



NORTH WEST BAY GOLF CLUB

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"So the judge said I had to go to Driving School and I thought, 'How cool is that!', and here I am!"

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"Excellent swing! Beautiful form!
...too bad you missed the ball."

New Members

At the recent Board meeting, the following persons were accepted as members of our Club.

Leonard Lambeth

Paul McKibben

Luke Middleton

Chris Bowles

Please make them welcome.

New Chef

Yes, a chef. Our Club welcomes Abby Benton, who is taking over catering in our café.

Abby is replacing Cheri who has taken up full-time work and cannot continue providing excellent service to our members.

Thank you, Cheri.

Our Thanks and Gratitude

Thanks to the ladies for their sterling work cleaning the kitchen. A job well done.

The Men's Shed and Our Shed

The Kingston Men's Shed helped in the reconstruction of our cart shed.

Board member, Paul Chatterton, got to it and almost the next day after we lost our original shed had new iron supplied and cut to length ready for the reconstruction team.

Thanks Paul and the Kingston Men's Shed.

2019/2020 Membership Payments

Just a reminder that **as of October 1 this year, our Club will have only two payment options.**

The first is a direct payment of the full membership to the Club. A BSB and Account number will be on the invoice so you can transfer the payment.

If choosing this option, the Club prefers that you do not use B-Pay as this incurs additional costs to our club – money that could be used for improvements around the course instead of going to a financial institution.

The second is a monthly payment through Slice. Many Members are using this system already and the payment method is simple. Once set up, the payment recurs each month automatically.

Please note:

If fees are not paid within 30 days of their due date, the following will apply:

1. The member's Golfink number will be suspended;
2. Members will not be entitled to claim prizes from competitions;
3. A reminder notice will appear on the Booking Screen informing you of overdue fee's and until paid no access to Slice; and
4. The last resort would be the termination of Membership

It is important that your details are supplied before 15 October, so you do not miss the first month's payment and have an accumulation of payments for the second month.

News from the Ladies by Sue Symons

No report this month as Sue is on holidays.

Sue Symons

Men's Competition Results

Men's Monthly Medal Results: June

Congratulations to

Jonathon O'Brien 79-12-67 (Saturday)

Dave Muir 39 pts (Wednesday)

on your monthly medal wins.

Around the Club and Course

Club House Development Fund

At the last Board meeting, the Board decided to form a fundraising committee to develop a range of activities in support of the clubhouse development fund.

The types of activities will be quite broad and could include:

- ✚ Golf events such as Black Shirt Challenge, 3-ball Ambrose, gala days, corporate golf events, chip and putt challenges and others;
- ✚ Art or photographic exhibitions and auctions;
- ✚ Quiz and card nights;
- ✚ Car boot sales, raffles, cake and bake sales;
- ✚ Wine tours and taste nights;
- ✚ Engraved Tile/Plaque sales;
- ✚ Silent auctions and more.

The fundraising committee will be responsible for forming a calendar of events, organising individual activities, securing sponsorship for events, etc.

The Board is asking for help from our members.

How you can help...

There are several ways members can help with this project, such as:

- ✓ Actively participating in the activities;
- ✓ Assisting with the planning of activities;
- ✓ Providing viable ideas for fundraising activities;
- ✓ Buying or selling raffle tickets;
- ✓ Sponsoring activities or purchasing an engrave tile/plaque; or
- ✓ Introducing possible sponsors to the committee.

If you can assist by being a member of the planning committee, please make yourself known to the Board.

Every bit of assistance, large or small, will help our Club with our future clubhouse.

Building Fund Activities

Photograph Raffle

The ladies currently have a raffle running for a framed photograph of a White Faced Grey Heron.

Tickets are \$5 each, and the raffle will be drawn during the Barclay Shield Day on 23 September.

Don't miss your chance at winning.

Black Shirt Challenge

North West Bay Golf Club, on the slope ratings, is the 4th hardest club golf course in Tasmania. However, just how HARD can the course be.

