





Life Members

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"POSTCARD"

Have you been anywhere interesting lately?

This is the section for you to communicate with members. Share information about outside competitions you have attended or places of interest you have visited.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

If you have news, humorous anecdotes, stories or information for inclusion in

Down the Fairways

forward to Loraine Smith no later than 22nd of the month in written format or via email russloraine@optusnet.com.au

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PRESIDENT'S PEN

Hello to all our awesome women members! Yes, hard to believe, but we're halfway through the year and being able to play our wonderful game of golf in reasonably good weather ... for a change! It's wonderful to see so many of you out on the golf course, particularly on Tuesdays, enjoying the sunshine and fresh air, as well as keeping fit and healthy. Let's enjoy this weather while we can, even though it is a tad cold in the mornings!

New Members I'd like to welcome two (2) relatively new women members to Waratah Golf Club (WGC) as 6-day playing members and they are Diann Miller who joined WGC back in mid-December last year and is playing with the ladies on Tuesdays and Robyn De Lore who joined WGC in April and I see on the timesheet that she is playing on Tuesdays in the Women's competition as well. Ladies, on behalf of the women members, I would like to welcome you to our wonderful Club and we hope to see you each week on the course with the other women members, as well as the men, enjoying your golf.

Women's AGM - In three (3) months' time, we will be conducting our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 31 October, after presentation of the day's play. I'm mentioning this now, as there will be a few positions made vacant on our Women's Committee that will be open for 2024. I'm seeking anyone who would be interested in being a Committee Member, so please don't hesitate to come and see me if you'd like to be on a fabulous team who organize all the women's events and efficiently run the women's side of the business at the Club. I'd be happy to talk to you. Don't be surprised if I approach members in the next couple of months!! I've said this every year of my Presidency that It is critical that we have a Women's Committee, otherwise there will be no fun events; no Tuesday comp for the women and therefore no division prizes each week; no Presentation Night for the ladies; no women's AGM. Everything would be run by the ProShop and you would be competing against the men. So we don't want that happening! Please seriously consider being a part of a great team.

Charity Day - As I write this report at the end of June, we will now be presenting the 'big cheque' with photos on the green in front of the clubhouse on Tuesday, 4 July, and also presenting the real cheque to Wendy Pinch, Marketing and Community Engagement Officer for our charity, NOVA for women and children. As mentioned in last month's newsletter re Charity Day, I can now advise that you, our generous and kind-hearted women members as well as women from the District who played on Charity Day supporting this event, and supplied goods to the NOVA Hub for the women and children who suffer from homelessness and domestic and/or family violence in our community, generated \$2,500 for NOVA. THANK YOU and very well done ladies! It is very much appreciated!

REMINDER: Change of Date for Presentation Night – in the Women's Program 2023, Presentation Night is listed as Wednesday, 29 November. Unfortunately due to staffing, it will now be held on Thursday, 30 November.

Looking forward to a fun day on Friday, 21 July – Jokers' Wild Day. To all the teams, enjoy yourselves and have fun! Jenny Quist, Women's President

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CAPTAIN'S CORNER

It was a busy June for the Ladies of Waratah. Two monthly medals were played and won by Marg Godbee and Lloma Laws. We also had the Captains' Trophy won by Gael Andrews and the Goodwill Plate won by Ledene Israel. Congratulations girls and well done to each and every one of you club ladies for continuing to turn up every Tuesday even though it's been chilly in the mornings of late. But I suppose it is winter so no complaining

Our Jokers Wild day is coming up soon and we have a full field already. It promises to be another fun filled day so well done for getting your entries in early.

There's a lot of work being done out on our course at the moment. The clearing out of the drains has the course looking fantastic. Thank you to our dedicated green staff.

Just a little rule clarification ladies, if the ground around a creek, bunker or any other penalty area has white GUR markings, then this does not include the hazard itself i.e. if you're inside the red markers then you must apply the normal appropriate penalty. GUR is outside the hazard area only, unless the hazard has a white stake in the middle of it.

That's all from me for this month. Looking forward to another busy month ahead, so see you all on the course. Renay Robertson, Women's Captain

PROGRAMME FOR JULY

- 4 4 Person Ambrose Game Twist
- 11 Stroke/Scratch/Monthly Medal/6th Rnd GNSW Medal/Putting in Conjunction
- 18 Stableford/Secretary's Trophy
- 21 Jokers Wild Day Mixed Team Event
- 25 Par



UPCOMING EVENTS – OPEN DAYS

July

- 14 Hawks Nest Open Day
- 21 Jokers Wild Waratah GC
- 27 Christmas in July Newcastle GC

August

- 3 Belmont Open Day
- 31 Tanilba Bay Open Day
- 7 VWGANSW Event Beverly Park GC 2BB Stableford

All information for above events can be found on the ladies' notice board.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Birthdays are filled with yesterday's memories, today's joy, and tomorrow's dreams.

