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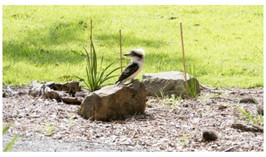

Club Captain's Newsletter July 2026

Dear Members,

I hope you've all enjoyed a good month of golf. As mentioned in President Rob's recent Newsletter, we're going to do a **presentation** on the **first Saturday** of the month (Monthly Medal Day) where we'll present the Men's Monthly Medals & Hole in One Trophies from the previous month to the Men & Ladies that have achieved one of golf's most elusive feats.

I'm trying to get caught up with **medal winners & Hole in One Trophies** that are outstanding so if you think you're waiting on a medal or trophy can you let me know by emailing club-captain@shoalhavenheadsgolfclub.com.au

At this event we'll also be conducting a **member's badge draw** where you could win $500. You must be in the club to win the draw & if it's not won it will jackpot to the next month. There will also be a HAPPY HOUR from 5:00pm-6:00pm with Schooners of beer & House Wine (Glass not Schooner) at $6.

It would be great if we could fill the clubhouse on these days & toast the success of our golfers.

June Monthly Medal Winners:

- A Grade: Scott Abbott- Nett
- B Grade: Keith Muller- Nett
- C Grade: Peter Young- Nett

Playing Numbers for June 2026 were:

Members Comp (Including reciprocal clubs)	2008
Visitors Comp	131
Social	1722
TOTAL	3861

Masters Pennants:
Our Masters Pennants team made the final, which was played at The Links Shell Cove, in filthy conditions. Unfortunately, the boys were beaten 6/2 by Wollongong. The score doesn't reflect the closeness of the matches with most going to the 18th. A great effort from Jack & his team. Congratulations.

2BBB Match Play Knockout
You may have read we had a mix up with the format of this event, but the knockout phase is now underway. Good Luck to all involved. Match results can be found on the noticeboard in the clubhouse

UPCOMING EVENTS:
THE BAILEY BOTTLE SHOP- 3x3x3- 3 Parson Ambrose- A Fundraiser for the Cancer Council Longest Day
On Friday August 21 we'll be holding a 3 club, 3-person Ambrose where the course will be set up as 18 par 3's.Be there at 11:00am ready for a shotgun start at 12noon.

Cost per player is $60 or if you'd like to sponsor a team it's $300 + GST.

Like any fundraiser we ask you to bring your cash as we'll be selling 100 club numbers. All funds raised will go towards The Cancer Council Longest Day.

Men's Individual Matchplay Championship
This year we will be trialling an open registration for the individual handicap matchplay. There will be **NO QUALIFYING**. We are asking members to nominate to play & all nominees will be included in the field. That means you will go straight into the matchplay knockout phase.

Nominations are now open and will close on 22nd August 2026. The draw will be conducted on the 23rd August and first round matches need to be completed by 6th September. Each round thereafter needs to be completed within 2 weeks.

The draw will be published on the club website as well as being posted on the noticeboard inside the clubhouse.

You can nominate in the pro shop and pay a $10 nomination fee. All nomination fees collected will be returned in prizes.

OTHER EVENTS TO NOTE

- Sunday July 26- Three Way Challenge.
- Primary School Fundraiser- August 2.
- Corporate Day Friday- August 7
- 3 x 3 x 3 Fundraiser for Cancer Council- Friday, August 21.
- Men's Handicap Singles Matchplay – Saturday 29 August
- Cancer Care Centre Day- Oct 2.
- Summer Teams Commences- October 5
- The Cancer Council Longest Day- Monday, November 30.
- David Lamb Memorial Trophy (Saturday 5 December)
- Hambrose (Saturday 12 December)

FROM THE COURSE SUPERINTENDANT
This will give you an idea of some of the work that Will & his team are doing around the course.

Greens
The greens are in great condition, with the cooler weather comes firmer and faster greens. The ground temperatures have dropped to around 11 degrees The greens have been dusted this week and will be aerated on Monday 13th July with 8mm solid tines

Tees:
The tees have recovered well, they are still being cut at 10mm and will remain at that height leading into winter.

Fairways & Surrounds:
The fairways are great, I have dropped the height down to 10mm. The areas on the 18th are slowly recovering but will take time.

Bunkers
The bunkers still need more sand in some, this will be done later in the year

Machinery
All the machines are running well. The service arrangement is working well.

Mowing Heights
Greens 3.3 mm
Tees 10mm
Fairways/Surrounds 10mm
Rough 50mm, will be dropped to 25-40mm, not sure yet

General

1. I have ordered the diamond mesh to do more pathways on the course. We will start on the 4th pathway when it arrives
2. The new bins have been placed out on the course and the feedback from the members is very positive. The bins outside the clubhouse have also been done and look a lot better than the unsightly wheelie bins.
3. We have commenced the rebuild of the nursery green and the 16th temporary this week. These greens will be relevelled and re seeded hopefully by the end of the month.

Happy Golfing.

Colin Brown
Club Captain

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