



On The Tee



KERRY ALLEN



Love drove me to golf!!!

I commenced playing in my mid teens as golf was offered as a sport at Narromine High School. My first boyfriend played and I, the only girl participant, was allowed to play with him each week providing the supervising teacher was with us! Alas the relationship did not last yet my love of the game prevailed as I always promised myself that I would take up the game when I retired.

I came to the Lake Macquarie area for my first teaching appointment after training at Mitchell College, Bathurst. During my teaching career I was always involved in a variety of sports—both coaching at work and playing outside of school hours. When I retired, my darling Dad and coach encouraged me to pursue my passion. After talking to Darren who said “come along on Wednesday and play—they are a wonderful group of ladies who will make you feel welcome”, I joined TGC in 2013.

In teeing off for my first card I made a huge swish at the ball and it dribbled 2cms. My marker politely stated “we will count that as one shot”. Throughout the next few weeks, despite copious nerves and being overwhelmed by the rules for hazards, stone, anthills, etc, (none of which I had encountered on the Narromine course), I persevered. This was totally due to the encouragement and advice from the delightfully patient lady members both on the course and afterwards when socialising in the clubhouse.

My hubby, Bill, is a devoted and competent fisherman, who is still trying to comprehend how someone can spend a whole day at golf! Hello...how long does it take to catch the best fish??? Our daughter, Sarah, works tirelessly in youth care. Both are very supportive of my golf passion and my gardening hobby.

In 2014, I joined the Committee and held a variety of positions including Captain for 3 years. I also held a committee position for Novos for 3 years. I have enjoyed the challenge of representing TGC in Penants for a number of years and was chuffed to win both the Div 1 District Medal and Div 1 Golf NSW Medal in 2016. Back to back wins in the District Foursomes in 2022 and 2023 has also been a highlight.

I admire the genuine camaraderie nurtured by our lady members as we share significant life events and work as a team to enhance our ongoing love and challenge of the game in its many formats. This is a credit to past and present club members.

I thank everyone for the love and friendship, particularly over recent weeks while celebrating my 70th birthday. It is truly appreciated. I look forward to experiencing more memorable events—both on and off the course.



Kerry’s 70th birthday was celebrated in style with a surprise party organised by Bill and Sarah on Saturday 9 March. Our golf girls enjoyed a fun and delicious lunch at Pippi’s at the Point on Tuesday 12 March. We then shared a very delicious birthday cake after golf on Wednesday 13 March.

To add to the birthday fun, Maureen Skeet turned 86 on 13 March so was able to join in the celebrations.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GIRLS!

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

We started off the official golf calendar with a Welcome Back BBQ on 6 March. Many thanks to David Riley for cooking the sausages and onions. It was a great way to kick off the year.

We also welcomed 5 new Wednesday golfers, some beginners and some more experienced. We wish you a great year of golf and lots of fun times ahead.

Our two Pennant teams began their campaigns. Div 2's first game was at Pacific Dunes against Hawks Nest and the team lost 6 and 1. The next game at home against Muree was a much better result, a win 5 and 2.

The Bronze team has played just one game so far. They met Newcastle at Maitland and came away with a great draw—2.5 each.


Thank you to Olga for putting together special prizes for our Easter Raffle which raised in excess of \$150 on the day! Thank you to all for your ongoing support of our weekly raffles.

Our Open Day will take place on Friday 10 May. Members are encouraged to invite visitors and make up a 4 person team. We are expecting entries in excess of 100 so get your teams organised and entered asap. During April, we will be accepting donations towards our monster raffle for Open Day.

I would like to acknowledge a donation of \$500 from Centennial Mandalong. We are still looking for businesses that may be interested in providing sponsorship to Toronto Ladies Golf so if anyone has any suggestions, please see a Committee member.

We are sorry to hear that our Patron, Peg Hargreaves, has been in hospital recently and we wish her a speedy recovery to full health.

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1st Barbara Roughley
 2nd Michelle Palfrey
 6th Nikki Craig
 22nd Marie Jordan
 26th Wilma King



Welcome to our new Wednesday girls—Deb, Melanie, Sue, Jennifer and Helen.



2024 Div 2 Pennant Team



2024 Bronze South Pennant Team

“
 I'll always remember the day I broke ninety. I had a few beers in the clubhouse and was so excited I forgot to play the back nine.
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 eighteen eves

