

2012

ARTIE MOLLETT SHIELD - HRDGA v CCDGA

Springs GC Sunday 29 April, 2012

The Central Coast side proved too strong for the Hunter side in their first rep game of the season, played at The Springs Golf & Country Club, at Peats Ridge.

Our senior players were given a touch up in all matches, but in fairness, the majority of matches were close. Alex Pitty , evergreen Dave Willett & Ty Purnell all got up on the last hole defeating Scott, Hayes, Michael Clark and Matt Dicks 1 up. Scott Ford defeated Chad Vesper on the 17th, Dave "killer' Morgan accounted for Kymble Pascoe 3/2 and Brent Soutar was untroubled by Anthony Lucas, winning 6/5.

The shortage of Colts in the district forced the selectors to play juniors Tom Bateman & Zac Leach above their fighting weight, with both players going down by the margin of 3/2, to Ethan Forsyth & Adam Barnes. Adrian Chomiszak, made a return to the rep scene and proved his talent with a fine 4/2 win over Jason Butt.

A late withdrawal of Greg Wyper (crook back and ailment which appears to be prevalent amongst Kurri golfers) was a late withdrawal from the Veterans, forcing Ross Banks to fill in at late notice. Ross went down 6/4 to Trevor Walker, but had to use foreign clubs supplied by Dave Parkinson. Ken Roe enjoyed his stoush with Mr Consistent Jack Parker who was victorious 2 up and Bryan Gulliver, who is still on a high after an ace at Maitland on Thursday, continued his form with a well earnt 3/2 win over Mick Bowditch.

The juniors were our redemption, saving the selectors from total embarassment. Dylan Perry led the way with a 4/2 win over Rob Hogan. Dyl was three under par at the turn and wrapped the match up with two holes remaining. Will Barnett had an excellent win over Zac Churcher 3/2 and Hayden Gulliver had his usual comfortable win by 3/2 margin over Ben Saunders. Brady Benkovic & Jack Clark, playing their first full rep match in the big time, acquitted themselves with creditable squared matches against Reece Oliver & Chris Gray. Benny Stokes found James Dennis too hot on the day and went down 4/2.

The Central Coast have now won three years in a row and with the match next year being played on their home turf, the Hunter will be looking for a much need against the odds win.

HUNTER**CENTRAL COAST**

SENIORS			
Scott Hayes		Alex Pitty	+1up
Kymble Pascoe		David Morgan	+3/2
Chad Vesper		Scott Ford	+2/1
Michael Clark		Dave Willett	+1up
Anthony Lucas		Brent Soutar	+6/5
Matthew Dicks		Ty Purnell	+1up
COLTS			
Tom Bateman		Ethan Forsyth	+3/2
Adrian Chomiszak	+4/2	Jason Butt	
Zac Leach		Adam Barnes	+3/2
MASTERS			
Bryan Gulliver	3/2	Mick Bowditch	
Ken Roe		Jack Parker	+2up
Ross Banks		Trevor Walker	+6/4
JUNIORS			
Dylan Perry	+4/2	Rob Hogan	
Will Barnett	+3/2	Zac Churcher	
Hayden Gulliver	+3/1	Ben Saunders	
Brady Benkovic	SQ	Reece Oliver	SQ
Ben Stokes		James Dennis	+4/2
Jack Clark	SQ	Chris Gray	SQ
TOTAL	6	TOTAL	12

HRDGA v Newcastle DGA July, 2012

NEWCASTLE VICTORIOUS AGAIN

Newcastle retained the PR West Shield for the umpteenth time when they were victorious over the District rep side, at Waratah Golf Club.

In the Masters division both teams were depleted due to the final round of Masters pennants, Newcastle having to call on their old stagers in Frank Musgrave, Tony "Bones" Jones and Ian Barton, who proved too strong. Bryan Gulliver lost the last three holes to lose his match 1 down, to Frank Musgrave, Andrew Hamilton lost 2 & 1 to Ian Barton and Stan Grzanka, making a comeback to rep golf after a 40 year absence finished square with Bones Jones after he three putted the last hole.

