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Welcome to Drop Zone

A main focus of the Golf NSW Strategic Plan is "Enhanced Club health," and I am pleased to announce that Golf NSW will soon be launching a Club Support service, to assist member Clubs in optimising their day to day operations.

Golf NSW has secured the services of two experienced Club Managers, Graham Christian (past General Manager of the The Lakes Golf Club) and Rod Davies (past General Manager of Cromer Golf Club), to deliver a Club operations advisory service.

I look forward to providing the industry with more details concerning this vital service in the near future.

Another strategy outlined in the Strategic Plan is the introduction of a Club "Buddy System," and recently Parkes Golf Club announced an alliance with Sydney based Asquith Golf Club, with the view to sharing vital resources including equipment, staff and knowledge.

It is great to see the industry collectively working together for the health of the game, and I commend these two clubs for leading this initiative.

Until next edition, good golfing.

Yours in golf

Stuart Fraser
Chief Executive Officer

Aged care: Can you afford it?



All too often we procrastinate over financial decisions and panic when the event occurs.

A move into aged care usually happens in a hurry but planning ahead can help reduce the level of emotional turmoil you will experience when faced with difficult decisions.

The costs for aged care are increasing and with an ageing population we need to think more carefully about how we will be affected. Currently, more than two million Australians are aged 70 and over and approximately 45% of these will use aged care services.

Planning before you need aged care can improve your financial situation.

If you are planning your retirement or helping a family member deal with the challenges as they age, Club Plus Financial Planning can help you navigate through strategies needed to meet your family and estate planning circumstances. Make a free initial appointment by calling **(02) 9376 9422** or email www.clubplussuper.com.au/fpappointment.

Industry Update

Queen's Birthday Honours



On behalf of the Golf NSW community, we would like to congratulate our Patron, Her Excellency Professor The Honourable Dame Marie Bashir AD CVO, Governor of NSW, on her appointment as Dame to the Order of Australia...[more](#)

Congratulations to former Women's NSW Open Champion [Laura Davies](#) who was also recognised as a Dame in the Queen's birthday honours list, and to [Ellen Rae](#) from Morisset Country Club who was granted a Medal of the Order of Australia for her service to golf.

2013 National Golf Participation Report



The *2013 National Participation Report* published by Golf Australia in conjunction with Golf Management Australia (GMA) was released last month. It provides thirteen key findings which will help those involved in the golf industry gain a better picture of what is happening in golf nationally and in each state. It concludes with a set of recommendations to help clubs face the numerous challenges ahead to remain competitive and viable in the golf market. [[DOWNLOAD REPORT](#)]



Has your club registered for #PlaygolfWEEK?

The 2014 Playgolf WEEK will take place from 17-23 November. To register your club to be a part of Playgolf WEEK 2014, [click here](#). Playgolf WEEK is a Golf Australia-led participation initiative (in conjunction with the State Associations), using a national engagement campaign to raise awareness and involvement in golf. **Registrations close 20 June**. View registered clubs [click here](#).



Butt Out - Smoking banned at sporting events in NSW

Whether you're attending your daughter's netball game this weekend or cheering on the Panthers or Eels at Sportingbet Stadium, all sport spectator areas are now smoke-free... smoking is now banned in all outdoor spectator areas of sports grounds during organised sports. [more](#)

Employment Opportunity

Golf NSW is seeking an Events Coordinator

An exciting opportunity exists to join the Golf NSW team as an Events Coordinator. This role will manage a number of Golf NSW participation events.....[more](#) **Closing date 27 June 2014**.



Golf accessible for physically disabled in Aussie-first

Moore Park Golf, part of Centennial Parklands, is the first public golf course in Australia to enable people with severe physical disability to enjoy a round of golf. Environment Minister Rob Stokes launched the Paragolfer on 12th June, a German-designed cart, which will allow people with hemiplegia and quadriplegia the opportunity to experience this previously inaccessible sport...[more](#)

Rules, Course Rating & Handicapping Update



The Seminar & Rules Nights Schedule

The rules seminars and the online exams format continues to be a success. The new two-hour format for the rules nights is also proving to be popular with high attendances at sessions so far this year. For further details and to register online visit: <http://www.golfnsw.org/default.aspx?s=Rules-Accreditation>

The National Rules eNews

The National Rules eNews was distributed last week...[more](#)

June Rules Quiz - 2014

How well do you know your rules? Test your skills by taking the June Rules Quiz...[more](#)

