

BURRUM DISTRICT GOLF CLUB ¹

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NEWSLETTER

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It will be back on tap soon, as soon as our new covid safe glass washer arrives!



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Francis McGovern 04 Carol Bennett 23
Frank Caldwell 14 Dennis Miller 23



Happy Birthday Boys & Girls & many more to come

LOCAL RULES

The Burrum District Golf Club recommends responsible drinking practices at all times.

The local rules are to be updated very soon. When that happens they will be put on the boards downstairs & in the newsletter.

PARKING

There is designated parking for Club Officials, if you are not one of those people please do not park there. Cart people are not to gather around the concrete strip outside the office with your carts unless you are collecting beer & drinks eskies. It has been quite congested in that area lately so please remember if you are not a designated official go to the public parking area or to the cart parking area.

There is some contention with how they stand at the moment & some people's interpretations of same. All will be simplified with expectations of every body being on the same page with the rules.

It does help if you make yourself aware of the rules, it is up to us all to be accountable & to make the person you are marking to do the same.

FOURSOMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

1st Round Saturday 29th May
2nd & Final Round Sunday 30th May

If you have a problem of any kind please talk to a member of the Match Committee namely; Andrew Pulsford, John Francis, John Short, Peter Griffin & Marilyn Allen.

VALE

Our heartfelt commiserations to Kerry Styles on the sad passing of his brother Jack on the 14th April, 2021



RIP

THE EAGLE HAS LANDED! HOLE IN ONE

Fred Goodall had a hole in one on the 3/12th on Men's Day 28/04/21. Woohoo Freddie! Congratulations!



Phil Kennedy said it was a worm burner, but Fred didn't care, it was IN! Howzat!

Welcome to the Hole in One Club, Fred!



Inside and Out



Many thanks to Leif for his kind words about the newsletter. It is nice to be appreciated.

Ray Suter was a very happy chappy when he got on the 3rd green for one.....only to be devastated when he 4 putted it. I feel your pain Ray...really I do, so did Tony Borg! It was sincere, really it was, the laughter was only a release valve old mate!

Congratulations to Francis McGovern who had a sensational day at the Isis Open Day. He scored a second in C Grade. He wasn't going to say anything, only for Mike Dally saying to tell me for the newsletter. Glad he did all scores are welcome no matter where they are! Gotta blow your own trumpet sometimes Francis!

The Vets Committee put on a sausage sizzle after the game which was ably put together by Danielle, Merle, Kerry, Stretch & Kevin. The snags were cooked to perfection as were the onions. Delicious! Thank you from us all!

Alan McGeorge tried to be a possum with his ball when he lost it going down 5/14th. We searched everywhere when he found it tucked up in a hollowed out tree.

Marilyn Allen was seen driving her cart from the wrong side we wondered what she was up to. It turns out she had an almost flat tyre so she moved to the other side saying she would take the weight off it to even it up. Les Bennett said now it's over inflated. I didn't quite hear what she said!

Then to top it off she left the club in a truck with two men. It was quite a climb for her Ray Suter & Tony Borg said but it seems she liked it so much she was seen the next day hanging around Richers truck yard.

Buddy Lohmann was having a bit of trouble getting around, he said he had a groin injury, Graeme Burgess said nah it's because he hasn't had a par yet! He made up for it the next week with a win.

DAMN DAM

Rae McCliskie went in from the 14th.
Les Bennett went in from the 9th.
Shirley Bullock went in from the 4
Les Bennett went in from the 15th
Stretch went in from 5th.
Mac Adlam in from 13th.

HOWZAT!

Brian Bramble chipped in from 60metres out on the 2/11 no one saw it. He wouldn't re go it!

Rae McCliskie chipped in from 40metres out on 3rd, no one saw that one either. Rae wouldn't re go that one as well!

BOYS will be GIRLS

Greig Pullinger hit off the 6th tee, it was a pretty good shot too....except he had hit from the ladies teeing area.

I hear Greig was at it again trying to hit off the ladies tee! Surely not. A pretty pink outfit is what is needed there. Any offers! Maybe we could borrow Alan McGeorge's outfit from a few years ago.

