



In The Rough

Newsletter

Affordable golf in a friendly, relaxed hinterland village setting

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Fundraising – Supporting Worthy Causes

"Happiness is getting what you want. Success is liking what you get."

'In The Rough' is a response to the frequently raised issue of communication with members.

Make it a success – be engaged, get involved, provide feedback - it is YOUR COMMUNICATION.

The Newsletter will now be produced BI-MONTHLY.

Welcome to new members:

*Rex Williams
Lee Williams
Gregory Michael
Robert Gent
John Sutcliffe
Paul Mullins
Kyle Reeves
Jason Loch
Stephen Nelson
Christine Michael*



Proudly Supporting
**Prostate Cancer
Foundation of Australia**

The risk of *prostate cancer* is a common problem for men in the Vets age demographic. Many of our Vets have been through, are going through or will experience the problem.

Following on from the success of the *Legacy Fundraiser* last year the **Vets** held a *Prostate Cancer Fund Raising Day* in conjunction with a *4 Man Ambrose* competition and raised **\$2,000**, a fantastic result.

Thank you to all those who contributed in any way to supporting and making the day such a huge success.

The money raised has been donated to the *Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia* which funds research, specialist nursing programs, support groups and awareness campaigns.

Project News

According to Golf Australia 2 out of every 3 golfers are non-club social golfers suggesting an opportunity to better engage and communicate with the social golfer market!

The Vets have agreed to co-fund a project with *The Club* to address the limitations of the **Assembly Area for Golf Carts and Buggies** (Project 4) in front of the practice putting green.

As the existing presentation of this area does not create a very good first impression of the course the project will also look at improving the landscaping and visual impact.

Work will start as soon as practical.

Meet our Green Keepers



In this edition you meet **Chris Tricket** (left), one of our *Green Keepers*.

- ♣ Joined the greens staff at *Cooroy Golf Club* in September 2012 – works on a casual basis.
- ♣ 34 years old.
- ♣ Grew up in Brisbane.
- ♣ *Chris* has a landscape gardening back ground.
- ♣ Married with 2 children - a girl and boy.
- ♣ Lives in Doonan area.

From The Green Keepers Shed - Winter Update

The course is looking good. With good amounts of rain falling lately the *fairways* are ticking over nicely. A new set of bed knives installed on the LF3800 Fairway mower has improved the quality of cut to the fairways.

The cold and shade on *greens* is providing some challenges. The 328 couch goes dormant once temperatures drop below 15 degrees. We have started to thin areas to get more morning sun onto the greens.

Both granular organic and liquid fertilisers and a wetting agent have been applied to the greens. A Winter grass *Pre-Emergent* herbicide has been sprayed and watered into all greens.

Tees have also had an application of granular fertiliser.

With arrival of new *bunker sand* we have started topping up sand in bunkers.

We have a Noosa High School Student, *Brayden*, from year 11 doing 1½ hours a week on Tuesday afternoons for work experience.

Green speed on 26th June 2015 was measured at 8' on the *Stimpmeter* – classed as medium speed.

Golf & Stay in Noosa Hinterland

In conjunction with the recently completed *Cooroy Luxury Motel Apartments*, located just around the corner from the golf club in Pearl Street, Cooroy, we can now offer a **Golf & Stay** Package.

- \$200.00 for 2 people for 1 night.
- Twin share accommodation (breakfast not included)
- 18 holes of golf for 2 people with share motorised cart

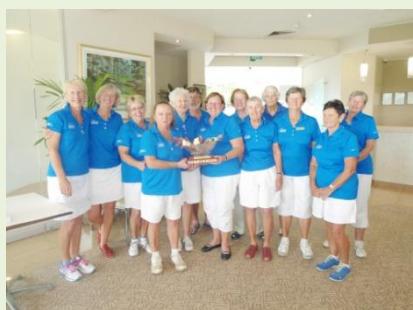
We can also tailor **Golf & Stay** packages to meet people's needs. Simply tell *Wayne* what is needed and he will organise it.



