



## Chairman's Report



### **On the course -Slow play**

Here are a few tips in order to avoid slow play.

1. Always make sure that you are keeping up with the group in front not in front of the group behind.
2. Play ready golf.
3. Don't congregate at another player's ball. If you are in a cart with someone else, by all means take them to their ball and once they have selected their club, proceed to a safe area near your ball and be ready to play when the group ahead are safely clear.
4. If you are unsure if you will be able to find your ball, play a provisional ball. Remember that there is a three-minute time limit rule of golf for looking for a ball. If you cannot find your ball within the three-minute period the ball is deemed lost and you must play your provisional ball. You must count your initial shot, plus the shot on the provisional ball plus a one-shot penalty. If your ball is found after the three-minute time limit it cannot be played as it is deemed lost under the rules of golf.
5. If you are in a cart and one of your group, looks like they may have difficulty finding their ball assist them to look for it, then proceed immediately to your ball and be ready to hit when the group in front are safely clear.
6. If you are the first to putt out move on to the next tee and be ready to hit off.
7. Exit the green from the area nearest the next tee.
8. Mark your score card when you reach the next tee.

### **Competition play**

During busy periods a ranger will be patrolling the course.

The course ranger will at first issue a warning to slow groups to catch up to the group in front and will give the group adequate time to catch up. If the warning is not heeded, they will impose a penalty on every person in that group. If that group continues to fail to make a reasonable attempt to catch up, they will be referred to the match committee and may be disqualified from the competition.

The ranger will keep a record of all persons issued with warnings, and penalties, and their names shall be entered into a register. If there are repeat offenders of slow play these individuals may be called upon to show cause to the match committee why they should not be prohibited from playing in any time slot other than that at the end of the field.

### **Social Play**

While we may be a member's course, we are still open for social play.

Social players may not be playing in a competition and may still be learning the game of golf, they may not be aware of the etiquettes of golf and may be slower than experienced members.

If you find yourself playing behind a social group that is slow, at first ask if you can play through. If the social group decline this request, you can call the golf shop and if there is someone available, they may come out in the ranger cart and direct the social group to stand aside and let you play through.

Remember at all times to be civil and respectful as these social players may one day take the game seriously and become members.

If the social players are on their own or in a small group you might consider asking them to join up and this will give you the opportunity to socialize with them and explain some of the etiquettes of golf as you play.

## In the Club House

For the comfort of all club patrons, we have recently upgraded all of the air-conditioning systems in the club house as we expect the coming Summer to be very hot and humid. We have already had a very hot finish to winter with temps in the 30's!

Both of our Membership Draws are currently high and well worth coming out for your chance to win. Our Wednesday Members Badge Draw is **\$6600** drawn around 7-7.30pm and our Friday Members Badge Draw is **\$5300** drawn around 8-8.30pm.

Keep our Golf Club in mind for your next event or end of year work Function. With very competitive hire rates, great food and a great outlook, it's the perfect venue!

Wayne Kendrigan  
Chairman



Our Main Fathers Day Prize a Webber BBQ!

## Promotion's Report

**Don't forget your last chance to book in for our Fathers Day Prize Giveaway Night, drawn the night before Fathers Day. Saturday 31st August.**

All raffles drawn slightly earlier than our Friday Night Raffles.

20 Meat Trays + 5 \$50 Seafood raffle on sale from 6pm drawn at 7pm.

Then our Dad's Hampers prizes drawn at 7.30pm.

Live music from 8pm to entertain you into the night! We have also added an additional night of kids club! Kids Club will run 6-9pm just for this special Saturday event! Make sure you book in for dinner!

The feedback from members since adding more variety into our Friday Raffles has been positive. We are also bringing back "Pick the Key" Promotion to Friday Nights starting in September. Starts at \$100 and jackpots \$50 each week the lock is not picked. A popular promotion enjoyed by our Members!

How crazy is it to think we are already nearly in September..... I feel like we have just started this year and I have blinked and here we are! Next promotion will be Melbourne Cup always an enjoyable relaxing day here at the club, with beautiful decorated tables and lots of best dressed prizes, so stay tuned for more information in next months newsletter!



Don't forget as we are coming into the end of the year to get in early to book your work end of year functions. Our covered deck is super popular for these events and we already only have limited dates remaining to book!

Natasha Bolden  
Promotions & Events Coordinator

# Mixed Foursomes Championships

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July the mixed foursomes were conducted. With magnificent weather conditions, with the course looking at its best 66 players took to the course to play 27 holes of foursomes, to some players, gruesome and to the husband and wife participants, divoursomes.

All players enjoyed each others company with a hit & giggle format formed.

Our 2024 foursomes winners defending their 2023 championship were Kylee Quantrill & Warren Colefax with 122 gross and the Div 1 nett winners were Diane Frankland & Duncan Crilley with 101 nett. Div 2 nett winners were Patricia & Trevor Bradley with 107 nett.



## August DOUBLE Birthday Winners



**TEN happy birthday winners!**

**We now have our Birthday CASH DRAW TWICE A MONTH!**

**The first and last Wednesday of the month. A chance to win 5 x \$100 draws on both of the nights! See our happy birthday winners. Don't forget you have the chance to win on BOTH the first and last Wednesday!**

# Vets Week of Golf - 29th July-2nd Aug

Murwillumbah Veterans welcomed 128 players from 57 clubs to a week of cool but clear and beautiful days of golf. Monday and Friday were team games (4BBB and 2 person Ambrose respectively) while the NSWVGA Shields were held on Tuesday and Thursday.