JULY

- 2 Lynne PageMelinda Henriksen
- 3 Helen Donaldson
- 7 Elaine Bennett
- 13 Donna Drake
- 14 Dianne Watson
- 18 Beryl Tobin
- 19 Susan Marko
- 21 Joanne Dusterhoft
- 24 Diane Hinchcliffe
- 25 Sally Kinsella Carole Becklar
- 26 Denise Stewart
- 27 Liat Baddock

"Golf is the closest game to the game we call life. You get bad breaks from good shots; you get good breaks from bad shots - but you have to play the ball where it lies."

Bobby Jones

Submitted by Jenny Quist

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Member in Profile Robyn De Lore

While I'm new to playing golf, (encouraged by my son last year to try the clinic) I'm very familiar with Waratah Golf Club, as both parents were members at Waratah for many years. I grew up at Coal Point and now live at Lambton. I'm mostly retired now, and have 3 sons and 1 delightful granddaughter. When I'm not trying to hit that small white ball, I enjoy Park Runs, cycling and weekends away. I'm very grateful to all the friendly Waratah ladies who have patiently encouraged and guided me through my early, wayward attempts at golf. Cheers Robyn



JUNIOR GOLF



16 juniors competed in WGC Junior 9-Hole MatchPlay event during May-June. The event was for players from the Masters (players with H'Caps), and Rookie Divisions (100mtr and 150mtr tees). The event was run over four weeks culminating in finals for Rookies, Masters Nett H'Cap, and Masters Scratch divisions. Finals went down to the wire with two finals having playoff holes to determine the winners.

Scratch Winner: Eli Peattie r/up Tristan Moanaroa
Nett Winner: Tristan Moanaroa r/up Cooper Bennett
Rookies Winner: MJ Moanaroa r/up Ethan Oxford

POSTCARD

Marilyn and Peter Frost along with Narelle and Mike Bramble had a great 4 week Cruise on board Scenic Eclipse from San Diego to Anchorage. Visited lots of great attractions including USS MIDWAY Aircraft Carrier in San Diego.

Submitted by Narelle Bramble





----- RULES-

19.3 Relief Options for Unplayable Ball in Bunker

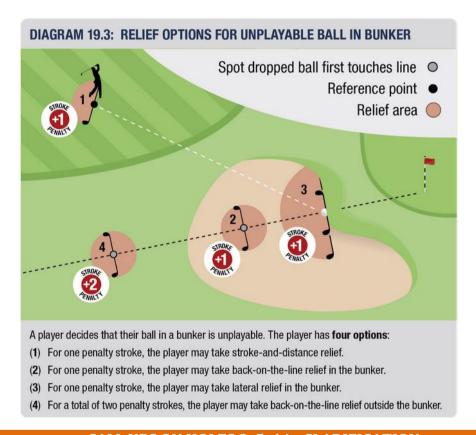
a. NORMAL RELIEF OPTIONS (ONE PENALTY STROKE)

When a player's ball is in a bunker:

- The player may take unplayable ball relief for one penalty stroke under any of the options in <u>Rule</u>
 19.2, except that:
- The ball must be <u>dropped</u> in and come to rest in the <u>bunker</u> if the player takes either back-on-theline relief (see Rule 19.2b) or lateral relief (see Rule 19.2c).

b. EXTRA RELIEF OPTION (TWO PENALTY STROKES)

As an extra relief option when a player's ball is in a <u>bunker</u>, for a total of two penalty strokes, the player may take back-on-the-line relief outside the <u>bunker</u> under Rule 19.2b.



CALL UPS ON HOLES 3, 5, 14 - CLARIFICATION

Call ups occur when you see the group behind you ready and waiting on the tee. The club will not be erecting safety barriers or screens at this time, so once you call up the group behind all players must move to the back of the green and ALL of you watch the incoming shots for safety reasons. However if you have lost ground from the group in FRONT of you, then play on and catch up. It does not make sense to wait and call up if your group is running behind.

Any questions please see Women's Captain or Match Committee for further explanation.