



DECEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

From the President's Pen

Well, another year has passed us by rather quickly. It has been quite a year for our Club and if you take time to contemplate you will recall the major matters that have occurred, such as:

- * The amalgamation with the Bowling Club being completed.
- * Our two venues being re-branded but now trading under the ClubCatalina banner.
- * The motel development being approved by Council and with building work commencing in late January/early February and completion being due by Christmas 2011 there are more exciting times ahead.
- * Another successful State Age Titles event being staged.
- * Another National Futures Championships event being staged and the PGA agreeing to stage the event at Catalina for another 3 years.

I believe that everyone involved with our club has during 2010 put in a 100% effort and the results are true reward for their efforts. Our staff still deliver unparalleled service and effort. This is especially so with the outdoor staff who are drastically understaffed but week after week deliver to us a golf course of great quality.

Likewise our contractors also embrace the dream of management of delivering quality goods and services. A big thank you to our caterers Bernie and Dave, to our bowling green superintendent Mark and to the golf pros Nigel and Kitty and to all of your respective staffs for a great year.

Of course our volunteers have made major contributions again. Your club could not function without that help.

The golf and bowls during the year have remained strong and enjoyable. The bowlers in particular have endured a trying year with the amalgamation and all sorts of rumours. Catalina certainly hope that we have allayed your fears about the future of bowls as it is our hope to grow the sport not stop it.

A special thanks must be extended to Pat Bill and her Board at the Bowling Club for their patience and help in a hard year. We have all arrived through it and are still friends so that cannot be bad.

Our management team have really done it hard with the need to deal with many strange issues which arisen from left field. Richard, Owen, Jackie and Sheryl and the team have just kept on smiling and worked through it all. They have put in massive hours of work and for that we thank them.

A big welcome aboard to Cushla Hands who has just been appointed to the position of Business Development Manager. Cushla brings amazing enthusiasm and many many ideas to the position and we are very excited to hear about her innovations. Good luck Cushla!

That is all from me for this year except to wish everyone a very safe and happy Christmas and a great 2011. Good bowling and golfing during the festive season and during the next year.

Regards
Barrie Ennis

**The Board,
Management & Staff**

at

ClubCatalina

**wish you a
very Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year**



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From the CEO

Amalgamation Update – The amalgamation of the Catalina Country Club Ltd with the Batemans Bay Bowling & Recreation Club Ltd was completed on 18 November where the bowling club assets and liabilities were transferred to the Catalina Country Club. The only matter outstanding which does not affect the amalgamation is the special general meeting on Monday 13 December (7pm) at the bowling club where 75% of the members present at that meeting need to resolve to voluntarily wind up the “shell” company. The important thing to note is that we are now all ONE club. Any efficiencies or gain in revenue at one venue will benefit the whole club. Members are now members of both venues. Staff can interchange between both sites and are employed under one single agreement. There is now only one Board (the Catalina Board) that will include the Chairperson of the Bowls Management Committee, currently Pat Bill. (The existing bowling club Board effectively became the Bowls Management Committee upon amalgamation as per the MoU). A new Director position (Director Bowls) has been created and will be elected with the other Catalina Board positions in 2011. We can now focus on growing ClubCatalina, one club - two great venues. Matters such as combining membership databases, financial reporting, combined web site and the commencement of the Club Rewards program etc can now be actioned.

Financially, the Sports & Leisure Club almost made its first profit in the October 2010 period where a -\$3,443 loss was posted compared to a loss of -\$25,199 in 2009/10. At the time of writing this article, I am currently analysing the November 2010 figures and it would appear that a small profit (the first in many months) shall be posted for that period compared to a loss of -\$47,929 in Nov-09. Now the amalgamation is completed, the financial reporting of the Sports & Leisure Club will be consolidated with the figures of the Country Club for Dec-10 (and for the 6 months half yearly report) that will be measured against the 2010/11 Business Plan for the new combined entity.

POS Systems – The wireless receivers to accommodate tray service throughout the two venues have now been installed and the system was commissioned on 26 November. This service will now be rolled out as staff become familiar with the new technology.

When fully operational, we expect the level of service to our members and visitors will be second to none in the hospitality industry. In addition, customer service training has been set for 13/14 December for all of our front-line staff.

New Dedicated Drinks Cart on Trial – The golf professional is currently trialling a dedicated drinks cart on the golf course that will also offer food, snacks and golf accessories over the 2010/11 summer holiday period. We have also purchased a second hand utility carryall vehicle at the Country Club to replace the old vehicle that carried rubbish etc from the club to the green shed on a daily basis and has in the past acted as a drinks cart during charity and corporate golf days.

Poker Machine Upgrades – The Maximillions state-wide link at the Country Club has been reduced from 6 machines to 4 (3 inside and one now relocated outside) and the old 3 machine Fire and Ice hyper link has been replaced at the Sports & Leisure Club with the popular Aristocrat FaFaFa hyper link over 4 new machines. On 23 December the 5 machine state-wide Platinum Link will be decommissioned at the Country Club. The overhead LCD screen for this link is owned by the club and will be used to promote the club or provide Keno or Austar etc.

Treasury Estate Wines – An exclusive wine contract across both venues with Treasury Estate Wines (formerly Fosters Wines) is currently being considered. An exclusive contract has worked well with Fosters at the Country Club over the past three years providing customers an extensive range of choices at lower prices, plus provide sponsorship opportunities.