The course was in excellent condition thanks to Brian Cox and his crew for their hard work. We received many comments on how good the course was, though the greens were tricky. Thanks go to the committee and volunteers who helped run the week's activities as well as the proshop, the bar and kitchen staff.

[This year we had a new sponsor, Craig Dudgeon and team from Elders Tweed Valley Real Estate with their sponsorship of the Hole-in-One challenge.](#)

Jim Shadlow a representative of NSWGA, presented the two major winners their shields.

The 2024 Shield winners were:

**The LADIES' MURWILLUMBAH SHIELD was won by Kathy Weber from Everglades with a score of 77 pts**



**The MENS NSWVGA SHIELD was won by Jeff Hogan from Redlands with a score of 74 pts.**



Congratulations to the winners and to all the other Veterans who travelled to Murwillumbah to compete.  
Ian Yarroll – Tournament Director 2024

Editors Note: Congratulations to Ian and the Murwillumbah Veterans on a very successful Week Of Golf!

## Earl Williams Fourball

The 2024 Earl Williams Fourball Knockout was concluded on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August with this year's winners being Les Gorton & Barry Soley with a 2 up win over up and coming Junior Ben Carpenter and partner Rob Parsons. With the win for Les it makes him a 3 time winner of the knockout, having previously paired with club stalwart Keith O'Grady.

Thanks to Shane and all the Pro Shop staff for organizing & running the event & players for enabling the event to run efficiently.



# Ladies Mount Warning Classic

Our Mt Warning Classic was held successfully on the 8th & 9th of August with Ellen King from Surfers Paradise Club the overall Champion and Greer Galloway from Coffs Harbour runner up.

Congratulations to all Winners and thank you to our Sponsors especially our major sponsor Cool-a-bah Cooling! Thanks to Brian and his team for having the course in such excellent condition!



## Why the Blue Tree???????

The Blue Tree is an international project with the "mission to help spark important conversations and encourage people to speak up when experiencing mental health concerns. It began out of tragedy now offers a positive way for people to connect and help change the way we view and talk about mental health". Check out the website <https://bluetreeproject.com.au/>

With the kind donation of paint from the Williams Group, the Murwillumbah Veterans organised to have the dead grey gum painted and for the Club to be a participant in this important initiative.

The outstanding nature of the painted tree provides an important reminder to players to check with their friends and playing partners about their personal health.



# Member of the Month

Graeme Keygan

Age 75 years

Handicap 18

Member for 4 years

Graeme joined MGC after moving from Tasmania where he was born and bred as it was very affordable and enjoys the company of the generally working class members.

He worked all over Australia as an overhead electrical linesman before retiring 10 years ago.

Graeme is married and lives locally at Chinderah.

Graeme has developed a bit a problem staying in Golf Carts. 2 years ago he was getting a lift from Les Gorton from the bottom carpark. Standing on the back pulling his buggy he decided to take an ugly Swan Dive head first into the roadway. As heads and roadways don't go well together an ambulance was called. Many stitches later and weeks off golf Graeme returned to play. Although the blood in the carpark did take just as long to clear away.

Not happy just with this attention Graeme later thought it would be good idea to hire a golf cart and somehow tip it over, again injuring himself.

I believe the pro shop now puts a big "L" on any cart he hires.

-Peter Heath



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## CUSTOM FITTING DAY

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### BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT NOW

DATE: <b>Friday 20th September</b>	VENUE: <b>Murwillumbah Golf Club</b>	TIME: <b>8am - 12pm</b>
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SEE HOW CUSTOM FIT AND CALLAWAY'S ADVANCED FLIGHT-TRACKING TECHNOLOGY CAN HELP IMPROVE YOUR GAME

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**TWEED VALLEY OPEN  
SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
18 HOLES STROKE BLUE TEES  
2T START FROM 9:00AM**

Although our Pro-Am is fully booked out you are more than welcome to come out and watch the PRO'S Tee Off, our Pro-Am is on Thursday 5th September. We will be cheering for our own three Pro's, Shane, Duncan and Lucas! Good Luck!

## Five Fun Facts

1. The real name for a hashtag is an octothorpe.
2. It's impossible to hum while holding your nose.
3. Only four countries in the world have national anthems with no lyrics.
4. All mammals get goosebumps.
5. Animals can also be allergic to humans



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# September Golf Fixtures

Sunday, 1 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 2 September 2024	Vets Split 6's (3 or 4 person)
Tuesday, 3 September 2024	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Wednesday, 4 September 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 5 September 2024	<b>Coca-Cola Murwillumbah Pro Am</b>
Friday, 6 September 2024	Titleist Back Marker Challenge Single Stroke
Saturday, 7 September 2024	Casuarina Meat Merchant Men's Monthly Medal Blue Tees Ladies Single Stroke + Putting
Sunday, 8 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 9 September 2024	Vets Single Stableford White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 10 September 2024	Ladies Single vs Par Red Tees
Wednesday, 11 September 2024	Men's Irish Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 12 September 2024	Ladies Varela & Swift Pharmacy Monthly Medal + Putting
Friday, 13 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 14 September 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 15 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 16 September 2024	Vets Single Stableford White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 17 September 2024	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Wednesday, 18 September 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees with 4BBB in conjunction
Thursday, 19 September 2024	Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Friday, 20 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 21 September 2024	Men's Single Stroke White Tees Ladies Single Stroke Red Tees
Sunday, 22 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 23 September 2024	Vets Best 2 of 4 Stableford White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 24 September 2024	Ladies Single Stroke Red Tees + Putting
Wednesday, 25 September 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 26 September 2024	Ladies Lone Ranger - Pink Ball (Team Event)
Friday, 27 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 28 September 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 29 September 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 30 September 2024	Vets Single Stableford White & Red Tees