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Director Nominations for the Board of Golf NSW

The Constitution of Golf NSW specifies that after the inaugural Board elections held in 2010, subsequently there will be rolling elections every year. On this first re-election there will be four positions that become vacant, and in 2012 the other five positions will fall vacant. This ensures continuity of policy, decision making and general smooth operation of the organisation. The term of a Director is two years, with a maximum of three consecutive terms allowed.

Nominations for the Board are open from 3rd August until 26th August. Assuming an election is required, the successful candidates will be announced at the AGM on 6th October 2011. Further information and nomination forms will be available from the Golf NSW website – www.golfnsw.org.

Spread the word, Horizons is back

July 29th, 2011

Having been on the precipice of extinction, over the past 8 months, haemorrhaging losses of between \$15000 and \$20000 per week, the future of Horizons now appears much brighter, with the newly installed lessee, currently spending \$1 million, in bringing the course back, to its previous championship condition.



Although this resort course is currently under Administration, Queenslander Brett Lawton, has been granted permission to rent the business, until a Supreme Court battle with two Korean banks is settled.

More at GolfGrinder.com

Thrilling finish in the 2011 NSW Mixed Foursomes Championship

It was a thrilling finish in the 2011 NSW Mixed Foursomes Championship, held at New Brighton Golf Club.

At the end of play two pairs, Callan O'Reilly (Pennant Hills) & Olivia Wilson (New South Wales) and youngsters Tony Jung (Strathfield) & Shelly Shin (Concord) led the field, both teams finishing the day with 74. This meant a sudden-death play-off.

It was the experience of O'Reilly and Wilson that ultimately secured them the victory, winning 6/4 on the first play-off hole.



It was a surprising victory, the pair just meeting face-to-face for the first time this morning. However the partnership proved a success, with both playing exceptionally

well around the challenging course.

Full story and results available at www.golfnsw.org

Vale: John Murphy

John Murphy, another of the Illawarra's most respected golf stalwarts and long term administrator of the game and contributor to golf generally changed clubs this week when he sadly passed away. John's wife Connie also passed away only a very short time ago. John and Connie are survived by Renn, Dale, Kim and Greg and their families.

John's funeral will be held at Parsons Funeral Home, 278 Princes Highway, Bulli at 12 noon on Monday 15th August.

Below is a synopsis of John's administrative record in the game.

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- Was a Delegate to the Illawarra DGA for Wollongong Golf Club in the early '70s.
- Became Northern Zone Delegate to the IDGA in 1976.
- Became Publicity Officer of the IDGA in 1977 and held that position until 1987.
- Also took on the position of JPO in 1978 for a couple of years.
- Became Captain of the IDGA in 1979.until 1989.and then became alternate delegate to NSWGA.
- Was made a Life Member of the IDGA in 1990.

Strange Rulings

PGA Mail - 2 August 2011

While most of the attention is on the play at a **major** some **fascinating events** unfold behind the scenes, especially among the **rules officials**. At last week's US Senior Open one of the most unusual rulings in recent memory had to be made at the 12th hole on Thursday after Gary Sowinski's bunker shot ran across the green and came to rest on a patch of algae in a pond. The ball was within the bounds of the hazard but above the water line and Sowinski wanted to play it as it lay. However, a microphone cable lay behind the patch of algae and, although he was entitled to move the cable without penalty, when he did so the ball immediately sank. [More...](#)

Tiger joins all star cast for 2011 Australian Open in Sydney

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NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell today announced Tiger Woods as the latest big name heading to Sydney in November to play the Australian Open to begin one of the greatest years ever for Australian golf.

Woods will join defending champion Geoff Ogilvy, Presidents Cup captains Greg Norman and Fred Couples, world number 13 Bubba Watson and world number 7



Dustin Johnson to contest the time-honoured Stonehaven Cup.

The Open will take place from 10-13 November at The Lakes Golf Club in Sydney, immediately preceding the President's Cup. More at <http://golfaustralia.org.au/default.aspx?s=newsdisplay&id=71437>

2011 NSW Volunteer of the Year Award – Nominations close 31 August

The NSW Volunteer of the Year Award **recognises the outstanding efforts of the 2.4 million volunteers in NSW and promotes the importance of volunteering to the community.**

Nominations are open for the:

- **2011 NSW Volunteer of the Year** (*closes 31 August - Awards for Youth and Senior of the Year*)
- **2011 NSW Volunteer Team of the Year** (*closes 31 August*)
- **2011 NSW Corporate/Employee Volunteer of the Year** (*closes 31 October*)
- **2011 NSW Excellence in NFP Volunteer Management** (*closes 31 October – one-off*)

The 2011 NSW Volunteer of the Year Award program is run at a Regional and State level. See www.nswvolunteerawards.com for more information



Olympic Golf

PGA Mail – 9th August 2011

With **golf back in the Olympics for 2016** one of the major issues to be resolved is the **course the event will be played on in Brazil**. None of the country's existing courses are considered up to par for such a prestigious event so a new course is to be built to host the competition. Naturally, competition for the right to design the Olympic layout is fierce with many top player/architects, including Jack Nicklaus (in partnership with Annika Sorenstam) and Greg Norman already throwing their hats in the ring. But six time major winner Nick Faldo has come up with a novel idea to solve the problem of who should get the plum job: course design by committee. [More...](#)



Technical Update

If you are seeing strange formatting when you log onto the Golf NSW website – www.golfnsw.org – it may be because your browsers need updating. The latest version of Internet Explorer is Version 9. The latest Firefox software is Version 5. It is free to update your browsers, just google Internet Explorer or Firefox and then follow the instructions.

Coming Events!

- 27-28 August [Women's Weekend Tournament, The Vintage](#)
 28 August [Men's & Women's Foursomes Championships, Oatlands](#)
 5-8 September [Women's Country Meeting - Cronulla, Woolooware & Bexley](#)

Entries are also open for the following tournaments

- 12 September [Women's Coronation Medal, Concord & Castle Hill](#)
 16 September [Women's Bronze Medallion, Cronulla & Wakehurst](#)
 25-27 September [Tasco NSW Boy's Junior Championship, Charlestown](#)
 26-27 September [Women's NSW Sand Greens Championship, Narromine](#)

All entry forms and results are available from the Golf NSW website (www.golfnsw.org) under the Events tag.

A bachelor's life is a fine breakfast, a flat lunch, and a miserable dinner.

Francis Bacon

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