Turning 55 – join the Vets where age only matters when it's cheese or wine.



Dave Chapman & Les Arthur – Vets Pairs Matchplay Champions for 2nd year running.



Marty's Hut today



Marty's Hut Saturday Menu:
Hamburgers
Steak Rolls
Egg & Bacon Rolls
Sausage & Onion Rolls
Crisps
Chocolates (for a sugar hit)
Alcoholic & Non alcoholic drinks.

The Vets

As a member of the *Sunshine Coast District Veteran Golfers Association* we offer the opportunity to play some of the best golf courses on the Sunshine Coast at significantly reduced cost through our *District Host Day Program*.

With 11 affiliated clubs and in excess of 2,000 registered members we are part of the largest Veteran Golfer *District* in Queensland and Australia.

Executive management of the *District* rotates alphabetically between member clubs every 2 years with *Maroochy River Vets (nee Horton Park Vets)* currently filling this role. We have a say in *District* affairs through representation on the *District* management committee which meets quarterly.

The *2015 Vets District Carnival and Championships* will be held at the new *Maroochy River Golf Course* on Monday, 31st August 2015, offering our members a great opportunity to experience this new links style course.

Our compulsory stop days at *Marty's Hut* for a free hamburger and drink with entertainment provided by *Jimmy Henderson* (aka '*Irish*') and *Rod Harper* (aka '*the bionic hip*') are proving very popular with lots of banter and laughs.

Women's Golf

We had a full field of 108 women from 11 clubs as far away as *Bribie Island* and *Tin Can Bay* with one visitor from Victoria competing in the 2015 Cooroy Women's Open Day. The field flowed nicely - a great day.

Congratulations to Cooroy Nett Winners, *Carole Clancy (Division 1)* and *Jocelyn Rabjohns (Division 3)* and *Assunta Easton* for taking out Division 3 Gross. *Jocelyn Rabjohns* also took out the veteran's winner prize.

What a great end to the *North Coast Zone Weekday Match Play* pennant competition with the *Cooroy* team (left) winning the Bronze division. Played at Peregian Springs on a very wet course *Cooroy* beat Beerwah 6 to 2. Special thanks to all players, caddies and supporters for the great season. The team spirit has been wonderful.

The first of our closed 2015 Trophy Events has been decided with *Carmel Clarke* and *Kate Sawrey* taking out the *4BBB Match Play* final.

House News

A not so typical *Monday* in the club house. The *Vets* are hosting *Horton Park* and *Tin Can Bay* with a field of 92 and due to arrive back in the club house for lunch and presentation just as a large *social golf group* is having something to eat before heading out to play.

At the same time the *All Abilities Golf Group* arrives for their golf excursion and lunch.

It made for some interesting co-ordination and logistics to organise and feed everyone but it all went off very smoothly. A great day all round as the different groups crossed paths, exchanged greetings and moved on with their activities.

With recent carpet and other cleaning the *Club House* is looking spick and span.

Volunteers



Don Clelland, Mike Miklenda, Ron Blount



Jimmy Henderson - do you ever see him without a smile?

The Club is gathering individual email details so we can more efficiently communicate with members. DO WE HAVE YOURS?

Private cart broken down on the golfcourse? Phone the club house - a hire cart will be sent out to you as soon as practical.

Want to learn more - speak to Cyril about lessons and improve your golf.



There are around *6.1 million* adult volunteers in Australia. Using *ABS data*, research calculates the real value of volunteering at *\$200 billion* –yes that's billion!

This same research shows people who volunteer are happier, healthier and sleep better than people who don't volunteer suggesting doctors should recommend it! Just a few hours volunteering makes a difference in happiness and mood.

Volunteers are quite simply the *backbone* of many clubs, particularly *not for profit* clubs.

