

# Presidents Message

From Wal Harrison

Nothing from the President this month as Wal is on a well-earned vacation and will be back next month. Enjoy your trip Wal and thanks for all the work that you did to get the sale of the block completed.

## STATE OF ORIGIN 2

**\$3 Schooners from 5pm until half time**



## NEXT VOLUNTEER DAY

Any interested volunteers please contact Des Byrne on 0438 877 237 or [desbyrneo8@gmail.com](mailto:desbyrneo8@gmail.com).

Volunteers should bring along gloves, hat and sturdy footwear.

Beer n Burger on completion!

## What's in this Edition

- 'Jake the Joker' stands at \$800 for 5 June.
- Celebration Dinner
- 2015-16 Membership Info - Chance to play for free in 2015/16
- Slow Play - How can you help speed up play?
- Reward Points Expiring 31 July
- Live Music 5 and 19 June

## RECONVENED AGM

The AGM will reconvene on Tuesday 30 June 2015 @ 5.30pm to consider the 2013-2014 Financial Statements and Auditors Report.

# Slow Play and Etiquette

**Over the past nine issues we have introduced tips to speed up play. Some have worked some haven't. Some keys to speed up play are outlined below. The R&A have issued new rules over slow play.**

*Golfers agonise over every shot, crouching on the green as they plan the putt that could win them that precious round of golf.*

*But now frustrated members of the game's governing body have called time on millions of dawdlers because the game has been hit by an epidemic of slow play.*

*Professionals have been blamed for taking too long over every shot, while amateurs are under fire for copying their routines, believing the time stars such as Tiger Woods and Co take over shots is the secret to success.*

*Now up to four million golfers are to be issued with a new set of rules aimed at speeding up the pace of play.*

*The Royal and Ancient Golf Club at St Andrews, the game's governing body, has published its first new set of revised rules in 20 years.*

*And the new version, to be handed free to golfers worldwide, links etiquette with the strict rules of the game for the first time.*

*Golf clubs are recommended to take "disciplinary action" against offenders by banning them temporarily from their home courses or from competitions.*

This is the first time that the R&A rule book has been written for the modern golfer and has such a prominent section on etiquette and how to improve the pace of play. If we can increase the speed of play then we can increase the pleasure of the game for everyone.

A round of golf for four on an 18-hole course should take between three-and-a-half and four hours. But professional tournament rounds now routinely exceed five hours and amateur rounds are often exceeding the four-hour mark.

Slow play has become the curse of the modern game and people should be told that if they can't get through 18 holes in three-and-a-half hours then they should make way for those who can. Not being able to play well enough is not an excuse. Improve, or get off the course.

A professional round of golf takes around five hours now and sometimes well in excess of that.

It's okay for them, they do not have anything else to do, but it cascades down into club golf and affects everyone involved in the game.

Unlike the big tournaments, thousands of ordinary golf clubs are unable to fine slow players.

Slow play on the golf course is usually a habit that a golfer acquires over time, as he or she acquires bad habits. Or it's the result of the golfer never having been taught proper golf etiquette. This means a slow golfer can usually be "cured" of his malady. Of course, that golfer has to be aware that they are slow, and that's where buddies come into play.

But as we often take a look at other golfers on the course and notice the things they do to slow down play, so should we take a look at ourselves.

**When we do take an honest look at ourselves, we often discover we're doing some of the same things to slow down play that we're complaining about others doing.**

Before we run down a list of suggestions for speeding up play, **it's important to note that many of these tips have nothing to do with rushing your play, but rather with simply being ready to play**, and with using common sense and good etiquette on the course.

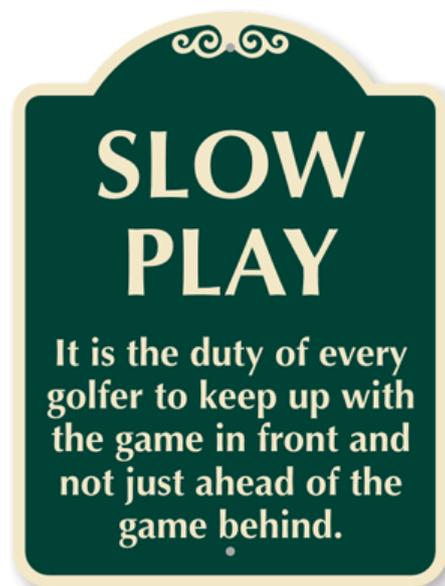
The bottom line is, as soon as it's your turn to play, you should be ready to step right up and make the stroke.

Here are some tips for speeding up slow play on the golf course:

- Members of a group should not travel as a pack, with all members walking together to the

first ball, then the second, and so on. Each member of the group should walk directly to their own ball.

