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## Newsletter ... February 2018

**Welcome** to the February Newsletter to keep you informed of our decisions, senior and junior golfing developments, upcoming events and general news as well as the decisions and discussion from our quarterly Delegates, Executive and Match Committee meetings.

A **Revised Constitution** was adopted in February; essentially it provides greater clarity for definitions and structure and provides club delegates with greater voting rights at Delegates meetings.

A **Match Committee** has been established to meet regularly throughout the year in response to the club survey that called for greater transparency. The Committee will oversee the selection process for district teams, starting with a request to clubs to identify players who would like to be considered. The Match Committee has also introduced a new Conditions of Play for our 2018 Pennants competition as well as make up provisions for washed out contests, both of which are available on the LNCDGA website.

**2018 Calendar** of events, including a specific Juniors Calendar, have been placed on our website. It would be great if the calendar could be made available to all club members.

Matches for the **NSW Super Seniors Pennants** start in mid-August through September. Players from clubs without enough players to field a full team, may take part in this mid-week match play by joining a composite LNC team with the encouragement and support of the NSW Super Seniors Golf Association. If clubs have players interested, please contact Peter Wildblood.

**Keno 4BBB** club qualifying events are to be conducted before the District final on 22 July. Your club qualifying event must be a 4BBB v Par and needs to be registered on the Golf NSW website.

The **Club Forum** discussion session at each Delegates meeting is open for clubs to raise topics seeking solutions to problems and share good and bad experiences. "October Golf Month" topic has been suggested for May.

**Junior News:** Eight players from our district have entered for the JNIG Peter O'Malley Junior Masters at Bathurst Golf Club in March; three from Port Macquarie, three from Kew and two from Forster Tuncurry. This is a fantastic effort considering the distance and expenses involved. **Action for Clubs:** Actively consider to paying the registration fee of \$55 for any of your juniors who enter any of the eight NSW Masters' events. This clearly helps families with their budgeting in getting to as many tournaments as possible with their young golfers.

**Junior Opens:** Six junior opens are being held in 2018 and the District will contribute \$250 towards the staging of each event. This is designed to augment their own sponsorship and ensure each tournament has excellent prizes as a further incentive for all our registered juniors. The clubs staging these events would welcome the support of juniors from all clubs. The events are: Tuncurry (6 May), Wingham (3 June), Port Macquarie (29 July), Forster (12 August), Wauchope (16 September) and Taree (2 December).

The district now has six young golfers attending the **Hunter Academy of Sports' Elite Golf Program:** Ella Scaysbrook, Port Macquarie, Fletcher Murray, Pyper Hollis & Quedesha Golledge, all from Kew and Travers Anderson & William Knight from Forster Tuncurry. They travel to Newcastle regularly and are required to participate in training camps and to play in specific tournaments; they all have a one-off LNC grant of \$500.

**Good golfing ... and let us know what you think of our Newsletter!**