NEWS FROM NOV/DEC

7 YEARS TILL OUR 100th ANNIVERSARY!



Season's Greetings

Hard to believe but Christmas is here again, it seems to come around quicker each year. On behalf of the Board of Directors, Management and Staff of Murwillumbah Golf Club we hope that you and your loved ones have a wonderful, safe and festive Christmas season.

Here at the club, we are again running a number of ham prizes as well as our regular meat trays and vouchers every Friday night in our raffles up to Friday 20th December. Our courtesy bus will be running on these nights so if you are planning to have a few celebratory drinks please be safe and use the bus but remember it is essential that you book in advance. Call 0266721799 to book the Bus.

<u>AGM</u>

The Annual General Meeting of the Club was held on 24th November and I am pleased to report that the members in attendance voted unanimously to grant life membership to both Adrienne Amasano and Graham Nelson for their years of service to the members of the Club. See photos on page 4.

Members were advised at the AGM that the Board of the Club has decided to appoint an external consultant to assist the current and future Boards in developing the club facilities to meet the everchanging demographics of the area over the coming decades as well as identifying the potential risks that we are likely to encounter. The role of the external consultant will assist the Board in prioritizing the various options so that we grow strategically in keeping with the needs of the community and at the same time ensuring that we remain financially viable at all times. The projects that are identified in the initial report will not be set in stone, rather they will all be works in progress for consideration and the Board at the time will decide which project best meets the needs of our community and serves our membership best.

After the AGM there was the annual charity golf game for the Riders of the Disabled charity and I am delighted to advise that we raised \$6000 for this wonderful charity. On 30th November the members of The Three-Putt Club had their annual golf day and raised a further \$1214 for the same charity which including a \$500 donation from the Club. The Three Putt Club donates funds collected throughout the year to a different charity each year.

New look newsletter

The Board of the Club have decided to start including new reports in the monthly newsletter so that we can better communicate things to you the membership. One of the new reports will be details of our Junior Golf Program. Junior golf is a very important part of developing the skills of our young ones and for the future of the game. Our Junior Golf Program has been running now for many years but to date we have not been letting you know what is happening in this area and we at the Board have decided to correct this oversight. Director Stephen Walton (aka Carrots) has taken on the task of liaising with the golf shop professionals and providing you with updated reports starting in the new year.

On the Course

The new grass for the summer season has now come through and the greens are in wonderful shape. We thank all members for their patience and understanding during the transitional period.

The increased daily green fee and resulting increased prize monies for those clever enough to have good rounds has been well received by members and it is worth noting that although our fees went up, they are still lower than other quality courses in the Northern Rivers/ South East Queensland regions.

In closing I again wish all members a joyous and safe festive season.

Wayne Kendrigan Chairperson

Promotions Report



December is always a MASSIVE month in the clubhouse, with lots of festive promotions running. Here's a list of all the exciting events happening.

• SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER— OUR SPECIAL KIDS EVENT AND GIANT TOY RAFFLE

From 11am onwards there will be an interactive bubble show for the kiddies, followed by Santa visiting with a free icy-pols for each child, facepainting and Christmas tree ornament decorating. Along with Live Music by Danny Dyson.

FRIDAY 13th DECEMBER—OUR MASSIVE 40 HAM RAFFLE!

40 Local Mount Warning Smoked Xmas Hams up for grabs in our Friday Night Raffle. Tickets on sale from 6.30pm drawn at 7.30pm!

• FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER—OUR MEMBERS FREE CHRISTMAS HAMPER GIVEAWAY.

These hampers are on display next to the large projector screen. Tickets for these hampers will be given for every drink purchased on Friday 20th December from 5-8pm and drawn at 8pm.

• SATURDAY 28TH DECEMBER—OUR \$1000 WHEEL SPIN PROMOTION NIGHT.

