

HRDGA PENNANT TROPHIES

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BETTINGTON CUP A Grade Pennant Trophy

1925

Hunter River Clubs formed the Hunter River District Golf Association embracing, Branxton, Cessnock, Denman, Maitland, Merriwa, Muswellbrook, Scone and Singleton Golf Clubs.

J H Bettington from Merriwa was the elected PRESIDENT.

J H Bettington donated this Cup to be played for annually, the format being Club Teams Matchplay.



POGONOSKI CUP B Grade Pennant Trophy

HUNTER RIVER GOLF ASSOCIATION Annual Meeting 2nd April, 1932. First mention of the Pogonoski Cup. It was not recorded who donated the Cups. Bettington Cup & Pogonoski Cup.

Mr Judge moved and Dr J J Hollywood, Maitland Club, seconded “the two Cup finals be played on neutral courses, following the same procedure as last year.” Carried;
Mr Nowland, Muswellbrook, moved and Dr May, Kurri Kurri seconded “the Bettington Cup inter club matches be finalised by 31st July and Pogonoski Cup by 31st August and the Club Secretaries mutually arrange fixtures. Carried.

(HRDGA Hon. Secretary, Arthur Frame advised, Monday, 3/6/03, he believes the Pogonoski Cup was donated by the Pogonoski Family of Cessnock Eagle Newspaper.) There are no written details in the Association’s minute journal.



BERCINI CUP C Grade Pennant Trophy

10/11/51. - A Special Meeting was held in the School of Arts, Branxton on Saturday, 15th Sept, 1951. The President, Dr W Conolly presided, there were also present: Owen & Vogt, Kurri, Peart & Hunter Cessnock, Laurenson & Fry, Maitland, Burgess & Leighton, Singleton, Bercini, Hewitson & Russell, Branxton, McClintock, & Atkinson, Muswellbrook.

Mr Jack Bercini intimated that he would be pleased to donate a Cup to be played for by players in the “C” Grade on a team basis.

The President thanked Mr Bercini for his fine offer. Mr Burgess moved and Mr McClintock seconded that we have a “C” Grade team’s competition each year for a “CUP” to be known as the “BERCINI CUP” to be played for in the same manner as the Bettington and the Pogonoski cups.



FRAME CUP Seniors Pennant Trophy

Arthur William FRAME was involved in the administration of the game of golf at Club and District level for in excess of fifty years, all at a voluntary level.

His involvement commenced at a District level in February of 1955. where he was the Honorary Secretary Treasurer of the Hunter River District Golf Association, a position he held from October 1959 to October 2009.

Full details of involvement at Club and District level are listed below:

1) Kurri Golf Club

17 August 1948

Joined Kurri Golf Club

9 February 1955 – November 1971

Elected to Committee. During this period served as :

Club Captain – February 1957 - February 1958

Vice President – October 1960 – October 1962; October 1965 – October 1968

President – October 1962 – October 1963; October 1968 – November 1970

(1963 – 1964 – Did not seek election to any position)

During his membership term at Kurri, Arthur was actively involved in projects on the golf course and within the Club, all on a voluntary basis. Examples are construction of tees and greens for new holes, planting trees, labour for Clubhouse extensions and involvement in the day to day administration of the club and its social functions and golf tournaments

2) Cessnock Golf Club

18 December 1976

Joined Cessnock Golf Club

Served as Vice President - April 1980 – April 1983.

3) Hunter River District Golf Association

9 February 1955 – appointed as Club delegate to the Association

24 October 1959 – Elected as Honorary Secretary

In December 1992, the positions of Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer were amalgamated. Arthur took on the role of Treasurer in addition to that of Secretary.

14 November 1975 – Awarded Life Membership of the Association for his services and dedication to golf in the District.

In 2000 he was awarded the Australian Sports Medal for services to golf.

HRDGA CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES

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A GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

First played in 1928



B GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

First Played in 1934



C GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY
First Played in 1952



SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY – Ben Owen Cup

Bennett (Ben) William Owen was involved in the administration of the game of golf at Club and District level for in excess of fifty years, all at a voluntary level.

His involvement commenced at a District level in February of 1951. where he was the Honorary Treasurer of the Hunter River District Golf Association, a position he held from October 1951 to October 1991

Ben was a long time Director and Treasurer of Kurri Golf Club and was actively involved in the relocation and construction of the original 9-hole (currently the back nine) Course at Kurri.

Ben was a Life member of Kurri Golf Club and was awarded life membership of the HRDGA in 1975



FOURSOMES / 2 MAN AMBROSE CHAMPIONSHIP – King Warburton Cup

King Warburton from Singleton Golf Club, was elected President of the HRDGA in 1928 and held this position till 1945.



MIXED AMBROSE CHAMPIONSHIP – Arthur Frame Shield

HRDGA REPRESENTATIVE EVENTS TROPHIES

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SANDY CAMERON SHIELD – Originally a Golf NSW trophy played as an Annual Club Teams event at Regional Championships. Golf NSW discontinued the State wide Regional Championships in the early 1990's when the Hunter River, Central Coast, Newcastle and Lower North Coast Districts decided to continue the event.



EVISCERATED SPHERE – Jim Baker purchased to be used at a trophy



JIM BAKER MEMORIAL SHIELD – Annual Regional Championships Inter District Teams Event

H. A. (Jim) Baker from Maitland was elected President of the HRDGA in 1973 and held this position till 1991. Jim represented the hRDGA for many years as a councillor to the NSW Golf Association.

Jim was awarded Life Membership in 1984 in recognition of his tireless dedication to golf in the Hunter.



COL JOHNSON SHIELD – Annual Junior Match Play event between 4 Districts Hunter River, Newcastle, Central Coast and Lower North Coast
 Donated by Newcastle District Golf Association



BAKER TRINDER SHIELD – Junior Match Play between 4 Districts Hunter River, Western, Central North and North West.
 Donated by Hunter River District Golf Association
 Jim Baker was the HRDGA councillor to Golf NSW and Al Trinder performed the same task for Central North (Tamworth area). The trophy started in 1985 and was played annually till 2015 with 8 juniors from each DGA playing a round robin format on a DGA course rotation. Several junior players from this event went on to become professional golfers with the most notable being Mark Hensby (PGA tour Winner), Kurt Barnes (Japan Tour Winner) and Dylan Perry (Japan Tour Player)



ARTIE MOLLETT SHIELD – Annual Inter District Match Play event between Hunter River and Central Coast – First played in 1980