Lynwood Jun 12 Monthly Newsletter of the Sydney North Nomads

Winter chills results in reduced fields

It is no wonder, now that winter has set in, that only a field of 35 fronted up at Lynwood, with a 6:30am start. For some players this meant a 5am departure and it's not surprising why others regard golfers as simply insane about their sport.

Similar smaller fields were encountered at Liverpool (39) yet our Captain, Myles Craye, asked all at both prize giving's whether they thought the course was challenging and all present were all adamant that they would play there again.

In April, at Wakehurst, we had 52 players so perhaps it's the location and early start that is a determinant with the distant courses.

Myles Craye writes a Winter Message to all members (P2 & 3) and stresses the importance of retaining our identity and good name around Sydney.

Gary and Laura Mulder tell us of their wonderful game park experience in Africa - Page 8 - and their piece is suitably titled "Food for the Soul."

Drummond Golf has some fantastic offers which you should also be receiving via email from the Drummond Club (Page 9) and they have a Taylormade fitting session on Monday 23rd July at the Northmead store (Page 10).

Taurus Financial Services has been Myles Craye a loyal supporter for many years so see what professional services you need and they can help (P11).

Happy swinging!

Mark Howard-Browne



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Vice Captain:

David Twycross

Secretary:

Des Boucher

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Only if it's raining

One mid-afternoon on a sunny day, a golfer teed up his ball. After a few practice swings, he steps up to his ball and gets ready to drive the first hole.

Just before he swings, a woman in a wedding gown comes running up from the parking lot. She's got tears streaming down her face.

Just as she reaches the raised tee, she screams out, "I can't believe it! How could you do that?" The golfer calmly takes a swing and drives the ball straight down the fairway.

He looks at the woman, as he puts his driver back in his bag and says, "Hey...I said only if it's raining"

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Upcoming events:

- 19-22 July The Open Royal Lytham & Annes
- 29 July game Mona Vale
- 19 August game Kooindah Waters

The Scorecard Editor

Mark Howard-Browne

Message from your Captain, Myles Craye

Dear Fellow Nomads

Well, I can't believe it's the end of June already, where has the year gone!

From a Nomads Sydney North point of view we have had a busy 6 months;

- We sent a team to represent Australia at the South African Nationals which were held in Port Shepstone in March
- The Nationals committee under the guidance of Mark Howard –Browne (Nationals Tournament Coordinator) was established to organise the next Australian Nationals which we will host in October
- We had our first North vs. South Competition which will now become an annual event
- A Committee was established by David Twycross (Vice Captain) to organise our annual charity day which will be held in November
- We have had 6 games so far this year with only one washed out
- Some our members are getting in an extra game each month by supporting Souths games
- We have added some new courses to our schedule and we played at Liverpool and last week at Lynwood. For those members that played they all said that they would like to keep them on the schedule
- We have seen new members being inducted into Nomads at almost every match so far this year which is great for the future of our club

I think it would be good to reflect on what our Club is all about especially for our very new members and those that have joined over the last year or so.

Through the medium of golf, the purpose of the Club is to:

- Enjoy the camaraderie of like-minded people;
- Raise funds to assist those less fortunate than ourselves;
- Foster and encourage the game of golf through the sponsorship of promising junior Australian players via Jack **Newton Junior Golf.**

The words we have taken for our creed are from the renowned extract from the Meditations of John Donne (1573-1631) "No man is and island entire of itself; each man is part of the continent, a piece of the Maine. Any man's death diminishes me because I am involved in mankind; and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls. It tolls for thee."

In order to achieve our purpose we rely on our members to make a contribution either individually or by joining a committee. I am indebted to my committee who all contribute many hours of effort outside of their working days and personal lives to help the club to function

Our Committee this year is made up of the following Members:

Vice-Captain (Charity Day) David Twycross

Mark Howard-Browne Junior Vice Captain (Knockout Competition) and Newsletter Editor

Steve Betts Treasurer (Past Captain) Des Boucher

Secretary and Membership Officer

Chris Fichardt Handicapper and Game Day Coordinator (Past Captain)

Business Development coordinator Cuan McLaren

Barry Schutte Match Scheduling and Equipment / Clothing

Matthew Dunn Webmaster **Myles Craye** Captain

The only elected position is that of the Junior Vice Captain and nominations are requested each year from our members and voted for at our Annual General meeting during our December Gold Cup day. So a member accepting a nomination for JVC will be committing to a three-year role with our club



For all your golfing needs, visit Drummond Golf's Jeff Pyle and Chris Moody at either their Northmead store (Shop 7/2 Windsor Road) or Casula store (Unit 10A Crossroads, Homemaker Centre). They have a wide range of clubs and accessories and for every dollar you spend, 10 cents comes back to Nomads Sydney North in the form of an annual rebate. Spend BIG!