Our Wheel Cash Spin Nights are always great fun! Members get free tickets into this with every purchase over the bar from 5-8pm. Then at 8pm we draw tickets out and members get the chance to spin for \$1000 in CASH. We keep drawing tickets out until the CASH IS GIVEN AWAY!!!!!

TUESDAY 31st DECEMBER—KIDS EAT FREE Between 5.30-7.30pm

Free kids meal with every main meal purchase. Bring the kids out for a free feed before heading out to see the NYE Fireworks!

I would like to thank all the members both social and golfing who have supported the club events this year. Whether its been the Friday Night Raffles, Rainer's Trivia Nights, Our Special Kids Events, Mothers Day, Fathers Day, Melbourne Cup or even just come out each month to try my new Cocktails of the Month! We appreciate all your support. We try and make this a warm, friendly, family club that you enjoy coming back too! Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year surrounded by your loved ones!

Natasha Bolden Promotions Coordinator

Riding for the Disabled Charity Golf Day

On November 24th, our course was host to a charity day raising \$6000 for Riding for the Disabled, Murwillumbah. Having heavy downpours of rain leading up to the day many were skeptical of the day going ahead and we would like to extend a very big thank you to Course Super, Brian Cox for allowing the day to still go ahead.

Special thanks to the sponsors on the day. They were Williams Group Australia, IGA, Murwillumbah Aero Club, The Courthouse Hotel, Bunnings, the Golf Club, Davey Pump, GIO Murwillumbah, The Rivers Vet, T Mack Building, Stone & Wood, Valley Hay Supplies, Solo Waste & PC's Cabinets.

A big thank you also to Shane, Duncan, Blaze and Dave in the Golf Shop, Carrots & Monty for all their help organising, and the RDA girls and Macca for selling raffle tickets.

The major winners on the Golf Course were the team of Les Gorton, Dave Devine, Ian Partridge and Craig Evans.

Our raffle winners were: \$1000 IGA voucher – Tony Varella; 45 minutes Joy Flight for 2 – Grant Cowan; \$100 Bunnings voucher – Don Melville.

Thank you as well to the Board, staff and members for their continued support in the event every year! You all help make it the great success that it is!



The 3 putt club has decided their chosen charity this year is "Riding for the Disabled". This year, with assistance from the Golf Club, a cheque of \$1214 was donated to RDA.

Photo shows 3 putt club Patron, Peter Heath, presenting the cheque to Leonie Dunne, President of RDA Tweed Valley. RDA's Leonie Dunn congratulates IGA voucher winner Tony Varella

Golf Winners - Ian Partridge, Dave Devine, Les Gorton & Craig Evans

A wise man once said, 'Golf is an adult's way of playing with marbles"

Life Members



A massive congratulations to both Adrienne Amasano and Graham Nelson for their years of service to the members of the Club. Both receiving their well deserved Life Membership!



What the Heck?????



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Shane Slice December

Greetings all, we hope you're doing well! We're excited to share that our Pro Shop staff (**Shane, Duncan, Blaze and Dave**) are taking part in the **Longest Day** challenge, a fundraising initiative by The Cancer Council on **Monday, 16th December**. We'll be playing **72 holes in a single day** to raise money for cancer research and support services. This challenge is both physically demanding and incredibly rewarding, and we're asking for your support to help make a real difference in the fight against cancer. You can help by donating through the following link below or scanning the QR code: <u>https://www.longestday.org.au/fundraisers/murwillumbahgolfclub</u>

Every contribution, no matter the size, will directly support cancer research, prevention, and support programs that make a life-changing impact on those affected by cancer. We truly appreciate your generosity and support as we take on this tough but meaningful challenge. Thank you for helping us make a difference! Please scan the QR code if you are able to make any contribution.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 6th DecemberTitleist Back Marker Challenge FINALSaturday 7th DecemberMen's Meat Merchant Casuarina Medal of MedalsSaturday 14th DecemberMember's Christmas 4-Person Hambrose Day

Best of luck to our resident Tour Professional Lucas Higgins. He'll be playing in some Australasia PGA Tour events this month and in January. We hope to see him contending at the top of the leaderboard again! You can follow him on Kayo or Foxtel live, or his scores on the PGA website here: <u>www.pga.org.au</u>

Good Golfing,

Shane Míley

PGA Golf Professional



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November Birthday Winners



Congratulations to our November Birthday CASH Winners, each walking away with \$100 CASH!!! Our Birthday cash draws are on TWICE a month usually the first and the last week.

