pretty horrendous conditions, Ross, Hodgy, Snelly, Richie, Duffy, and Graham. Thanks also to Lin, Martin and PB for cheering us on.

So it's home to Concord next Sunday. We need to win convincingly and hope that Pennant Hills can beat Monash at home. Let's take care of the first part of this equation and hope for help with the second! Come on down and support us please.

Sean Lee

Manager



What a week for women!

What better time for our Friday Club lasses to celebrate than during International Women's Week? While our international cricketers wowed the world and our national football team qualified for the Olympics, our local ladies followed suit in last week's Friday Club golf competition.

Diana Sier showed the men a clean pair of heels with 42 points in Division Two, relegating John Hanson to runner up with 35. In Division Three, the gap was even wider with Jan Hanson carding 41 and James Taylor second with 33 points.

Division 1

1 st	David Collett	(15)	40
2 nd	David Quinn	(19)	37

Division 2

1 st	Diana Sier	(23)	42
2 nd	John Hanson	(22)	35

Division 3

1 st	Jan Hanson	(40)	41
2 nd	James Taylor	(30)	33

Balls to 34cb

MASTERS PENNANT

The Long Reef Masters Pennant side has been highly successful in the last 4 years, Divisional winners each year and making the semi-finals three times only to lose by a single shot, twice on extra holes. The team remains very strong, including names such as Bockman ,Knox , Little, Cranfield and Dougie Campbell.

This year's program is very similar to Major Pennants; we are in Division 1, section 2, with 6 matches to be played on Sundays from May 17 to June 21. The winners of each section then play a semi and a final, thus the season is much shorter than in previous years.

This year we hope to go one better and invite all golfers over 50, with handicaps of 4 or less who wish to be considered and are available for the above dates to reply to reception@lrgc.com.au

The team each week will be 8 players, so we're planning on a squad of 10 or 11.

Ian Brown

Captain

FROM THE COURSE



There has been a pleasant change in the weather so far for 2020 and it is nice to have that autumn feel in the air. So far this year we have had around 540mm of rain and in the past 10 days around 100mm making course quite wet in places; predictions are for possibly another 60mm over the coming days.

The rain has given us the opportunity to finally renovate the fairways after 3 years of poor conditions and not being able to renovate. Hopefully we still have plenty of growing time for recovery before the weather cools. Fairway renovations are very time consuming, taking over 4 hours to complete some of the larger fairways and at times messy leaving large amounts of dethatched grass mostly in the rough. All fairways are being aerated using 16mm tines 100mm deep then scarified in 2 directions to remove excess thatch all the debris is being blown into the rough where it will break down.

It has been a very busy time completing lots of repair projects over the past few weeks, repairing sink holes and flood damaged washouts, tree and branches which were damaged in storms. We also continue working to tidy up many areas of the new works which require attention due to changes and improvements this will be ongoing for some time yet.

Hopefully the weather holds off for the weekend.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

Michelle Harradine

We have just a week left to say our thanks and farewells to Michelle and for me to say how much she will be missed as a member of the Archive Committee in particular.

Michelle has been a popular and extremely kind and helpful member of the office staff for seven years, most of those as a member of the Archive Committee. In many ways Michelle is the link to the membership and any member of the public who raises an archive inquiry or provides the club with information about things that happened in the past. Michelle has made sure that news items and photos of note have made it to the Archives and have been recorded properly.

As well as performing all her regular duties Michelle has made herself available to play a large part in putting together a work in progress — a book called “The First One Hundred Years of Long Reef Golf Club”. It has meant in some cases starting from scratch in re-typing former text, scanning, sourcing photographs, tabulating lists and correcting the text. She has researched other publications and contributed ideas of celebration that could be followed during the 100th birthday celebrations.

Michelle’s extensive contribution to the completion of this book and in all the other ways she has helped me directly over the past years is acknowledged with many thanks.

Sandra Mellowes



NORTHERN PENINSULA INTER-CLUB CHALLENGE

NPIC Report 9/3/20 Washed Out Round
Long Reef vs Mona Vale at Mona Vale G C

Up against our first home team for the NPIC and playing Mona Vale at Mona Vale is never an easy task for any Long Reef Team.

Teeing off at 12.30pm and with the tees back the Longy boys thought we could get our first win at Mona Vale in a long time. After a number of early holes all matches were tight with no one running away with the contest. In fact Longy were marginally in front after the first 6 holes.

By the midway point of matches Ian Donnelly and Sheldon Ferguson were falling behind whilst Terry, Twiggy, Jimmy, Frithy and Bucko were fighting hard and still in tight contests.

Heading into the last 6 holes or so Brian Sheldon Ferguson was our first to finish losing at the 14th soon followed by Ian Donnelly losing at 16th. All other matches were still very tight with Long Reef up in 3 matches... Twiggy, Jimmy Moore and Frithy were one up with our other matches still on the course either Square or one down.

Next to finish were Frithy and Bucko with Bucko losing on 18 and Frithy winning on 18, soon followed by Jim Moore with a win at the 17th hole.

