

# Kingaroy Golf Club News

20 May 2026

## Club Championships

Club Championships are proving quite popular this year, with a field of over 60 men and 20 women, enjoying 4 rounds of stroke play. After the final round this Sunday, the club will provide nibbles so members can relax and enjoy refreshments while waiting for the field to finish play. We hope you can join us at Kingaroy Golf Club this coming Sunday.

## Practice Fairway Conditions of Use



A **Conditions of Use** sign has been erected at the practice fairway. It stipulates expected behaviour, and by limiting adult club use to 7 iron, it should also assist in keeping golf balls on the range, away from No 10 fairway and not over the fence into the paddock.

## Multi Tee Competitions

From 3 June, the committee is pleased to offer multi tee competitions for men and women in all club events with the exception of Monthly Medals, Championships and other Honour Board Events. This is becoming usual practice in many golf clubs, where golfers choose the tee they wish to play from to suit their abilities and enjoyment. Handicaps will change depending on which tee blocks a golfer elects to play from, thereby preserving the integrity of our competitions and handicapping.



## Club Marshall

In response to member feedback expressing concerns about the flow of golf during busy competition times,

the management committee has decided to trial using a Course Marshall to manage social and competition play on selected days. At this preliminary stage, the committee is looking for club members who might be interested in this role, possibly for a couple of hours on a Saturday or Sunday. It is planned that payment, in the form of a club voucher for use at the usual town businesses, would be offered. If interested, please contact club secretary Jane Franklin.

## R & A Women In Golf Charter



**In June 2025, Kingaroy Golf Club became a signatory to the R & A Women in Golf Charter.**

For the past 11 months, a wonderful group of club members has been working to cement our club as a modern inclusive club where golf is for everyone, thereby encouraging more women and girls to play and work in golf. Sincere thanks to Sharon, Yvonne, Catherine, Susan, Veronnica, Allyson, Flint, Ally, Jane and Chris. Initiatives have included designing a Kingaroy Golf Club Welcome Pack, providing a free group golf lesson for new members, holding a Shopping Centre display and Chip 'n Sip golfing afternoons. There has also been work done on policy review to encourage more women into committee roles at our club.

**Recently, Virginia Irwin, Golf Australia's R & A Women in Golf Charter Manager, congratulated the club on a fantastic year, and invited us to work with her on developing the 2026 Kingaroy Golf Club Action Plan.**

Any club member who would like to join the Kingaroy Women in Golf Charter Working Group would be most welcome. We will begin the year with an on-line meeting with Virginia to develop our 2026 Action Plan. This is a very worthwhile and enjoyable voluntary activity, and club member ideas and input would be

appreciated. If interested, please contact Club Secretary Jane Franklin.

### Friday Competitions

Friday competitions are proving to be very successful for the club, with both playing numbers and numbers of people staying for the late afternoon "Jag the Joker Putt" increasing. Thank you to our club Captains and President for managing Friday comps.

### Clubhouse News



Bar staff have been instructed to check \$50 notes carefully in response to a suspected counterfeit note.

### Nudgee Day 2026

15 Kingaroy members ventured to Nudgee Golf Course on Sunday 3rd May to play in the biannual Nudgee vs Kingaroy Challenge. Our Kingaroy players were very competitive; however, Nudgee were the victors of the club challenge by a narrow margin. The men's individual winner was Jim Fagg from Nudgee. Kingaroy's Mary McInnes won the women's event. Thank you to the members who travelled to this event and we look forward to the rematch on the 9th August at Kingaroy Golf Course.

### South Burnett Invitational



102 men and 21 women played in the South Burnett Invitational on 3 and 4 May. Once again, huge thanks to the sub-committee who managed this event. (We are fortunate to have many people putting in a great deal of personal time to ensure our club runs smoothly.) There was a lot of positive comment and enjoyment of our golf course, and the hard work and

expertise of our volunteers was acknowledged and appreciated.

### Junior News

How wonderful to see 6 junior golfers playing in the Club Championships this year. Well done Abby, Max, Blake, Flint, Aaron and James. Thank you to our members for making them feel welcome.

Thanks also to members for their recent generous donations of practice balls and new golf balls. With 41 enrolments in this term's MyGolf program, the juniors will put these to good use.



### Rules Corner

An idea was recently suggested by a member that the newsletter contain a Kingaroy Golf Club rule puzzle for thought and discussion, with a definitive response given in the following newsletter.

Question: Would you request a free drop from your marker if your ball came to rest beside the tree stump in the photo below.



Consider the following: Is the white stake in the centre of the tree stump a GUR stake, even though there is no repair work being undertaken in this location?

Is a tree stump under 1 metre tall classed as a tree or shrub under 1 metre tall, in which case it would be a No Play Zone?