HOW MANY

I had a Bo Derek (10) on the 5th, did a silly thing, went into the bunker should have changed the club but oh no took 2 shots with the 9 before getting the wedge to get out for 3 but I did 2 putt!

4 PUTTS

I had 4 putts, very disappointing considering I was mainly one putting. Some days are diamonds.....

Barb Brian had 4 putts too.

The Vets had a good crowd with **31 players** for the last day of the month. Woohoo!

All stories are printed in a light hearted manner, they should be taken in that context. This publication is meant for the fun & enjoyment of all members & no offence is ever intended. C.B.

RESTRICTIONS for QUEENSLAND THEY ARE OFF!

All restrictions have been lifted, no more marking your own card, can have flags out, bunkers are back in play, handshakes are back if wanted, no masks. We must still register in the clubhouse at for the moment.

POKIES

The boys are putting in some hard yards getting ready for the pokies. Phil Kennedy has been instrumental in getting them along with the money man, Mike Drew.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to the anonymous buyer of the new pin shot flags. It is very much appreciated.

Nice to see a good roll up for Bill Dalrymple's day & to see some of our players of that era in attendance. Merv Howell was there along with Alan Mc George might have to talk Merv into rejoining.

SICK BAY

Two of our ladies are having a battle with illness. Val Banks has been battling for some time now. Gail Hancock is now in care, Gail was also a long time Ladies day player & another lovely lady. It is very sad for both these ladies who were great stalwarts of our Club.

Shirley Bullock has been in sick bay too, we hope you are feeling better soon & looking to see you back on the fairways.

Carol Clarke is recuperating at home with hubby Neil taking care of her.

Trevor Allen is having time out due to childbirth. I think that's what he said.

Some of our players are off to the Biggenden Vets Day 03rd May more on this next month, they are off to see the galloping horse that has been put there by mother nature, it has weathered fire & rain, hope it is still there.

VALE



Commiserations to Trevor Allen on the passing of his uncle Vic Allen.

Kevin & Jan Leader are taking a break for a couple of weeks so get all your hijinks out of the way until then, 'cause he will be back'!

Peter Griffin has returned to the fold after being on R&R leave up north. He looks refreshed We can fix that, can't we!

Mac Adlam overestimated his ability when he went up to the 4th tee with his putter..... It happens, it could happen. When he gets onto the ball he can make it sizzle!

Kerry Styles made a comment about some ladies, he said when you look at the back of them they look like men.

POKIES



The poker machines have arrived but haven't been installed as yet there is still some work to go. They are being set up by the committee & an electrician, more on who next time. John Francis has been appointed to set up the area with a false wall with a view to making more room for the honour boards. Now that is a big job.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to the following chook runners for moving the retired poker machines downstairs. Brett Weatherley, Chris Bishop & Phil Kennedy. Now all we need is for the recipient to remove them altogether.

APOLOGY



To Margaret & Ray Suter for missing their 60th Wedding Anniversary on, 29th April in the last newsletter.

How's that Ray, it might get you out of trouble! I will leave the part of '*you don't get that long a sentence for murder*' out ok.

24 players had a game on ANZAC DAY, Captain Andrew Pulsford said there were no dramas. Shhh!

WATER, WATER, HELP!

Frank Caldwell went in twice on 4th.

John Horwood went in from the 15th



A GUIDE TO PUTTING YOUR CLOCKS BACK



SMARTPHONE
Leave it alone, it does its magic



SUNDIAL
Move one house to the left



OVEN
You'll need a Masters in Electronic Engineering or a hammer



CAR RADIO
Not worth it, wait six months

I'm no cook, but I can follow directions. The recipe said to let the bird chill in the sink for a few hours, so I did!



	2021	APRIL	2020
Sun	78		—
Tue	83		—
Wed	84		—
Thu	27		—
Fri	<u>127</u>		—
Total	399		

Sunday & Tuesday were down a day each above due to rain this month.

April's results have taken a bit of battering due to the weather so we have a lot to catch up on. Even so the rain was great!

As we all know March, April & May in 2020 was disastrous but we have bounced back & will continue to do so all being well.