RULES QUIZ

1. Temporary water is an abnormal course condition. True or False
2. A player stands outside the teeing area to make a stroke at a ball inside the teeing area. What is the ruling?
A. There is no penalty. B. The player gets the general penalty. C. The player is disqualified.
3. Your ball lies close to a wrong green such that you would have to stand on the wrong green to play the shot. You must take free relief from the wrong green. T or F
4. In stroke play, when the Committee has suspended play for darkness, if any player in a group has started a hole the players may choose to stop play immediately, or to play out the hole. T or F
5. You find a ball in the thick rough, but you can't tell if it is yours. Which of the following actions is required as part of the identification process?
A. Marking the position of the ball before you lift it. B. Telling someone else in your group before you lift it. C. Showing the identification mark on your ball to everyone in your group, to prove its yours.
6. A player may place a club on the ground during the stroke to aid in alignment. T or F
7. Wind and water are outside influences. T or F
8. When taking lateral relief for an unplayable ball, the two club-length relief area is measured from the nearest point of complete relief. T or F
9. A player's ball is in bounds but they have interference from an immovable obstruction that is out of bounds. The player takes relief from the immovable obstruction and plays the ball. The player has proceeded correctly. T or F
10. A ball is lost if, after searching for it for one minute, the player declares it to be lost. Is this correct? T or F
11. A player had accidentally left their driver in the clubhouse and was playing with 13 clubs, with the player's 3-wood being the longest club in their bag. On the 7th hole someone brought the player their forgotten driver which was added to their bag. When measuring a relief area on the 8th hole, the player was unsure whether the size of the relief area is measured using the length of the 3-wood, or with the added driver which is now the longest club in their bag. What is the ruling?
A. The relief area is measured using the 3-wood. B. The relief area is measured using the newly added driver. C. The player must select which club is used to measure.
12. In stroke play, when playing out of a bad lie, a player accidentally hits the ball a second time on their follow through. What is the ruling?
A. The double hit counts as only one stroke and there is no penalty. B. The double hit counts as two strokes but there is no additional penalty. C. The double hit counts as one stroke but the player gets an additional one penalty stroke.

TGC LADIES OPEN DAY**Friday 10 May 2024****Team of 4—Dropout Ambrose—
Shotgun Start****Members \$35, Visitors \$40
(inc lunch)****Great prizes and lots of fun.****See flyer for more details,
entry form and lunch order.****Entries close 3 May 2024****RED PENALTY AREAS****(TGC does not currently have Yellow Penalty areas)**

1. A player may play the ball as it lies, without penalty.
2. **For one penalty stroke**, a player has 3 options:
 - A) Stroke and Distance Relief meaning that the ball can be replayed from the place it was previously played.
 - B) Back on the Line Relief means that a ball can be dropped keeping the point where the ball last crossed into the penalty area between the hole and the spot where the ball is dropped.
 - C) Lateral Relief—the ball may be dropped in a relief area within two club lengths of the place where the ball crossed into the Red Penalty Area, no nearer the hole.
3. If the ball is not found but known to be in the Penalty Area, proceed to take Penalty Relief.
4. If it is not known that the ball is in the Penalty Area, proceed as for Lost Ball.

| RESULTS MARCH 2024 | | |
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| Saturday 2nd | Stableford 11 players | Esther Christen 35 |
| Wednesday 6th | Stableford 1st Captains 43 players | Div 1 Erica Ford 35, Carol McCrohon 30 c/b Div 2 Robyn Summers 36, Judy Tiedeman 34 Div 3 Di Thompson 38, Leonie McKibbin 33 NTP Meagen Auston, Val Donoghue, Di Thompson |
| Saturday 9th | Stableford 6 players | Judy McDonald 40 |
| Wednesday 13th | Stroke Monthly Medal LBB Putting Comp 39 Players | Div 1 Barbara Roughley 72 MM Div 2 Linda Somerville 72 MM, Kim Tobin 76 Div 3 Nikki Craig 74 MM, Megan Dunnet 76 NTP Michelle Dunn, Sheree Bambrook, Megan Dunnet |
| Saturday 16th | Stableford 12 Players | Kerry Strong 33 |
| Wednesday 20th | Stableford Roma Paskin Trophy 41 Players | Div 1 Michelle Dunn 38, Barbara Roughley 36 Div 2 Sheree Bambrook 36 c/b, Jan Whatling 36 Div 3 Julie Bizant 35, Sue Dawes 31 NTP Chris Frederiks, Anne Hodder, Julie Bizant |
| Wednesday 27th | Par 1st Presidents 37 players | Div 1 Denise Lucas -2 Div 2 Julie Bizant +3, Robyn Summers 0 Div 3 Sue Dawes +1, Di Thompson 0 NTP Linda Somerville, Julie Bizant, Megan Dunnet |
| Saturday 30th | Par 13 players | Linda Woolard +4 |

APRIL GOLF

3rd Stableford—2nd Captains
 8th Pennants—Div 2 Shortland Waters, Bronze Newcastle
 10th Stroke—MM, LBB, Putting Comp, 1st GNSW, Vets—Mabel McKenzie
 15th Pennants—Div 2 Muree, Bronze Merewether
 17th Lorna Millward Trophy
 24th Par 4BBB COP—Viv Anderson Trophy
 29th Pennants—Div 2 Waratah, Bronze Belmont

OPEN DAYS

9 APRIL Muree, S/ford team of 4
 2 MAY Tamworth, Stroke & S/ford
 3 MAY Country Cup, Tanilba Bay
 10 MAY TORONTO OPEN DAY
 20-21 MAY Hunter River, Cypress Lakes and The Vintage
 22-25 MAY Grafton, various events
 4-6 JUNE Longyard Open Tournament

QUIZ RESULTS

1. T 5. A 9. F
 2. A 6. F 10. F
 3. T 7. F 11. B
 4. T 8. F 12. A