2010 Batemans Bay Business Awards – ClubCatalina Country Club won a highly commended award for environmental sustainability and won the best in hospitality (over 20 employees) award at the recent Batemans Bay Business Awards hosted at the Sports & Leisure Club where our caterer, Bistro On Green, was a finalist in the restaurant category.

Business Development Manager – Existing employee and Eurobodalla Employee of the Year 2010 Cushla Hands has been appointed as the new Business Development Manager for ClubCatalina to increase brand awareness, attract new customers, event management and coordinate public relations efforts.

Cushla, who was selected from a strong list of applicants will also be responsible for developing relationships with our business partners and the installation and promotion of the new *Club Rewards* program.

Motel – Springs Resort Group has agreed to our requests in finalising the lease documentation for the 55-room motel on land at the Country Club over a 99 year term that we have advised must be executed before 17 December 2010. The builder and DA holder, Edwards Constructions, is keen to commence construction as soon as possible in 2011.

Bowling Club 2010 AGM – The annual general meeting of the Batemans Bay Bowling and Recreation Club was held 28 November and was attended by 102 members. No issues were raised and the meeting was completed in 40 minutes. All the hard work to prevent the demise of the bowling club and the sport of bowls in Batemans Bay by Chairperson Pat Bill was quite rightly acknowledged by the members at the meeting.

Free Wireless Internet – Free wireless internet will be available in the L Shape Room of the Sports & Leisure Club from 8 December. I believe this free service will prove popular adding value to our members and attract visitors to the venue.

Power FM/2EC Radio Advertising – Together with other traditional forms of advertising, ‘blanket’ advertising of the ClubCatalina brand and what’s on at both venues commenced 1 Dec-10 and will run through until the end of Feb-11. While both venues will be extensively promoted during the festive season, clearly we need visitation to the area not to pass us by particularly at the Sports & Leisure Club this holiday period as it has in previous years.

Bingo – Electronic bingo cards are being trialled at the Country Club. These are proving popular with players and will also save the club a lot of paper.

Cart Hire Fees – Cart hire fees for visitors is now \$40 per 18 holes and \$25 for 9 holes. Significantly reduced rates still apply to members.

TAB – TAB sales remain reasonably steady across both venues. TAB advised that on Melbourne Cup Day at the Country Club, sales were up 47.4% and this venue was ranked 9th club for the day in NSW!

Richard Hogg

Members Bulk Cart Hire Scheme

We recognise the need for many of our members to use motorised vehicles on the course to be able to play golf and that the cost and concerns of owning, operating and storing/transporting a motorised cart privately is becoming significant.

By purchasing a cart hire in bulk, substantial savings can be achieved from the 10, 20 and 40 bulk purchase options. Payment can be split between cash and your membership accumulated points.

Ask the Proshop for more details.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING - WHAT A GREAT GIFT IDEA !!!!

CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

Approaching the end of another year – where did that go? Plenty of golf has been played and we've been very lucky with the weather in 2010. Although there has not been a huge amount of rain, it seems to have come at the right time and in the right doses to enable our ground staff to keep the course looking in tip-top condition. I've heard a number of members state that they think it's the best it has ever been.

Another successful set of major events for our club. The PGA Futures Australian Championship again attracted a strong field of Australia's best trainee professionals along with visitors from New Zealand, South Africa and Great Britain. Good to see an Aussie win it this year after it went to the Poms in 2009. Looks like they might get their share of wins on the cricket pitches this year!

One of the reasons for the success of this tournament, and a key reason why the PGA has re-signed to come here for 3 more years, has been the assistance provided by you, the members of Catalina, to help ensure that the event runs well for the competitors and, of course, for the club as well. Catalina benefits in 2 major ways when we host this type of event. Firstly, the club always trades well during that week. Secondly, those trainee professionals go back to their own clubs saying positive things about our course – that lifts our profile in the Australian golfing community, and helps bring visitors here. All of which adds to the financial viability of Club Catalina – so, thank you to all members who have either directly or indirectly been involved over the time this event has been conducted.

Other things have undergone changes. We made an attempt to remodel the Spring Festival of golf this year. The old format had worked well for many years but numbers in the field had been slowly but steadily falling, so it was decided to try something a little different. That it didn't work was disappointing, but part of the spin off from that meant the fields were really full for our 3 day Capital Coast Tournament just a few weeks later. It seems that people's preferences may have changed towards the shorter length tournaments. We may well look at another alternative format for that early spring period in 2011.

It has already been determined that following 3 years of the Jack Newton Junior Golf's State Age Titles (now finished for us – for the time being, at least) we will host a weekend Jack Newton Junior Masters Tournament on the first weekend in September, 2011.

This will keep our contact with the State Junior organizers and, therefore, keep our own crop of juniors in line of sight for those State officials.

Now to the events that will complete 2010. The Nigel & Kitty Wilson Trophy – best 3 out of 4 net scores over the Monthly Medals for August, September, October & November has once again finished in a tie. Joseph Antosz and Wayne Gregory have each finished with an aggregate of 208 (average of 69.33). This trophy is decided by 18 hole playoff and by the time you read this the result will be known (to be played with December Medal 4.12.10).

Eclectic 2010 finishes the following week, Saturday 11.12.10. The top of the leaderboard in this event is closely contested so any special scores over the last 2 Saturdays could determine the winners here. With 135 entrants this year there will be Winner & Runner up prizes, Scratch & Net, 2 grades – so plenty of goodies available for those who have done well in this whole year competition.