Hold the phone, look at the score the Friday Chookies have had. An outright lay down mesire again. Gotta be doing something right! I think Nobby & Danielle have a lot to do with it!

THURSDAY LADIES - APRIL

01st Social game - 4 ladies played

08th Stableford 6 players NTP Sue Berkery
1st Sue Berkery 32pts r/u June Kerr 29pts

15th Stableford 6 players NTP Jenny Nichols
1st Sue Berkery 32pts r/u Merle Vandersee 26pts.

22nd Stroke 7 players NTP Sue Berkery
1st Merle Vandersee 70nett r/u Sue Berkery 78. Putts; Jenny Nichols 28

29th 2Ball Ambrose 08 players
NTP Marilyn Allen & Merle Vandersee
1st Marilyn Allen & Merle Vandersee 70
r/u Jenny Nichols & Sue Berkery 71½
No ball run down.

GUESS WHO I FOUND!

Just saw Cathy Francis showing Mayor George Seymour around the Burrum Museum on the Fraser Coast website. Great job she even sprung Rod Stafford on George when he was reminiscing about the Stafford family. He was saying that the Stafford's were a well known family in the area. With that Cathy said George, I just happen to have one right here, & called Rod Stafford out to meet the Mayor.



SOAP BOX - YOUR OPINIONS

Congratulations to Marilyn Allen & Stretch Anderson for sending out a thoroughly mixed field on the last Tuesday Vets of the month! It has been a long time coming but they pulled it off with gusto.

That's what is needed, some people played with others for the first time this year, walkers & carts go out together no one was held up, there were 31 players, it went very well! Every player was impressed & happy in the Club House, thank you. Please keep it up. Great job!

Sunday needs the same attention we need to mingle not segregate, it is advertised as ladies & gents competitions & that is how it should be, walkers & carts everybody in!

**WEDNESDAY MENS - APRIL**

07th Stableford 23 players (2 visitors)

Winners;

Peter Hughes 36pts r/u Andy Pearce 32pts

2nd r/u Mike Drew 30pts

Pin Shots; Stretch, Chris Bush, Andy Pearce

BRD Chris Bush 29, Ken Hodgkinson 29,

Warren James 29.

Raffles; John Francis, Ian Dartnell, Barry Gibson

14th 4BBB Stroke 17 players

Open Pin Mike Drew.

1st Ray Crosby & Paul Johnson 62nett

r/u Alan Mc George & Barry Gibson 63nett

Pin Shots;

Div 1 Paul Johnson, Div 2 Graham McKissock

BRD Andy Pearce & Ian Brady 66, Ian Anderson,

John Francis 67, Bill Foot & Ken Hodgkinson 67.

Raffles; Bill Foot, Ken Hodgkinson, Peter Hughes,

Graham McKissock.

21st 3 Ball Ambrose 23 players

Sponsored Billy Dalrymple's Day

1st Peter Hughes, Grahame McKissock, Stretch 59²/₃r/u Paul Johnson, Andy Pearce, Ray Crosby 60¹/₂

Pin Shots;(1) P Hughes, G McKissock, Stretch

(2) I Anderson, G McKissock, P Hughes

BRD Fred Goodall, Mike Drew, John Francis 62

Phil Kennedy, Merv Howells, Alan McGeorge

62¹/₂, Ken Hodgkinson, Ian Dartnell, Neil Clarke62¹/₂, John Short, Chris Bush, Bill Foot 62¹/₃,

Peter Griffin, Ray Maskell, John Horwood 67,

Bruce Noble, Ken Steven, 69³/₄.

Raffles; Mike Drew, Andy Pearce, Phil Kennedy,

John Short, Bill Foot, Phil Kennedy.

28th Stroke **MONTHLY STAR** 21 players

1st Paul Johnson 67nett r/u Ken Steven 70nett,

Peter Hughes 72, Ray Crosby 72,

Grahame McKissock 73

Pin Shots; Paul Johnson, Mike Drew, John Short,

BRD Andy Pearce 73, Fred Goodall 73

Raffles; 1. Mike Dally, Ken Hodgkinson, R Wilson,

Grahame McKissock

2. Ken Steven, Fred Goodall

Congratulations Freddie on your hole in one!**9 HOLE - FRIDAY CHOOK RUNS -APRIL**

02nd Good Friday - Closed

09th Stroke 29 players.