- **Use the time you spend getting to your ball to think about the next shot - the distance, the club selection. When you reach your ball you'll need less time to figure out the shot.**
- If you are unsure whether your ball has come to rest out of bounds, or may be lost, immediately hit a provisional ball so that you won't have to return to the spot to replay the shot. If you are playing a recreational match with, shall we say, a "loose interpretation" of the rules, then simply drop a new ball somewhere around the area where your ball was lost and keep playing (taking a penalty, of course).
- **Begin reading the green and lining up putts as soon as you reach the green. Don't wait until it's your turn to putt to start the process of reading the green. Do it as soon as you reach the green so that when it's your turn you can step right up and putt.**
- After putting out, don't stand around the green chatting or take any practice putting strokes. Leave the green quickly so the group behind can play. If there is no group behind, then a few practice putts are fine



## COURSE NEWS



### Course Super – Bryan Kelly

Winter has arrived and growth in most areas has slowed down due to some heavy frosts.

Keeping the course neat and tidy during autumn is an ongoing job and I hope the leaf season is near the end.

Bunker work has commenced on the rear bunker on the 18th and depending on the amount of clean fill available a smaller bunker, mounds and or a grass bunker will be constructed during the winter months.

This will allow a more aggressive approach to a back pin position without fear of entering a poorly constructed hazard. The bunker project will be ongoing over many years.

Regrettably John Goldsworthy has resigned as grounds man, heading back to Queensland. He has been a great asset to our team and we wish him the best. Finding a replacement of his calibre will be difficult. Thank you John for your assistance and professionalism during your brief period of employment.

The fairways have been fertilised. The rye is still quite juvenile and will progress and develop over time as evidenced by the turf plots on the 5th fairway that are now 12 months old.

Good golfing to all



## The Captain's Desk

From Gail Goiser

### PENNANT - WE ARE READY TO CELEBRATE

Sunday 28 June 6.00pm - All members, pennant players and friends are encouraged to attend the club for a special 2 Course Roast Dinner and to enjoy live music (Songs of the Legends) and conversation to celebrate season 2015. The Men's Masters Scratch and Women's Bruce Cup 2015 trophies will be on display and team members will be ready to give winning details.

### MATCHPLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Four Ball Championship was decided on Sunday 24 May with number one qualifiers Paul Morshead and Dom DiCampi victorious over Scott Brown and John Jewkes 3/2.

The individual Match play Championship qualifying is now complete and the first round of matches has been completed.

### FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIP

Foursomes Championships winners Lachlan Tisma and Tasi Lolesio finished the 27 hole event with a total of 112 just a single shot ahead of Leigh Blyton and Glen Hart. Matt Doyle and James Bull were a further shot back with 114 which made them Nett winners with a score of 106.5.

### 4BBB NSW MIXED QUALIFYING –

Tony Quirk and Jane Grey are wished good golfing when they travel to Yass for district final on 14 June.

### CHANGES FOR WOMEN MEMBERS

From Saturday 13 June'15 timesheets for Saturdays will be set to allow women to book tee times during the morning prior to the block allocation.

This will not change the "block" that is reserved from about 11am but will allow greater flexibility and options for women members bringing the club in line with our competitors.

## SPONSORSHIP

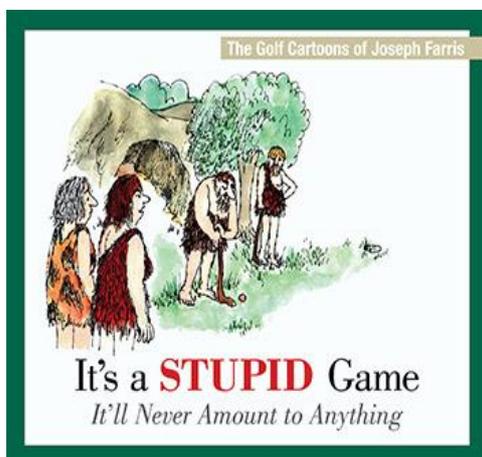
Members with businesses that may be interested in Club Sponsorships should contact CEO Glen on 6297 1669 or [ceo@queanbeyangolf.com.au](mailto:ceo@queanbeyangolf.com.au).

Packages can include Membership, Advertising on-course, in-club or in newsletters, tickets to special events, Corporate Golf Days and other benefits tailored to your needs.

You can get the attention of members and visitors by promoting your business through the club's channels.

## GOLF PASS

The club currently has two packages available for social golfers, 10 social rounds for \$195 or 20 social rounds for \$270 both valid til 31 July 2016. For more info go to [www.queanbeyangolf.com.au](http://www.queanbeyangolf.com.au)



# Women's News

From Captain Sue

The Emily Hurt pennant season is underway for 2015. Our team played Yass at RMC last week and had a squared match. Most of the team were playing their first pennant game and have come through the Beginner Ladies Programme. They were very apprehensive, but settled quickly with the support of their more experienced caddies. Their second game was against Yowani at Yass and unfortunately went down 3/2. They have two games remaining and we wish them all the best.

