



OUTCOMES – AUGUST 2019

COMPETITION GRADES: The Match Committee has agreed to trial flexible grades for all men's and medley member competitions (excluding the Thursday Pro-Comp.) from this weekend. From Saturday, grades will be determined by the number and handicap of all entrants to provide a more balanced split across the grades. This will not impact on the Golden Shot which is determined by pro-shop staff at a pre-determined handicap split. The committee will continue to monitor all competitions to ensure the fairest grade outcome for all members.

BALL LISTS: Members are reminded that balls won in **ALL** competitions are recorded on the *Ball List* maintained in the pro-shop. This list is (usually) updated after the Wednesday pro-competition. Members have the option of either taking a physical ball, selected from those available, or converting balls to golf reward points at a value of \$3.50 each. Balls remain available for collection for a period of 3 months and if not collected in that time are transferred to the Match Committee holdings which are then used to "fund" such things as pennants, holes in ones, best gross, eagles, eagles' nests etc.

COURSE RENOVATIONS: Members are advised that the course major spring renovations will be done on the afternoon of Wednesday 4th and the morning of Thursday 5th of September. The course will be closed from 12:00pm on Wednesday and re-open when work is complete on Thursday. These times are unavoidable and the Committee apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

HOLE DAMAGE: Significant damage to holes has been reported following the allowance of leaving the flag in the hole whilst putting. It appears that the damage is most likely caused by players removing the ball with their putter rather than first removing the flag to retrieve their ball. Please, do not use your putter at any time to retrieve your ball. Treat the hole with care and please repair any observed damage before proceeding to the next tee.

PRACTICE FACILITIES: Works on the new putting area adjacent to the Club House, including the relocation of the pro-shop, have been delayed significantly and cannot proceed until the course owner completes various estate works. While this is regrettable, we cannot do anything until those works are completed. The Board is trying their best to engage the course owner on this issue but without much success to date. We will of course move quickly once we are able to do so.

PENNANTS: As reported last month, the Club will be entering teams in most Pennant grades for the 2020 season. We are now seeking nominations from ALL players interested in representing our club in those matches. Nomination forms are available from the pro-shop and details of eligibility for each grade are available from the DGA website at: <http://www.actgolf.com.au/>

TRANSGRID WORKS: The major construction works have been completed with landscape remediation and arborists works still outstanding. These should be completed soon with affected areas clearly identified as GUR. Local Rules will be amended and notified to all members when necessary. It should be noted that the new tower installations are in addition to those already existing on the course which will also remain. We are investigating extending the second fairway towards the maintenance yard and clearing that area as required to provide further relief from the tower. Unfortunately, the tower is larger and projects further on the course than was envisaged but will remain classified as an integral part of the course.

DOING IT FOR JARROD: As reported last month, on August 24th we will be dedicating our Stableford event to the memory of Jarrod Lyle and supporting the *Doing it for Jarrod* initiative, a partnership with **Challenge** and the Australian golf industry. Entry to the event is by a gold coin donation which is in addition to your competition entry fee which will also be donated to **Challenge**.

It would be great if all entrants could wear something **YELLOW** on the day to show their support. We will try and get some photos of the most 'flamboyant' group(s) to upload onto the **Challenge** web site.

There are great prizes on offer to all that enter by way of random draws with the major winner being flown to Brisbane with accommodation and a guest spot in the PGA Championship Pro-am event at Royal Pines in December. It would be great to have a capacity field on the day and I look forward to your support. Further details can be found on the **Challenge** web site at <https://www.challenge.org.au/event/doingitforjarrod/>

MARK GOODACRE 4 PERSON AMBROSE: Due to a number of social bookings on the day, putting significant pressure on cart bookings and availability, the Match Committee has agreed to move this Trophy event to **SUNDAY, 25 August**. Bookings will open on Thursday 15 August and Sunday 18th will revert to an individual Stableford Medley event.

MIXED FOURSOME CHAMPIONSHIPS: This year's Mixed Foursome Championships will be contested on the weekend of 21 – 22 September. Last year's participation in these championships was very disappointing with several women unable to find a male partner. Please, let's all try our best to ensure that doesn't happen again. To ensure priority is given to the Championships, reserved bookings will be available from 9:00 both days. For those men looking for a partner, please add your name to the list maintained in the pro-shop.

LET'S PLAY AMBROSE KENO 2019 NSW AMBROSE CHAMPIONSHIPS: this event is scheduled for Sunday, 8 September for the men's and mixed classifications with the women's event on Tuesday, 3 Sep. Entry is \$5.00 per pair in addition to your normal competition entry fee. The winning pair in each category, and if we have more than 20 pairs in any category 2 pairs, will advance to the Regional finals. Play and handicap restrictions will apply as follows:

1. The Pair must have a minimum combined daily handicap of 8 (eg. if one player's daily handicap is 4 and the second players daily handicap is 2 - they cannot play together because combined that is only 6)

2. Each player in the pair must have no more than 20 strokes difference in their daily handicap. (eg. If the lowest marker's daily handicap is 5, their partner must play off no more than a daily handicap of 25).

NOTE: If a pairs daily handicaps are more than 20 strokes different, the higher marker will be limited to a daily handicap 20 strokes above the lower marker's daily handicap.

3. The pair's **PLAYING** handicap on the day will be 1/4 of their combined daily handicap.

4. Each player is required to use at least 6 tee shots during the round which **MUST** be recorded on the score card.

COMING EVENTS:

MEN:

Saturday 24	<i>Doing it for Jarrod</i> Charity Stableford event. Gold coin donation;
Sunday 25	Mark Goodacre 4 Person Ambrose [Trophy event];
Saturday 31	Stroke - Monthly Medal
Sunday 8	<i>Let's Play Ambrose</i> KENO 2019 NSW Ambrose Championships

WOMEN: (AS ABOVE)

Tuesday 3	<i>Let's Play Ambrose</i> KENO 2019 NSW Ambrose Championships
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