



DROP ZONE

News from GOLF NSW

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Welcome to the first edition for 2013



With the festive season now come and gone, it's once again back to business, and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all golf industry stakeholders a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

What a complete contrast the last two summers have been. Last year the mercury barely nudged above 30 degrees and floods effected many parts of the NSW, and this year the dry hot spell has once again put water supply and bushfire issues on the radar for Golf Clubs, and golfers alike.

Our thoughts are with all those in bushfire ravaged areas, and if called to do so, I am sure the Golfing Community will once again unite to offer support.

Golf NSW will look to strengthen its communications in 2013, and Golf Club and Industry stakeholders will shortly receive (in hard copy) a quarterly Newsletter, covering Golf NSW initiatives, industry news, and any other key points of interest that may benefit the golfing community in general.

I look ahead with anticipation and excitement that 2013 will be a very successful year for the Golfing Industry.

Stuart Fraser
Chief Executive Officer

The Stars are heading to Sydney



Another tremendous field is heading to the **Bing Lee/Samsung Women's NSW Open** at Oatlands Golf Club from 25 to 27 January. No less than 13 Ladies European Tour (LET) winners, many of them multiple winners, will be teeing it up in the \$125,000 tournament.

84 professionals from 15 countries are confirmed starters including players from USA, Canada, France, Sweden, Norway, England, Denmark, Scotland, Japan, Ireland, Wales and New Zealand.

Headlining the field will be the defending champion, 15-year-old amateur Lydia Ko. The Kiwi made international headlines when she captured the 2012 Bing Lee / Samsung NSW Women's Open title as a 14-year-old twelve months ago. The tournament is known for thrilling finishes and with the calibre of the field in 2013, it is sure to be another enthralling tournament...[more](#)

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Vale - Faye Heywood



It is with great sadness to announce the recent passing of one of Golf NSW's Honorary Members and a great ambassador to the game of golf, Faye Heywood.

Faye was involved in numerous roles with women's golf through Women's Golf NSW / NSW Ladies Golf Union from 1968 to 1996. She served as its President from 1989-1991, Vice President in 1992 and served as NSWLGU Executive Council Member, State Selector and had numerous roles on NSWLGU Committees.

Faye was also a NSW delegate to the Australian Ladies Golf Union (ALGU) from 1987-1995 and an ALGU Golf Subcommittee Member. Faye was a true ambassador to the game of golf and will be sadly missed. Golf NSW would like to extend its deepest sympathies to Faye's family and friends...[more](#)

Events Update



A communication went out earlier this week to all Clubs & Districts notifying them of a number of changes to Golf NSW's six year-long events (NSW Men's Fourball Championship, NSW Women's Fourball Classic, NSW Mixed Fourball Championship, Women's Medal Competition, Women's NSW Bowl, Women's Goodwill Plate). Worth noting is that all these events will now be administered online via the Golf NSW website, alleviating much of the paper administration previously undertaken by Club's and District's. *[Click on respective events above.]*

High Performance Update



Cox wins PGA Q-School, Papadatos also secures card

Troy Cox from New South Wales has won the 2013 PGA Tour of Australasia Qualifying School played at Peninsula Country Golf Club. Shooting an 11-under 277, Cox has earned himself a full Tour card for the 2013 season as well as a \$4000 pay cheque. Full story click...[more](#)



Australian Amateur Championships

A field featuring over 50 international players from Canada, USA, England, Germany, Scotland, Finland, Japan, France, Singapore, Korea and New Zealand tee'd up against Australia's best in the 2013 Australian Amateur Championships in Melbourne. For full story click...[more](#)



2013 Changes to Junior Averages and Rankings

Jack Newton Junior Golf has made changes to the conditions of the 2013 Junior Vardon and Junior Derrin Averages competitions. A new set of averages known as the "Futures" averages has also been introduced. For more information please click...[more](#)

Rules & Course Rating Update

Rules of Golf

Just prior to Christmas all clubs were forwarded information and requested response by those interested in hosting a Rules Seminar and Exam in 2013. Expressions of interest were asked to be returned by 23rd January so the year's schedule can be organised and published. If your club or DGA is interested, please make sure a response is forwarded. To download the application for click on [Club Level Rules of Golf Seminars & Exams](#)

Course Rating & Handicapping



HMAS Creswell is no longer ...

It is sad to note and advise that on Tuesday, 15th January, HMAS Creswell Golf Club played their last event. A number of factors resulted in the club deciding to close. We wish all involved with the club all the best and trust you will continue to enjoy your golf at an alternative club.