Another of the great traditions of *Cooroy Golf Club* is the tradition of getting the job done by voluntary effort.

That tradition continues to this day and you can get a feel for the importance of volunteers when you look at the scope of their involvement in the operations of our club: *golf competition & event management, administration, bar and catering, facilities and course maintenance and projects* to mention just a few.

The value of the hours put in by our volunteers represents a huge hidden cost which is avoided directly benefiting our *Profit and Loss* bottom line. We could sit down and work out the numbers but if you had to put a value on the contribution of these volunteers to *Cooroy Golf Club* it would simply be.....

PRICELESS - thank you.

The Secretary's Desk

Members who require *Leave of Absence* from *1 July 2015* must apply in writing to the *Secretary* giving reason and length of time required.

Payment of \$50 is required to retain your membership.

During your *Leave of Absence*, you are not entitled to use the golf course and your handicap will be temporarily suspended.

Trist's Tips (*try saying that quickly 3 times!*)



Okay so there's a lot to get through. Bear with me for the next 10 years. We will start at the beginning.

Chronic hooking and slicing starts with a poor grip. A weak left hand grip will induce a slice. A strong right hand grip will cause a hook. A combination will cause both from the same swing. Seek advice on your grip. A little short term pain may change your whole golf experience

As for stance – feet hip width apart and let your toes turn comfortably out. Now for alignment. A shaft held across your upper chest in your assumed posture should parallel a shaft laid along your toe line which should in turn parallel your target line. You don't need to get this alignment perfect but try to get close to the mark.

Grip and alignment are the first determinates of how straight you are going to hit the ball.

All Abilities Golf - Joyology Now

You lost how many balls at golf today!



Joyology Now is an organisation involved in co-ordinating and facilitating fun healthy golfing experiences for people with Disabilities, Indigenous Youth and Local Communities through All Abilities Golf and search for champions programs.

An *All Abilities Golf Excursion* encourages social engagement, exploration of nature and the idea that we can all achieve if we just give it a go. Golf is a game that teaches us many things about ourselves, each other and those essential life lessons we all need. There is more to it than just getting the ball into the hole.

Cooroy Golf Club is pleased to be associated with *All Abilities Golf* as a venue for their golf excursions.

Men's Golf

*Sign outside church:
"If you are tired of sin come to
church."*
*Written in lipstick underneath: "If
not ring Dulcie on 14237890"*



No Entry Area - 11th

Despite a very wet course the *2015 Cooroy Men's Open* was played on Sunday, 28th June 2015 with *Ashley Crosvener* from Keperra Golf Club taking out the Cooroy Open Championship with a 68. Our own *Andy Stewart* took out the Open Nett Winner prize with a 66.

The recent *14-Hole Par 3* event was a terrific success with all who participated enjoying the concept and set up. Thanks' to all those members who participated. *Legacy* also received a donation from the players of \$60.

Congratulations to *Phil and George Giblett* for winning the *Crawford Cup* for the second year running by defeating *John Butler* and *Greg Flanagan* 5 and 4.

Your Role in Caring for our Course

You will be amazed at the extent of what goes on behind the scene in preparing and maintaining our course in top condition. If you run across our green keepers on the course say *g'day* but please respect their busy schedule and don't make unfair demands on their time.

We plan to feature *a day in the life of a green keeper* in a future edition.

Suggestions for course upkeep are welcome but please direct them to our *Greens Director*, *Brad Lavender* or *General Manager*, *Wayne* rather than to green keepers to avoid distracting them from their work.

