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G'day members

Christmas is fast approaching and on behalf of the Board and management, could I please wish you a great Christmas and a wonderful 2026. And please be safe during this holiday period especially on the roads during "travelling" season.

Let's not sugarcoat it, the weather has been very trying all year. 3 months of rain and now a very dry spell. The course has been kept in fantastic condition by Kent and his staff, and I've got to say the recent green renovation is the best I've seen here at the club. The health of the course is paramount to our enjoyment of our sport, so let's hope that the weather over summer is reasonable both in terms of heat and rain.

We are still progressing our improvements to the course in line with the Parry plan, and you will have seen the changes on 1 and 11 starting. Also, the soil we have received will assist in the rounding of the edges on the new golf cart paths.

Part of the "health" of the club that we review monthly is the membership situation. Since 1 July, we have welcomed 26 new golfing members and, just as importantly, 35 new cadets and juniors into the club. This is a wonderful result and, in my opinion, reflects on the quality of the course and the newcomers recognising what we are achieving at the club and course.

Our Christmas cheer days are fast approaching, so let's have a great time on these days and enjoy some fine summer golf.

Regards

David McClelland

President

MOTORISED TRANSPORT



A reminder that the blue lines marked around the surrounds of our greens, not only apply to members using golf carts but also to those members who ride motorised bikes or Segways. Please observe the blue lines and stay out of these areas with your motorised transport. This is to ensure that our playing surfaces near the greens are kept in the best possible condition. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



COURSE NEWS

The concrete cart path on the fifth hole is now finished, with turfing around the edges to be done in the very near future. The path on the 11th hole is well underway and will probably be finished by the time you receive

this newsletter. These new paths are looking great and will make the course far more accessible during extended wet periods. Those members using carts, please try to keep your cart on the paths wherever possible to not damage the course.

Note that the greens have been cored on Monday, 17 November. This is a necessary process to maintain the quality and condition of our putting surfaces. We appreciate your understanding over this time.

The club would like to take this opportunity to recognise Kent and the green staff for the outstanding work they are doing. The condition of the course for the club championships was truly amazing. Thank you, guys, for your great work. It is greatly appreciated by the golfing members.



COURSE CARE

Please make sure that everyone in your group carries a sand bucket. Ensure that you repair your divots and others that you may see and repair your pitch marks on the greens. This will ensure that our course will be in the best possible playing conditions. Thank you.



Pace of Play

Despite some improvement, the pace of play continues to be a problem Here are some tips that hopefully will help the situation.

PLAY READY GOLF -the shorter hitters in the group should hit off first

- be ready to play your shot ASAP and be prepared to play out of turn if other members in your group are delayed. For example, if someone is raking the bunker players in the group can have their putts, saving time
- If you lose ground on the group in front, then the first player to putt out proceeds to the next tee to pick up the pace.

These are just three simple ways to quicken play. Remember the pace of play is EVERY MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITY. Finally, your group's position in the field is not dictated by how far you are in front of the group behind you, but by how far the group in front of you

No Show Policy:



If you or another member has put **your name** on the time sheet, it is your responsibility if you are not playing to cancel your name out by either crossing name out on the timesheet (available till 5am the morning of) or ringing the pro shop on the morning 1 hour prior to tee time.

The following penalties apply for breaching these rules:

First offence: 1 week suspension from all competitions

Second offence: 2 weeks suspension from all competitions

Third offence: Face the board for further disciplinary action from board

Note: Suspensions will start from 1 day after the breach

MORE INFO HERE

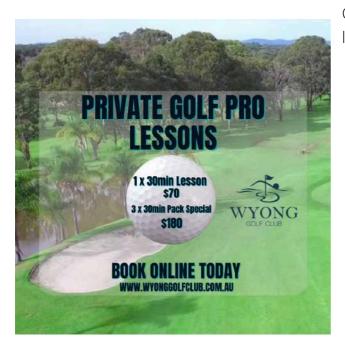


Slow Play Policy:

Due to an influx of new members, we are reminding members about slow play to make your golfing experience more enjoyable. It is up to every member to help ensure that this does not become a problem at Wyong Golf Club.

SLOW PLAY POLICY

Book your Golf Lesson All Levels welcome



Contact the pro shop today to book your lesson 43521361



Inclusive Golf

Wyong Golf Club is proud to offer Inclusive Golf, providing an opportunity for golfers of all abilities to enjoy the game. With adaptive equipment and a welcoming environment, we're making golf more accessible than ever.

