



Pictured | Early morning sunlight filtering across the 6th putting surface.

AUGUST 2024

For the first time since way back in February the course was open for the entire month. With an early dose of Spring to close out August, hopefully this weather trend will continue!

Whilst rain disrupted the Ambrose Championships, our Bob Murphy Cup (2BBB Championships) were completed seeing our first set of champions crowned for 2024. Congratulations to our winners, Paul Monaghan & Wayne Stedman!

The action on the course continues throughout September with a busy calendar of events, including the rescheduled Ambrose Championships Final Round, the Men's Singles Match Play Championships, the 2024 Paterson Open & the PGA Scramble (4-Person Ambrose) in addition to our regular programming.

Thank you to our hard working volunteers who have been on the course preparing greens, fairways & tee boxes as we move into the growing season.





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30 LADIES COMP SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM						1 SOCIAL PLAY AVAILABLE ALL DAY
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9 LADIES COMP SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	10 VETS COMP STABLEFORD SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	11 SOCIAL PLAY AVAILABLE ALL DAY	12 LADIES COMP SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	13 SOCIAL PLAY AVAILABLE ALL DAY	14 OPEN COMP STROKE SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	15 2024 PATERSON OPEN 8AM SHOTGUN START SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 1PM
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23 LADIES COMP SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	24 VETS COMP STROKE & CLUB CHAMPS 1ST RD SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	25 SOCIAL PLAY AVAILABLE ALL DAY	26 LADIES COMP SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	27 SOCIAL PLAY AVAILABLE ALL DAY	28 OPEN COMP STABLEFORD SOCIAL PLAY AFTER 11AM	29 SOCIAL PLAY AVAILABLE ALL DAY

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MONTHLY MEDAL AUGUST

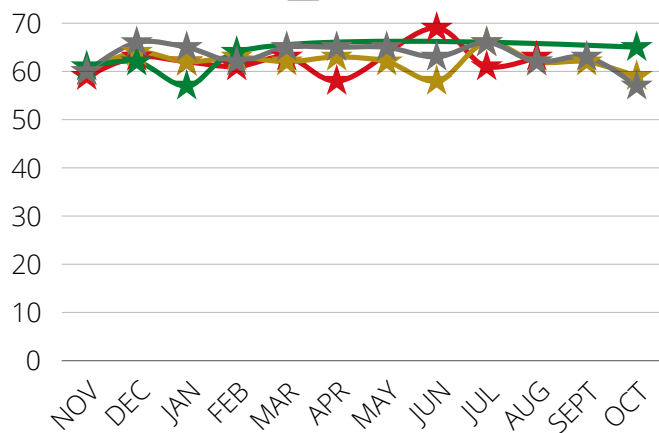
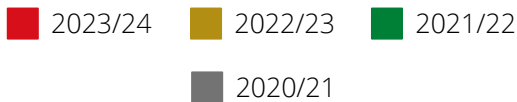


Congratulations to **Michael Shanley** for claiming the **August Monthly Medal** with a score of **63 Nett**, which included 3 birdies on the par 4 2nd & par 3 14th & 18th.

Michael claimed the medal by 1 shot ahead of Rigby Vane-Wood who carded 64 Nett.

Our next **Monthly Medal** is scheduled for Saturday 14th September.

MONTHLY MEDAL SEASONAL SCORES COMPARISON



Each **Monthly Medal** winner throughout the **2023 / 2024 Season** automatically qualifies for the annual **Tom Goodman Medal** held during the Final Round of the 2024 Club Championships.

The player who shoots the lowest nett round during the Final Round of Club Championships is declared the Tom Goodman Medal winner for the season.

AUGUST MONTHLY MEDAL WINNER

MICHAEL SHANLEY | **63 NETT**

SATURDAY 3RD AUGUST

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2023/2024 TOM GOODMAN MEDAL PLAYOFF QUALIFIERS

2023 / 2024 TOM GOODMAN MEDAL PLAYOFF QUALIFIERS

4TH NOVEMBER 2023 GREG SAINSBURY 59 NETT	2ND DECEMBER 2023 ALLAN MCKINNON 63 NETT	6TH JANUARY 2024 STEPHEN PILGRIM 62 NETT
3RD FEBRUARY 2024 RIGBY VANE-WOOD 61 NETT	2ND MARCH 2024 PAUL MONAGHAN 63 NETT	20TH APRIL 2024 NICK HOWELL 58 NETT
4TH MAY 2024 X	15TH JUNE 2024 PAUL HOWELL 69 NETT	20TH JULY 2024 JAMES COWLED 61 NETT
3RD AUGUST 2024 MICHAEL SHANLEY 63 NETT	14TH SEPTEMBER 2024 ?	5TH OCTOBER 2024 ?

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Pictured | The ladies 12th tee with new growth progressing.

CLUBHOUSE REPORT

with Paterson GC Committee



Annual General Meeting Reminder

Our Annual General Meeting is scheduled for **Saturday 7th September** (12pm). Members are strongly encouraged to attend. All committee positions will be declared vacant & open to members who wish to nominate.

Course Update

The greens were scarified & fertilised late in the month & they will continue to improve with the warmer weather kicking them into Spring. The greens are currently being cut tightly at 3mm & they are rolling nicely.