Pin Shot; John Francis

Nett Winners: Phil Holden 30, Ted Hanson 33

Jeff Freeman 33, Barry Sponberg 37, Chris

Bridge 38, David Wolffe 38, Warren James 38,

Ray Crosby 39, Ken Hodgkinson 40, Peter

Tyler 40, Paul Johnson 40, Col English 41.

Raffles; Ken Merrill, Ian Dartnell,

Chris Bridge

16th Stroke 30 players

Pin Shot - Wayne Ward

Nett Winners: Bob Lane 32, Barry Sponberg

35, Peter Hughes 36, Phil Holden 38, Mac

Adlam 38, Ian Dartnell 38, John Francis 39,

Ray Crosby 40, Bruce Noble 40, John

Horwood 40, Grahame McKissock 41,

Ted Hanson 41.

Raffles: Ray Madden, Wayne Ward,

Brett Weatherley.

Lost on a Countback Award: Wayne Ward

23rd Stroke 27 players

Pin shot - Mike Drew

Nett Winners: John Gibson 30, Chris Bridge

34, Jeff Freeman 35, Ros Madden 36, Mike

Drew 37, Lyn Meredith 37, Bob Lane 38,

Michael Reckenberg 38, Paul Johnson 39,

Peter Griffin 39, Grahame McKissock 39

Raffles: Ros Madden, Bob Lane, Jeff Freeman

30th Stroke **38 players Woohoo!!!**

Wowie are they having fun or what!NTP

Paul Johnson.

Nett Winners; Alan Carr 32, Lyn Meredith 33,

Lorraine Drew 34, Jimmy Porter 36, Peter

Griffin 37, Grahame McKissock 37 Brian

Francis, 38 Brett Weatherley 38, Ken Hodg-

kinson 38, Dennis O'Brien 38, Brian Bramble

39, Ray Crosby 39, John Francis 39, Paul

Johnson 39, Eve-Ann Hodgkinson 39,

Lost a Countback Award - Peter Tyler

Raffles: Brian Bramble, Bob Lane,

Peter Hughes

Congratulations everybody!



SUNDAY ALLSORTS - APRIL

04th cancelled due to rain.

11th Stroke **MONTHLY MEDAL** 25 players
Sponsored by **LIEF DESIGN**

A Grade 0-17

Paul Johnson 73nett r/u Mike Drew 77nett

B Grade 18-36 Ray Crosby 77 r/u Tony Borg 78

Ladies Brenda Johnson 75 r/u Barb Brian 78nett
Pin Shots; Special; Warren James. Paul Johnson,
Tony Borg, Jan Leader.

Long drives; Paul Johnson, Andrew Pulsford, Sue Berkery. Putts; Phil Johnson 29, Barb Brian 29.

BRD John Short 78, Ray Berkery 78, Andrew Pulsford 79, Kevin Leader 79, Warren James 79.

Raffles; Tony Borg, Greig Pullinger, Barb Brian
The Barrel Babe was Mike Drew.

The Beer Card Draw was won by Barry Sponberg

18th 4BBB Stroke 29 players sponsored by

KEV & JAN LEADER, CHRIS & MAX FENN

1st Kev & Jan Leader 63nett r/u David Burraston
& Ray Berkery 64nett c/b Barry Sponberg & Neil Clarke 64

Pin Shots; 2/11 Les & Carol Bennett, 8/17 Kevin
& Jan Leader. Special 3/12 John Francis.

BRD John Francis & Rae McCliskie 65, Bill Foot
& Chris Bush 66, Paul & Brenda Johnson 66,
John Short & Peter Cunningham 67.

Raffles; Paul Johnson, Ray Suter, Ray Suter.

The Barrel Babe was Jan Leader

25th **ANZAC DAY** (Noon Tee Off)

4B Aggregate Stableford 24 players

Sponsored by **MIKE & LORRAINE DREW**

1st Marilyn Allen & Paul Johnson 74pts r/u John Francis & Ray Maskell 67, 3rd place Peter Cunningham & John Short 65 pts, 4th Barb Brian & Graeme McKissock 63pts.