However in December the Birthday Cash draws will be Wednesday 4th December and Wednesday 18th December (not the last Wednesday as it lands on Christmas day and the club will be closed)

We have also amended January Birthday Cash Draw Dates as the 1st is a Public Holiday. January birthday draw dates are the 8th January (*2nd week*) and the 29th January (*last week*)

OUR FREE CLUB CALENDARS ARE HERE!!!

Murwillumbah Golf Club 2025 Calendar





LIMITED STOCK FIRST IN BEST DRESSED!!!! Our POPULAR FREE CLUB CALENDARS are here!!!!

We are pleased to give these to our valuable Members to use in their own / office.

These calendars are loved by many members. We didn't produce them one year during covid and we had many complaints and lots of sad members.

Our Members may not be aware of the cost and time involved in producing these, but it is another small way we give back to our members.

That Putter.....

I first laid eyes on this club about 20 years ago when playing a round of golf in the north of England with my brother at Foxton GC.

We had reached the first green and I looked in my bag of borrowed clubs for a putter, only to find a putter was not part of the deal. "You can use mine, I got it last week" he shouted holding up his putter from the other side of the green. As I walked over to take it, it looked stranger and stranger the closer I got!

My brother is left handed but plays right handed, hence the other clubs I was using. "What the #^%* have you done to that ? I said taking the club from him . " Just give it a crack he said" You may like it?" So after a bit of shuffling around the ball I did just that, and bugger me, I drained a 14 footer! At this point I have to say that probably was my best putt of the day ,but by the end of the round I was convinced. I had to have one!

The next day saw us at Gosforth Park GC pro shop where another was in the rack. The pro laughed as I handed over my 20 pounds and remarked that he had not sold one in 3 years, and had now sold 2 in as many weeks.

I brought it back to Australia and used it here, much to the amusement of my mates on the course and everyone else on the putting green. Sadly ,my clubs were stolen a couple of years later and my putter went with them. I searched in vain for another in second hand bins, on line and even at every tip shop I ever went to. Then about 8 months ago I saw one ,on line in the States and snapped it up for \$25.00 US (plus \$80 delivery.) An absolute bargain in my eyes.

It then got me thinking" What if I lost it again? What if it broke? I would never recover!! Then early one morning I saw another, identical putter on line again in the States. I'm happy to say my reserve reverse head ,square to square putter arrived last week. Please do me a favour if we play together and reserve your comments until I've finished putting it's hard enough as it is!

Thanks Tony.





Dec/Jan Golf Fixtures

Monday, 9 December 2024	Vets 4 Person Ambrose White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 10 December 2024	Ladies Summer Comp
Wednesday, 11 December 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 12 December 2024	Ladies Summer Comp
Friday, 13 December 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 14 December 2024	Member's Christmas 4 Person Hambrose
Sunday, 15 December 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 16 December 2024	Vets Multiplier Stableford White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 17 December 2024	Ladies Summer Comp
Wednesday, 18 December 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees
Thursday, 19 December 2024	Ladies Summer Comp
Friday, 20 December 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Saturday, 21 December 2024	Men's Single Stableford White Tees Ladies Single Stableford Red Tees
Sunday, 22 December 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
Monday, 23 December 2024	Vets Foursomes White & Red Tees
Tuesday, 24 December 2024	Single Stableford Medley White & Red Tees
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