The Bruce Cup pennant season concluded on Mother's Day, 10th May. The final was played in horrendous weather conditions at Belconnen, and took over 5 hours to complete. Queanbeyan played arch rivals, Royal Canberra, and were again victorious 4.5 to 0.5. Since its inception in 1973, Queanbeyan has won the Bruce Cup 29 times. An outstanding record and an achievement all members should be extremely proud of.



Bruce Cup Team 2015 – Chloe Thornton, Kylie Smith, Lauren Maher, Amber Thornton, Pauline Jeffery, Wendy Lynch. Absent – Louise Smith and Tracey Harwood.

Our Club Foursomes Championships were played on 23rd May. This year we had 17 teams competing in the 27 hole event, with Kylie Smith and Chloe Thornton, taking the trophy with 121. Deb Baker and Amber Thornton were the nett winners with 109.75.



Foursomes Champions Chloe Thornton & Kylie Smith

Guest Day is being held on 26 July 2015 – contact your guest to make sure they have it in their diary.

## TEE TIMES

Great to see so many new members who have joined the club since Sept 2014 using the course – over 130 so far.

There were over 200 members play in the comp on 30 May. Just a reminder to remember to delete your name from the timesheet if you know that are unable to play.

You can also ring the Pro Shop on the day to see if spots have become available.

# GM's Update

From Glen Lloyd



Welcome to winter! The cold weather has hit hard and earlier than anticipated with the fairways going into immediate dormancy.

The new cool season rye grass has also been affected with germination restricted due to the harsh conditions. We expect that the fairways will continue to develop over the upcoming months but will be monitored to assess whether preferred lies are required at any stage.

The next stage of course improvements has commenced with the rear bunker on hole 18 being taken out of play. A substantial amount of fill will be required to reshape this area prior to new drainage, matrix and sand being added to the newly formed bunker. As we are reliant on free fill at present this project may take some time to complete so I once again ask for your patience as we continue to work towards a better golf course for the future.

Subscription renewals are due and payable by 31 July 2015. Please complete a renewal form so we can update details on the database. All renewals received prior to 30 June 2015 will go into the draw for one lucky member to receive a full refund of their subscription.

Please note the 6 month payment option is no longer available with pay by the month available through pay as you golf.

My ongoing thanks to all the volunteers who continue to provide invaluable assistance around the club. Your enthusiasm and dedication is greatly appreciated.

Hit it and find it !

Glen

## TIPS TO SPEED UP PLAY

### Keep the conversations in the carts

Save the jokes/stories until after everyone has hit off, and you are walking/driving to the next shot. Too often, we see people engaged in conversation with a wide open green or fairway ahead.

## BAR REWARD POINTS

Bar reward points will expire on 31 July 2015. All balances will be reduced to Nil.

When you renew your membership for 2015-16 as a Full Playing Member your points will be available from 1 August 2015.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

Please send contributions and suggestions for future newsletters to [ceo@queanbeyangolf.com.au](mailto:ceo@queanbeyangolf.com.au).



"I learned to play golf so I could see him more, then when I beat him, he dumps me."

## TIP FROM THE TOUR



### It's Cold

With the weather now hitting the minuses, it's important to remember your golf ball won't be going as far as usual.

The main reason for this is that the ball actually gets firmer in the cold, therefore, won't compress as much as it would in the warmer weather.

So unless you're keeping your balls warm, make sure to take an extra club in the cooler months.



**20% off all TRAVIS MATHEW & PING men's polo shirts in stock.**

## WANT MORE INFORMATION

Speak to Jake or Mat in the Pro Shop

Contact Info: 6297 2542

# CORPORATE GOLF DAYS



Call Paul Morshead on 0415 374 603 or Glen Lloyd on 6297 1669 for more information. We have come up with a new concept **T10 Corporate Golf**:

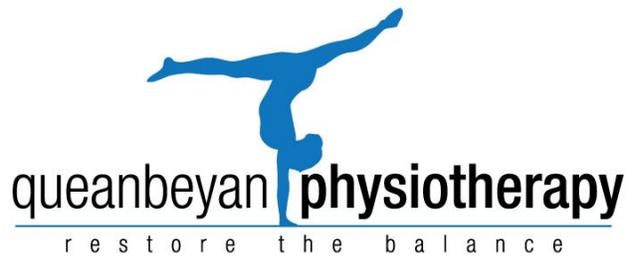
- 10 holes of golf
- A mixture of two holes per green and big holes
- Minimum of 16 players and up to 40
- Carts included
- 3 drinks – schooner of beer equivalents
- Finger food on completion
- Shot Gun start preferred
- Mid Week only
- Cost is \$45 per person

## Recipe of the Month:

### Slow-Cooker Beefy Vegetable-Barley Soup

- 1 1/2 lb beef stew meat
- 1/2 cup frozen chopped onion
- 1/2 cup uncooked medium barley or soup mix
- 3 1/2 cups beef flavored stock
- 1 cup water
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1 teaspoon dried marjoram leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 2 cups mixed vegetables

1. Cut beef into bite-size pieces if desired. In 2 to 3 litre slow cooker, mix all ingredients except mixed vegetables.
2. Cover; cook on Low heat setting 8 to 10 hours.
3. Stir in mixed vegetables. Increase heat setting to High. Cover; cook 20 to 30 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender.