Members have a very important role in assisting our green keepers by caring for the course:

- Replace divots.
 - Repair pitch marks.
 - Rake bunkers.
 - Respect traffic management directions and exclusion areas.
 - Avoid driving through wet areas in motorised carts as this forms a depression where water will sit.
 - Dispose of litter responsibly.
 - Respect and take care of the environment.
- and last but by no means least.
- **Leave the course as you would like to find it!**



*Carole Clancy - how to keep your
ears warm on a frosty winter
morning.*

Hole by Hole



This edition we feature **Hole 6**. Index: Men – **14**, Women - **11**

Blue Tee: 173m, **White Tee:** 160m, **Red Tee:** 155m

Tree lined downhill fairway with water hazard running across fairway. Medium size green with severe surface contour sloping back to front as well as left to right. Slope is more pronounced on front area of green. Mounded surrounds.

PRO TIP: Best line off tee is right side of green with slight draw. If chipping favour right centre approach to green.

AMATEUR TIP:

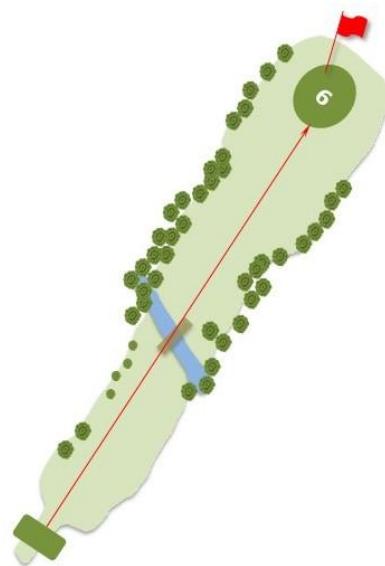
From a high handicapper in Women's Tuesday Club. Standing on the tee you have so many daunting thoughts racing through your mind...don't go in the water...don't go in the trees on the left....don't go in the trees on the right.



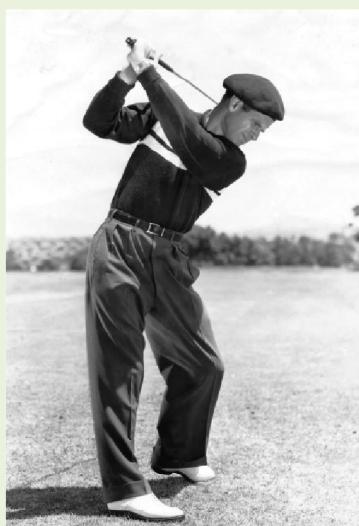
Kevin Olsen, Brian Flynn, Jim Henderson, Errol Radley

What really happens.... the player hits the ball into the water and then plays another ball near the water from point of entry keeping the flag in line for three. A good shot and the ball is on the green, one putt and this hapless player walks away with a 5 for 3 points...True story!

From the Vets - seek divine intervention (photo left).



The 6th in earlier times.



Who is this well known Australian Pro Golfer?

He played an exhibition match at Cooroy in 1958.

**I'd rather laugh with the sinners
than cry with the saints.**
Billy Joel



Dressed for Golf

We now have additional ball washers, litter bins and other accessories around the course. These were sourced from the old Horton Park Golf Course by some of our volunteers.



Volunteer Don Clelland

Message from the President – Rob Powell

With kind weather over the last few months, Trading and Golf Course activities have assisted us in showing growth at all levels of the Golf Club business.

A major change to the *Cooroy Golf Club* was a decision to change our banking from the Commonwealth Bank to the Bendigo Bank to continue our support of local business.

To all the volunteers thank you for your generosity and continuous hard work. I want you to believe that at the end of the day you really have made a difference to the BOTTOM LINE.

We are hoping this coming financial year will continue to be another successful and progressive one.

What's Coming Up

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| 7th July 2015 | <i>Cooroy Women's Invitation Day</i> |
| August 2015 | <i>Cooroy Golf Club Closed Championship - Men & Women</i> |
| 3/4th August 2015 | <i>Sunshine Coast Masters Championship at Cooroy - Men & Women.</i> |
| 22nd August 2015 | <i>Hugh Gillies Memorial and Members Guest Day - Non handicap players welcome</i> |

Another famous pro golfer playing at Cooroy



