# CALLIOPE DISTRICT GOLF CLUB INC.

### **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – April 2024**

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## April 2024 FIXTURES

SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> Monthly Medal – Single Stroke Trophy Donor – Drummond Golf & Club

<u>SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup></u> Single Stroke

SATURDAY13<sup>TH</sup> Captain v President Single Stableford Team Event 9.30 Shotgun Start

SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> Single Stableford

<u>SATURDAY 20<sup>™</sup></u> 4BBB Stableford Trophy Donor - Club 9.30 Shotgun Start

SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> Single Stableford

THURSDAY 25<sup>™</sup> 2 Person Ambrose 9 Hole Chook Run 1.30pm Shotgun Start

<u>SATURDAY 27<sup>™</sup></u> Single Stroke Trophy Donor - Club

SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> Single Stroke

SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> Monthly Medal – Single Stroke Trophy Donor – Drummond Golf & Club

<u>SUNDAY 5<sup>™</sup></u> Single Stroke

# **Dolan Family Memorial Day**

A field of 76 Players competed in the 2 Person Ambrose in memory of Geoff, Jan & Glenn Winners on the day were Blue Thomson & Bec Hillier with 60.25 closely followed by Bec's dad Bruce & brother Scott with 60.75. A little bit of heckling went on at the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole

### ANZAC DAY



Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2 Person Ambrose 9 Hole Chook Run 1.30pm Shotgun start

# **Proposed Ladies Golf Committee**

Please find attached a letter from our President Paulette regarding Ladies golf.

### **Irrigation Update**

3<sup>rd</sup> April - Cable Locating 4<sup>th</sup> April – Pump Shed Pad Cut 18/19<sup>th</sup> April – Compound and Fencing setup TBA – Slab Pour 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> April estimate – pump shed build 29<sup>th</sup> April – PI Staff to commence works

# **Mid-Week Competition**

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday competition Pin Shot on Hole No 5 each week Bookings on Thymesoft or contact the Club on 49757454

# Chook Run

Sunday afternoon Chook Run – 2 Person Ambrose 2pm Shot gun start (Arrive by 1.30pm) Chooks allocated to Winners & Pin Shots, with a card draw for the remaining Prizes, giving all a chance to Win!!!! Please contact the Golf Shop on 49757454 to book your buggy

#### Proposed Ladies Golf Committee.

In the recent survey undertaken by the Club to develop a new Marketing Plan, several of the responses referred to the lack of promotion of Ladies golfing events.

These concerns related to lack of a dedicated Ladies golf day, lack of empathy for lady golfers, and the shortage of lady members. There were approximately 12 responses regarding the need to increase the number of female members and female only competitions.

The current membership numbers are (golfers only, not social members):

Adult Male golfers	276	93.2%
Adult Female golfers	20	<mark>6.8%</mark>
Total	296	100%
Junior Male golfers	34	75.6%
Junior Female golfers	11	<mark>24.4%</mark>
Total		100%

These numbers show that Ladie golfers are only a small proportion of the current overall membership, and some work needs to be undertaken to improve these statistics.

#### Some steps have already been taken in this regard.

A zoom meeting was held with Virginia Irwin Participation Officer- Queensland for Golf Australia at the committee's October meeting. Ms Irwin stipulated that Golf Queensland endorses and encourages Clubs to have a fully inclusive policy regarding women. This policy discourages separate male/female competitions as well as dispensing with the term Associate when it comes to membership. She is a firm advocate for encouraging more women to play golf and for women to be represented on golf committees.

The Club currently does not have a Men's or Ladies committee. But in response to the concerns raised in the survey, the Club would like to address these issues and form a special Ladies Golf Committee.

In the past 6 months Billy Webb has come to the Club to give coaching clinics to ladies. Several sessions have already been conducted so far, with a number of ladies attending. More clinics will be organised in the future in conjunction with Golf Australia for Insurance purposes.

As many of you know being part of a committee takes commitment, co-operation, and the ability to communicate with each other and offer encouragement to new members to our club.

We would encourage any Ladies that are willing and able to promote and support (with your Time) Women's Golf at our club to Please make yourself know to me and in what capacity you would be willing to contribute.

We look forward to your ideas and contributions putting our club on the map as the place that welcomes and encourages Ladies Golf at all levels and all age groups. If interested in being involved, please respond by the 30<sup>th of</sup> April.

#### Regards

Paulette



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