In the "good golfers" division Brent Watson just returned from the US Open, was untroubled by Josh Greenwood, winning 6 & 4, after an opening drive akin to Ian Baker's famous snap hook at St Andrews. That's where the good news finished. Chad Vesper up against former Hunter player Mark Hale went down 4 & 3, Andrew Haigh thumped Fluff Clark 6 & 5, whilst the Singleton connection of Glen Marcheff & Matthew Dicks were beaten by the same margin of 5 & 4, by Greg McMillan (former Hunter player) and Justin Ely. Simon Dillon had a creditable draw against Mick Dundas.

The Hunter Colts went down 3 blot, but took their opponents to the very end. Tom Bateman lost to Daniel Buyers 2 & 1, Matt Hopley, playing his last match as a Colt lost on the last hole to Craig Avery, as did Adrian Chomiszak against Matt Kirkwood.

The Hunter juniors were too strong for the Newcastle boys, with strong wins and without the upsets as reported in the Newcastle Herald. Dylan Perry and Brayden Petersen, both State players had a tremendous tussle, going the full distance, where Brayden flubbed his approach shot short of the green, to allow Dylan to seize the initiative and the match. Hayden Gulliver & Hamish Menz fought out a draw as did Benny Stokes against Joe D'Arcy. Brady Benkovic was 2 down at the turn and held on to go down on the final hole to Isaiah Melia. Jack Clark, playing his second District match had an excellent 2 & 1 win over Will Arnold. Joel Troy, was never headed by Ben Robertson to win 4 & 2. A quick visit by Joel to Darby's pie shop at the ninth tee (two pies and a sausage roll) provided Joel with the necessary sustenance to maintain his halfway lead of 4 up.

HUNTER RIVER DGA vs NEWCASTLE DGA PETER WEST TROPHY

Waratah Golf Club

Sunday 24 June, 2012

Hunter River DGA

Newcastle DGA

MASTERS

Bryan Gulliver		Frank Musgrave	1 up
Andrew Hamilton		Ian Barton	2 up
Stan Grzanka	Sq	Tony Jones	Sq
Result	1/2		2 1/2

SENIORS

Brent Watson	6/4	Josh Greenwood	
Chad Vesper		Mark Hale	4/3
Michael Clark		Andrew Haigh	6/5
Glen Marcheff		Greg McMillan	5/4
Matthew Dicks		Justin Ely	5/4
Simon Dillon	SQ	Mick Dundas	SQ
Result	1 1/2		4 1/2

COLTS

Tom Bateman		Daniel Buyers	2/1
Matt Hopley		Craig Avery	1 up
Adrian Chomiszak		Matt Kirkwood	1 up
Result	0		3

JUNIORS

Dylan Perry	1 up	Brayden Petersen	
Hayden Gulliver	SQ	Hamish Menz	SQ
Ben Stokes	SQ	Joe Darcy	SQ
Brady Benkovic		Isaiah Nelia	1 up
Jack Clark	2/1	Will Arnold	
Joel Troy	4/2	Ben Robertson	
Result	4		1 1/2

TOTAL

6 1/2

11 1/2

JUNIOR 4 WAY - COL JOHNSTON SHIELD.

Muree Golf Club, 3 – 4 November, 2012

The Hunter blooded 7 junior members in the annual Junior 4 Way event hosted by Newcastle DGA at Muree over the weekend of 3 - 4 November, 2012. The purpose of the annual event was

to allow our future rep players to play a round robin series of 9 hole match play against the Central Coast, Lower North Coast, and Newcastle DGA's.

Our team consisted of Zac Pryor (4) & Nick Neild (13) (Kurri), Will(11)& Matt(7) O'Donnell (Scone), Sheldon Harris(16) (Muswellbrook), Corey Lamb(13) (Branxton) and Clayton Small(18) (Maitland). The boys did not win a match, but gained from the experience. The on course demeanour was exemplary and will go on to represent in the future.

Best for the Hunter side was Matt O'Donnell, won two and halved one match, playing at number 2.