Machinery Work

Works have been completed to upgrade our other Toro greens mower which allows a back-up mower should any issues occur & for two mowers to operate prior to competition play which avoids an early start for our volunteers. Thank you to Brian Mowle & David Singles for your work on this project!

Tee Box Seeding

The 6th tee & the upgraded ladies 12th tee have been seeded throughout the month with germination now in full swing thanks to some favourable weather conditions.

Course Renovations (October) | Our bi-annual course renovations are scheduled for **Sunday 27th October**. Previously our renovations have been completed midweek, which limits the availability of volunteers within the club. The move to a weekend is intended to allow for more members being able to assist. A complimentary BBQ lunch will be provided on the day for anyone members who can help out; many hands make light work.

Members Jackpot Draw Revamp | As forecast in the [May Edition](#), the committee have reviewed & implemented a new process for the Saturday Competition Members Draw. Largely, the same conditions will apply, however, once the jackpot reaches \$300 & the competition field has 10 or more players participating, balls will be drawn until a winner is picked. If the player is in the top 50% of the field they take home the full value, if they are in the bottom 50% they take home half of the money & the remainder carries forward to the next draw. Draws completed prior to reaching the \$300 value will be completed as usual following each weekly Saturday competition.

Male Club Championships (Seeded Groups) | Ahead of our Male Club Championships scheduled for October, please be advised the committee have formally adopted the following policy with respect to the Final Round *Seeded Groups*.

The top 4 ranked players (overall scratch scores) following the completion of the 2nd Round will be allocated a position in the *below* Seeded Group timeslots for the Final Round. These timeslots have been reserved & qualifying players will be automatically allocated.

8:20am | C-Grade Scratch Top 4

8:28am | B-Grade Scratch Top 4

8:36am | A-Grade Scratch Top 4

The Seeded Groups were previously established to add prestige to the Club Championships & to ensure a competitive tournament atmosphere, including provisions for a Play-Off in the event of tied scores. Should a player decline participation in a Seeded Group, they will not be eligible to win any associated Club Championship title or prizes.

Where a player withdraws, the next highest ranked player will be moved into the *Seeded Group*.

Whilst we understand players may prefer playing with their regular partners, given the significance of the Club Championships, eligible participants must adhere to the Seeded Group format to maintain the integrity and competitive standard of the event.

Players who require motorised transport during play are advised to consider alternative options should they not own their own cart.
















AUGUST RESULTS UPDATE



Pictured | Divisional stableford winners Paul Langley (l) & Paul Monaghan (r) from the competition held on August 31st.

August Competition Results Open	
3rd August Individual Stroke Field 32 	Division 1 Winner Rigby Vane-Wood (9) 64 Nett Division 2 Winner  Michael Shanley (20) 63 Nett
10th August 2-Person Ambrose Championships 1st Round Field 42 	Winners Brodie Thackeray & Ramsey Vane-Wood (5) 54.30 Nett Runners Up Darren Mathers & Anthony Wilkinson (8) 55.80 Nett
17th August 2-Person Ambrose Keno Qualifier Field 18 	Winners Buck Campbell & Robert Richardson (12) 59.50 Nett Runners Up Christopher Burg & Brian Wright (9) 61.00 Nett
24th August Individual Stableford & 2BBB Championships 1st Round Field 35 	Division 1 Winner Benjamin Curry (7) [Wyong] 37 Points Division 2 Winner Michael Dobosz (23) 33 Points
31st August Individual Stableford & 2BBB Championships 1st Round Field 38 	Division 1 Winner Paul Monaghan (7) 44 Points Division 2 Winner Paul Langley (16) 38 Points

August Competition Results Veterans	
6th August Individual Stroke Field 13 	Nett Winner  Michael Croucher (20) 68 Nett Gross Winner Tony Moore (11) 81 Gross
20th August Individual Stroke Field 16 	Nett Winner  Paul Monaghan (7) 66 Nett Gross Winner Tony Moore (11) 70 Gross
27th August Last Man Standing Field 15 	Winner Stuart Heathwood (16) Runner Up Tony Moore (11)

ECLECTIC RESULTS





2024 BOB MURPHY CUP 2BBB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to both **Paul Monaghan & Wayne Stedman** who claimed the **2024 Bob Murphy Cup (2BBB Championships)**!

The leaderboard was tightly packed across both rounds with the duo sitting only a point behind the 1st Round leaders with a combined total of 41 points.

A Final Round score of 46 points was just enough to claim the title via a countback over Runners Up Phillip Watson & Stephen Watson who reached the total of 87 points across both weeks of play.

Thanks to all our Members for their support of the Championships!



2024 2-PERSON AMBROSE CHAMPIONSHIPS UPDATE & KENO QUALIFIER RESULTS

Our **2-Person Ambrose Championships** had one round of play completed in August before being disrupted by rain for the Final Round, which has been rescheduled to 7th September.

Brodie Thackeray & Ramsey Vane-Wood currently sit in the lead by 1 shot ahead of Darren Mathers & Anthony Wilkinson which sets up for an exciting Final Round with a large percentage of the field still in the mix.

