

Presidents Report NRVGA Annual General Meeting 12th November 2021

As the 2021 year comes to an end, we can reflect on one of disruption, turmoil, and disappointment due to the effect that the Weather and Covid has had on the Veterans Golf program and life in general.

The Executive has met via Zoom to manage the necessary changes throughout the year to reschedule events where possible.

Open Days

Wet weather during the early part of the year then later the effects of Covid forcing various NRVGA Local Government Areas into Lockdown which meant the cancellation of 7 Open Days of the 18 scheduled.

After some juggling and rescheduling Iluka, Ballina, Woodenbong, Casino, Byron Bay, Maclean, Murwillumbah, Mullumbimby, Ocean Shores, Kyogle and Woodburn Evans Head were held.

Iluka, Ballina, and Woodburn Evans Head afternoon fields were weather affected.

NRVGA - 4BBB Championship

This year the NRVGA 4BBB Championship were separated from the Stroke / Stableford Championship and held as a stand-alone event to be hosted on rotation each year.

Thankyou to the Mullumbimby Vet's Club and Committee for hosting and organizing the inaugural event.

Congratulations to all 2021 NRVGA Champions and Runner ups

Winners: Ken Murfett and Mick Gard Pottsville 50 pts

Runners Up: Brad Imeson and Rob Goodacre Ocean Shores 49 pts

NRVGA – Stroke / Stableford Championship

Thankyou to the Byron Bay Vets Club and Committee for hosting the 2021 Championships.

Winner Stroke Gross: John Rixon Lismore 79

Runner Up Stroke Gross: Fred Williams Ocean Shores 84

Winner Stroke Net:	Owen Cornwell	Murwillumbah	72 net
Runner Up Stroke Net:	Bruce Melville	Pottsville	74 net
Winner Stableford:	Eric Dollery	Maclean	39 pts
Runner Up Stableford:	Col Fisher	Lismore	38 pts

2022 is looking more positive and I am confident that we will get through the year without Covid disruptions and lockdowns due to the realization of our Politicians and Health chiefs that as a Nation we must learn to live with Covid, and the only way forward is to Vaccinate most of the Population.

Northern River Group 14 is in great shape, our membership continues to grow, and our finances are solid.

We continue to fine tune our Golf program with the introduction of the 4BBB stand-alone Championships this year and the Masters Championship for over 70's coming in June 2022.

Thank you, to the Members, out there in Club land for your attendance at Open Days and the hard-working Club Committees that make our Group the success that it is.

In Closing a special thanks to the Executive Committee our tireless Secretary/Treasurer Ray Kent whose dedication and commitment is second to none, to Vice President North Michael Cook and Vice President South Greg Starr for your valuable input through this difficult year.

Wishing all a very merry Christmas, Healthy and Safe new year, I look forward to seeing you all on our wonderful Northern Rivers Golf Courses next year.

Bring on 2022

John R Lowe

NRVGA President