



Cumberland *It's Your Club*

Cumberland September

E-News

From the GM

With the ever changing and never-ending news cycles regarding Covid 19 I thought it timely to provide an E-News bit which unlike the daily noise is positive. Firstly, a very big Thank You to all Members for your ongoing support of our wonderful club. 6 months on from when we all learnt the term “Social Distancing” the Club continues to trade well and remain in a healthy financial position. We continue to innovate and implement improved systems and services. If you are playing golf next week, we will be taking your photo on the 10th tee which be on your new membership card. Additional cards readers will be installed at the bar so you will no longer have to pass your card to staff when ordering you will simply swipe it yourself.

The upgrading of course machinery continues with a brand-new hybrid greens mower arriving yesterday, this machine has exceptional cutting ability resulting in the very best playing surface. Additional utility vehicles will also arrive in the coming weeks to ensure improved efficiencies with movement of staff around the course.

I can say with absolute confidence that your Board of Directors and all the wonderful staff have worked tirelessly these past 6 months and with subscription renewal notices being issued next week, I hope you can continue to support “Your Club” and Renew.

A special note of thanks to all the club house staff as their job changed during the shutdown from pouring beers to mulching gardens on the golf course, I could not have been prouder and what a great job you all did.

Sincerely,

Andrew Laplain
General Manager



PRESIDENT’S REPORT

I’d like to start this month by thanking the wonderful group of volunteers for their efforts over the two days when we were closed for course renovations. I couldn’t believe just how much work they got through, from shredding, weeding, trimming bushes, and line marking in the car park. Your efforts free up our Course Staff to concentrate on the course proper so what you do is worth its weight in gold. Thank You.

I’m blown away by the positive comments I hear from our members and visitors alike about just how good our course is. Considering the high volume of games being played lately the course is in excellent shape. Full credit goes to our Course Superintendent Matt Turner and his team. We are so lucky to have such a dedicated team.



A little birdie (or should I say a little duckling) told me that last Sunday one of our keenest golfers, Adam West, was walking between the 5th and 6th when he became aware that a family of ducklings had been trapped in the stormwater culvert. Adam climbed down into the pit and rescued six ducklings and reunited them with their parents. With so much bad news around this has to be a good news story worth sharing. Well done Adam.



Once again, I want to thank you for observing the Covid19 restrictions and for your co-operation with staff both in the pro-shop and clubhouse. They are doing their best to keep us all safe and I know they appreciate you doing the right thing.

Denis Clifford (Club President)

CAPTAINS REPORT

Pennant news, upcoming events, and a change to the Hole in One “Shouting the Bar” make up this month’s report.

The Major Pennant team defeated Springwood 6-1 in the home game of their semi-final clash and will be playing the return game at Springwood in November for the opportunity to advance to the Final.

The Super Seniors competition has been suspended until October when all players are looking to resume play in a very good Division.

The Warren & Gibson Trophy events have been cancelled for 2020 by Golf NSW due to scheduling issues associated with COVID. Both of our teams are disappointed that this had to occur after they were 4 rounds into the competition. All players can hold their heads high and claim a moral victory with the Warren team having 3 draws and a win, while the Gibson team were well in front of their Division with 3 convincing wins and a draw.

We thank Audi Parramatta for their sponsorship of the Warrant and Gibson teams.



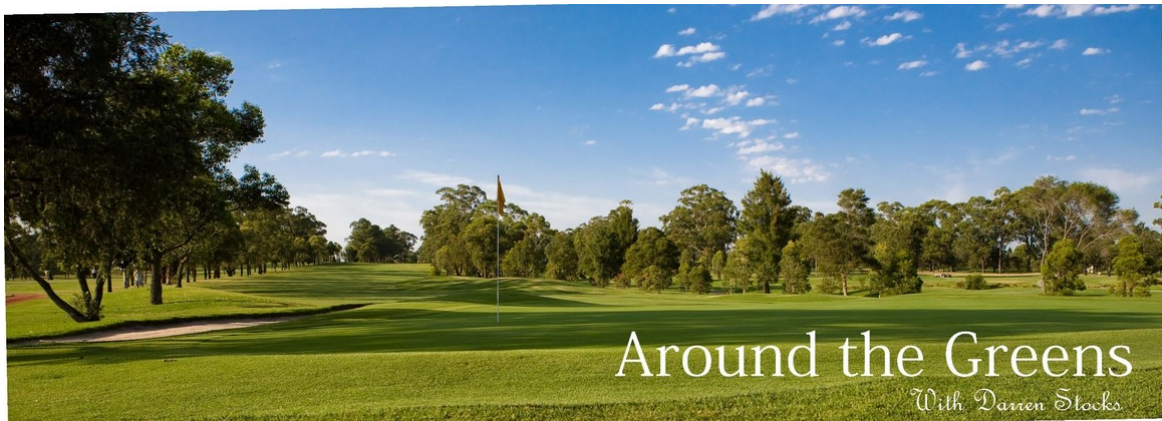
This month's special event is the President's Cup scheduled for Saturday the 19th. The Club Championships will be held in October and with over 260 players booked for recent competitions a full field is expected.