We still had Paul, Twiggy and Terry all fighting hard going down the 18th. Paul lost at the 18th whilst Twiggy finished with a Squared match. Terry hit a great second shot into the 18th to about 12 feet whilst his opponent left his second shot just short of the fringe. The Mona Vale number 1 putted to within 2 feet leaving Terry with a difficult downhill (no pun intended) 12 ft right to left putt to win the hole and square the match ... Terry hits his putt with us all looking on but without the big finish The Mona Vale number one walks away with a win

As per usual the home team has that advantage as we found out, particularly on the greens .. Ultimately being the difference.

Long Reef have still qualified as the number one team, meeting Bayview next Tuesday in the final at Cromer .. Tee off is approx. 12.30pm

Thanks again to Brian Cronan, our on-course manager on the day.

Final Results ...

Terry Hill lost 1 down
Steve Twigg Square
Jim Moore won 2 & 1
Paul Harrison lost 1 down
Ian Donnelly lost 4 & 2
Brian "Sheldon" Ferguson lost 6 & 4
Peter Frith won 2 up
Steve Buchan lost 1 down

Mona Vale G C won 5 matches to Long Reef G C
2.5 matches

Frithy

BRIDGE CLUB



Results of Pairs competition on 4th March

N/S

1st Joan Rutherford/Joan Fawcett
2nd Arthur Goodman/Gerard de Jong
3rd Jan Byrne/Ellen Kassel

E/W

1st Val Miller/Liz Davis
2nd Jean Morey/Helen Crott
3rd Shirley Blackburn/Kaye Miller

THE AUSTRALIAN GOLF HERITAGE SOCIETY (AGHS)

The Australian Golf Heritage Society (AGHS) invites our fellow Long Reef members to experience the unique opportunity of playing with the clubs used a century ago on Thursday afternoon 26 March in the annual Dan Cullen Trophy 2 ball Ambrose over 10 holes starting @ 1pm. The clubs used are hickory shafted woods & irons with hire sets available. Cost of \$25 for the event & \$15 for a hire set if you need same. If you wish to participate please contact the undersigned by Thursday 19th to book a place in the field. Link to AGHS website is http://www.australiangolfheritage.org.au/hickory_results.html and scrolling down the page will show the various events in past years conducted by the AGHS.

Ross Howard (Long Reef member & AGHS Secretary/Treasurer)

BALI NATIONAL ASIA PACIFIC INTERCLUB INVITATIONAL

Members of Long Reef Golf Club have been invited to join our Bali National Asia Pacific Interclub Invitational 2020 commencing Thursday July 30 2020.

The event is made up of Members from all of Bali Nationals Reciprocal Clubs from the Asia Pacific region and this inaugural event is aimed at fostering good relationships within our golf community. We do plan to host the event annually.

GREEN RENOVATIONS

The green renovations were scheduled for Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th March but due to the rain forecast on these days, a decision has been made to postpone the green renovations until Monday 30th & Tuesday 31st March.

This decision was made due to the fact if the rain as predicated does occur we will be unable to aerate and top-dress the greens as the sand won't dry and will not rub back into the holes.

We had to push the renovations back two weeks due to the existing bookings already in place in and around the 23rd & 24th March.

The course will now be open on Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th March and the timesheets for the competitions are now available online and at the kiosk. The competition on Wednesday 18th March will be revert back to a 4BBB & Single Stableford. The 4 person Ambrose will be played on Wednesday 1st April.

The volunteer days will also be rescheduled for when the course is closed on Monday 30th & Tuesday 31st March.

Volunteer Day During Course Renovations

The course will be closed on Monday 30th & Tuesday 31st 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

Ben Russell

RULES WITH GEORGE



ANSWER: b. is correct. Rule 18.1 applies.” At any time you may take stroke-and-distance relief. Once you put another ball in play under penalty of stroke and distance, your original ball is no longer in play and may not be played. This is true even if your original ball is then found on the course within the three-minute search time”.

The ball which Neroli had **dropped** was in play even though she had not played a stroke at it. **Rule 14.4 (Full Rules of Golf) applies.**

SO LONG, FARWELL

Dear members, due to my job being restructured, I have chosen to leave Long Reef. Thank you to all the lovely members for the laughs and chats over the years, I will truly miss (some of) you!

Please note michelle@lrgc.com.au will not be in use from 19th March, 2020 with my last day being 20th March, 2020. Emails will be forwarded to membership@lrgc.com.au for a limited period of time.

Michelle Harradine

Editor's Note. From the point of view of the editor of Reef Breezes, I must let members know that Michelle has been the best Artistic/Technical director to have worked on our newsletter. Her input has been invaluable. I will miss Michelle and I know she will be very successful in her new position as Club Manager at North Manly Tennis Academy.

Lilith Gollan

FROM THE PRO SHOP



THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS:

Longy Special of the Week – this week's special for Long Reef members to enjoy! **20% OFF all Junior clubs!** Starts Saturday 14th until Friday 20th of March!

Junior Girls Clinics – Enrolling now – 4 week clinic with Laura McCahon

Junior Girls Clinics

Tuesdays 4pm – 5pm

4 week program
\$50

Limited numbers

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