

Nambucca Heads Island Golf Club – Golf Report for the week ending Saturday 9TH January 2021.

WHY DOES IT HAVE TO RAIN



By Geoffrey McCann.

After getting the course back into top shape last week, the rains came back with a vengeance, and we are back to square one. Greg and his team will be busy in the coming week getting the fairways back into shape, and Peter Miller will have a great time taming the rough in those areas where he won't get the machine bogged. The Men's Monthly Medal and the Open Day "Island Sunday" were postponed due to the extremely wet condition of the course making it unsuitable for Golf Carts & Scooters – these events will now be held this coming weekend.

We had 72 players on **Tuesday 5th January**, with 27 visitors mostly from Sydney, the Central Coast and Blue Mountains. The visitors featured well in the Trophies with Chad Halliday (10) from Howlong having the top score of the day with 41 points to win Division 1 (scratch to 18) from Brandon Kop (8) from Twin Creeks with 37 points. In Division 2 (19 to 45) Malcolm Blanch (20) from Kempsey scored 37 points to win from Nambucca member Peter Brien (26) on countback. Other good scores from Martin Jones 37, Gillian Anderson & Timothy Clarke (Cumberland) 36, and Bradley Dyet (Kempsey) 35. In the Ball Comp you needed 32 points on countback to win a ball. NTP's went to Tim Clarke for the longest putt 116cms on the Second, D. Cashin with 11m on the 7th, Greg McCoy to 189cms on 8, Trent Baade got the Pizza voucher on 13 206cms, Peter Brien 6m48cm on the 15th, and M. Jones cleaned up the Pro Pin Jackpot on 18 with 186cms.

Saturday's event 9th January became a Medley Single Stableford for those that were prepared to walk the course. Daniel Wren (16) from Bowraville top scored with 40 points to win from John Morgan (18) with 37 points. Other good scores from Leon Reynolds (Bowraville) 36, Ben Venner 35 and Colin Wormleaton & Murray Ingram 34. The Ball comp rundown went to 31 points on countback. The NTP's went unclaimed on the 2nd and 7th. Les Reedman got the Newsagent's ball on 5 with a great shot to 74cms, Jacob Cox the Subway voucher on 8 with 2.86 meters, J. Salvin claimed the Pizza voucher on 13 with 224cms, Dennis Ashton got Stu's ball on 15 with 254cms, and the all important Pro Pin Jackpot went to Trent Baade with 111cms.

Men's PENNANTS are back on again! Competition commences in April – members wishing to play are asked to place their details on the nomination form on the Golf notice board. And the **MNCDGA Men's Championships** are being held at Nambucca Heads on Sunday 14th February – Register on-line or through the Pro Shop if you want to participate.

Next weeks' golf (weather permitting!) has Medley Single Stableford events on Tuesday and Thursday with the postponed Men's Monthly Medal Stroke on Saturday. There is an Open Mixed 4BBB Stableford "Island Sunday" on Sunday, with free entertainment out on the deck - everybody welcome. The ladies have a 9 Hole Stableford Summer Competition on Wednesday. There is also a 9 hole Chook Run on Friday.

The first round of the **2021 "Island Challenge"** Series sponsored by Kempsey Haval now takes place on **Friday 12th February** - a Stroke event, where you can challenge yourself to the best that the Island course can throw at you for very generous trophies if you play well. Your best 5 rounds during the year count towards the race to Royal Pines – for full details, check out the flyer on our website! Put that date in your golfing calendar

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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See what happens when it rains!