Message from your Captain, Myles Craye (cont.)

I would like to ask each member to think how you can assist with our charity day. Dave's chosen charity is the Cancer Council and of course Jack Newton Junior Golf. We are aiming to sell each hole for \$1,000 and if we can do that then we will achieve our target. So if you think of a sponsor for us to approach or if you think your company might be interested please contact Dave for the details.

Over the past 8 years we have built up a good reputation at the golf clubs we play at. A number of contributing factors have helped to build this reputation such as having a starter at each tee to ensure we don't delay the field, our speed of play aided by picking up after playing two over par, "ready golf", continuous putting on the greens and our Nomads scoring system. Another is our dress code, each Nomad Club has its own colour shirt, cap and shorts/ longs. So it's important that each member complies with our dress code, which is our club shirt, navy blue longs or shorts and navy blue club cap. The most important factor, which is always commented on favourably by clubs, is the way you conduct yourselves on the course and in the clubhouse. I had another compliment paid to us recently at Liverpool so well done!

We are hosting the Australian Nomads Nationals this year at Magenta Shores in October. We anticipate hosting Nomads from South Africa, New Zealand, Botswana and of course Brisbane. We should have a field of approximately 115 players. Based on the previous 3 Australian Nationals this will be great fun so please get your entry forms in as possible.

Barry is busy booking courses for 2014 to ensure we get the course we want and the tee off times we would prefer. We did a survey of our members a few years ago and the majority said they prefer early morning tee off times even in winter and wanted to try some new courses further afield. We have noted that our fields have been smaller for some of the games that are further away and an early tee off time. So we are not sure if it's the distance, the new course or just the early tee off time is the issue. I will send out a short survey to get your views.

With regard to membership we are getting a steady flow of new members, which is great. We have lost a few long serving members due to transfers to other cities etc. two of those are spearheading our new club in Perth which we hope to have up and running in the next 6 to 9 months. Our total membership is really limited by the number we can field each month. Because of the growing interest in our club we started South's last year and they are also growing at a steady rate.

I would like to acknowledge our sponsors without their support we would not be able to achieve our purpose and not have such great prizes at our matches so a great big thank you for your continued support. I would like to remind all members to support our sponsors and their products/services whenever you can.

Finally we are investigating finding a better solution for our administrative systems to ensure a better service to our members and sponsors.

All the best to you and your families and happy golfing!

Myles

New Woods

Hear the one about the bad tempered golfer who bought a new set of Great Big Bertha Woods.

After playing with them for a couple of rounds he returned to his pro shop and told the pro that these were the best clubs he had ever played with.

"In fact, I can throw these clubs 40 yards further than my old ones" he told the pro.

"I can throw these clubs 40 yards further than my old ones"



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2012 Knock Out Sponsored by The Barefoot Group

The 1st round has been completed, so well done to the winners...

Allan Berlinsky / Ken Adeline	Beat	Grant Mackenzie / Derrick Jones	59-51
Kevin Rule / Gary Mulder	Beat	Barry and Neels Schutte	56-53
Hector West/ Abi Vikram	Beat	Mark Howard-Browne / Johan Landsberg	59-51
Dave Wyche / Chris Bredenhann		Jason and Milton Drever	56-53
Nicky Basson / Steve van Niekerk	Beat		W/O
Steve Betts / Cuan Mclaren	Beat	Des Boucher / Sean Walsh	53-48
Darren Mason / Chris Fichardt	Beat	Tony Gooding / Myles Craye	65-58
Dave Twycross / Dave Angus		Colin Steingold / Gary Sherwood	W/O

"play off the lower of your Nomads and AGU handicaps"

The quarter finals to be conducted over July, August and September will be as follows:

Nicky Basson / Steve van Niekerk	play	Steve Betts / Cuan Mclaren
Allan Berlinsky / Ken Adeline	play	Kevin Rule / Gary Mulder
Hector West/ Abi Vikram	play	Dave Twycross / Dave Angus
Darren Mason / Chris Fichardt	play	Dave Wyche / Chris Bredenhann

The Plate also commences this month and will be fought out as follows:

Grant Mackenzie / Derrick Jones play Jason and Milton Drever, Mark Howard-Browne / Johan Landsberg play Tony Gooding / Myles Craye, Barry and Neels Schutte play Colin Steingold / Gary Sherwood while Des Boucher and Sean Walsh have the Bye.

For all participants, please remember that the competition rules stipulate that you need to "play off the lower of your Nomads and AGU handicaps" so please check your AGU handicap on the Golflink website immediately before you play.