10% off initial consultation for members presenting their card

## Membership Renewal – Chance to play for free in 2015/16

One lucky member will have the chance to play for free in 2015-16. All Members who renew by 30 June 2015 will go into a draw to win their membership fee back. Complete the [2015-16 Membership Renewal Form](#), select your payment method and email, fax or drop the form into the office for your chance to have your 2015-16 fee reimbursed.

### Fee Structure

Platinum+	\$2995 (includes carts plus all platinum benefits)
Platinum	\$1995 (regular competition fees, \$100 bar tab, 12 guest vouchers + extras FJ Shirt, FJ Cap, Ball Marker, Bag Tag & Divot Tool)
Full Playing	\$1095 (includes \$100 bar tab + 3 guest vouchers)
6 Day	\$895
5 Day	\$795
Club 30	\$795 (30 comp rounds / unlimited social play) – comp fees additional.
Elder	\$595 – full rights (over 65 - 25 years continuous membership)
Social/9 holes	\$595 (social play and 9 hole competitions)
3 month full playing	\$395 (any 3 month period during financial year)
Junior 8-17	\$100
18-20	\$300
20-24	\$500
GA access	\$99 – administration of handicap

**NB. Only full playing, life, elder and junior members are eligible to enter club championships and be considered for pennant representation.**

### CARTS

Member 9	\$20
Visitor 9	\$25
Member 18	\$30
Visitor 18	\$40

### PERSONAL CART FEES

Visitor Cart Reg.	\$75
Member Cart Reg.	\$110
Cart Storage	\$295
Electricity	\$150

**NB. All golfers and privately owned carts are covered by Australian Golf Insurance for public liability and property damage as part of Golf Australia affiliation fees.**

## Ladies Come and Try Golf

- Sunday afternoons at 1.45 pm for a 2pm start. No experience needed. No need to book.
- Play 8 holes in an all Beginner Women's Comp. Cost only \$7. Meet and pay at the Pro Shop.
- You will learn about golf in a friendly and non-threatening environment with help to enjoy the game at whatever level you would like.
- If you are only available on another weekday and would like to give golf a go then phone Pauline (see below) and see what can be arranged.
- Professional lessons available from Jake Nagle and his team at the Pro Shop. Ph. 6297 2542. Check for Ladies clinics and packages at affordable prices.
- Membership for women available in all categories. Get a handicap and play in the Women's competition on Tuesday, Saturday and medley Sundays.
- It's fun and you will be helped all the way.

Phone Pauline Jeffery

6285 1846 or 0422 204 988

Email: [jeff1209@netspeed.com.au](mailto:jeff1209@netspeed.com.au)

## CELEBRATION DINNER

A dinner is to be held on 28 June 2015, comprising a catered dinner and music, to celebrate the Queanbeyan Golf Club Pennant 2015 results. The return of the Bruce Cup for the Ladies and the Senior Men's Pennant victory.

Everyone is invited and this is a great opportunity for Pennant team members and partners to get together and celebrate the season. Bookings can be made through the office.

Adults - \$25

Juniors - \$15

## Junior Clinic



Mat is back and the Junior clinics will start up soon.

## LIVE MUSIC



Friday 4 June



Friday 19 June



Friday 3 July

# What's on in the Club

The Admin Team Natalie & Kris

**Friday raffles** @ 8pm

**'Jake the Joker'** after Friday Raffles - \$800 for 5 June

**Bingo** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday every month starting at 11am

**Friday night euchre** starts @ 6.30pm

**Poker** on Thursdays starting @ 6pm

**Wednesday** \$11 Meals & meat tray raffles 5@5pm & 5@7.30pm

**Tuesday Trivia** from 7.00pm

**Melbourne Cup Calcutta** guaranteed \$1000 starting pool. Tickets \$1

**Free Pool and Darts on Mondays**

**Keno & Tab Voucher** drawn Sat @5.30 for \$50 drink Voucher

**FREE WIFI** Ask the bar staff for details

**Happy Hour** 5-6pm Monday to Friday

**KLL Bistro**

- Club Sandwich and Chips \$12

**Beer of the Month**



**Fat Yak \$5 a bottle**