Bookings are essential for the Final Round (7:30am shotgun start), secure your tee time via the [Tee Time Booking Portal](#). If you need assistance view the [Help Guide](#) or contact us via [email](#).

Keno Ambrose Qualifier

Our Keno Ambrose Qualifier was completed on August 17th with a limited field due to cart restrictions.

Congratulations to Buck Campbell & Robert Richardson who have qualified for the Keno Ambrose Regional Final after shooting a solid 59.50 nett score. The next stage is scheduled at Merewether Golf Club on October 20th. Best of luck to Buck & Robert!

CHAMPIONSHIPS BOOKINGS

POS	PLAYERS	HCP	1ST RD	FINAL RD	TOTAL
1ST	Brodie THACKERAY Ramsey VANE-WOOD	5	54.30	-	54.30
2ND	Darren MATHERS Anthony WILKINSON	8	55.80	-	55.80
3RD	Peter GRIFFIN Paul LANGLEY	8	58.80	-	58.80
4TH	Greg KELLNER Greg SCOTT	6	60.50	-	60.50
5TH	Paul GEDDES Mick MIRISCH	6	61.00	-	61.00
6TH	Phillip WATSON Stephen WATSON	10	61.50	-	61.50





2024 PATERSON OPEN



The **2024 Paterson Open**, presented by Paterson Golf Club, will take place in mid September & the event has sold out for the second consecutive year!

Key details are included *below*:

Date | Sunday 15th September

Tee Times | 8:00am Shotgun Start; **Cost** | Members & Visitors - \$30

Bookings | Contact us via [email](#) to be placed on the waitlist if any spots become available.
\$1500 in Prizes!

Thanks again to Marcus Ryter's Branxton Pro Shop for their sponsorship of the event.

Volunteers would be appreciated on the day to assist with preparing the course, registrations, as well as running our barbeque & bar; if you are able to assist please let Wayne, James or Ramsey know.

All the latest information will be available via our website, social media & members included in our email database distribution lists (*visit our website to sign up if you wish to receive correspondence direct to your inbox*).

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2024 PATERSON OPEN
SUN 15TH SEPT | \$1500 PRIZE POOL

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STROKE & HANDICAP
DIVISION 1 (0-15) & DIVISION 2 (16+)

8:00AM
SHOTGUN START

BOOKINGS VIA WEBSITE | FROM 15-AUG

MEMBERS & VISITORS \$30

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THE PGA SCRAMBLE

The PGA Scramble has been **rescheduled** again & hopefully the Spring weather will be more favourable than our previous attempts this year.

Updated details are *below*. We require a minimum of 48 players / 12 teams for the event to proceed; please book in advance via the registration button or visit our [website](#) & follow the prompts.

Date | Saturday 22nd September

Time | 8:30am shotgun start

Format | 4-Person Mixed Ambrose Scramble, play in groups of 8.

Cost | \$50pp*

**includes BBQ Breakfast, 6 Callaway Golf Balls & a chance to win a share of \$1700 worth of prizes!*

1st Prize | Callaway Putter & Advance to Regional Final (Monday 30th September at Pacific Dunes)

2nd Prize | Callaway Umbrella

3rd Prize | Callaway Hat

Plus Nearest the Pin & Long Drive prizes!

[REGISTER HERE](#)



SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

**PGA SCRAMBLE
4-PERSON MIXED AMBROSE**

Enter Now!

**8:30AM SHOTGUN START
BBQ BREAKFAST INCLUDED
\$1700 WORTH OF PRIZES**



**The
Scramble**





PATERSON CUP | JUL > SEPT

James Cowled has maintained his lead from July with 5 scheduled rounds remaining in the third installment of the quarterly Paterson Cup after accumulating a total of 121 points throughout August. Stephen Watson sits in second place only 2 points behind, whilst Paul Langley collected the most points during August with a total of 156 to climb into 5th position overall.

The Paterson Cup continues throughout 2024 & operates across 4 segments throughout January-March, April-June, July-September & October-December.

Points will be allocated to Members who participate in Saturday / Open Competitions throughout each period based on their ranking in each competition. Bonus points valued at 10, 5 & 2 are applied to the top 3 ranked players after each competition. To view the full leader board visit our [website](#).

PATERSON CUP STANDINGS



2024 MEN'S SINGLES MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The **Men's Singles Match Play Championships** has been rescheduled & will take place throughout September, October & November. Dates have been slightly adjusted to accommodate the 2-Person Ambrose Championships Final Round, with dates moving a week forward.

Registrations are open for the 2024 Championships & close by Saturday 7th September. Match ups will be confirmed with rounds scheduled as below:

- Qualifiers*** | Saturday 14th September
- 1st Round** | Saturday 21st September
- Quarter Finals** | Saturday 28th September
- Semi-Finals** | Saturday 26th October
- Final** | Saturday 23rd November

**The top 16 scores recorded during the Stroke competition (nett) will advance to the 1st Round of the Match Play Championships. Players who do not participate in the qualifier will not advance to the 1st Round.*

Matches must be completed in line with the above schedule (subject to weather or advice from the committee).