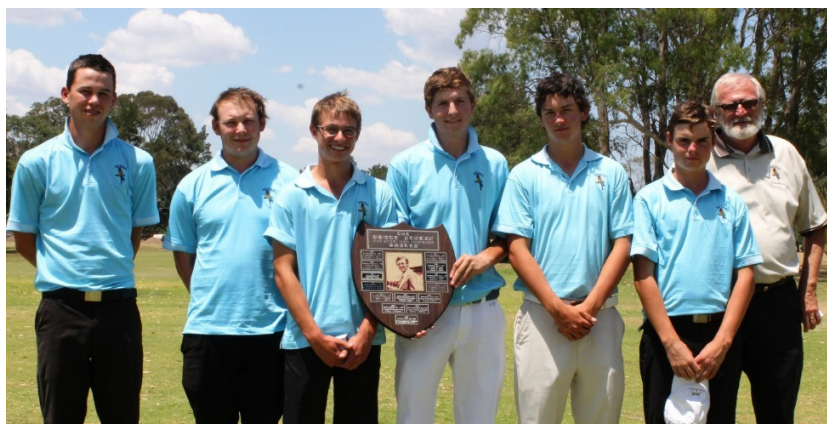
Popular winners were the Central Coast team, who celebrated a long awaited win. The last occasion they were on the Shield was 2002.

The Newcastle team looked resplendent in their hi vis flouro green shirts and could not be missed on the course.

2012 COL JOHNSTON SHIELD

DGA	Central Coast	Hunter River	Lower North Coast	Newcastle
Central Coast		1½	3	2½
Hunter River	5½		4	5
Lower North Coast	4	3		3
Newcastle	4½	2	4	
TOTAL	3/14	0/6½	2/11	1/10½
PLACING	1	4	2	3

2012 COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS



The Golf NSW Country Championships were hosted by our Muswellbrook Club, which proved to be a bonus to our District. In addition to the financial advantage of having over 100 golfers stay in town over the weekend, the home ground advantage saw our team successful in winning the Country Teams Championship, and team member Nathan Waters successfully defended his title won at Queanbeyan in 2011.

The selectors have copped a bit of a criticism on facebook over their previous rep team selections, but on this occasion stuck to a youth policy, which came up trumps. It was simply a matter of picking the best golfers in the District who just happened to be our younger golfers.

Nathan Waters has shot an incredible 9 under par total of 135, to defend his NSW Country Championship crown. Nathan won by 5 strokes to Mid Nth Coast's Logan Toms, who today fired an equal tournament best round of 67. Central Nth's Ben Lockwood finished in third place, a further stroke behind.

Nathan's opening round of 5 under par 67 set the basis for his win, which he followed up with a 4 under for the final 18. His only blemish for the 36 holes was a bogey on the 7th hole in the second round.

Score Detail

Nathan WATERS

Position: 1 Score: 135

Mens Blue

Strokes Scores

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Par	4	4	5	4	3	4	4	3	5	36	5	3	4	4	3	5	4	3	5	36	72
Round 1	3	3	5	4	3	4	4	3	5	34	5	3	4	4	3	4	3	3	4	33	67
Round 2	4	4	5	4	3	3	5	3	4	35	5	2	4	4	3	4	3	3	5	33	68