The week after that we have the Gold Medal Playoff on Saturday 18 December. Qualifiers for this Gold Medal are all Monthly Medal winners for the year – in any grade. Names of those qualifiers are on the Noticeboard in the Sportsbar. Qualifiers will be drawn to play in the part of the timesheet reserved for Gold Medal competitors. Those playing for the Gold Medal must play with another person who is also qualified to play for that medal. Should any person have a bone fide reason for not playing in the drawn field, he must discuss the issue with me in advance, and must have another Gold Medal player willing to play with him at the time he must play. Otherwise, the player will forfeit his right to compete for the Gold Medal – this will automatically apply to anyone who changes his playing time without consultation after the draw has been released.

The following day, Sunday 19 December is both the Christmas Irish 4Ball and the club Christmas party. Golf for the day will cost the normal \$8, and the Christmas party will cost \$30 – but if you choose to take part in both these events, your total cost will be \$35 – provided that you buy tickets at reception for both the golf and the Christmas party at the same time.

From the match office, both Eddie and I wish you a very happy Christmas, and a prosperous and healthy New Year.

Bob Soper

JIMEOIN

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There is a hilarious aroma in the airit's Jimeoin's new show "Something.....Smells Funny"

Friday 7 January 2011

\$35 per person





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Valued at \$2500

Drawn Wednesday 26 January 2011 at 7pm

Winner does not have to be present



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Course News

What a fantastic start to spring with good solid rainfall being recorded thus far, lets hope it can continue into the start of summer. The rain has complimented the work that course staff have put into renovating all the various sectors of the course in preparation for what has been a very busy period with a number of major tournaments strung together throughout October. Starting with the ladies Open weekend, followed by the Crown Lager Australian Futures Championship held from the 27th October to 31st October for the third year in a row. This tournament has now been secured by the club for a further three years, a fantastic way for us to showcase the golf course and all we have offer here at Club Catalina. Course staff have been extremely busy the weeks leading into the tournament, carrying out a variety of work to ensure that the course was at its best. This coupled with the efforts put in by the CATS volunteers up to and throughout the tournament ensured that the players and visitors were suitably impressed with the final result. Well done to all those who committed to the extra effort required to host such an event. The Futures was closely followed by the Capital Coast three day tournament.

Whilst preparation for the tournaments has consumed a majority of our efforts in recent times, there have been a number of other activities taking place on the course to improve the presentation and standard of the course for now and in to the future. This would be highlighted by the extension and relocation of tees at the 20th, 14th/ 24th and 25th with the result seeing more usable teeing areas. Coupled with this the construction of a concrete path system in and around the 20th tee and the rear of the 13th green to ensure a much more defined area that will allow traffic to move more freely within this area. The completion of the 20th tee path is set down for early November. The construction of a concrete path from the 26th green to the 27th tee was not planned, however it was carried out after sponsorship was secured from Boral Australia who supplied the concrete for this path as part of their deal with the club, virtually providing the path cost free. This path has complimented the reconstruction of the 26th green surrounds and bunkering which was carried out in conjunction with the tees as mentioned. This area of the course can be ticked off as completed. There will be some planting of small trees between the 26th surrounds and the path to provide a screening effect when playing the 26th hole. All this work had been planned for in the current financial year drawn from the Course Management Plan as designated by the Course management committee.



The next work currently being discussed and planned will be the upgrading of the surround and bunkering at both the 14th and 27th greens. This work will address a number of problems at each site, firstly the 14th has had four Casurinas removed (under an approved DA) to allow for the reshaping and modelling of the surrounds and bunker to allow for better traffic movement and to provide far greater depth of vision of the hole from the tee. In addition the complete lifting and remodelling of the 27th surrounds and bunkers is under proposal to remove the problem of flooding in the bunkers at times of heavy rain and to improve traffic flow around the right hand side of the hole. This may require the removal of four large pines to the immediate right of the green (one of which is just about dead). This work has been temporarily booked to be carried out in early February with confirmation of design and costing to be done and sanctioned. Also under review is the swapping of the 26th tees and 5th tees to deal with the ongoing safety issues with people walking in front of the 26th tees whilst going from the 4th green to the 5th tee. A full explanation and drawings will be forth coming and placed around the club in the near future. Once the design has been sanctioned this will then provide all with a complete picture of what is proposed for this area. If approved, this work would tie in with the redesigning of the 14th and 27th surrounds and bunkers to reduce costs associated with bringing in contractors and the desired equipment.

Having said all that, course staff are set for yet another busy spring and summer period just to keep up with the maintenance demands of the course. We are currently 1 staff member down with Jim Novak being on long service and annual leave with a view to retire at the end of it all. Jim was on the course staff for just over 10 years and was involved in all aspects of course maintenance and was a valued employee. We all wish him well in his impending retirement and now he can get to work on all those activities he has been wishing to attend to and the list left by his wife.

In addition, some course staff will be on annual leave through out November and early December which does have an impact on what can be achieved in course maintenance on a daily basis.

Scarifying of all fairways is set to commence on Monday 15th November for two weeks. This activity is part of our annual maintenance to reduce the amount of thatch in the fairways which is produced by the constant use of nutrient enhanced recycled water and the natural decomposition process. A light application of fertilizer will then be applied to the thin, worn and struggling areas of the fairways to encourage a full and healthy turf cover.