PATERSON CUP STANDINGS

AUGUST 2024

POS	NAME	JUL	AUG	SEP	PTS
- 1ST	James COWLED	47	121	0	168
▲ 2ND	Stephen WATSON	24	142	0	166
▲ 3RD	Paul MONAGHAN	23	141	0	164
▼ 4TH	Rigby VANE-WOOD	42	119	0	161
▲ 5TH	Paul LANGLEY	0	156	0	156
▲ 6TH	Michael SHANLEY	23	133	0	156

2024 MEN'S SINGLES MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

SEPTEMBER > NOVEMBER

QUALIFIERS
SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

1ST ROUND
SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

QUARTER FINALS
SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

SEMI FINALS
SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER

FINAL*
SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

*FINAL DATE TBC
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SEPTEMBER WEATHER FORECAST



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In Paterson, NSW, the weather for September 2024 is expected to be quite typical for spring in the region. Daytime temperatures will generally range between 17°C and 25°C, with nighttime lows around 7°C to 14°C.

Rainfall is anticipated to be above average, particularly in the eastern parts of New South Wales, contributing to a wetter-than-usual spring.

There is a significant chance of showers and occasional thunderstorms throughout the month, especially as the weather transitions from winter to spring. It's also worth noting that some days could be warmer than usual due to a higher likelihood of above-average temperatures.

Information sourced: 1st September.



September 2024							DAILY →
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
29° 14°	27° 6°	22° 5°	25° 9°	29° 11°	27° 11°	29° 12°	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
23° 8°	23° 8°	23° 8°	24° 10°	22° 9°	24° 10°	23° 10°	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
25° 10°	25° 10°	23° 10°	21° 11°	21° 10°	22° 10°	25° 11°	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
26° 11°	21° 10°	20° 11°	22° 11°	22° 11°	22° 11°	25° 10°	
29	30	1	2	3	4	5	
24° 10°	26° 12°	24° 12°	26° 11°	27° 12°	24° 12°	23° 10°	

weatherzone^o

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		03/09	04/09	05/09	06/09	07/09
		0-1 mm	0-1 mm	0-1 mm	0-1 mm	0-1 mm
08/09	09/09	10/09	11/09	12/09	13/09	14/09
0-1 mm	0-1 mm	0-1 mm	0-1 mm	1-5 mm	1-5 mm	1-5 mm
15/09	16/09	17/09	18/09	19/09	20/09	21/09
1-5 mm	0 mm	0 mm	0-1 mm	0 mm	0 mm	0-2 mm
22/09	23/09	24/09	25/09	26/09	27/09	28/09
0-2 mm	0 mm	0-1 mm	0-1 mm	0-3 mm	0-1 mm	0 mm
29/09	30/09					
0-1 mm	0-2 mm					

Sourced from [AccuWeather](#) as at 1st September.

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UNDER PAR COUNT

Throughout the August Saturday Competitions, **165 rounds** were lodged, with players scoring a total of **77 birdies, 1 eagle & 1 hole in one**. A full month of golf allowed for plenty of birdies, particularly with Ambrose play. Paul Monaghan lead the count with 5 birdies & an ace throughout the month!

The par 11th was dominated with a total of 13 birdies throughout the month followed by the par 3 1st & par 4 15th which accepted 8 each including an eagle on the 15th. 3 holes including the par 4 3rd & 13th as well as the par 3 16th all went without a birdie.