National Tournament update

With less than a month to the closing registration date, we have almost 50 Nomads players registered for the 4th Nomads National Tournament to be played at Magenta Shores on the NSW Central Coast.

Compared to the same time in 2010 with the tournament at The Vintage we are almost double the registrations so we should be fielding a field well in excess of 110 players and sponsors.





REGISTRATIONS BY CLUB					
Sydney North	13				
Sydney South	4				
Brisbane	15				
New Zealand	10				
South Africa	8				
Zimbabwe	-				
JNJG/Sponsor	-				
TOTAL	50				



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WINNERS from Lynwood – 17 th June 2012					
A Division	Winner	Avi Vikram (9)	35 Points		
	Runner-up	Tony Gooding (6)	33 Points		
B Division	Winner	Barry Schutte (14)	33 Points		
	Runner-up	Chris Fichardt (13)	32 Points		
C Division	Winner	Jono Bent (21)	33 Points		
	Runner-up	Grant Mackenzie (22)	30 Points		
Closest to pin	4 th hole	Kevin Loggenberg (12)			
	14 th hole	Avi Vikram (9)			
	17 th hole	Nicky Basson (3)			
Longest Drive	9 th hole	Tony Gooding (6)			
Player of the day		Abi Vikram (9)	35 Points		
Crying Tow	vel (Most Golf)	Sean Walsh (15)	19 Points		

"Why are you fighting?" he asked.

Scoring points...

Watching from the Club house overlooking the 10th green, we saw a foursome approaching. Having marked their balls, suddenly one of the guys fell down and the three others started a fist fight.

The Golf Captain stormed out from the Club house to separate the fighting men. "Why are you fighting?" he asked.

"You see," said one of them, "my partner had a stroke and died just now, and these guys want to include it on the scorecard."



Inductee...Kevin Loggenberg

Kevin, who was recently inducted at Lynwood in June, went to school at Wonderfontein High School in Carletonville which is one of the richest gold-producing areas in the world.

He played golf for the South African Golf Foundation for 4 years competing all over South Africa.

He relocated to Sydney in 2008 when he was offered a job at a company called Strategic Payments Services and he has been working there ever since.

Left is a photo of Kevin playing a round at North Ryde.

Some Golfing Truths

Taking more than two putts to get down on a lightning-fast, steeply sloped green is no embarrassment unless you had to hit a wedge between the putts.

If you're afraid a full shot might reach the green while the foursome ahead of you is still putting out, you have two options: you can immediately shank a lay-up, or you can wait until the green is clear and top a ball halfway there.

Gary Weisser and Brad Forman, have everything you need to enhance your golfing experience: golf bags, shirts, shoes, umbrellas, tees, etc.

They continue to be fantastic supporters of Nomads, so please reciprocate and buy their products.

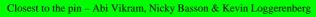


Photos from Lynwood



Dave Twycross with divisional winners Barry Schutte (B Division), Jono Bent (C Division), Abi Vikram (A Division & Winner of Day) and Myles Craye







Crying Towel – Sean Walsh

Gary Sherwood, equity partner at RSM Bird Cameron has kindly donated the Player of the Month Trophy and also sponsors golf balls. For all your auditing, accounting and taxation needs, please call Gary on 0438 923 535

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Your golf swing and your health – are they connected?

Here are some interesting statistics from Golf Digest: 80% of golfers suffer from pain injury or illness, 27% have back pain, 66% are overweight, and 30% have played with a hangover (*Ed. with our Nomads members this may be considerably higher*).

Here are some of the potential conclusions that your swing might lead to:

- If your drives off of the tee are short, it may indicate a flexibility problem. Lack of flexibility often indicates a sedentary lifestyle which can lead to health problems.
- If you have a persistent fade or draw, it could be indicative of posture problems. Posture issues can indicate the possibility of arthritis or other joint problems as you get older.
- If your golf swing is really erratic and you can't get consistency, this could possibly indicate that you lack strength in your "core" muscles.
- If your golf game falls apart after a bad shot, this might indicate that you internalize stress a lot. Doing this in all walks of your daily life can possibly lead to heart disease and other problems down the road.

So after I read this, I am thinking, "What are they really trying to say?" Are they saying that most golfers are out of shape and at risk for their health? Are they saying that if you aren't a single digit handicap you better get to the doctor? My guess is "no" on all counts.

I really think that the article was focusing on two basic points:

- 1. Your golf swing may be able to tell you some things about your health and
- 2. Odds are that you will play better golf if you are in better shape (which I agree with by the way).

So now that warm weather is here, and all the golf courses should be in prime shape, let's get in shape so we can play more than 18 holes at time!

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The home of golf – St Andrews

What Jordan Zunic was up to in June?

