

# **Byron Bay Lady Golfers 2025 Programme**



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## **OUR GOLF PROFESSIONAL**

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MARCH		
Tue	04	Welcome Back Teams - Stableford best 2 ex 4
Thu	05	Stableford – Start of Eclectic, Birdies, Pars and Gobblers
Mon	10	<i>Woodburn Evans Head Open Day</i>
Tue	11	Stableford
Thu	13	Stableford
Mon	17	<i>Lismore Vets Open Day</i>
Tue	18	Irish Stableford Teams of 4 (or 3)
Thu	20	<b>‘Young Henrys’ Medal Round 1</b>
Tue	25	Captain v President Matchplay & 1 <sup>st</sup> Round of Matchplay Knock-out
		<i>Kyogle Open Day</i>
Thu	27	Stableford + Matchplay?



### **2025 Ladies NTPs – All-in**

**Tuesdays: both first shot:  
5<sup>th</sup> Loft, 12<sup>th</sup> Pro Pin**

**Thursdays: both second shot:  
8<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> Ballina Car Wash**

APRIL		
Tue	01	Stableford (+ Matchplay?)
		<i>Burleigh Open Day</i>
Thu	03	Stableford (+ Matchplay?)
Tue	08	Tuesday Teams
		<i>Coolangatta Tweed Heads Open Day</i>
Thu	10	Stableford (+ Matchplay?)
Tue	15	Stableford (+ Matchplay?)
Thu	17	4BBB Stableford
Tue	22	<b>'Young Henrys'</b> Medal Round 2
Thu	24	Stableford
Mon	28	<i>WGNR Pennant Starts</i>
Tue	29	Stableford

**DID YOU KNOW? Stableford Scoring** was introduced by Dr Frank Barney Gorton Stableford. It was first used informally at the Glamorganshire Golf Club in Wales in 1898, and then first used in competition at Wallesey Golf Club in England in 1932.

In this scoring method, golfers earn points based on the number of shots taken per hole, and unlike traditional scoring the goal is to have the highest score.

It was introduced to deter recreational golfers from giving up their round after having one or two 'bad' holes with gross scoring. Plus, it has the added benefit of speeding up play, as players pick up when they cannot score and move on to the next hole.

It is a very popular format at club level in Australia and the UK, much less so in the USA.

MAY		
Thu	01	Stableford
		<i>Ballina Tournament (1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup>)</i>
Tue	06	Keno Let's Play Ambrose (Pairs)
Thu	08	Stableford
Tue	13	Tuesday Teams
Thu	15	<b>'Young Henrys' Medal Round 3</b>
Fri	16	<i>Casino Ladies Beef Week Open Day</i>
Tue	20	<b>Foursomes Championships 27 holes</b>
Thu	22	Stableford
Tue	27	4BBB Stableford
		<i>Ballina Vets Open Day</i>
Wed	28	<i>Grafton May Tournament (28<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>)</i>
Thu	29	v Par

### **RULES IN ACTION: 'Stroke and Distance' – What is it?**

At **any time** during your round, you may take **Stroke and Distance relief**. This means **adding one penalty stroke and playing your ball (or another ball) from where the previous stroke was made**. So:

1. At BB: Your tee shot off the 2<sup>nd</sup> tee goes into the pond in front of the tee. One of your options (and probably the best option) is to replay your shot off the tee. This means you will now be playing your 3<sup>rd</sup> shot and as you are re-playing your shot, YES you can hit it off the tee.
2. You shank your 3<sup>rd</sup> shot into a green-side bunker and have a very bad lie in the bunker. 'One' option is to replay your shot ie from the original spot; with a penalty you will now be hitting 5.

For further examples on 'Stroke and Distance' see Rules 17, 18 & 19.

JUNE		
Tue	03	<b>Eden at Byron</b> Stableford + Vets Shield R1 Stableford
Thu	05	Vets Shield R2 Stableford
Tue	10	<b>‘Young Henrys’</b> Medal Round 4
		<i>WGNR Foursomes Champs at Murwillumbah</i>
Thu	12	Stableford
Tue	17	Tuesday Teams Ladies Bi-annual meeting at 7.45am
Thu	19	4BBB Stableford
Tue	24	Stableford
		<i>Maclean Vets Open Day</i>
Thu	26	Stableford
		<i>Mullumbimby Open Day</i>

**READY GOLF** was introduced with the specific goal of speeding up play, so making the game more attractive and enjoyable.

**Ready golf** means playing when you are **ready** and not waiting for the ‘old-fashioned’ farthest from the hole plays first.

**Ready golf** means **thinking ahead** so that you’re ready to play.

So, for example:

- when the player farthest away has a difficult shot and is assessing options
- playing your shot before helping to look for a lost ball
- shorter hitters playing whilst a longer hitter waits to play

Where possible, advise your fellow players that you will play first.

*And:* unless you will distract another player always try to proceed to your ball and get **ready** to play your shot.

+ The R&A advises a golf shot should not take longer than 40 seconds.