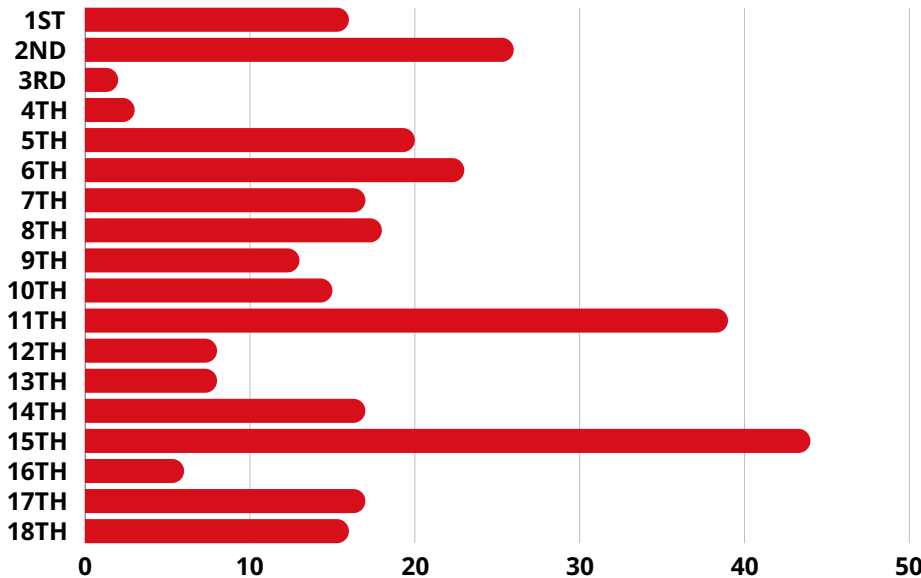
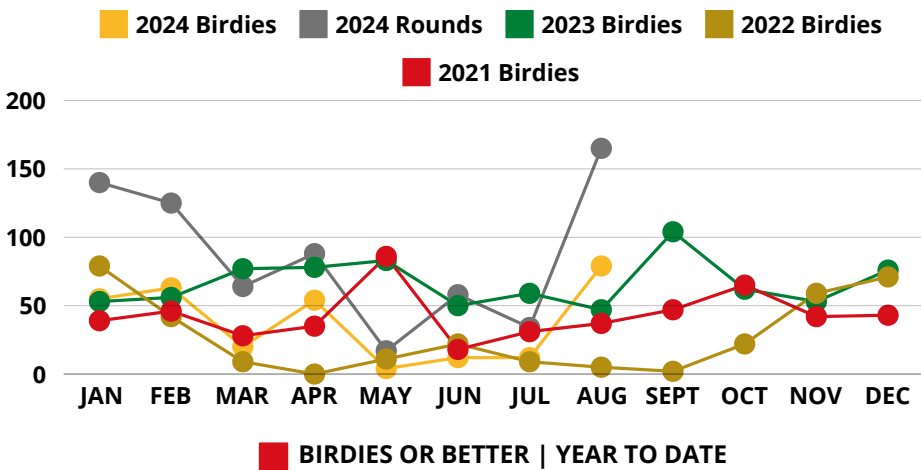
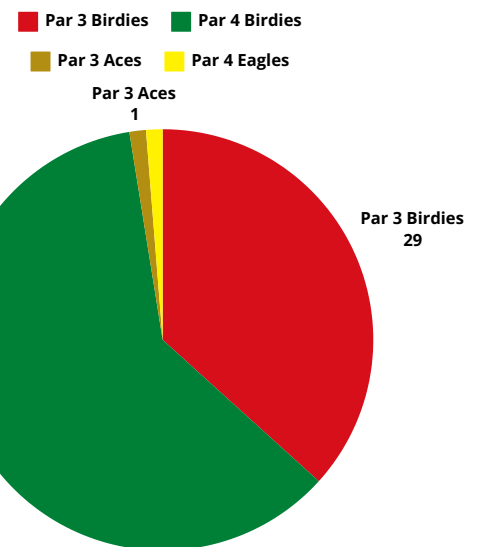
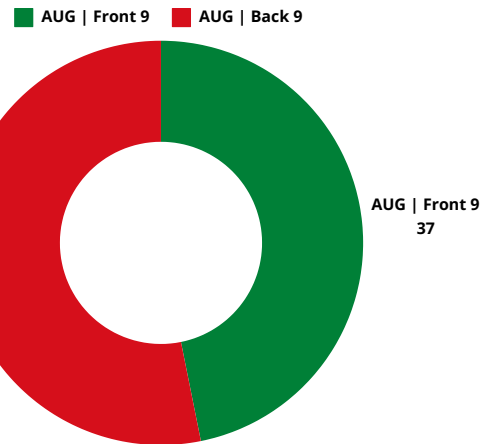
The front 9 v back 9 was a tight affair with the back 9 just ahead whilst the par 4s were heavily favoured in comparison to the par 3s.

- 3rd Aug | 12 birdies, 32 players
- 10th Aug* | 23 birdies, 1 eagle, 42 players
- 17th Aug* | 12 birdies, 18 players
- 24th Aug | 9 birdies, 35 players
- 31st Aug | 21 birdies, 1 hole in one, 38 players
- *Ambrose rounds (birdies counted but not attributed to individuals)

Members Eagles Nest | The nest was raided on two occasions throughout August, with 3 balls claimed each time. Brodie Thackeray picked up an eagle on August 10th on the par 4, 15th & then Paul Monaghan holed an ace on the par 3 7th to record his first career hole in one with the celebrations continuing late into the evening. Congratulations, Mono!



Pictured | Eagles Nest raiders; Paul Monaghan (l) who had an Ace on Aug 31st & also led the birdie count as well as Brodie Thackeray (r) who had an eagle on Aug 10th.





2024/2025 MEMBERSHIP PACKAGES

2024/2025 Membership remain on sale. Please note, existing members who have not made payment for the current season will no longer be eligible to participate in competitions or have access to our Booking Portal. Existing members can still rejoin, however, please allow time for your membership to be reprocessed.

In the graphic (right) our 2024/2025 Membership categories are displayed; Paterson Golf Club offers some of the most competitive & affordable membership across the Hunter region. Join today & start to enjoy the benefits this great country club has to offer!

Membership has been increased from \$280 to \$300 (Standard Membership Fee) & from \$450 to \$480 (Gold Membership Fee) annually following due consideration by the committee.

The Membership fees collected by Paterson Golf Club are distributed into several different streams, which include Golf Australia (National Body) & Golf NSW (State Body) allowing Members to enjoy the benefits of the national GolfLINK system which manages your handicap. Affiliation fees are also forwarded for each Member to the Hunter River District Golf Association (District Body) which provides opportunities for Members to participate in District events, including the District Championships (individual & team), Order of Merit & also into the Pennants Series across multiple grades.

Paterson Golf Club retains the remaining fees which are used across the club to fund activities on the course including machinery maintenance, as well as the other ongoing costs such as chemicals, fuel, electricity, water & our competition management software.

