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NSW Men's Team Take Out Title

In a tight series, the NSW Men's Team defeated Tasmania to take out the **2012 Australian Interstate Teams Matches** at Royal Adelaide Golf Club. State Team Coach Khan Pullen commented that "the amazing fact about this year's two finalists, is that they battled off for 5th and 6th place in last year's series. Quite an amazing turnaround in a short 8 month period for both teams!!!"

The NSW Women's Team narrowly missed out on securing a place in the final of the 2012 Women's Series at West Lakes Golf Club on a countback, and ended up 4th. The team actually won the same number of contests, but one less individual match, than the eventual winners WA. A highlight during the final day was Carly Beck's hole-in-one to win her match 3 & 1.



NSW Men's Team



NSW Women's Team



State Team & Officials



Training in 2XU gear

Congratulations to both Teams and their Officials on their efforts. [\[Click Here\]](#) to read the NSW State Blog which includes links to results, articles, video and photogallery.

Tharle wins NSW Mid-Amateur



It could have been anyone's day at the picturesque and challenging Magenta Shores Golf Club on the Central Coast. Only 2 strokes separated the top 3 players in the final group of the day. However, it was Andrew Tharle from Royal Canberra who led overnight and held on to his lead through the final round for a total score of 231, winning by a solitary shot from Dunheved's John Fearnley. Brendan Ellam from North Ryde was a shot further back finishing 3rd. Many thanks to Magenta Shores for providing a stunning venue and hosting the event. To view the daily blog, leaderboard and overall prize winner [\[Click Here\]](#)

2012 Women's Autumn Meeting



189 ladies tee'd off for the 2012 Women's Autumn Meeting held at various clubs across ACT. Winners at Gungahlin Lakes were locals Coralie Amos (16) and June Osland (22) from Yowani CC and Shirley Walsh (17) and Julie Davis (27) from Belconnen Magpies GC with a +12. At Belconnen GC, winners were both pairs of sisters coming from the Central Coast, Diane Soetens (26) and Marilyn Newbury (34) from Kooindah Waters GC and Rhonda Thompson (11) and Jennifer Richards (19) from Wyong GC with +10. To view blog, photo gallery and team prize winners in all divisions [\[Click Here\]](#).

Eden Juniors create history



Congratulations to the Eden juniors who created history when they won their first pennant since 1985 at Catalina at the end of April. Eden will now face a team from the Illawarra at a venue to be decided in the Encourage Shield Trophy later in the year [\[Read More\]](#).



Ricky receives International recognition

Ricky Kato has been selected as one of the recipients for the 2012 *Byron Nelson International Junior Golf Awards* and will head to Texas, USA to receive his award. Ricky was chosen from a field of outstanding junior golfers from around the world, not just for his skills on the golf course, but those he exhibits in everyday life [\[Read More\]](#).

Pennant Hills Women set for first ever Grade win



Pennant Hills' win on Friday in the Women's Grade has put them in an unbeatable position and they will be presented with the 2012 Grade Pennant. A 4.5 / 2.5 win over Concord means that they cannot be defeated. The Pennant Hills team have been thereabouts for several seasons, and have finally secured the flag they have been searching for so many years.

Pennant Hills' Lauren Hibbert was thrilled with Friday's squared match against Shelly Shin which means she has completed the season undefeated [\[Read More\]](#).



Interested in an Accounts Payable Role?

Golf NSW is seeking an experienced Accounts Payable Officer for a role that offers an interesting variety of functions in the administration office. Closing date for applications is 5pm Monday, 21st May 2012. For more information about the position [\[Click Here\]](#).

Federal Budget for Australian Sport

The Federal Government will be providing more than \$300 million in ongoing funding for sport to support grassroots participation and high performance programs in the 2012-13 budget. The Government lists numerous community sporting organisations who will benefit from funding provided via the Australian Sports Commission (ASC). The ASC's budget and key performance indicators can be found under its Portfolio Budget Statement: *Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts & Sports Portfolio*.

It lists the ASC's aims which are to "improve participation in sport, and deliver excellence in sports performance and continued international success." One of its key outcomes is: "Improved participation in structured physical activity, **particularly organised sport, at the community level, including through leadership and targeted community-based sports activity.**"(p.143). It also states that the ASC will work with national bodies and state departments of sport and recreation "to build capability by providing specialist support; facilitating research and developing strategies, resources and tools to support inclusive participation; and providing professional development and networking opportunities to enable the sharing of good practice and expertise (p.144)." [\[Read More\]](#)

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Upcoming Events

- 14-18 May 2012 - [Women's NSW 72-hole Stroke Play](#) (Castle Hill Country Club, NSW)
incorporating the NSW Mid-Amateur & Club Champion of Champions
- 17-18 May 2012 - [Women's Margery McWilliam Bowl](#) (Castle Hill CC, NSW)
- 20-22 May 2012 - [Women's NSW Amateur Championship](#) (Twin Creeks, NSW)
- 23/24 June 2012 - [Northern Weekend Tournament](#) (Pacific Dunes GC, NSW)



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