Pin Shots 0 to 16 Warren James, 17 to 36 Ray Maskell Ladies Marilyn Allen, Special Pin Mike Drew. BRD Ray Suter & Tony Borg 62, Phil Johnson & Brenda Johnson 61, Fred Goodall & Warren James 60.

Raffles 1st Ray Maskell, 2nd Neil Clarke,
3rd Ken Steven



TUESDAY VETS - APRIL

06th Cancelled. Kevin called game off due to conditions & to preserve the course.



13th Canadian Foursomes 26 players

1st Francis McGovern & Mike Dally 67½
r/u Neil Clarke & Ray Crosby 72½

3rd c/b Lorraine & Mike Drew

Pin Shot; Open 3/12 Tony Borg

2/11 Grahame Burgess & Merle Vandersee

8/17 Ian Anderson & Kerry Styles

It was said that the winners of 8/17 pin decided to take the pin in just in case someone got inside them. NO, they wouldn't do that would they?

BRD Ian Anderson & Kerry Styles 73,
Barb Brian & Brian Bramble 74

Raffles; Barry Sponberg, Kerry Styles
Jenny Nichols,

20th Stroke 26 players Special Pin; Chris Bush Men;

Div 1; 1st Chris Bush 68nett r/u Ray Crosby 72

Div 2; Francis McGovern 72nett r/u

Errol Vandersee 74

Ladies;

1st Sue Berkery 71nett r/u Marilyn Allen 74

BRD Mike Drew 72, Graeme Burgess 74,

John Horwood 74, Barb Brian 74.

Raffles; Shirley Bullock, Merle Vandersee,

John Francis

27th Stableford 31 players

Mens

0-18 Mike Drew 36pts r/u Mike Dally 35pts

19-36 Buddy Lohmann 35pts r/u Errol Vandersee 32pts

Gals; Lorraine Drew 34pts r/u Jenny Nichols 33

Pins; Les Bennett 3/12, Griffio 2/11,

Jenny Nichol 1/10

BRD Stretch 32, Kerry Styles 32, Ray Suter 31,

Carol Bennett 29

Raffles; (1) Greg Pullinger, Carol Bennett x 2

(2) Ken Steven, Stretch, Neil Clarke



Wow what a great photo.

World War 1 soldiers paying respect to the horses killed in the conflict. A beautiful photo that needs more publicity!



LOST ON A COUNT BACK AWARD

This is Wayne Ward who is a Chook Runner & he is the latest pigeon oops, Chookie to win this award.
Congratulations Wayne!

The Chook Runs are getting bigger, seems like they are having a lot of fun every Friday at 9am.



Happy Birthday for the 30th April Stretch!



VETS PROFILE

We have quite a few characters in our Club so I have decided to do a profile on some of them. The first one we couldn't go past is a fun guy (no not fungi) he is also the Vets Secretary/Treasurer doing a mighty job of it too! He basically is our Sam Mac of Burrum. His name?

IAN aka 'STRETCH' ANDERSON'

Stretch is the brains behind all the fun stuff on Tuesday Vets. He is very agile, sometimes to his detriment, like the time he threw himself on the presentation table & dared someone to pick him.

His dress sense leaves a lot to be desired but it is what we would callzany! Check the picture!

Stretch is the ultimate club member doing what is needed without being asked. If there is a working bee he is there. His magic with the gardens is on show, he makes sure they are watered & kept manicured. He has help but this is about him. Stretch makes sure everyone is aware of any away games as Secretary he is tops, he is also an excellent Treasurer getting both jobs done. An all round nice guy with his finger on the pulse of our Vets. Thanks Stretch!



PROFILING

We have quite a few characters in our Club so I have decided to do a profile on some of them this one is also a Secretary and a more excellent one we have never had.

He is also a barrel of fun! I think I have found the reason for the success on the Friday Chook Runs.

This man is an absolute wonder when there is a grant to be had and he has secured many.

The club was lacking any foresight which was no ones fault it was just plodding along bogged down in a vacuum of the '70's.