Paterson Golf Club remains committed to providing an affordable membership for Members whilst ensuring the rising costs of managing a golf course are maintained.

Please do not hesitate to [email](#) the club or speak with one of our Committee Members if you need any further information surrounding your Membership.



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RULES OF GOLF: UNPLAYABLE BALL IN BUNKER

Via *Golf Monthly*

Unplayable ball in bunker? Jeremy Ellwood looks at what you can and can't do if you decide it would be impossible or unwise to attempt to play it.

While many golfers are eager to have a go at the ball regardless of where or how it is lying, there may come a time when you face a bunker lie that is pretty much unplayable.

Maybe it's so close to a steep face that you just can't get a stance; maybe it's right under an overhanging lip and there's no way of getting the ball up and out; or maybe it's right at the back edge with virtually no chance of getting the club to the back of the ball however steeply you pick it up on the backswing.

As elsewhere on the course, you as the player are the sole judge as to whether you wish to declare your ball unplayable if you believe that's the most prudent option to avoid racking up a potentially card-destroying number. Rule 19.3 covers unplayable balls in bunkers and, in essence, your three options for dropping under penalty of one shot are the same as they would be elsewhere on the course. Your first option is to go back to where you hit the previous shot and play again under penalty of stroke and distance. Perhaps crucially sometimes, this is your only option to drop outside the bunker for just a one-shot penalty (although you might still be in another bunker if the original shot was played from one!).

You could also decide to drop within two club-lengths of where the ball is lying in the bunker no nearer the hole, but if you go for this option you must drop within the bunker, again under penalty of one stroke.

The third option is to keep the original position of the ball in line between you and the flag, and take back-on-the-line relief by choosing a reference point any distance behind the point where the ball is lying for a one-stroke penalty. From 2023, you must actually drop on that line, with the spot on the line where the ball first touches the ground when dropped creating a relief area that is now one club-length in any direction from that point.

With both the two club-lengths and back-on-a-line options, it's worth factoring in the likelihood of your ball potentially plugging in soft sand even when dropped from only knee height.

Finally, there is a further option, which although coming at a cost of two penalty shots, crucially allows you to drop back on a line between the flag and the original position of the ball as far as you like **outside** the bunker.

Only you can decide if the extra penalty shot is worth it and, while it's unlikely to be commonly used, it could just be your best option if bunkers are a real problem for you and the other three options don't appeal for various reasons – perhaps you would have to play over water again from a long way out under stroke and distance, or the sand is particularly soft and any ball dropped in it from any height could plug badly.





HUNTER RIVER DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION

2024 MEN'S FIXTURES VIA HRDGA

HUNTER RIVER DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION 2024 FIXTURES LIST

DATE	EVENT	VENUE
Sunday, 21 January 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 28 January 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 4 February 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 11 February 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 18 February 2024	TPS Professional Tournament	Cypress Lakes
Sunday, 25 February 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 3 March 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 10 March 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 17 March 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 24 March 2024	Pennants	See pennant Draw
Sunday, 31 March 2024		EASTER WEEKEND
Sunday, 7 April 2024		
Sunday, 14 April 2024	ABERDEEN OPEN	
Sunday, 21 April 2024	DENMAN OPEN	
Sunday, 28 April 2024	SCONE OPEN	
Sunday, 5 May 2024	Mothers Day	
Sunday, 12 May 2024		
Sunday, 19 May 2024	MIXED AMBROSE CHAMPIONSHIPS	ABERDEEN
Sunday, 26 May 2024	SINGLETON OPEN	
Sunday, 2 June 2024	SAND GREENS CHAMPIONSHIP	MURRURUNDI
Sunday, 9 June 2024		QUEEN B'DAY WEEKEND
Saturday, 15 June 2024		
Sunday, 16 June 2024	BRANXTON OPEN	
Sunday, 23 June 2024	AMBROSE PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP	MUSWELLBROOK
Sunday, 30 June 2024	Hunter River vs Central Coast	TOUKLEY
Sunday, 7 July 2024	MURRURUNDI OPEN	
Sunday, 14 July 2024	AMBROSE FOURS CHAMPIONSHIP	MAITLAND
Sunday, 21 July 2024	Hunter River vs Newcastle	MURRURUNDI
Sunday, 28 July 2024	MERRIWA OPEN	
Sunday, 4 August 2024	SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP	BRANXTON
Saturday, 10 August 2024	REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	GOSFORD
Sunday, 11 August 2024	REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	WYONG
Sunday, 18 August 2024		
Sunday, 25 August 2024	MUSWELLBROOK OPEN	
Sunday, 1 September 2024	Fathers Day	
Sunday, 8 September 2024	A Grade, B Grade, C Grade CHAMPIONSHIPS	KURRI
Saturday, 14 September 2024	Junior Four Way Representative Match	TBA
Sunday, 15 September 2024	Junior Four Way Representative Match	TBA
Sunday, 15 September 2024	PATERSON OPEN	
Sunday, 22 September 2024	STROUD OPEN	
Saturday, 28 September 2024	MAITLAND OPEN (Spring Medal)	LABOUR DAY WEEKEND
Sunday, 29 September 2024		WEEKEND
Sunday, 6 October 2024	OCTOBER - Club Championships Month	
Sunday, 13 October 2024		
Sunday, 20 October 2024		
Sunday, 27 October 2024		
Sunday, 3 November 2024	DUNOGG OPEN	
Saturday, 9 November 2024	COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS _ Weekend	TBA
Sunday, 10 November 2024	COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS _ Weekend	TBA
Sunday, 17 November 2024	KURRI OPEN	
Sunday, 24 November 2024		

