

Rockhampton Junior Golf Club

Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome back to all of our golfers and their parents and a special welcome to new members.

This year promises to be a full and exciting time with plenty of competitions and external tournaments as well as special training and coaching events.

We look forward to all members playing golf and improving their game through out the year.

Junior Committee

To run Junior Golf requires a small band of dedicated parents to organise golf days, raise funds, control our costs and pay our bills and generally do the things required to ensure the club and its members do well.

An Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 12 March where the following Office Bearers were elected.

Junior Coordinator – Andrew Longbottom
Secretary – Kay Gill
Treasurer – Terry Snow
Committee – Neil Rodda

Junior Captain's

This year we have more girls than previously especially in the 18 hole division. The committee decided that the club should have a Boy and Girl Captain rather than Captain and Vice Captain. Only one nomination was received for each position. The Captains are:

Boy Captain – Aaron Longbottom

Girl Captain – Natalie Gregsen

For the purpose of playing the Captain and Vice Captain Shield, a flip of the coin was held who would the Captain's Team. This was won by Aaron with Natalie to head the Vice Captain Team.

Club Competitions

Through the year there will be a number of competitions played.

Monthly Medal

Each month there will be a monthly medal where players in each division play for a special club medal. This event is worked out on the best Net result.

Golfer of the Year

Players receive points for their result in the each month's monthly medal. Points are allocated 10, 8, 6, 4, 2 for the best five score with all other players getting 1 point. These points are totalled at the end of the year to decided the Golfer of the Year in each division.

Captain Vs Vice Captain Shield

This is a team event with all members being allocated to a team. Points may be awarded on the Average of the Nett scores for each division with the team with the lowest nett in the division awarded 30 points and the other team getting no points.

When this competition is played on the same day as a Monthly Medal, points may be awarded to the individual based on the same points allocation as described above for Golfer of the Year.

Junior Closed Championship

This competition is only open to club members and is played over 2 Sundays to decide the Club Champion in each division. It is won with the best gross score with prizes for nett scores as well.

Junior Open Championship

This is a similar competition to the Closed championship except it is a one day event where players from other clubs are invited to compete.

Demo Day

The first of our coaching clinics this year will be run on Sunday 02nd of April starting at 08:30. This will be a novel approach to coaching with Gurney Clamp from the CQ Zone Golf Association talking about the rules. Gurney features in the morning bulletin each week with a section called Gurney's Rules.

This will be followed by a demonstration round of golf over 5 holes being played by Doug Gardner the local Greg Norman Foundation representative with Raelee from the Pro shop and our Junior Captains, Natalie and Aaron. During the round Doug will talk about club choice, shot selection, rules and general approach to the game.

Players and parents are encouraged to participate in this event. Doug encourages lots of questions.

Greg Norman Foundation

Membership forms for the Greg Norman Foundation are available in the Junior Room. Membership of the Foundation provides access to additional coaching, participation in the CQ Zone Shark Circuit and the eligibility for the Greg Norman Junior Masters (18 hole only).

Membership costs \$44.00.

Shark Circuit

The Greg Norman Foundation will run the Shark Circuit in conjunction with the various CQ Junior Opens. This is open to 6, 9 and 18 hole players who are financial members of the Greg Norman Foundation.

Prizes will be awarded at each qualifying round with players collecting

points towards overall champions at the end of the year.

Nomination forms are available in the Junior Room. A nomination fee of \$20.00 must be paid by the first round at the Biloela Open on the 6th May.

A Golf Clinic will be conducted by Doug Garner at Parkhurst Driving Range on Monday 10th April at 09:00. Cost \$6.00

Raffle

The club has an Easter raffle running, if you want tickets to sell see Terry or Andrew in the Junior Room. All tickets need to be sold and returned by 09th April. Prizes are Easter Baskets.

Wowan Open

Eight of our Juniors travelled to play at the Wowan Open on Saturday 18th March. This is an interesting and challenging course as there are 5 sand greens and 4 grass greens. All players enjoyed themselves and found the need to smooth the sand before putting something different.

All our players played well with all 9 holers returning scores well below the Course Rating on the day.

Sarah Weston won the 9 hole girls Gross runner-up and had a net score of 18.

Shannon Coad was the 9 hole boys Gross runner-up.

Well done to all players.

CQ Golfer of the Year

The CQ Zone runs a Golfer of the Year competition where players playing in nominated CQ Junior Opens earn points towards an overall champions trophy awarded at the end of the year.

Nomination forms are available in the Junior Room or at the next tournament at Biloela. Cost is \$2.