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Golf NSW Council Meeting – October 2013 Men's Match

Events conducted since last July meeting

NSW State Mixed Foursomes Championship - Shelly Beach GC 4 August

A record field of 70 pairs contested, what is becoming a popular event , at the picturesque Shelly Beach GC

Women's NSW State Team Captain Olivia Wilson (NSW GC) partnered Kayne Carmichael (Catalina GC) to secure the 2013 NSW Mixed Foursomes Championship title with a front nine of 33, which included eagles and the first and third holes, followed by a back nine of 43 for a total 76. Just one shot further behind were local pairing Jeanette and Andrew Arkins (Shelly Beach GC). The Club Champion of Champions trophy was won by Stonecutters Ridge pairing of Lia Lavelle and Matthew Horton with a score of 82.

Golf NSW v Australian Defence Force Golf Association - Mollymook GC 12-13 September

This was the 26th year of the event and GNSW has had the upper hand for most of the contests. This year the format was changed to have half the team played scratch match play and the other half play handicap match play. Also for the first time GNSW had no financial commitment as each of the players covered their own costs.

The new format allowed both teams to select not just low markers but longer markers that were competitive.

Although there was great camaraderie between the players it was very competitive with the Fourball going to ADF 3 % to 2 %. GNSW reversed the tables in the Foursomes by winning 4 % to 1 %. In the Singles it was down to the wire with the ADF taking 7 of the matches. The final overall result a 12 all tie.

Both teams were able to select players that had put time and effort into golf, for example the GNSW team consisted of 7 current/ex Club Captains and 2 Sponsors, and the ADF had representation from all ranks up to Brigadier.

NSW Men's Fourball Championship - State Final

Nelson Bay's John Rowland and Brenton Bradford have won their second NSW Men's Fourball title today at Bonville Golf Resort.

The Nelson Bay pair held their nerve throughout the final round for consecutive rounds of 46 points, to win by five strokes to the fast finishing parings from Wauchope and Macarthur Grange.

2013 Eric Apperly Shield

37 Metro as well as Country teams competed in this years event with St. Michael's Golf Club facing off against Avondale Golf Club. St. Michael's had a convincing win over Avondale winning 4.5 - 1.5 at Pennant Hills Golf Club. St. Michael's had some great victories on track to winning the Eric Apperly

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Shield with wins over Wyong, Long Reef and eventually Avondale in the final.

This tops off a stellar streak in pennant for St. Michael's with the club winning three Division 1 Major Pennant Flags, two Junior Pennant Flags and two Eric Apperly Shields in the last four years.

2013 Junior Pennant

Over recent years the support of the Junior Pennant has been in decline. It was decided to significantly change the format by having both handicap and scratch Match Play as well as including Girls in the team. The event was administered by JNJG.

Unfortunately the event was poorly supported with only 18 Clubs entering a team, down on the previous year.

In the final Bayiew 5 defeated Anthill Park 1.

Up Coming Events

19-20 October – NSW Sand Greens Championship – Barraba GC

20 October – Finals of Warren and Gibson Shields

2-3 November – NSW Country Championships – Muswellbrook GC

8 - 10 November - Federal Open Amateur

12 – 14 November – ACS Senior Championship

23 – 25 January 1014 - Lake Macquarie International – Belmont GC

29 Jan – 4 Feb - NSW Medal and Amateur Championship – Castle Hill, Pennant Hills, Concord

Other Items

- The Men's Match Committee has recommended to the Board that smoking during Golf NSW events be banned, ie a code of Conduct breech if reported.
- A sub-committee to be established to review the Eric Apperly and Junior Pennant going forward.
- Confirm Male Juniors resident in the ACT Monaro District can play for the ACT in the Interstate Series on condition that if they are resident in NSW then Golf NSW would need to approve their inclusion.
- A review of the Warren and Gibson eligibility conditions to take place once the new GA handicaps are in place.