For Golf NSW events go to www.golfnsw.org/golf-box#/customer/1012/schedule

For Jack Newton Foundation Events go to www.jnfg.com.au/tournaments/calendar





HUNTER RIVER DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION

2024 WOMEN'S FIXTURES VIA HRDGA



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2024 HRDGA Calendar - LADIES GOLF EVENTS

	DATE	EVENT	COURSE
FEBRUARY	Monday, 26 February 2024	Ladies Pennants Round 1	The Vintage GC
MARCH	Monday, 4 March 2024	Ladies Pennants Round 2	Cypress Lakes GC
	Monday, 11 March 2024	Upper Hunter Vets Week of Golf	Muswellbrook GC
	Monday, 18 March 2024	Ladies Pennants Round 3	Singleton GC
	Monday, 25 March 2024	Ladies Pennants Round 4	Hunter Valley GC
APRIL	Monday, 8 April 2024	Ladies Pennants Round 5	Scone GC
	Wednesday, 10 April 2024	ABERDEEN Ladies Open Day	Aberdeen GC
	Monday, 15 April 2024	Ladies Pennants Round 6	Kurri GC
	Monday, 22 April 2024	Ladies Pennants Round 7	Muswellbrook GC
	Tuesday, 30 April 2024	HRDGA Ladies 9 Hole District Championship	Singleton GC
	Tuesday, 30 April 2024	District Clubs - Ladies Captain's & Reps meeting 1 for 2024	Singleton GC. 3:30 pm
MAY	Friday, 3 May 2024	COUNTRY CUP - HRDGA v NHDLGA	Tanilba Bay GC
	Monday, 6 May 2024	BRANXTON Ladies Open Day	Branxton GC
	Thursday, 9 May 2024	SCONE Ladies Open Day	Scone GC
	Monday, 20 May 2024	HRDGA DISTRICT TOURNAMENT: Singles Championship	Cypress Lakes GC
	Tuesday, 21 May 2024	HRDGA DISTRICT TOURNAMENT: Ladies Foursomes Championship	The Vintage GC
	Monday, 27 May 2024	DUNGOG Ladies Open Day	Dungog GC
JUNE	Sunday, 2 June 2024	HRDGA Mens and Ladies Sandgreens Championships	Murrurundi GC
	Monday, 3 June 2024	MUSWELLBROOK Ladies Open Day	Muswellbrook GC
	Monday, 17 June 2024	CYPRESS LAKES Ladies Open Day	Cypress Lakes GC
AUGUST	Tuesday, 6 August 2024	SINGLETON Ladies Open Day	Singleton GC
	Saturday, 17 August 2024	MURRURUNDI Ladies Open Day	Murrurundi GC
SEPTEMBER	Tuesday, 3 September 2024	DENMAN Ladies Open Day	Denman GC
	Monday, 9 September 2024	KURRI Ladies Open Day	Kurri GC
	Wednesday, 18 September 2024	MERRIWA Ladies Open Day & Priscilla Event	Merriwa GC
OCTOBER	Friday, 11 October 2024	HRDGA v CCWDGA Interdistrict Matchplay	Singleton GC
	Friday, 18 October 2024	District Clubs - Ladies Captain's & Reps meeting 2 for 2024	Singleton GC
	Monday, 28 October 2024	HRDGA CHAMPIONS DAY 2024	Muswellbrook GC
NOVEMBER	Monday, 11 November 2024	HUNTER VALLEY GC Ladies Open Day	Hunter Valley GC
DECEMBER	Wednesday, 4 December 2024	GNSW Women's Medal - State Final	Stonecutters Ridge





2024 DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS



HRDGA DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

KURRI GOLF CLUB

ON SUNDAY, 8th September 2024

18 HOLES – SCRATCH (stroke) & HANDICAP (stableford)

A GRADE +10 to 9.4 GA

B GRADE 9.5 to 17.4 GA

C GRADE 17.5 to 36 GA

Including
Junior Champion (under 18 years)

