

Golf Report 10th June

By far our most important tournament to date for the year was held last Sunday, the regional qualifier for the N.S.W. Men's Open. With just the one spot up for the taking, golfers from all over the state entered the event for a once in a lifetime chance to get the spot in the Open. Also two positions were available in the N.S.W. Men's Senior Open tournament played later in the year for the best players over 50 years. As a sweetener the best nett score was given the opportunity to take a couple of mates along to play in the Pro Am preceding the open. All this in a day's golf.

Winner of the major prize was Tom Bateman from Long Reef club on Sydney's northern beaches with a round of 67 gross. Mark Hale (Mudgee) with a daily h/c of -2 a round of 68/70, Jay Mackenzie (Ballina) h/c -4, 68 /72 along with Jaydan Taylor (Bellingen) a 70/69 were the best from a field of 85 players.

Winners of the seniors was Robert Martin from Lakelands Club on the Gold Coast scoring 75 gross playing off a h/c of 1. Joining Robert will be Greg Harvison (Grafton District) h/c -1 a 75/76 while Terry Davis (Port Macquarie) h/c 3 was beaten on a countback also with a 75 gross.

Picking up the Pro Am prize was David Rook (Coffs) recording a nett 69 playing off a 2 h/c.

Nearest the pins went to Sam Matheson (Warringah) at 5, Tim McCarthy (Moree) the 8th, Robert Martin (Lakelands) the 15th, David Rook at 18th. Ball rundown went to 75 nett with 5 players to collect and they are Greg McCoy, Michael Ticli (Coffs), Cameron Pollard (Sawtell), Neil Coogan (Coffs) and Trent Fortescue (Lynwood). Couple of eagles on the day, both at the 17th Dylan Gardner (Pelican Waters) and Thomas Schmid (Cronulla).

Thanks to golf N.S.W. for giving us the chance to hold the event along with sponsors Quarry Solutions, Motel Miramar, and help for the Nambucca shire council.

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