Then from that point on all efforts will be put into preparing the course to survive through the summer months and the busy Christmas and New Year period. That's right folks, I did say Christmas !!! Another year almost gone.

Tony Fogarty

Course Superintendent



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MONDAY & TUESDAY

\$10 Specials (5 meal choices)

WEDNESDAY

Schnitzel & Parmigiana Night

Chicken/Veal/Pork Schnitzel \$12.50

Chicken/Veal/Pork Parmigiana \$15.00

THURSDAY

Toss the Boss for a \$10 T-Bone
(incl. sides & sauce)

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XXXX for ONLY \$25.00

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Wednesday 12 January - 11.30am

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Entertainment for the whole family.

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Tickets available from Reception



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9.00pm to 1.00am

Members \$10.00 Non Members \$15.00

Tickets available from Reception



LAUGHTER LINES - WE ALL NEED THEM

- * “ It took me 17 years to get 3000 hits in baseball. I did it in one afternoon on the golf course. (Babe Ruth)
- * Columbus went around the world in 1492. That’s not a lot of strokes, when you consider the course. (Lee Trevino)
- * If you think that it is hard to meet new people, try picking up the wrong golf ball. (Jack Lemon)
- * The people who gave us golf and called it a game, are the same people who gave us the bagpipes and called it music. (Anon)
- * A Golf Match, is a test of your skill, against your opponents luck.
- * No matter how bad you are playing, it is always possible to play worse
- * Since bad shots come in groups of three, the fourth bad shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three.
- * The less skilled the player, the more likely he is to share his ideas about your swing.
- * Never try to keep more than 200 separate thoughts in your mind, during your swing.
- * It is surprisingly easy to hole a fifty metre putt, for a 10.
- * If your opponent has trouble remembering whether he shot a 6 or 7, he probably shot an 8.
- * “I always remember the day that I broke 90. I had a few beers in the club house and was so excited, I forgot to play the back nine !! “ (Bruce Lansky)

A LADIES HELPFUL GUIDE TO LADIES GOLFING TERMS

<u>Caddy:-</u>	2 women talking about a 3 rd , who isn’t there to defend herself.
<u>Chip:-</u>	Time to get our nails done again
<u>Double Bogie:-</u>	“Casablanca” followed by “ The African Queen”
<u>Fairway:-</u>	Splitting the bill when the girls go to lunch
<u>Good Lie:-</u>	Weight and age recorded on Driver Licence
<u>Greens:-</u>	Lunch we eat, when we would prefer to have a hamburger.
<u>Iron:-</u>	What men need to learn to do to their shirts.
<u>Rough:-</u>	Getting a man to understand, well, pretty much anything!
<u>Slice:-</u>	No thanks...Just a small portion please.
<u>Par:-</u>	The childrens’ Grandfather.
<u>Wood:-</u>	Where you can generally find your ball



OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AT CLUBCATALINA

Now that official merger of the two clubs is complete, there will be an internal audit carried out at the Sports and Leisure Club relating to all facets of outside maintenance to ensure the necessary systems are in place to meet ClubCatalina’s Environmental Management Plan and Environmental Policy.

To-date a new 60L self bunded cabinet has been purchased to store pesticides and a mobile spill kit has been ordered to enable any spill to be managed in a swift and appropriate manner.

In addition, all staff (and contractors) will be provided with the necessary training to handle any situation that may arise and give them the confidence to deal with it.

The introduction of self-compliance systems and staff training has been an important part of the Country Club’s outdoor maintenance strategies since the inception of our Environmental Management Plan and policy introduced ten years ago.

Tony Fogarty - Course Superintendent

LADIES REPORT

The golfing season is almost at an end with only a few events remaining before the festivities commence. Some fun days remain and I look forward to seeing the imaginative & creative costumes starting with the letter H that will emerge on our break up day.

We held our Annual General meeting in October with some changes to the 2011 Committee members. Welcome to Marilyn Wynn our new Captain and Bev Holliday our new Committee person. Much appreciation and thanks go to Merle Jensen and Jan Pingel for their valuable contributions during the year, both Ladies will no doubt have more leisure time.

As you all know, our smiling Lynne Richardson has retired as Captain but takes on the role of Secretary. Lynne has filled the Captain position for the past nine years with great aplomb not only contributing her expansive knowledge, representing our club at the various delegate meetings, supporting our players and simply getting the job done in her efficient manner. So thank you Lynne from all of us.

Don't forget that our Saturday Ladies golf extremely successful, so keep filling your The Inaugural Coastal Challenge event members compete in this event with Tuross

Captains vs. Presidents Day nicknamed the to the Presidents team. As always, this Bonnie grinning from ear to ear with her first

The final of the Ladies Matchplay very exciting finish on the 20th hole of play Furnell. Natika Dunn was the runner up. Division 2 Champion Kathy Roe, runner up runner up Jo Neal.

The Club Med 3BBB Par Teams event September with two teams representing the Margaret Shephard and Team 2 Nikki girls acquitted themselves admirably but



block times continue and have proven to be names in. played at Mollymook on 23 July saw 18 of our lady obtaining the first name honour on the trophy.

“Ashes” and played on 28th July saw victory going event is played in fun and friendship with President win as current President.