JULY		
Tue	01	<b>Huxley Insurance</b> Team of 3 Stableford – best 2 to multiply
Thu	03	Stableford
Mon	07	<i>WGNR 3 player Team Event at Iluka</i>
Tue	08	WGNR 4BBB v Par Club Qualifier
Thu	10	Stableford
Tue	15	Stableford
Thu	17	4BBB Stableford
Tue	22	<b>Byron Bay Property Sales Ladies Championships Round 1</b> <b>‘Young Henry’s Medal Round 5</b>
Thu	24	<b>Ladies Championships Round 2</b> <b>‘Young Henry’s Medal Round 6</b>
Fri	25	<i>Casino Vets Open Day – 2Ball Aggregate</i>
Mon	28	<i>Iluka Open Day</i>
Tue	29	<b>Ladies Championships Round 3</b>
Thu	31	<b>Ladies Championships Round 4</b>
		<i>Banora Open Day</i>

### **GOLF ETIQUETTE: Silence is Golden**

Golf is as much a mental game and as it is a game of skills. Hence players should always show consideration for others by:

- not talking while a fellow player is taking their shot (or preparing to). This is especially important on the tee as players await their turn; and notably as groups may gather around the 1<sup>st</sup> tee waiting to tee-off
- making sure your mobile phone, or any electronic device, is not a distraction

*Etiquette in golf is a set of guidelines aimed at ensuring the game is played fairly, safely and enjoyably for all.  
For more tips see the inside back cover of this booklet.*

AUGUST		
Sun	03	<i>NRDGA Mixed Foursomes at Woodburn</i>
Mon	04	<i>Woodburn Evans Head Vets Open Day</i>
Tue	05	Back-Up Day for Ladies Championships
Thu	07	Stableford
		<i>Mount Warning Classic Murwillumbah (7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>)</i>
Tue	12	<b>Katrina Beohm Real Estate Day</b>
Thu	14	Stableford
Tue	19	Stableford
Thu	21	<b>The Cellar Invitation/Open Day 4BBB</b>
Mon	26	<i>Lismore Spring Tournament (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>)</i>
Tue	26	Wallace Shield at Ballina 9-hole Stableford at Byron (course renos*)
Thu	28	Stableford

\* Course renovations are scheduled to start on 26 August. The programme may be subject to change.

### **More on READY GOLF:**

**Ready Golf** applies everywhere on the golf course so on the tees and greens as well as on the fairways. So:

**On the Tee:** The first to arrive at the tee should **hit off straightaway** if it is safe to do so. *And* then mark your scorecard whilst others are hitting off.

**On the Green:** Try to **survey your putt** whilst others are considering/making their putts. Then **Ready Golf** means putting **continuously** if the ball is not on someone else's line. And if you're waiting for others to arrive on the green **go ahead** and putt; especially with the 'Flag-in' rule.

SEPTEMBER		
Tue	02	9-hole Stableford (fairway renovations*) <i>Kyogle Charity Day</i>
Thu	04	Stableford
Tue	09	Course closed – greens renovations*
Thu	11	Stabrose
Tue	16	4BBB Stableford
Thu	18	Stableford
Fri	19	<i>Casino Inter-Club Team of 5</i>
Mon	22	<i>Maclean Tournament (22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>)</i>
Tue	23	Tuesday Teams
Thu	25	Stableford
Sun	28	<i>Keno Ambrose Regional Final at Yamba</i>
Tue	30	<b>‘Young Henrys’ Medal Round 7</b>

\* Course renovations are scheduled for late August/early September. The programme may be subject to change as these renovations proceed.

+ Some fun days may be designated ‘2-putt’ days.

+ An ‘Away’ Trip is in the pipeline for early-mid September.

### **GOLF RULES MYTHS: Lost Ball**

There is sometimes a belief that you can ‘declare your ball lost’ - but you cannot.

A ‘Lost Ball’ is defined as: *a ball that is not found in three minutes after the player or their caddie (or the player’s partner or partner’s caddie) begins to search for it.*

In the ‘dim and distant’ past you were able to declare that your ball was beyond salvation and say so, but now the lost ball definition continues with: *A ball does not become **lost** as a result of the player declaring it to be lost.*

When your ball is lost you must take ‘Stroke and Distance’ relief - see Rule 18 (+ turn back to our May page).



OCTOBER		
Thu	02	Stableford
Tue	07	<b>Loft Golf Day</b>
Thu	09	Stableford
Mon	13	<i>Yamba Tournament (13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>)</i>
Tue	14	Stableford
Thu	16	v Par
Tue	21	2 person Ambrose
		<i>Burleigh Charity Day</i>
Thu	23	<b>'Young Henrys'</b> Medal Round 8
Fri	24	<i>Grafton Jacaranda Open Day 4BBB</i>
Tue	28	Pink Ball Team Stableford
Thu	30	Stableford End of Eclectic, Birdie, Par and Gobblers
Fri	31	<i>WGNR 4BBB v Par Final at Maclean</i>

### **THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME:**

Golf is played, for the most part, without the supervision of a referee or umpire. The game relies on the integrity of the individual to show consideration for other players and to abide by the Rules. All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be. This is the spirit of the game.

(Courtesy of: The R&A, St Andrews)

NOVEMBER		
Tue	04	Melbourne Cup Stableford
Thu	06	Byron Bay Tournament: Stroke and Stableford
Fri	07	Byron Bay Tournament: 4BBB Stableford
Mon	10	<i>Ocean Shores Tournament (10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>)</i>
Tue	11	Tuesday Teams
Thu	13	Stableford
Tue	18	Hamper Day Stableford BBQ + 2025 Season Presentations
Thu	20	4BBB Stableford
Tue	25	Stableford
Thu	27	Ladies AGM at 7.45am
		Hart Ball Teams of 4

DECEMBER		
Tue	02	Mystery Stableford
Thu	04	Stableford
Tue	09	Ladies Christmas Lunch
Thu	11	Summer Golf begins

As you walk down the fairway of life you must smell the roses, for you only get to play one round. *Ben Hogan*