

# Cumberland March

## E-News

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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

As I reported in the latest Members Development Update, Aura Holdings have advised that they cannot secure their finance and have reluctantly withdrawn from the project. Fortunately for us, all indications are that the project remains viable and Aura were not the only company interested in the project. The Board will look at the best way forward and advise members in due course.

Our new Club Car carts arrived at 6am Wednesday morning in the dark and pouring rain. Thanks to precision-like teamwork between our GM Andrew, his team and the delivery contractors, the 40 new carts were unloaded, unwrapped and our Yamaha carts were loaded onto the trucks and were gone by 8am. A very smooth operation indeed with new carts being available for the early morning competition players. A great effort by all concerned.

The New Fleet



Our volunteers continue to do a great job with maintaining the gardens and working around the course. If you can spare even an hour or two, please see our GM Andrew about what you can do to help.

I would like to once again thank the course staff for their efforts in presenting such a high-quality course. When you think of it, they've had the two extremes lately going from severe heat and drought to wet and wild weather.

**Denis Clifford (Club President)**





Harmony at Cumberland, a great place to meet with friends and family. With an extensive menu and fantastic specials Harmony at Cumberland is the best Chinese cuisine in the west!

Gather your friends and book a table for lunch or dinner now!

## **CAPTAINS REPORT**

Golf at Cumberland during February provided some challenges for golfers and Course staff with 457mm of rain being recorded and some days with temperatures above 40 degrees.

The Holroyd Shield was played for the 70th consecutive year and won by Paul Pestano with an excellent score of nett 66. Paul was presented the Shield by Cumberland Council Deputy Mayor, Eddy Sarkis.



The Presidents who have won the Holroyd Shield are Ray Thorne, Bob Angus, Brian Hansen and David Moule. Bob Angus has made contact to advise this was his first ever trophy at CCGC.

Our Major Pennant team has started the season with two draws and two wins putting them at the top of the Division with upcoming home and away games against Bayview. In the most recent game, the team recorded a 7 - 0 win against Camden. It is many years since a similar result has been posted by us.



The reintroduction of a monthly Invitation Day was a resounding success with many guests enjoying our golf course. The next Invitation Day will be on Saturday 21st March. To secure your spot in the field make sure you book in early.

Matt Turner and his Course staff have done a wonderful job over the past month to keep the course not just playable but in great condition while dealing with heat, torrential rain and destructive winds. These weather extremes have provided some significant challenges with mowing of fairways and rough, emptying bunkers of water and fixing blocked drainage pipes. The course is mown, bunkers have been back in play quicker than ever before and blocked drainage is receiving the required maintenance. Well done Matt.





In March, we have the John Gow Memorial Golf day on Sunday the 8th. This is a shotgun start at 12:30pm followed by dinner with guest speakers, Matt Burke, George Gegan, Johnny Gibbs and hosted by Paul Gow. There are still a few spots available which can be booked through the office.

The Cumberland Bowl is being held on Saturday 14th March. This is an open event for B and C grade players. If you have friends from other clubs in B or C grade who would like the chance to win one of Cumberland's major events, book them in.

The course will be closed on 23rd and 24th March to allow course staff to complete the greens renovations. This is a necessary process to improve the health of the greens and promote growth coming into the cooler months. The Monday Veterans and Tuesday Ladies competitions will be amalgamated into the Thursday Open Medley competition for the week with normal members competition prizes and NTP's to be available.

On Monday the 23rd we are seeking volunteers to assist with some other works around the course. If you can spend a couple of hours assisting, please inform the office. All volunteers will be looked after with food and refreshments. Several of our ongoing volunteers are very proud of the works they have completed and love nothing more than assisting in the presentation of their golf course.

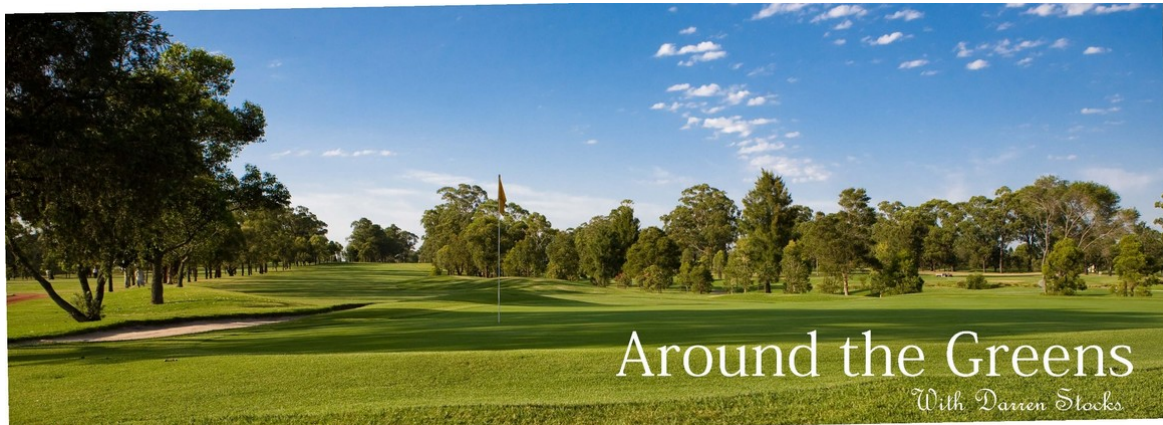
As always, any questions or suggestions are welcome and can be sent to me at

hilton59@tpg.com.au if you don't see me in the club.

