FAR SOUTH COAST WEEK OF GOLF - 2017

Tura Beach, Eden, Bega and Pambula golf Clubs hosted the Far South Coast Week of Golf with 101 competitors [61 men and 40 ladies] from 34 Clubs. This was similar to last year with a good mixed from visitors across the State, Inter State and locally.

The green staff at the four courses did a great job despite the recent dry conditions. However, Players found the greens at Eden quite 'challenging'. Fast and very hard to read. Notwithstanding the courses were well set up for veteran golfers. There was some minor comment re the availability of food. All Clubs have catering so the ability to have a 'rolling' sausage sizzle or BBQ as player complete their first nine would have been difficult. Some weeks of golf make this a feature and might be worth examining for the future.

All days except Tura were two tee starts which meant little ability to socialise after the round. The Tournament Director is examining shotgun starts but is concerned that this might not be practical for Bega due to cart availability. However, it might be possible to have a mixture of 3 shotgun starts and one two tee start

The Presentation lunch at Tura following a shotgun start was held at the Tura Beach Club who excelled itself with its venue and lunch. The prize presentation was well organised and not drawn out. This WOG does not really follow the one major prize per person guidance of the NSW VGA policy although there was some discussion on this and how it might be applied in the future. Notwithstanding prizes winners where well spread. The NSWVGA trophy for men was played at Eden with the Men's being won by Don Parker from Moruya with 38 points and the Ladies by Jean Lonegan from Ryde with 31 points.

This year's Tournament was again organised by Norm Hamilton and a small team well supported by the respective Professionals particularly Lorraine at Tura Beach. They worked hard to make this a continuing success. He was the main man at each venue ably supported by the local Pro and Vets Captain.

Overall a good week with lots of fun and fellowship.

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