

## CHRISTMAS TIME IS HERE AGAIN AND WE HAVE A LOT HAPPENING AROUND OUR CLUB.

The kids Christmas Tree is on Sunday 10th December from 3.30pm and all members children up to age 12 are most welcome. There will be a BBQ, Fairy Floss, Jumping Castle, gift bag for each child and a very special visitor who may pop in wearing a red suit and grey beard ??? The good news for parents is .... It's free.

We also have our Christmas raffle with a barrow full of goodies on display in the foyer. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. What a nice prize that would be for Christmas.

Our \$2 beer sweep is proving popular and will continue for as long as members support it. Drawn at 5.30pm each Friday 100% of the pool is returned to the members with 60, 30, 10% going to the 1st and 3rd draw respectively. Winnings are added to your Members Account. Get your \$2 tickets at the bar and you don't have to wait until Friday to buy them.

## **Captains Report**

As we approach the holiday season we also come into the perfect weather for getting out on the course for a game of golf. There is no surer way to be isolated from the pressures of work or the never-ending list of jobs at home than to be challenged on the golf course.

The Match Play Plates for this year are nearing finality. To those players who remain in the draw's, good luck.

The Golf Committee has been working hard on golfing fixtures for 2018. These will be available through the Members Portal prior to Christmas. There will not be any wholesale printing of Fixture Books for the year.

Trophy values, Nearest the Pin prizes and competition fees will be standardised across all general Club events commencing from 1 January. The competition fee will be \$15 with all Trophy values and NTP's increased for Veterans and Ladies competitions on Monday's and Tuesday's to bring them into line with weekend competitions. \$50 winners prize (\$30 runners' up), 6 golf balls for nearest the pin on the 5th, 11th, 16th and 17th (second shot) plus inclusion in the 'eagles nest' jackpots on 5th and 11th will all be changes for the Vets and Ladies competitions.

The "Inaugural World Famous Cumberland Par 3 Championship" was held on Thursday with a packed field of 144 players. As with any 'championship' you would expect to need a good score to win. We weren't let down with Janette Manson, playing off 45, having 51 points. Congratulations Janette. Other winners on the day were:

A Grade - Phil Britton 40 pts

B Grade - Rod Cruise 46 pts

C Grade - Isaak Sampson 48 pts

Ladies - Allison Maguire 49 pts

Scratch - Gerry Hyde 35 pts

We have had several suggestions put forward regarding golf events. If you have an idea on changes to existing events or inclusion of new events, please let us know and they will be considered.

Paul Hilton

Captain

LADIES NEWS

On November 21 we had our very successful annual HAMS DAY with 100 starters including visitors from four other clubs.

The ladies were very generous in donating to our raffle which made us a profit of over \$300. At the end of each year we like to make a donation to charity and this year we are giving \$500 to two very worthy women's groups namely THE BEAUTY BANK and THE SANCTUARY.

These are small charities who do great work to help women in crisis. My sincere thanks to all our members for their continued generosity.

On Tuesday December 5 we have our closing event for the year which is a round of golf with a difference. Tracey Hilton, our captain, has come up with some novelty events during the 18 holes!

Our final get-together will be our Christmas lunch on December 12. This is a very happy and enjoyable day to welcome back some past Cumberland golfers. During this lunch we present the major trophies for the year as well as enjoying some singing and dancing.

I would like to wish all our Cumberland members peace and joy this Christmas and a very happy and peaceful 2018

Brenda Kennedy. (Ladies' President)

**VETS NEWS** 

The Veterans Christmas Luncheon will be held 18th Dec 2017, following the completion of a Shotgun Start on the day. The Veterans Trophy winner will be the aggregate scores from both the individual rounds played in the Vets competition on Monday 11th and Monday 18th Dec 2017.

RECYCLING

Please don't forget to deposit your bottles and paper in the recycle bin. It's that big green bin with a yellow top so you can't miss it.

QUOTE FOR THE MONTH

"When you stop believing in Santa you get underwear for Christmas"

On behalf of the Club Board, Management and Staff may we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Whatever you are doing over the Festive Period enjoy yourself, keep safe and continue to enjoy your golf and the Club facilities.

Denis Clifford (Vice President)