Hole in one Albatross Eagle Birdie Par Bogey 2+ Bogey

2012 Regional Championships

Jim Baker Shield

Round 1: Shelly Beach Golf Club – Round 2: Gosford Golf Club

CENTRAL COAST DGA				HUNTER RIVER				LOWER NORTH				NEWCASTLE			
Open				Open				Open				Open			
	Rd 1	Rd 2	Total		Rd 1	Rd 2	Total		Rd 1	Rd 2	Total		Rd 1	Rd 2	Total
Pitty, Alex	80	76	156	Clark, Michael	85	78	163	Brown, Rod	78	82	160	Ely, Justin	85	84	169
Purnell, Ty	80	82	162	Blinco, Kyle	86	84	170	Clarke, Alex	79	82	161	McMillan, Greg	81	77	158
Soutar, Brent	89	80	169	Dillon, Simon	85	79	164	Hutchinson, John	84	79	163	O'Reilly, Callan	78	75	153
Wehrle, Rod	81	89	170	Knott, Josh	78	74	152	O'Donoghue,	82	84	166	Searl, Darren	90	83	173
Wickham, Craig	85	77	162	Vesper, Chad	86	79	165	Stewart, Wayne	84	79	163	Smith, Chris	77	83	160
Willett, David	84	87	171	Watson, Brent	78	81	159	Walker, Stefan	88	77	165	Wade, Michael	83	77	160
Total	410	402	812	Total	412	391	803	Total	407	399	806	Total	404	395	799
Juniors				Juniors				Juniors				Juniors			
Churcher, Zac	86	74	160	Benkovic, Brady	86	78	164	Brandwood, Jack	84	83	167	Forrester, Jai	87	79	166
Dennis, James	78	80	158	Clark, Jack	85	85	170	Harris, Jarrod	93	92	185	Melia, Isaiah	84	87	171
Hart, Brodie	98	88	186	Gulliver, Hayden	80	75	155	Jones, Alex	106	88	194	Menz, Hamish	88	999	DISQ
Oliver, Reece	86	76	162	Stokes, Ben	82	81	163	Jubelin, Jackson	93	89	182	Petersen, Brayde	77	74	151
Salvador, Logan	88	81	169	Troy, Joel	94	87	181	Turner, James	96	91	187	Windred, Blake	88	83	171
Total	338	311	649	Total	333	319	652	Total	366	351	717	Total	336	323	659
Colts				Colts				Colts				Colts			
Barnes, Adam	96	999	DISQ	Barnett, Will	81	72	153	Bates, Matthew	89	86	175	Avery, Craig	78	78	156
Ford, Daniel	80	999	DISQ	Bateman, Tom	80	89	169	Garland, Drew	85	91	176	Darcy, Joe	80	88	168
Forsyth, Ethan	999	999	DISQ	Chomiszak, Adrian	83	78	161	Harris, Tim	86	86	172	Mayan, Kris	90	74	164
Hogan, Rob	79	76	155	Perry, Dylan	82	76	158	Jones, Will	84	98	182	Skelton, Daniel	84	83	167
Stolz, Zac	81	74	155	Waters, Nathan	83	75	158	Prowes, Jono	86	93	179	Slappendel, Steve	80	77	157
Total	336	999	DISQ	Total	326	301	627	Total	341	356	697	Total	322	312	634
Masters				Masters				Masters				Masters			
Bowditch,	77	74	151	Field, Derek	89	85	174	Bagust, David	91	87	178	Blomfield, Terry	82	84	166
Bunn, Russell	87	79	166	Gulliver, Bryan	85	83	168	Davis, Terry	91	82	173	Gorton, Warren	80	81	161
Dashwood,	83	86	169	Hamilton, Andrew	86	83	169	Humphrey, Bob	92	84	176	Musgrave, Frank	85	86	171
Ford, Scott	91	78	169	Hogg, James	91	100	191	Smith, Leon	89	79	168	Oliver, Leslie	84	86	170
Parker, Jack	82	79	161	Mears, Garry	83	86	169	Swift, Mick	87	79	166	O'Reilly, Tim	89	84	173
Total	329	310	639	Total	343	337	680	Total	358	324	682	Total	331	335	666
Aggregate	1413	3171	DISQ	Aggregate	1414	1348	2762	Aggregate	1472	1430	2902	Aggregate	1393	1365	2758

The District side won the teams event by 5 strokes from the Northern Rivers District. The team of six consisted of Will Barnett, Tom Bateman, Hayden Gulliver, Josh Knott, Dylan Perry & Nathan Waters. The best four scores returned in each round counted.

Muswellbrook will host the event again next year, and the team will look to repeat the performance.

Winning team scores

Player	Club	Round 1	Round 2	36 Holes
Will Barnett	Scone	75	73	148
Tom Bateman	Aberdeen	80	78	158
Hayden Gulliver	Maitland	86	82	168
Josh Knott	Stonebridge	72	74	146
Dylan Perry	Muswellbrook	74	74	148
Nathan Waters	Scone	67	68	135
		288	289	577