Join us on the first Thursday of every month from 2–3 PM and experience the joy of playing.

Help us spread the word so more people can take part in this fantastic initiative!

For more details, call the Pro Shop at 02 4352 1361.



PROSHOP

The pro shop will attempt to price-match any golf equipment from any retail outlet. Before considering making purchases elsewhere, please talk to Steve in the pro shop.

RING THE BELL



Congratulations to **Jodi Green**, who made a hole-in-one on the 17th hole this month. This is an outstanding result, Jodi. Congratulations again on your special achievement.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our own **Lucas Binns**, who was a member of the Central Coast District Team that won the **2025 Eric Apperly Shield Regional play-off title** at Highlands Golf Club, Mittagong. Lucas won all the games he played. Well done, Lucas, a great result, not just for you but for the district and the club.



WYONG JUNIORS

A Junior general meeting was held last Thursday, whereby parents and general golfing members were invited to attend.

Thanks to those who attended and contributed with positive comments and suggestions.

Some of the key points from the meeting are listed below:

- Junior / Cadet membership had increased by 96% from November 2024
- Our Cadet category is seeing the greatest increase from 45 (2024) to 113 in 2025.
- · Girls make up 13% of all Junior / Cadet

membership.

The above growth in Junior / Cadet golfers is clearly a result of the support of our golfing members, Pro-shop & WGC Management / Board. We aim to continue to increase these numbers, and retention of these players is critical as these Juniors are the future of our golf club.

Junior competition and other events are plentiful, and we have struggled to receive all the information available on these events, leading to poor communication with parents and Juniors. We have asked for help in this area, and as a result, we have created some positions within our Junior Committee with Co-Ordinators assisting with various tasks.

Our new look Junior committee for 2026 consists of:

Jnr Chairperson: Tony Calleja

Jack Newton Jnr Program Co-ordinator: Doug Burns

Jnr Pennants, Encourage Shield, Jnrs on the Move: Craig Wickham / Zac Duffy

Junior WGC Pro: Joey Liddle

WGC Board representative: Stephen Rex

General Committee: Judy Wicks, Belinda Diamond, Chris Stephens, Troy Wilks

** The Jack Newton Jnr program has many levels, and the nominated co-ordinator will be assisted by other members of the committee from time to time.

We are looking to introduce Junior weekends away to tournaments, competitions, and other golfing events. These events will need to be supported by parents, and we are estimating up to six trips away for 2026.

Again, thanks to the Junior parents who have stepped up to assist in ensuring our Juniors are given the opportunities to compete in events across NSW.

Happy Golfing,

Tony Calleja.

Wyong Ladies Golf News

The top 10 women Shootout qualifiers fought it out in the final round last week. It is always a fun event with cheering on by supporters, and each hole giving up one player at a time until a winner is declared on the 9th hole. Jenny Richards and Ellen Goodwin were the final 2 standing on the 9th tee, with Ellen victorious on the 9th green. Afterwards, the players and supporters enjoyed refreshments and the presentation in the Club House. The ladies plan to celebrate the end of the year with a Christmas Cheer Day on December 11, playing "Jolly Ambrose" followed by lunch & Presentation of annual awards. Please note, the Ladies AGM will be held on Thursday, 26th February 2026.







Golf Wisdom

There is no similarity between golf and putting. They are two different games. One is played in the air and the other on the ground.

Ben Hogan Winner of nine Majors including the Grand Slam.

CHRISTMAS TRADE





What's on











MAX 20 PEOPLE \$3000

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6:30PM -10:30PM

Full Range of Tap Beer House Spirits + Post Mix mixer Includes Jim Beam, NYX Vodka, Teachers Scotch

Sparkling Wine

Tatachilla Brut OR De Luca Prosecco

Premium White Wine

Choice of Houghton Semillon Sav Blanc
OR Mudhouse Sav Blanc

Premium Red Wine

Choice of St Hallets Black Clay Shiraz

OR Grant Burge Merlot

Orange Juice, Soft drink (Post Mix) + Selve-serve Tea & Coffee

CANAPES

6:45PM

Prawn, mango & avocado papadum cups

- -Mini-Bruschetta tostadas
- -Peri peri chicken sliders
- -Roast pumpkin, pine nut & chilli tart
- -Lamb koftas w/ mint yogurt drizzle
 - -Gourmet party pies
 - -Spinach & ricotta triangles

-Assorted Cakes



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