Statement ... Clubs welcome new multi-level ban



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Clubs NSW welcomed a new State Government initiative which allows licensed venues to ban troublemakers from all clubs and pubs across a local area. For many years the registered club industry has called for the changes which allow local clubs and pubs to share information relating to people responsible for anti-social or violent incidents....[more](#)

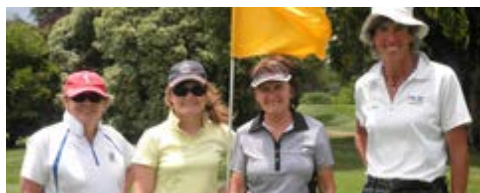
Communications Update

ClubMail - End of December 2012 / Early January ClubMail included:

- Emailed Dec 2012 > 2013 Club Level Rules of Golf Seminars & Exams "Nomination/Application Form"
- Emailed Jan 2012 > Communications re: Continuous Golf NSW Events
- To be posted shortly: These include 2013 Fixtures and 2013 Men's Senior Order of Merit Posters.
- For a updated lists go to www.golfnsw.org > Publications > [ClubMail](#)

Contact Directory - The latest version of the 2013 Contacts Directory will be available in the Club Login section of the website in the next week. If you have any changes please send an email to info@golfnsw.org

Tying the "Knott" with schools



Sharon Nott, a representative from Jack Newton Junior Golf (JNKG), attended the Western area annual Teachers and Friends Golf Day held at Duntryleague Golf Course on Sunday, 16th December. Although very much a social hit amongst teachers and club members, the aim was also to promote JNKG Junior programs at schools, particularly the MYGolf Program; to let teachers know about the resources and support available from JNKG; and to form links between the schools and clubs...[more](#)

Membership & Governance

Australian Sports Commission

- **The Impact of Indigenous Sports Program Report** - Dr Steven Rynne (University of Qld) stated "Over three years we found that a lot of these programs were highly successful, due to the fact that sport in general has the capacity to bring people together - which helps reinforce connections to land, culture, community and peers...[more](#)
- **Australia's Winning Edge 2012-2022**, a new game plan for high performance sport, was recently launched...[more](#)
- **New online courses** have been introduced to create safer, fairer and more inclusive environments for participants...[more](#)

Smoke-free Environment Act 2000

- Smoking is now banned in spectator areas at public sports grounds and other recreational



- areas in NSW. The view the Media Release [[click here](#)].
- To download the PDF Fact Sheet [[click here](#)].

Recent Headlines



- [Amputee golfer shines \(Video\)](#) - Daily News | 12/01/13
- [2013 Women's Lake Macquarie Amateur](#) - iseekgolf.com | 8-11/01/13
- [Golf star tees off for home club \(video\)](#) - Prime 7 - Albury, Wadonga | 04/01/13
- [How far do you walk on the golf course?](#) - Aussie Golfer | 07/01/13
- [Coaching from greats essential to develop youngsters' careers](#) - The Canberra Times | 06/01/13
- [Canberra should be on circuit, says Lunn](#) - The Canberra Times | 04/01/13
- [New manager for Mudgee Golf Club](#) - Mudgee Guardian | 02/01/13
- [One for the girls](#) - Great Lakes Advocate | 02/01/13
- [Jones not so green](#) - Daily Liberal | 31/12/12

Upcoming Events



- 25-27 - [Bing Lee / Samsung Women's NSW Open](#) - Oatlands GC
- 30 Jan - 5 Feb - [Men's NSW Amateur Championship](#) - The Coast, Bonnie Doon, Royal Sydney
- 8 Feb - [Women's Captain's Meeting](#) - Pymble GC
- 10 Feb - [NSW Family Bowl](#) - Wentworth Falls CC

Upcoming Grants & Awards

- A range of assistance grants are in the process of being made available by the NSW Government through the **NSW Disaster Assistance Arrangements**, which are supported by the Commonwealth Government to support those that have been affected by the bushfires. These include grants for eligible individuals, families, small businesses and a special scheme to assist sporting clubs in meeting costs of restoration of essential club facilities that have been damaged or destroyed...[more](#)
- [Participation & Facility Program Grant - Rd 2](#): Opens 21 January - NSW Sport & Recreation - Close 26 February
- [Local Sporting Champions - Australian Sports Commission](#) - Close 28 February
- [Numerous grants related to social inclusion & environment](#) - GrantsLINK - Various



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