Championships was played on 16th August with a for Division 1 winner and Matchplay Champion Lyn Pat Weekes, Division 3 Champion Sue Charls and

winner played off in a District final on 17 club. Team 1 consisted of Eve Pye, Myrna Radin, & Frank, Dawn Smith and Rosemary Weekes. Our were not strong enough to take out the event.

There was a spring in Eve Pye's step when she had an eagle on the 10th hole on September 1. Congratulations.

Our Community Projects Day (sponsored by Nutrimetics) was held on 22nd September with a 4BBB Stableford event. 1st Prize winners– Pam Yates & Joan McNamara with 50 points on a C/B from Glenice Schuback & Val Kolderie. We were able to raise \$1,975 from donations and the sale of goods. The following charities received amounts of \$215 to Breast Cancer, \$880 to Leukaemia Foundation and \$880 to Life without Barriers. The support shown by our players and helpers to these worthwhile organisations is without equal with community spirit alive and well in assisting those in need.

The Catalina Ladies Open was held over 3 days from October 22 -24. Whilst numbers were down on previous years, we still managed fields of 137 to 148. The support shown from the various visiting clubs always make it a great event to host. Thanks to the Green Staff in making our course such a delight to play. Congratulations to all the winners of the individual day's events, Foursomes, Gwen Smith Memorial Trophy and the Catalina Ladies Challenge Bowl. Our own Olivia Wilson was the overall Open winner with a score of 148. Winner of the Gwen Smith Memorial Trophy was Ngaire Durnan with 137.

28 teams entered in the Challenge Bowl (sponsored by Dawn Scott) and our own Ngaire Durnan, Helen Martin, Dianne Collins & Nikki Frank emerged victorious.

The Canadian Foursomes (sponsored by Doss Fenning) - winners in Division 1 were N Bell & R Brand (Tathra) & Nett winners L Cullen & J Hartman (St Georges Basin). Division 2: H Martin & J Pingel (Catalina) & Nett winners P Yates & S Charls (Catalina).

Monthly medal rounds. We are enjoying some great competitive rounds which has resulted in playoffs during various medal rounds.

Winners of the 3rd WGNSW & Monthly Medal for the May playoff in Division 1: Dee Law and Division 2 for June: Pat Ware.

Winners of 5th WGNSW & Monthly Medal played on 7 July for Division 1 - Lyn Mannell, - Division 2 - Jenny Black in a playoff and Division 3 - Helen Bunsell.

Winners of the 6th WGNSW & Monthly Medal played on 11 August for Division 1

Margaret Dickinson – Division 2 – Nan Abraham and Division 3 Bev Holliday.

Winners of 7th WGNSW & Monthly Medal played on 29 September for Division 1 -

M Jensen, Division 2 Lorraine Austen in a play off, Division 3 Nell Hannan in a play off.

Winners of 8th WGNSW & Monthly Medal played on 13 October for Division 1 -Dianne Moroney in a playoff, Division 2 Margaret Sinclair and Division 3 Margaret Ablett.

*** The Gold Medal event was hotly contested by all the monthly medal winners on 10 November. Both Dianne Moroney & Helen Martin scored a nett 70 to force a play off. Winner of the Gold Medal winner is:- Helen Martin nett 74, congratulations Helen.

Three Catalina ladies were finalists for the WGNSW Medals playing for Gold was Helen Martin at Pennant Hills, for Silver – Rosanna McClifty at Ashlar & for Bronze - Noelene Levi at Strathfield Golf. Unfortunately these ladies did not bring home any of the medals but the experience was certainly worthwhile.

In closing we have many sponsors who assist us during the year and for which we gratefully thank them. Special thanks to all the Committee Ladies whose support and hard work make for the efficient running of our friendly club.

On our behalf we wish you all a healthy, happy & prosperous festive season. See you all again in 2011.

My final quote for the year “Take life with a pinch of salt, a wedge of lemon & a shot of tequila”

Nina Poulton
Vice President & Publicity Officer

CADET CAPERS & JUNIOR JAUNTS

My final report for year opens with the results of our 2010 Catalina Junior Open with 112 competitors held on 8th August - Open Girl Champion Teagan Dunn, scratch runner up Hayley McNeil, Nett Winner Natika Dunn, nett runner up Jacqui Cross; Boys D Grade nett runner up, Jayden Trindall; C grade Nett winner, Sam Lee; B Grade nett runner up Jack Stewart; Open Boy Champion was Ryan Ruffels from Royal Canberra, runner up by one stroke was Hamish Menz with nett runner up Ben Phillips. Our Cadet Champion was Alex Woolridge; nett winner Murray Stewart and runner up Michael Richmond.

We combined this event with our Royal Canberra Juniors v. Catalina Juniors "Friendlies" Shield on 7th August. Royal Canberra took home the Shield for the first time. Catalina will travel to Royal Canberra on the 18th and 19th April 2011 for the return match.

The Junior Club Championships were held over the weekend of the 25th and 26th September. We had 15 players (few no shows on the day) who were very well behaved and the results were as follows:

Club Champion – Mitchell Donlan; Runner Up Hamish Menz and Nett Winner Zinyo Garcia
Girl Champion – Hayley McNeill and Runner Up - Teagan Dunn with 161.

Boys "B" Division – Gross Winner Jack Stewart and Nett Winner Sam Lee.