In early June, Jordan played in the Scottish Strokeplay Championship at Kilmarnock (Barassie) Golf Club (par 73) and he shot rounds of 71, 75, 73 and 71 which left him tied for 8th place. Well done!

He then played in the St Andrews Links Trophy on the New Course and he shot an even 71 in some breezy conditions.

Jordan followed that up with a 68, 73 and a final day round of 69 on the Old Course to end up joint 6 on 281 strokes.

Daan Huizing cruised to victory in the 2012 St Andrews Links Trophy and set a new record low score in the tournament. The 21 year-old Dutchman finished on a 23 under par total of 264 after rounds of 65 on the New Course and 64, 68 and 67 on the Old Course.

Fantastic effort Jordan – keep up the excellent play!

Neels Schutte is the owner of Thyme Square café and restaurant in Hornsby and he has generously provided vouchers as prizes for our monthly competition. Take your wife/partner for a delicious dinner and be sure to try the South African wine and beer.



Food for the Soul - Gary and Laura Mulder's trip to Africa

After 15 years of not being in the South African bush, we had an opportunity to go and have an amazing experience reliving the wonders, smells and sounds. Sitting around an "ysterhout" fire in the evenings in a lapa with a quart bottle of Black Label bought at the shebeen brought back lots of fabulous memories.

Greater Makalali Private Game Reserve is a collaboration of landowners that have removed the fencing between properties to make up a 26,000 hectare reserve dedicated to the monitoring and conservation of South African wildlife. The Big Five, the Little Five and the Ugly Five are all represented there. Recent arrivals are the disease-free Cape Buffalo that have produced 4 calves in the last 18 months. They will be released from their boma into the main park once their numbers reach around 30.

We found a volunteer holiday at www.siyafundaconservation.com - the research base uses visitors that want to be part of the behind the scenes work to do game monitoring work, compiling data that is sent to the World Wildlife Trust. Elephant herds that are managed with contraception, hyena dens and latrines, white rhino families, lion prides and so much more. If anyone is interested the website has lots of information.







We spent a week at the Research Base with specific duties for each volunteer and then went off to Bush Camp for a more rustic experience. No electricity and no hot water unless you boiled it yourself for your shower.

Through the night around the camp fire, lying in bed trying to sleep, waking up early in the morning you would hear the sound of lions roaring, hyenas whooping to one another, various antelope snorting and rutting, fish eagles calling and all the other sounds the bush has to offer.

It was real "Food for the Soul" and an experience we would recommend to anyone that doesn't mind roughing it a bit. It was certainly more meaningful and educational than a fancy, expensive safari camp. The rangers and staff made the time phenomenal, sharing their passion for wild life and the conservation thereof from the smallest creature to the biggest. Thank heavens for people like that. We saw every animal except Leopard. We saw lion on two kills one with a Wildebeest and one with a Waterbuck.

If anyone wants more information, feel free to contact me. We have some beautiful photographs on Facebook if you are interested. The website is really informative and has the pricing and program details well documented.

Gary Mulder mulder.net.au



Jonty Gill of Stanley Street Butchery is a monthly match sponsor. For all your biltong, boerewors and other South African products, visit him at 15-17 Stanley St, St Ives, NSW, 2075 – or call Jonty on 9449-9242

Drummond Golf Offers in July

DG has 2 fantastic offers during July so come in and test drive the whole family in-store and you won't be disappointed!

PowerBilt

Well, winter has officially landed but don't worry as you can 'heat' up your golf game with the new PowerBilt Air Force One family!

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TaylorMade Fitting Day – Monday 23rd July 2012

Chris Moody, at the Northmead store, is hosting a TaylorMade fitting day so go along to try out the new R11s and RBZ drivers.

Please see the promotional flyer on Page 10.

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The machine weighs 2.86kg and measures 53cm X 40cm X 33cm It has an electric fan & hooks, a 60W bulb is required and 3-4 kg can be made at a time.

A marinade recipe is also included.

Sandy Levin has kindly donated a machine as a prize for the Nomads National Tournament at Magenta Shores so please support her and get your biltong machine from her. Call her on her mobile on 0414 565 515 or (02) 9988-0029.

www.Biltongmachine.com.au biltongmachine@bigpond.com

Another 'silent' sponsor is The Greengate Hotel, in Killara, that gives us, free-of-charge, a meeting room at which we have our monthly Nomads Committee meetings. Take your family and friends down to The Greengate to try out their Portico Restaurant and Bar or just have a beer with mates at the Highway Bay. They have rooms for hire for any size function so have a look at their website: http://www.greengatehotel.com.au/index.html





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Monday 23rd July

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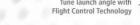
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