Recent Headlines



- [100 Years on "The Rock"](#) - 12/06/14
- [Golf Club aims to attract new golfers](#) - Manning River Times | 11/06/14
- [Record Number of Students Begin 2014 Premier's Sporting Challenge](#) - Mike Baird MP, Premier of NSW | 06/10/14
- [Light It Up Golf's night golf events proving popular with Balgowlah, Bayview, Mona Vale and Warringah Golf Clubs](#) - The Daily Telegraph | 03/06/14
- [Aussie Deaf golf team takes on Pymble](#) - Pymble Golf Club | 03/06/14
- [Eastlake Launches Junior Program](#) - JNKG | 27/05/14
- [Australia wins first World Cup of Disabled Golf](#) - World Cup of Disabled Golf | 25/05/14
- [Northern Territory School Proves Golf can be Played in Any Location | JNKG - 30/05/14](#)

High Performance Update

Highlights over the past month include some great performances from our NSW players at the Northern Territory Championships, announcement of players selected to the national and state high performance and development squads and a bit more from our rookie professional.



NSW Players Cameron Davis, Dale Brandt-Richards and Mitchell Venables all missed the cut in the Scottish Stroke Play Championships. The trip went well apart from the results as the players adjusted to the slow greens on the new course. [View leaderboard](#)

- **Jarrold Freeman** toasting his first Northern Territory Open Championship win...[more](#)
- Dylan Perry came in 8th, Brayden Peterson 16th, and Travis Smyth 22nd. Great effort from the boys. [View leaderboard](#)
- **Freeman and Perry** win the HOSTPLUS Northern Territory Amateur Foursomes...[more](#)
- **Elizabeth Elmassian** (The Australian GC - NSW) has won the 2014 Coca Cola Amatil Northern Territory Women's Amateur by a convincing eight shots...[more](#)
- National Squad Members' **Cameron Davis** (Monash CC, Roseville GC) and **Shelly Shin** (Concord GC) were announced as members of the NSW High Performance Program, alongside Doey Choi, Elizabeth Elmassian, Jordan Zunic and Blake Windred. [more](#)
- **Blake Windred** from Monash Country Club was selected as a member of the Australian team for the *Toyota World Junior Championship* to be held at Chukyo Golf Club, Japan from 24-27 June...[more](#)
- Former NSW State and National Squad member **Brett Drewitt** won his PGA Tour event, the United Investment Real Estate Wuhan Open...[more](#)

Exciting times ahead as we watch and nurture the pool of talented golfers from NSW.

Event eNews ♦ Open Entries & Upcoming Events ♦ Full Events Calendar ♦ Club Results



Golf NSW regularly sends a mail out - **ClubMail** - containing entry forms for Golf NSW events, the latest Rules & Handicapping information from Golf Australia, event posters and any other relevant material to its affiliated golf clubs in the state.

It is intended that the recipient at each golf club extracts the relevant information and then distributes it to the appropriate committee members or others within the club for whom it may be relevant.

View the latest ClubMail for 2014...[more](#)

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St Hallett Wines Hole-in-One Achievers

Congratulations to the latest hole-in-one achievers: Michael Moore, Emmanuel Vassalio, Mim Vidler, Ian McKenzie, Bill Mitchell, Gregory Matthews, David Nagle, Sven Jervis, Wayne Meadth, John McCormack, Anthony Salkeld, Thomas Choi, Sharon Stokes, Susan Pearsall, Denis Gallagher, Katsuhiko Taro, Steve Giles, Alan Patience, Daniel Dreyfus, Cheryl McKee, Graham Weekly, Patricia Young, Adrian Lee, Kevin Franklin, and Alex Wiffin...[more](#)



- Inaugural World Golf Awards - Voting opens 20/06/14 ...[more](#)
- Jetstar Flying Start Program - Closes: 30/06/14...[more](#)
- Local Sporting Champions Program - Closes: 30/6/14...[more](#)
- Junior Sports Star Award (various regions) - Closes: Oct 2014...[more](#)
- Youth InterACT Scholarships [ACT Region] ...[more](#)
- ACT Health Promotion Grants...[more](#)
- Elite Indigenous Travel & Accommodation Assistance Program - Ongoing...[more](#)
- Australian Communication Exchange (to support Australian Deaf community)...[more](#)
- Satellite Phone Subsidy Scheme - Ongoing...[more](#)
- Veteran and Community Grants - Ongoing...[more](#)
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