27th & 28th September 2010 - Mitchell Donlan and Hamish Menz competed in the NSW Boys Junior Championships in Penrith. Hamish cad-died for Mitch for the final 36 holes. Congratulations to Mitchell especially with his round of 69 which put him into contention and he made the cut. Well done to both boys.

Hayley McNeill has been selected for the NSW State Junior Girls Team. 18 Girls were selected for the Training Squad and had to travel to training sessions all over the state with the final session culminating in a Tournament at Kurri Kurri (near Cessnock) from 3 to 8th October 2010. Congratulations to Hayley for this high achievement and on her selection in the final squad. I believe she is the youngest member on the team.

Hamish Menz and Matthew Temple competed in the Junior Classic in Maitland together with Teagan and Natika Dunn and Jacqui Cross. This was an International competition so was a very good experience with some great results.

The Far South Coast District Golf Association ran a Junior Golf Camp from 4-11 October at Manna Park, Merimbula and 6 of our Juniors and 2 Cadets attended. Jack Stewart was promoted to the Junior Development Squad. I went to Tura Beach to watch the participants compete in the Tura Beach Junior Open, I was very proud of their behaviour, good manners and neat appearance. Rhys Dunlop was runner up in the Open and Jayden Trindall runner up in the nett. In the 9 hole competition Murray Stewart Runner up. Felicity Banks golf improved so much it was a pleasure to watch. Rhys Dunlop and Hamish Menz played for the FSC&D Senior Team in Queanbeyan in November. We have such a lot of talented young golfers to be watched and supported.

Thank you especially to the Catalina Lady Golfers, Lady Veteran Golfers, Men Veteran Golfers, Nigel Wilson, Bob Soper and Eddie Finn for their tremendous support. I would also like to thank all our Cadet Masters Wal Geary, Richard Abraham, Peter Criss, Marian Pearson, Keith Sutherland, Bruce Dickinson, Michael Johnson, Dave Banks, Rick Rossiter and Co-ordinators Extraordinaire Don and Kay Wallace.

Rossie Rossiter - JPO

Courtesy Bus ~ Lunch time service

As an extra service to our Members and Guests we are offering a lunch time courtesy bus service.

This service will run between Surf Beach and Surfside with the pick up being at 11.30am and the return at 2pm

Bookings are essential - at Reception

Service will be available until further notice

CADET CAPERS & JUNIOR JAUNTS



TIM HEWITT (PGA PROFESSIONAL)
& CADDIE RHEEDE DORAN
AT THE PGA FUTURES CHAMPIONSHIP
CATALINA COUNTRY CLUB
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SERGIO ABREU (PGA PROFESSIONAL)
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DAVID WALLIS (PGA PROFESSIONAL)
& CADDIE BAILEE DORAN (CATALINA CADET)
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CATALINA COUNTRY CLUB
2010



GLEN DAVIES (CENTRE) PGA PROFESSIONAL
& CADDIE MURRAY STEWART (CATALINA CADET)
BEN BRECKENRIDGE (LEFT) & RICHARD CHAMBERS (RIGHT)
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CADET CAPERS AND JUNIOR JAUNTS



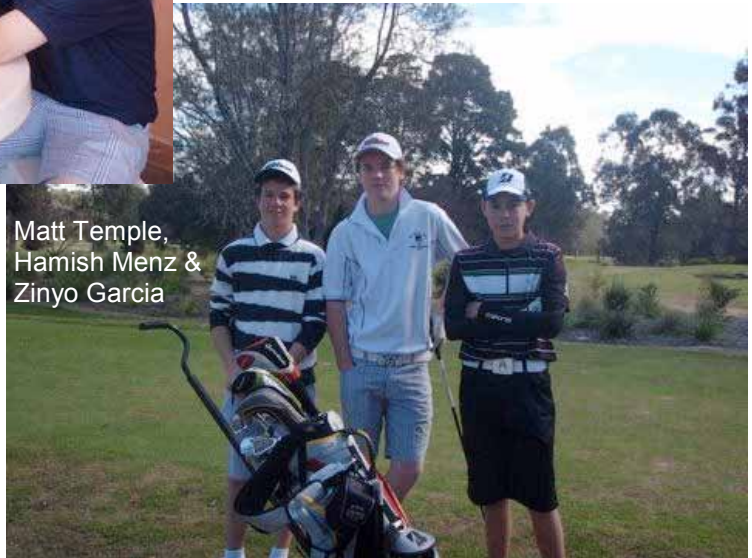
Alex Woolridge
Upcoming Cadet



Catalina vs Royal Canberra group



Junior Championships - Mitchell Donlan, Teagan Dunn,
Jayden Pincott and Hamish Menz



Matt Temple,
Hamish Menz &
Zinyo Garcia

CATALINA MENS VETERANS NEWS

Since the last issue of Catalyst the Catalina Vets have had a successful time. All of the events whether they were 9 or 18 hole competitions have been very well supported. We recorded a creditable result by finishing mid field in the Mid South Coast Veteran Golfers Association (MSCVGA) Team Events.

Further success was achieved in the MSCVG Championships held at St Georges Basin recently with Keith Bock finishing runner up in 'A' Grade with a net 62 and Warren Harper also finishing runner up in 'B' Grade with a net 61. The Vets closing day (Thursday, 25/11/2010) an Irish 4 Ball with a shotgun start and B.B.Q. promises to be a high-light. 8:30 for 9:00.