Are you willing to find out?

On Sunday 11 August (shotgun start at 10:30), our club will host the inaugural Black Shirt Challenge.

On this day, the tees will be set as far back as possible and the holes will be in some of the most challenging positions.

The challenge is to beat par on your handicap for the course rating of 130.

The entry fee is \$25 for club members and \$35 for members of other clubs.

The prizes are:

Best gross: \$200 voucher

Best Nett: \$200 voucher.

Also, every player who beats the par 72 or 37 points stableford on handicap will score a Black polo shirt signifying the Black Shirt Comp.

Quiz Night

Early notice: On Wednesday 4 September, our Club will be hosting a quiz night with all profits going into the club's building fund.

More details will be provided in future Newsletters.

So, put it into your diary and brush up on the trivia and general knowledge and get ready to rock.

Other Events Coming Soon

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|---------|------------------------|
| 14 Sept | Corporate Golf Day |
| 18 Oct | Steak and Shiraz Night |
| 4 Nov | Bon Fire Night |
| 11 Dec | Christmas Function |

Put these dates into your calendar to support the building fundraising activities.

More information soon.

Junior Golf

Do you know any children aged between 6 and 14 years who want to try golf?

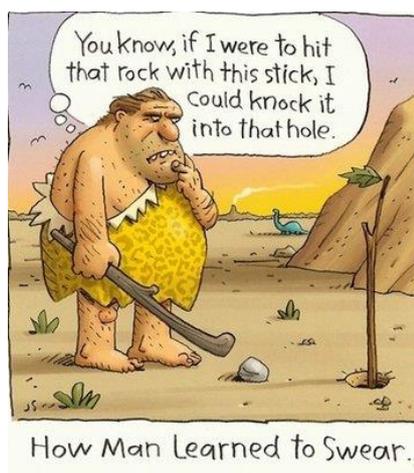
If you do, our club is a registered Golf Australia MyGolf Centre and we offer lessons each Sunday afternoon.

Lessons for beginners is between 1:30 and 2:15 and for more advanced players between 2:30 and 4:30.

The beginners class uses games to develop the fundamental skills for hitting, chipping and putting. The advanced class will continue to allow children to develop their skills as well as allowing them onto the course to play a few holes.

The cost for the classes is only \$10, which is the Golf Australia registration fee payable at the beginning of each school term. No additional fees apply. All equipment is provided.

The instructor is Neil Sorensen, who is a certified Golf Australia and PGA instructor.



In Profile

In each of our newsletter, we will be profiling some of our long-serving members and our valued sponsors.

In this edition, we honour Voila Southorn and Brett Johns.

Voila Southorn



Born in 1925, Voila is a sports-minded person who found a love of golf, when introduced to the game by Mrs Toogood. And while she may not be actively playing these days, she still is involved in golf at North West Bay as host of the Cyril Southorn Cup, an annual event recognising Cyril as the first greenkeeper at North West Bay and his work to develop the course. As part of the day's competition, the Southorns also conduct their own family competition for the Cyril Southorn Trophy. And yes, the competition for the trophy is hotly contested and the boasting, I am sure goes well into the night.

In 1965, Voila began her golfing interests at the new North West Bay Golf Course and was a very active golfer. In those early days at North West Bay, she recounted, "There was no clubhouse, you just parked the car and played. I was always immaculately dressed and never had a full set of clubs".

Voila has played golf in all States except Western Australia. She said she was capable of playing in most competitions. While Voila enjoyed several golf competition wins, her passion was just playing the game. Her husband, Cyril, said to Voila after buying a pair of golf shoes, "You are always in them because you are always on the course".

In 1967, Voila was a founding member of the club and attended the Club's first AGM. She had served 18

years on the Committee including as President (1971 / 72), Captain (1974 / 75), Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. In 1972 she also started the North West Bay Garden Club.