A Hole in One is a shot not every player is able to achieve. There is a worldwide tradition for a player who has a Hole in One to "Shout the Bar" and buy everybody a drink on entering the Clubhouse. Cumberland has self-insured all members who score a Hole in One in a recognised competition for the cost of 100 drinks. This rule has now been clarified and the 100 vouchers or tokens handed out for a Hole in One will be valid on the day of issue only.

As always if you have any suggestions or questions you can email me at hilton59@tpg.com.au

Good golfing
Paul Hilton (Club Captain)

VICE CAPTAINS REPORT - "Around the Greens"



Welcome to Septembers edition of 'Around the Greens' and I must say the course is ready to explode into life. With the end of winter and Spring now upon us, the course is (I believe) the best it's looked for many years coming out of Winter. The Superintendent and his team have been hard at work preparing the course for the growing season and the course looks great.

With 143mm of rain in July and 55mm in August the course staff were certainly put under pressure to deliver a playable course and I think you will agree that was achieved.

The greens are coming back nicely after their recent renovation and will be back to their best in a couple of weeks. The rest of the course received plenty of attention during the renovation and a huge thank you again to those members who volunteered their time, it's greatly appreciated.

There are a several projects on the horizon, the removal of the 15th fairway bunker to provide greater traffic flow on approach to the 17th green and returfing of key surrounding areas. The unsightly dirt mounding on the 5th fairway will be turfed with additional areas identified for mulching. The objective is both playability and aesthetics. There are also several trees that have been identified for removal or trimming which is essential for improving turf conditions with a focus on the 17th tee and trees damaged from lightning strikes

Thanks again for taking the time to read 'Around the Greens', stay safe.

Good Golfing

Darren Stocks (Vice-Captain)

NEWS FROM THE LADIES



What a beautiful time of the year to be playing golf and I must say that course is looking great. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who work hard on the upkeep from day to day.

Recently we had a raffle to raise funds for the homeless. We made \$500 and will be presenting it to a group called "HAWKESBURY HELPING HANDS ", who provide help for the homeless in Hawkesbury region. When I contacted them to tell them of our donation, to my lovely surprise the founder and coordinator was a

golfer at Cumberland many years ago. Obviously meant to be!

Our next fundraiser will be for research into Ovarian Cancer. Thanks to all the ladies for their great generosity.

Happy Golfing

Brenda Kennedy

Ladies' President 🎵🎵

NEWS FROM THE LADIES CAPTAIN

September already! Good luck to all ladies competing in the Club Championships during this month. Please remember, for all divisions rounds 2 and 3 of the Ladies Championships are seeded. There is no need for you to book yourself in, it will be done for you at the completion of each round by the office.

Well done to this year's Caddies trophy winner Lisa Hong with the best caddies score on Tuesday 11th of August of 35 points. Also, a big thank you to all the ladies who have caddied during the 2020 pennants season. Great Cumberland spirit as always.



Congratulations to the winners of the rescheduled Salvors event on the 25th of August. Some very good golf played by these ladies, and on recently cored greens.

Young Soon Kim winner of the Silver Salver - 85 gross

Yong Hee Koh winner of the Bronze I Salver - 89 gross

Lydia Kim winner of the Bronze II Plaque - 101 gross



Upcoming Events.

- The Matchplay Championship will commence directly following the conclusion of the Club Championships. The top 8 players Div 1 (0-22),
- Div 2 (23-33) and Div 3 (34-45) are eligible for the Matchplay. Please check the Fixture listing for the days and dates each round must be completed by.

Spring has sprung and the course is looking great. Stay well and good golfing to everyone!

Tracey Hilton (Ladies Captain)



Spring is here at Banners Golf and we are blossoming with great deals. Whilst the temperature and humidity are soaring, we have what you need to stay cool on the course and score low.

Do yourself a favour and head in-store to purchase ICE RAYS Cool Sleeves. These sleeves are guaranteed to protect your arms from UV damage whilst generating a cooling effect. So, throw away the long sleeve winter tops, slide on your ICE RAYS and feel the new sensation for yourself.

The green staff have done an incredible job in preparing the greens for the sizzling spring and summer ahead. In a short period of time the greens will be rolling as slick as a slip and slide on a summers evening. To ensure the dreaded 3 putts disappear book yourself in for a SAM Putt Lab fitting session with one of our PGA Staff members. SAM Putt Lab is a brilliant device that identifies flaws in the putting stroke and suggests a particular type and length of putter suited to help amend these mistakes. With the Ladies and Men Club Championships just around the corner, this will be a great way to give yourself the best chance to kick in the putts and gain an edge over the other competitors.

Our **tip of the month** comes from Isaak Pemble- "After your game of golf, place your glove back in its case. This will help maintain the moisture within the glove and increase the length of its use which is especially important during the hot months ahead."

So, head in-store and feel free to ask our friendly staff about all your golfing queries!



Jo Bannerman (Head Professional)



Quote of the Month

Golfer: "I think I'm going to drown myself in the lake."

Caddy: "Think you can keep your head down that long?"

Stay Safe

Denis Clifford (Club President)