The Men's Vets Christmas Luncheon starting at 12:00 noon on Thursday 2/12/2010 is an event not to be missed and at only \$10:00 per head for paid up members of the Vets you could not find better value. This event is subsidised by the Vets Committee from the very reasonable competition fees paid by the members, so get in as early as possible to take advantage of a great end to a great year.

The new Welfare aspect of the Vets is progressing slowly but the Committee considers this initiative a worthwhile programme and encourages your support. If you have any concerns or issues in this regard please do not hesitate to let the Welfare Officer know with all matters treated in the strictest confidence.

Good Golfing

SNOOKER CLUB

The good news first - Catalina No. 2 Team of Bruce Coney, Ted Ray, Gary Wellings, Bob Picknell & Bruce Dickinson scooped the Pool, winning all three Competition for 8 Ball and Snooker.

The Team was undefeated in 27 Games (2 drawn). A credit to consistency and reliability (plus skill), and probably never achieved since the inception of the Competition.

More good news - The snooker room continues to be well patronised and apart from some minor repairs the tables are still in pretty good condition.

Reasonable News - The Competition still struggles to attract players - where do they all go to? Once upon a time everybody played THE GAME!

Interested to note, however, that Mitch Donlan won the Champion of Champions 8 Ball Competition. Bad news, he played for the Soldiers Club!!!!

Needless to say, we are always looking for New Players - Young or Old.

The 2011 Competition should start up in late February.....



PUBLICITY OFFICERS REPORT

Welcome to the first Publicity Officers Report under the new amalgamated banner of ClubCatalina.

As every one would know by now, the amalgamation of the Bowling Club and Catalina was confirmed on the 18th November and we now have ClubCatalina Country Club and ClubCatalina Sports and Leisure Club, (formally the Bowling Club), now under the one banner.

As this is the first Report, since August, I should commence by covering some of the happenings, around both Clubs, since that date.

In August, the Bowling Club section of the now Sports and Leisure Club, held a highly successful 60th Anniversary Winter Bowls Carnival over a one week period. The Carnival was attended by a large number of competitors from all over Australia, most who attended a Carnival Dinner, held at the Club on the first Saturday.

The Bowling Club section of the Sports and Leisure Club also have had a Junior Bowls Clinic, held on each Wednesday, during school terms, attended by High School students, under the tutoring of Ross McKimm and his helpers. This apparently is part of the High School curriculum.

Whilst on all things "junior", congratulations must be extended to the Golf Club Captain, Bob Soper. On the Annual Presentation Night, for the Jack Newton Junior Golf Foundation, held on Thursday October 28, Bob was awarded the "Volunteer of the Year" Award, for 2010. The award celebrated his outstanding work, over three years, with organizing the local support, volunteers etc; for the State Age Titles and for being, in the words of the CEO, who presented the award, as "there at sunup and not leaving before sunset"

Although our time as hosts, of the State Age Titles, has come to an end, we are looking forward to the Jack Newton Junior Golf Masters competition to be held at the Club in September 2011, and hopefully for the return of the Titles, in future years.

The Crown Lager PGA National Futures Championship, was held at the Club in October and once again was a resounding success. Congratulations must go to the local players in the Pro Am competitions, held prior to the Championship.

These were Bruce Imms; Dave May; Jack Jackson, Phil Thistlethwaite; Ruth and Neil Hooper; Paul Dixon, Chris Delamont; Norm Sinclair and Peter Criss.

Bruce, Dave and Jacks team, were winners of the morning Pro-Am, Phil, Ruth and Neil, were Runners Up, and Paul, Chris and Norm, gained Third place. Nearest the Pin Prizes went to Ruth Hooper and Peter Criss, and Dave May was the Straightest Drive winner.

During the Championships, a Junior Golf Clinic was held by some of the Trainee Professionals and was well attended by juniors and the whole afternoon, was overseen by Roz Rossiter and her Committee members. Once again their untiring efforts, ensured another successful Junior event.

The Club offers them many thanks, once again and they should be congratulated.

At the conclusion of the Championships, the PGA advised that a request had been made to ClubCatalina to host the Championships for the next three years. The request has granted by the Board.

Congratulations also to Cushla Hands of ClubCatalina, for her being awarded "Eurobodalla Employee of the Year", in the Café, Restaurants, Clubs, Pubs and Restaurants Category. Cushla is also presently involved in the up-grade and improvement of children's entertainment facilities, in the Country Clubs, Children's' Room.

The final Golf Festival for 2010, was held between the 5th and 7th November.

327 competitors from 48 different Golf Clubs took part over the 3 days, coming from parts as distant as Mornington Peninsular in Victoria, to Burleigh in northern N.S.W.as well as other interstate competitors. It should be noted that the Festival was well supported by ClubCatalina members, numbering 128.

256 players started in the Sunday fields and because of the new MIGolf computer programs, the presentations were able to be made 15 minutes after the last players cards were received. Bill Forge the convenor of the Festival advises that it was both an operational and importantly, a financial success, and wishes to pass on his thanks for the excellent work carried out by members of the Ladies and Men Veterans Golf who assisted as Rangers, Barbeque Cooks, Administrative Staff and Starters.

Possible point of interest, 40 Golf Carts were in use each day of the Festival.

On Remembrance Day, 11th November, Clubs Catalina made their usual visit to the Cenotaph, on behalf of all members of both Clubs, in the person of Mr John Hill, to offer a Remembrance Day Gift to a local school, of a Library Book. in honour of the fallen. This is done every year on both Anzac Day and Remembrance Day and has been in progress for quite a number of years. I had the honour last Anzac Day, to perform the duty.

