

## **Nambucca Heads Island Golf Club – Golf Report for the week ending Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2020.**

**By Geoffrey McCann.**

Certainly not the best of weather to greet all our holiday makers and visitors to the Valley and the Golf Club. The recent rains and following humidity have certainly made the course quite “lush” and we have assisted golfers with a “Preferred Lie Through the Green” local rule. Golf Carts have been allowed, with a stipulation that they must adhere to pathways or rough – thanks to all who have complied, necessary to prevent wheel damage to the fairways. Great work by Greg and his team on the course, special mention to Peter Miller, who seems glued to the rough mower!

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** - After the course recovering so well last week, two days of 10mms of rain early in the week made for a soggy start to Tuesday’s Medley Single Stableford, restricting Golf Carts strictly to paths and rough areas only. A small field of 25 players ventured out, and Harold Minton (13) from Emerald Lakes found the heavy going to his liking, scoring 37 points to win the Club sponsored event. Some other good scores were from James Haining (Koorablyn) 36, Steve Frost & Parrish McMahon (The Lakes), both with 34 points. The ball comp went down to 31 points on countback, with no NTP’s in place today.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December** was a much better day weather wise, with 67 players in a Medley Single Stableford competition. Division 1 (scratch to 19) winner was Parrish McMahon (16) from The Lakes with 37 points, and runner up was Denise Paluch (18) with 36 points. In Division 2 (20 to 45), Peter Thompson (20) – no, not THAT Peter Thompson! – top scored for the day with 38 points to win from Maxine Townsend (20) with 35 points. Other good rounds from Ken Marriott & Philip Mander 36, Martin Jones, Harold Minton (Emerald Lakes) & Greg McCoy all with 35 points. Ball comp run down to 32 points on countback. NTP’s went to Keith Elphick for the longest putt on the Ecomist sponsored 2<sup>nd</sup>, Greg McCoy on 7, Phil Mander on 8, Steve Doherty got the Pizza voucher on 13 and Stu’s ball on 15, and Peter Thompson snared the Pro Pin Jackpot on the 18<sup>th</sup>. (I’m not sure what happened to the 5<sup>th</sup>!)

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> December** (Boxing Day) was a good opportunity for many of us to work off a few of those extra kilos from the previous day, and it was great to see so many visitors enjoy the day. Troy Erickson (10) from Camden top scored for the day with 39 points to win Division 1 (scratch to 18) from Craig Haworth (15) with 38 points. Andrew Mackinnon (19 – not anymore!) was the winner of Division 2 (19 to 45) on countback from Trevor Peck (23). Other good rounds were played by Morgan Reece from Inverell, Dianne O’Leary, Andrew Donovan, Edward Penrose, Ashley Hughes & Philip Mander all with 35 points. The Ball Comp rundown went to 33 points on countback. Nearest the Pins went to Trevor Peck on Ecomist’s longest Putt (only 114 cms!) on 2, Les Mohr got the Newsagents ball on 5 with a great shot to 31 cms, Trevor Peck on 7 with 480cms, Paul Kofod collected a Subway voucher on 8 with 552cms, Bruce Berry won the Pizza voucher on 13 with 244 cms, Stu’s Ball went to Jack Kofod on 15, and the all important Pro Pin went to Hans Jansen with 222cms.

**Next weeks’ golf** has Medley Single Stableford events on Tuesday, Thursday “Dolphin Day” and Saturday. The ladies have a 9 Hole Stableford Summer Competition on Wednesday. There is also a 9 hole Chook Run on Friday.

**Social play is available** after competitions, and on other days from 8am until 4pm – please check with Pro Shop for availability. All golf bookings are available on-line for members, or by contacting the Pro Shop on 6568 8172

See you on the Island.



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