Voila's contribution to the development of our Club was recognised when she was awarded life membership in 1996.

Brett Johns



Brett Johns is a very accomplished golfer who is the 1987 Australian Amateur Champion as well as the Tasmanian Amateur Champion in 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987, 1990 and 1992.

Brett has Captained the Tasmanian Junior and Senior teams and was selected in every Tasmanian team when he had been available to play. He represented Australia at international level. He was a consistent leader in Ashbarry and Toogood Trophies.

Brett has been a great ambassador for North West Bay and our Club conferred life membership to Brett in 1988.

In support of our Club members, Brett offers individual golf instruction at a significantly reduced rate of \$250 for ten half-hour lessons.

Optimism

*Between the optimist and the pessimist
the difference is droll.*

*The optimist sees the donut and
the pessimist sees the hole.*

Robert Louis Stevensen

Chaplains Corner

THE GREATEST GAME:

"Golf is deceptively simple and endlessly complicated.

A child can play it well, and a grown man never master it.

Any single round of it is full of unexpected triumphs and seemingly perfect shots that end in disaster.

It is almost a science, yet it is a puzzle without an answer. It is gratifying and tantalising, precise and unpredictable.

It requires complete concentration and total relaxation.

It satisfies the soul and frustrates the intellect.

It is at the same time rewarding and maddening – and it is, without a doubt, the greatest game mankind has ever invented.

(Anonymous)

Bill Graham, the famous evangelist said.: “I never pray on a Golf Course. Actually, the Lord answers my prayers everywhere except on the Course.”

As for me, I regularly pray wherever I am, and that includes the Golf Course.

However, my prayers do get answers not always as I had hoped or expected.

When awarded my trophy for a hole in one, the Captain was heard to say; “I am not sure whether We should give you this award, Chaplain, as we suspect you had outside assistance.”

At the time, I did not deny that point.

Stay on the fairway

Chaplain Peter.

Golf Rules: Abnormal Ground Conditions

Recently, a member asked a question about whether relief was possible when someone was standing on ground which had been dug by a rabbit.

The answer is yes. Free relief is allowed from interference by animal holes when:

- The player’s ball touches or is in or on an abnormal course condition;
- The abnormal ground condition physically interferes with the player’s area of intended stance; i.e. the position of a player’s feet and body in preparing for and making a stroke; and
- The area of the intended swing is affected by the abnormal condition.

Relief is allowed anywhere on the course except when the ball is in a penalty area. However, relief may be taken if the animal diggings are in a bunker, but the free relief must be in the bunker.

An abnormal ground condition is any hole dug in the ground by an animal, except for holes dug by animals that are also defined as loose impediments (such as worms or insects)

No relief is possible when it is clearly unreasonable to play the ball because of something other than an abnormal course condition. This includes:

- When a player is standing in temporary water. Any temporary accumulation of water on the surface of the ground (such as puddle from rain or irrigation or an overflow from a body of water)
- An immovable obstruction which would not allow the player to make a stroke, e.g. because of where the ball lies in a bush, or
- When interference exists only because a player chooses a club, type of stance. The position of a player’s feet and body in preparing for and making a stroke. or swing or direction of play that is unreasonable under the circumstances.

No relief is available if the abnormal ground conditions affect the line of sight.

Please refer to Rule 16 for full details.

Please note: Ground Under Repair and Temporary or Casual Water are covered in different rules.

Golf Quotes

- 🚩 Drive for show, Putt for dough, Shank for comic relief.
 - 🚩 Golf is a game where the ball lies poorly, and the players....well!
 - 🚩 Real golfers know how to count over five when they have a bad hole.
 - 🚩 Real golfers don't miss putts; they get robbed.
 - 🚩 In golf as in life, it's the follow through that makes the difference.
 - 🚩 Golf is an easy game... it's just hard to play.
 - 🚩 Real golfers don't cry when they line up their fourth putt.
 - 🚩 If there is any larceny in man, golf will bring it out.
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