ENTRY FEE: \$30 PER PLAYER

ENTRY FEE TO BE PAID TO THE STARTER ON THE DAY

CASH ONLY

ENTER NOW - 3 ways to Enter

Online Entries – www.hrdga.com.au

Email Entries to captain@hrdga.com.au

Text Entries to HRDGA Captain – 0413 899614

Send: Names and Golf Link Numbers

Enter as an individual, 2 players or as a group of 4
Just let us know

***** ENTRIES CLOSE 4th September 2024 *****

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2024 STROUD OPEN

STROUD OPEN GOLF DAY

SUNDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2024

A B C GRADES

PRIZES TO WINNERS & RUNNERS UP ALL
GRADES

BREAKFAST FROM 7.30
TEE OFF 8.30

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ENTRY FEE \$40

BOOKINGS BY TEXT /ENQUIRIES 0428 025 046

Email: maidmarion289@gmail.com

STROUD COUNTRY CLUB. 02 49 945 264





2024 MEREWETHER CUP

THE MEREWETHER

**PETER JOHNSTON
MEREWETHER CUP**

Total Prizes over
\$2,000

**26 OCTOBER
2024**

MEREWETHER GOLF CLUB

- Club Members
- Non-Members - \$49

WIN PRIZE

- Overall Scratch & Nett
- 1st & Runner up in all grades
- Straightest Drive
- Nearest The Pins

AGENDA

- 7:00am Shotgun Start
- 12:30pm Shotgun Start

6:00pm Light snacks and presentation following play

Register Now
Registration Forms in proshop

NSW Vardon Event





2024

Short Course Championships

Karuah	21st April	manager@karuahgolfclub.com.au	0499 975693
Wingham	5th May	winghamgolf@bigpond.com	02 6553 4761
Harrington	18th August	hwgolfclubinc@gmail.com	02 65569404
Paterson	15th September	WEBSITE PORTAL WWW.PATERSONGOLFCLUB.COM	
Stroud	29th September	stroudgolfclub@iinet.net.au	02 49945264
Bulahdelah	13th October	bulahdelahgolf@bigpond.com	02 49974327
Gloucester	27th October	admin@gloucestercountryclub.com.au	02 6556 1602
Dungog	3rd November	dungoggolfclub@gmail.com	02 49921394

Peter Budden 0451 045 210 pcb@onepower.net.au

Let's keep these events strong for Darren





2024 GOLF NSW EVENTS



UPCOMING GOLF NSW EVENTS FOR MEN & WOMEN

JULY 2024 – DECEMBER 2024



JULY 4TH, 2024

WOMEN'S PEWTER PLATE

VENUES: Lakeside Golf Club Camden
GA HANDICAP LIMIT: 29.1 to 54.4
FORMAT: Club Team Aggregate Stableford
OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: OPEN NOW
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: June 9th, 2024
EVENT CONTACT: Jack Kessell

JULY 23RD, 2024

WOMEN'S CORONATION MEDAL

VENUE: Moore Park & Cromer Golf Clubs
GA HANDICAP LIMIT: Plus to 20.0
FORMAT: Club Team Aggregate Stroke
OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: OPEN NOW
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: June 30th, 2024
EVENT CONTACT: Jack Kessell

AUGUST 20TH, 2024

WOMEN'S BRONZE MEDALLION

VENUE: Pymble Golf Club & Monash Country Club
GA HANDICAP LIMIT: From 20.1 to 29.0
FORMAT: Club Team Aggregate Stroke
OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: May 22nd, 2024
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: July 28th, 2024
EVENT CONTACT: Jack Kessell

OCTOBER 12TH – 13TH, 2024

MEN'S NSW SAND GREENS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE: Nyngan Golf Club
GA HANDICAP LIMIT: 27.4
FORMAT: Individual & Team Events
OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: July 17th, 2024
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: September 22nd, 2024
EVENT CONTACT: Jack Kessell

OCTOBER 19TH – 20TH, 2024

WOMEN'S NSW SAND GREENS CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE: Grenfell Country Club
GA HANDICAP LIMIT: 54.4
FORMAT: Individual & Team Events
OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: July 24th, 2024
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: September 29th, 2024
EVENT CONTACT: Jack Kessell

NOVEMBER 9TH – 10TH, 2024

MEN'S NSW COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

VENUE: Parkes Golf Club
GA HANDICAP LIMIT: 9.4
FORMAT: Stroke Play & Inter-District Teams
OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: August 7th, 2024
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: October 20th, 2024
EVENT CONTACT: Emmanuel Aravanis



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Men's Event Women's Event





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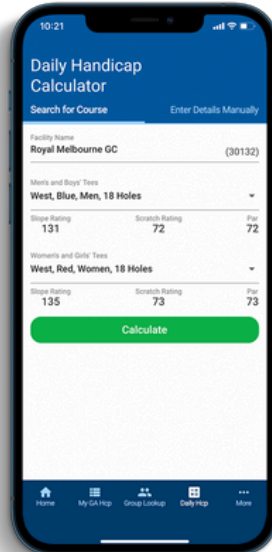
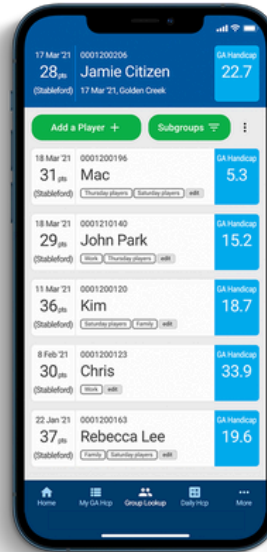
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NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

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- TUESDAYS | 11AM ONWARDS
- WEDNESDAYS | ALL DAY
- THURSDAYS | 11AM ONWARDS
- FRIDAYS | ALL DAY
- SATURDAYS | 11AM ONWARDS
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