Let me close with, once again a request that if any member, has any news, that they wish publicised, please contact me and I will assist with newspaper, radio or any other type of publicity required. Thanks again to all who have so far contacted me with news previously and made my job a little easier.

Well, it is getting close to THAT time of year, and as this will be the last Catalyst for 2010, please let me offer all members, of both the Country Club and Sports and Leisure Club, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Safe and Prosperous New Year for 2011.

*Bruce Sandry
Publicity Officer*

PGA FUTURES PRO-AM PHOTOS



Peter Criss
Nearest the
Pin



Ruth Hooper
Nearest the
Pin



Dave May
Straightest
Drive



WINNERS
Bruce Imms, Dave May, Jack
Jackson & Luke Grinham



RUNNERS UP
Phil Thistlewaite, Ruth Hooper,
Neale Hooper & Mitchell Brown



THIRD
Paul Dixon, Chris Delamont,
Norm Sinclair & Daniel Hunnisett



PRESENTATION
Nigel Wilson & Geoff Stewart



Checking the greens ???

PGA FUTURES JUNIOR GOLF CLINIC



“These events provide our club with the opportunity to shine and promote our club”.

¹⁶**BOWLING NEWS** from CLUB CATALINA Sports & Leisure Club

I am pleased to report that the amalgamation was finalised on 18 November when all assets and liabilities of the Batemans Bay Bowling & Recreation Club Ltd were transferred to the Catalina Country Club. All that now remains on the agenda is for members to attend the Special General Meeting called for 7pm on Monday 13 December at 3 Vesper Street when they will be required to vote on a special resolution to voluntarily wind up the Bowling Club. It is extremely important that members attend this meeting as 75% of the vote is required to pass the resolution.

At the final AGM of the Bowling Club held on 28 November, 110 members attended and the meeting was unanimous in all decisions reached. From my point of view, this was extremely gratifying. The Bowling Club Board which was elected unopposed will now, for the ensuing twelve months, assume the role and responsibilities of the newly created Bowls Management Committee (BMC), a committee set up by the Board along parallel lines to the Golf Management Committee. I will Chair this Committee and will continue to attend Catalina Board meetings, reporting to the Board on bowling activities, until the position is permanently filled at the AGM in 2011.

By-laws have been approved by the Board to regulate bowling activities at the Sports & Leisure Club and, as well, the Board has approved the creation of two sub-clubs, namely, Batemans Bay Men's Bowling Club and Batemans Bay Women's Bowling Club. These latter sub-clubs are currently, at the request of the BMC and CEO, working on proposed budgets for the next twelve months. Upon finalisation of these budgets, the Board will agree on a percentage of green fees to assist with funding of bowling activities but the sub-clubs will be fund raising in order to cover the shortfall.

One of the first initiatives of the BMC will be to organise a promotion day early in the new year with a view to recruiting new bowlers – watch this space!

The former bowling club has been given a reprieve and we are extremely lucky that Catalina came to our rescue. It is now up to all members to work hard together to forge forward into the future with renewed vigour and energy and to re-build the bowling side up to former levels whilst Richard and the Board concentrate on developing and growing the business side.

Personally, I thank all members, Richard, our CEO, Barrie and the Catalina Board for all your help and assistance over the past 18 months and for making the amalgamation a fait accompli.

We can all now enjoy a **MERRY CHRISTMAS** and a **HAPPY NEW YEAR**.

From a relieved – Pat Bill, now Chairperson, Bowls Management Committee

Batemans Bay Women's Bowls News

We are nearing the end of this year's bowling competitions with our end of year Christmas Party to be held on the December 13th. This special day is a major fun day, and we all let our hair down with a game of bowls with a lot of dancing and singing on the greens, we then sit for a full special Xmas Lunch, a huge Raffle where the proceeds go to the local churches, and then the usual show stoppers on stage. Apart from the usual Championships held throughout the year, in September we were hosts for the distinguished Nader Shield from 20th to 22nd, section winners were Turross Head, Malua Bay, and Batemans Bay. Other competitors came from Narooma, Moruya, Dalmeny, Bodalla/Braidwood, Tomakin and Bermagui. Then in October Batemans Bay were the winners of the Far South Coast Eurobodalla Shield with 3 teams coming in 1st, 2nd & 3rd placings. Our last Major Championship was the 'Queen of the Green' held on the 16th November, and this year was won by Gay Biggs. Congratulations Gay. (photo below). Our Selectors have gone through the process of selecting teams for our District Pennant which begins in February 2011. We have 5 teams each with 2 sides. This is a very enjoyable time of catching up with dear friends we have made over time, up and down the coast, but, at the same time brings out our competitive side. On November the 23rd, a special day was held for our beloved Patrons, Mrs Carmel Elliott and Mrs Vera Willson, (Photo below) these ladies have a long history in our Bowling Club and are loved by all. Our new Ladies Bowls Coach is Suzan Morgan, congratulations Sue, we wish you a very happy and successful time. Bowls resumes on the Tuesday 11th



BAREFOOT BOWLS

Great idea for your Christmas Party or to entertain your visitors this summer!

\$8 per person or \$25 per family (over 12 years) - From 10am - Bookings essential

Includes complimentary drink.