### **Paul Hilton (Club Captain)**

Bookings are now open for the 2020 John Gow Memorial Golf Day. This event will sell out so Members are encouraged to book early to avoid disappointment

### **VICE CAPTAINS REPORT - "Around the Greens"**



Our Vice Captain, Darren Stocks is taking a well-earned rest with his family in Bali this month. He'll return with a Green's report next month.

### **NEWS FROM THE LADIES**



It is hard to believe that we are weeks into a new golf year. The first big fundraising day for the ladies will be our Easter Open on April 7. Whatever funds are raised will go to a group called the BEAUTY BANK, supporting men and women who become victims of domestic violence. We have a container in the ladies' locker room to accept donations of shampoo, soap, toothpaste etc. Our male members are welcome to donate too. Donations can be left in the main office at any time.

Congratulations to many of the ladies who welcomed new additions to their families in the past few months ...great grandchildren and grandchildren.



Our sincere sympathy to Melissa Cochran and her brothers Bill and Alan on the recent death of their father and also to Elizabeth and Ian Farrar on the death of their sister in law.

May they rest in peace.

**Brenda Kennedy**

**Ladies' President** 🎵🎵

### **NEWS FROM THE LADIES CAPTAIN**

Ladies Friday Grade Pennants has started, with our team really enjoying the competition so far. To date matches have been played at Royal Sydney and Hurstville Golf Clubs, and although we haven't had a team win yet, I feel it is very close.

The Cumberland team has a bye on Friday 6/3 as our club will be hosting the other 6 teams for round 3 of the competition.

Round 4 on 13/3 is at Castle Hill and I wish the team all the best for their matches.



Western Districts 1 Pennants GA 10.0 to 23.5 commences on Friday 13/3 with the first match at Cumberland. Good luck to the following ladies selected to represent our club-

Tricia Johnston, Grace Kim, Jin (Eva) Lee, Brenda Kennedy, Won Kim, Res 1:  
Susi Colussi, Res2: Kelly Ha

Thank you to the ladies who have nominated to play in the Northern Districts Pennant competition GA 23.5 to 45. The team will be selected shortly and you will be advised.

Congratulations to the 2020 Ladies 2 Ball Knockout winners SuJung Lee & Jina Lee winning 1up after playing 3 additional holes against Grace Kim and Helen Lee. A great contest ladies!



### Upcoming Events-

- \* St Patrick's Day Irish Ambrose 17/3/20
- \* 1st Tuesday GolfNSW medal 10/3/20
- \* 1st Sunday GolfNSW medal & 1st round of the Sunday Diggers Trophy 15/3/20 (Block time)
- \* Silver & Bronze1 Salver & Bronze II Plaque 31/3/20



Good Golfing!

**Tracey Hilton (Ladies Captain)**



Another monster month that's so jam packed we would ask for an extension if we could!

We have a Mizuno fitting day on the 5th and a Taylormade fitting day on the 26th so make sure you book in to get a free fit for the latest SIM driver.

The New Callaway MAVRIK drivers and the Taylormade SIM drivers are instore now so make sure you demo one today, don't be standing 10 metres behind your mates on the fairway if you don't need to be .... From Titleist the brand new SM8 wedges have arrived and are ready for fitting as well as the 200 series woods from Mizuno.

Balls, balls and more balls... the new Taylormade Pix ball is here and so much easier to spot in the rough and the air so give one a try for your next round. With new Callaway Chrome Soft balls landing this month and new Taylormade Project A replacements already here everyone should be ready to pick up some new balls as they head into the proshop!

We are very proud to announce that Banners Golf is the latest in a very select group to become a specialised Scotty Cameron Putter Fitting Centre. We now have demos in stock for the entire Phantom and Select range so there is no excuse not to give one a go. Ask yourself, just how much would you actually pay to make more putts?

For the ladies, we have just received a shipment of the latest fashion Under Armour apparel and you would be disappointed if you found out that you missed out on grabbing one of these bargains because they were snapped up before you got to them – be quick ...

A huge congratulations to our latest Junior members of the club with Bailey, Josh, Blake and Lachlan all gaining handicaps and transitioning from the Banners Academy to junior playing members of the club – well done to all especially Jo Bannerman for her encouragement and continued support of the future of the club.

As always, all the latest tech is available in the tech centre and becoming increasingly popular so make sure to book early for your K Vest, SAM PuttLab, Balance Lab and Trackman lessons to avoid delay.

Finally, a note from Matthew Urquhart-Eastwood. “March the 18th 1974 marks the start of modern history as we know it. With only some minor incidents of little consequence occurring in world history prior to this date, it was on this particular date that things really started looking up. The birds started chirping, the sun started shining and I believe the world may have changed from Black and White to Colour. In short Matthew Urquhart-Eastwood was hatched. So, as another yearly milestone passes for him, head instore say hello, make some quip about my advancing age, get some great advice and spend some money to improve your game”.

**Regards Jo Bannerman (Head Professional)**



**JO BANNERMAN - PGA PROFESSIONAL**  
CUMBERLAND COUNTRY GOLF CLUB







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### **Quote of the Month**

“I regard golf as an expensive way of playing marbles.” – G.K. Chesterton

Enjoy your golf.

Denis Clifford (Club President)