Then along comes this ball of energy with a knack that energizes all around him. Who is he? His name?

NEIL CLARKE aka NOBBY

Since Neil came to the Burrum District Golf Club he has invested a lot of time into sparking the old girl up. He has taken some new ideas and put them out there for the members to ascertain whether they are good or not. He does not push his ideas it is up to the members he says, which is how it should be. The Committee is behind him as well. There has been some rough patches but he soldiered on.

The Club was bogged down with old ideas of "it's always been done this way" but that changed with his updated ideas. The Club is doing very well now, the numbers are climbing we have members coming back to us and it's a healthy lively atmosphere that is very tangible.



Neil was instrumental in getting a short course organized and registered for those who have mobility issues.

The Bar Area is another thing he organized, a new covid safe glass washer will be here shortly and that TV..... turns out most nay sayers have changed their minds.

Grants were put in for the watering system and received!

Social players are well up bringing in hundreds of dollars.

It is getting very hard for the men to water on Mondays because of the crowds. What a terrible dilemma!

Another thing he has is a very nice toosh & a great sense of humour and he will show it whenever possible, I mean his sense of humour.....and his toosh too! Good fun.

Thanks Sunshine!

So picture this. It's 1932 and Australia is in the grip of the Great Depression.

One in three workers are unemployed. Decrepit shanty towns hug the outskirts of the big cities.

A scrawny rabbit caught in a trap will feed a family for a week. Country roads are filled with broken men walking from one farmhouse to another seeking menial jobs and food. On the outskirts of the South Gippsland town of Leongatha, an injured farmer lies in bed unable to walk – or work.

World War I hero Captain Leo Tennyson Gwyther is in hospital with a broken leg and the family farm is in danger of falling into ruins. Up steps his son, nine-year-old Lennie. With the help of his pony Ginger Mick, Lennie ploughs the farm's 24 paddocks and keeps the place running until his father can get back on his feet. How to reward him? Lennie has been obsessively following one of the biggest engineering feats of the era – the construction of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. He wants to attend its opening. With great reluctance, his parents agree he can go. So Lennie saddles up Ginger Mick, packs a toothbrush, pyjamas, spare clothes and a water bottle into a sack, and begins the 1000+ kilometre trek to Sydney. Alone. That's right. A nine-year-old boy riding a pony from the deep south of Victoria to the biggest and roughest city in the nation. Told you it was a different era. No social media. No mobile phones. But even then it doesn't take long before word begins to spread about a boy, his horse and their epic trek. The entire population of small country towns gather on their outskirts to welcome his arrival. He survives bushfires, is attacked by a "vagabond" and endures rain and cold, biting winds. When he reaches Canberra he is welcomed by Prime Minister Joseph Lyons, who invites him into Parliament House for tea. When he finally arrives in Sydney, more than 10,000 people line the streets to greet him. He is besieged by autograph hunters. He becomes a key part of the official parade at the bridge's opening. He and Ginger Mick are invited to make a starring appearance at the Royal Show. Even Donald Bradman, the biggest celebrity of the Depression era, requests a meeting and gives him a signed cricket bat. A letter writer to The Sydney Morning Herald at the time gushes that "just such an example as provided by a child of nine summers, Lennie Gwyther was, and is, needed to raise the spirit of our people and to fire our youth and others to do things – not to talk only. "The sturdy pioneer spirit is not dead ... let it be remembered that this little lad, when his father was in hospital, cultivated the farm – a mere child."

When Lennie leaves Sydney for home a month later, he has become one of the most famous figures in a country craving uplifting news. Large crowds wave handkerchiefs. Women weep and shout "goodbye". According to The Sun newspaper, "Lennie, being a casual Australian, swung into the saddle and called 'Toodleloo!'" He finally arrives home to a tumultuous reaction in Leongatha.

He returns to school and soon life for Lennie – and the country – returns to normal.

These days you can find a bronze statue in Leongatha commemorating Lennie and Ginger Mick.

But Australia has largely forgotten his remarkable feat – and how he inspired a struggling nation.

Never taught about him in school? Never heard of him before? Spread the word. We need to remember – and celebrate – Lennie Gwyther and his courageous journey. It's a great story.

